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BATTLE-HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC



Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
He is tramping out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps;
His day is marching on.

I have read a fiery gospel writ in burnished rows of steel;
"As ye deal with my contemners, so with you my grace shall deal;
Let the Hero, born of woman, crush the serpent with his heel;
Since God is marching on."

He hath sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment-seat;
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him! Be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.

In beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me;
As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on.

—Julia Ward Howe.

A New Year's Message

By BISHOP CLARE PURCELL

Grateful appreciation is hereby registered for all the cards and other greetings which have come to our home during these Yuletide days. It seems almost trite to say "Happy New Year!" especially when the future seems so uncertain as it does in the first days of 1942. But this ancient salutation still cheers and charms us, and I send to every home in the Charlotte Area my sincere good wishes for a truly Happy New Year.

Now that we are at war we must necessarily make certain adjustments to the situation which will give us a sense of balance and spiritual poise. We have now had time to come from under the stunning shock of the almost incredible news of the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7. It behooves us all to keep a steady nerve and a calm mind in the presence of unprecedented world conditions. We must see everything in true perspective. Calmness must prevail.

Midst all the noise and clamor of war through which we must pass in the future, let us not lose sight of the main issue. We can all now see clearly that this issue is HUMAN FREEDOM. Heretofore there may have been place for academic debating of the issue of war or peace, but now this issue is dead for us. It is no longer a question of whether some other nation or race may have its freedom, but it is now a question of our own freedom. Certainly we hate war in all its processes in which sin seems to reach its supreme manifestation. But we cannot accept the philosophy of the totalitarian way of life, and we would prefer even war to the peace of slavery and death. This is the supreme issue now being determined on a score of battle fronts. The outcome will inevitably determine our own future as a nation, and it will determine our future as individual human beings. Keep the issue clear in all our thinking. The Council of Bishops in a message to the church recently stated that "between these alternative ways of life there is no place, practically or morally, for compromise; nor any refuge in neutrality. Refusal to face the issue is to acquiesce in tyranny and, in effect, to aid the aggressive enemy."

How shall we order our prayers during these days? Certainly we shall pray more than we ever have in the past. Is it proper to pray for peace? Certainly it is if we mean a peace that is based upon justice and love and not upon slavery and death. Is it proper to pray for victory. Certainly it is if our cause is just and within the will of God. I can see no impropriety in praying for peace with victory—provided we purpose to establish a well ordered peace in which all peoples shall have their rightful claims recognized. May we pray for our armies? Certainly we may and should. Perhaps our prayers are all most of us can give our soldiers and sailors. The President and all his advisers should come within the compass of our prayers. Our prayers must also ascend for our ENEMIES—not that they may succeed, but that they may be led into the light, and that their leaders may be directed to seek the truth as it is in Christ Jesus.

Great care should be exercised and the finest restraints observed in our attitudes toward people in our own land who are of foreign birth or extraction. Most of them are loyal Americans else they would not have come here. It is easy to suspect a foreigner when he is as loyal as we ourselves. Let us remind ourselves often that good Christian people live in many countries. Japan perhaps now claims as a citizen the outstanding Christian of our day —Kagawa. Germany has given us Martin Luther and some of the greatest interpreters of Christianity since apostolic days. Let us pray for them that their influence may continue Christian.

Above all, let us not lose our sense of world brotherhood. The kingdom of God on earth has been the governing objectives of our missionary endeavor for hundreds of years. The beloved world-community is the only hope of a warless world. As one of our great Christian leaders recently said, "It is simple truth that in our shattered world there remains only one unshattered, undaunted, resolute world community of men and women: it is the world-wide movement of Protestant and Orthodox Christendom." In this faith the Madras Conference affirmed, "By faith, but in deep assurance, we declare that this body which God has fashioned through Christ CANNOT be destroyed."

Therefore this is no time for a retreat in the strategy of God's church. Our best strategy is a spiritual offensive. Every area of the life of the church should be vitalized with new power. Our religion should be so real to us that this unbelieving, confused generation may be convinced that Christ is our only hope. Our service in pulpit and pew should be so instant and sacrificial that the very largest spiritual results may follow. Let us advance all along the line.

Times of war and distress present to the church its best opportunity. Men's minds are turned to eternal things, to God and to heaven. Blessed is the church that sees its day of holy adventure.

"O God, we pray for thy church, which is set today amid the perplexities of a changing order, face to face with a great new task. When we compare her with all human institutions, we rejoice, for there is none like unto her. But when we judge her by the mind of her Master, we bow in contrition. Oh, baptize her afresh in the life-giving spirit of Jesus! Put upon her lips the ancient gospel of her Lord. Fill her with the prophet's scorn of tyranny, and with a Christlike tenderness for the heavy-laden and downtrodden. Bid her cease from seeking her own life, lest she lose it. Make her valiant to give up her life to humanity that, like her crucified Lord, she may mount the path of the cross to her higher glory. Amen."

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Evidently the pastors of North Carolina Methodism mean business this new year. The number who are requesting lists of Advocate subscribers indicate that they mean to make larger use of the religious press than in former years. They are starting early to get the help of the church paper in the homes of the people. Great is the power of the printing press.

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The invincibility of the church with its stores of spiritual resources has been the wonder of the ages. In the first centuries "the blood of the martyrs was the seed of the church." Imprisonment and scourgings made the work of St. Paul dynamic. In the midst of "these light afflictions" he sent up a shout that has reverberated across the centuries. What are our resources?

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Winston Churchill has often referred to the time when the allies would be ready for the offensive, instead of the military defense they are forced to make. We are not yet sure when that hour will come. But we do know that the time now is for a spiritual offensive. This is the best strategy of God's church at all times. Every element of the life of the church should be vitalized with fresh spiritual power. Our spiritual offensive is overdue. Let the whole line advance to the conquest.

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Our thoughts follow the boys as they leave home. Many Testaments are going to them in the camps and earnest prayers go heavenward as we are left behind to carry on. To keep the home fires burning and to give the best we have in producing supplies for the soldiers in camp and field demand our serious endeavors. Then, too, we would do the best we can to make sure the future for those who may return. We would hold fast to the things that endure and anchor our faith within the soil—hoping for notable victories at home and beyond the seas.

In our churches too often we coax our people for scraps of time and energy. Pathetic pleas are made for a few dimes and dollars. Such know nothing of the heroic days that could boast of the blood of the martyrs. Life has been so easy that the highest Christian virtues have become atrophied. These win no victories.

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Darkness gathers across the world and we hear much of blackouts. But our peril here in North Carolina is not physical darkness but the spiritual blackout threatens in the midst of our ease and complacency. The Christian church must so hold aloft the Christ—who is the light of the world—that spiritual blackouts become impossible. Keep the lights ablaze above every altar and on every hearthstone.

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American mothers in former years taught their sons to aspire to the Presidency of the United States. That was a big star in the high heavens to which those lads hitched their wagons. But these laudable ambitions were infinitely better than to plan for a beggar's place on the rolls of federal relief with the complaint that there is no opening in this country for a poor boy—a thing all too common in recent years when thrift and industry are penalized in order to feed those who are unwilling to work.

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We are sending our boys away to camp and overseas to save the American way of life. Are we going to keep so true and faithful to the highest and noblest of our best days that our boys will have something worthwhile to return to? Their young hearts are beating brave and strong. Are the spiritual currents to be kept flowing deep and full in our American churches? The government is looking out for the material supplies. Will the spiritual leaders in our churches see that the spiritual tides are at the brim? Here lies our sure defense.

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Nineteen Forty-two

WE stand upon the threshold of a new year. Ours is a world at war. The parliament of man and the federation of the world appears little more than a far off dream. Instead of ploughshares made of swords the world is spending everything for bombing planes, battleships and other instruments of death and destruction. But it is not an hour for anyone to be fainthearted or afraid. This would only make bad matters worse.

Times like these call for courage and fortitude. There are urgent demands upon every man and woman. There is hard work to do. Many of us may be called upon to suffer. There will be blood and sweat and tears awaiting many of us. Shall we prove able for these things becomes a question that presses upon one and all for an answer. Our fathers in the hard days of our early history met bravely and successfully the demands made upon them and we believe that their children will prove worthy of them. In fact, we believe more strongly in the present generation than any that have gone before.

Let us, therefore, with calmness and confidence meet the problems of this new year. Instead of bemoaning our fate, let us rather rejoice that there is hard work to do and that we are able to do it. A business man ought to be a better business man, a preacher should be a better preacher, and whatever job has been thrust upon you address yourself to the task with a determination to succeed in a large way.

Those Barbarians of Japan

THE treacherous and murderous attacks of Japan upon Pearl Harbor and defenseless Manila has so stirred the American people that the wrath of many has reached the boiling point. The people of these United States are lovers of peace and disposed to think well of other peoples till forced to do otherwise. But recent events has put these treacherous Japs beyond the pale of civilization in the public mind. And this is not an occasion for surprise. Yet we should remember that they are only following out upon us what they have been visiting upon China and what Hitler has showered upon Europe and England.

It seems to us that the judgments of a righteous God should be visited upon such criminals. And it may be that we are the appointed instruments to administer such punishment. But we should not be too sure of it, for we have been selling scrap iron to Japan to use in bombing China and possibly some of it has fallen upon Pearl Harbor and Manila. Furthermore, we have been buying silk from Japan while Chinese bore their sufferings at the hands of these criminals.

We Americans may have to do quite a bit of repenting before God can use us to scourge Japan. While we have not been altogether blameless, our righteousness may be sufficient to give us the victory. If Japan in four years could not conquer China, how can she in her unspeakable unrighteousness take on the United States, Great Britain, the Dutch, and perhaps Russia and win?

The First Month

THE Hebrews made much of the month Abib, which was the first month of the year. "This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you." This was the month in which they came out of Egypt, the month for the celebration of the feast of the Passover. We have our first month—the beginning of months—of the year, as do all people who reckon times of days and months and years.

January is the first month of the year for us of the western world. In secular life and in the business world it is a time of beginnings in many ways. For us Methodists here in North Carolina it is a time for serions efforts in the year's undertakings. Since the enlarged circulation of our Advocate contributes to the success of every other interest of the church, January has been fixed as "Advocate month." A special undertaking is to be given to the circulation of our church literature. Our officials in the churches must be informed as to the work before us, and our homes need the visits of the church paper as a silent and helpful presence. The pastors should welcome the church paper as an assistant pastor to enter the home each week. He himself cannot do that, no matter how diligent he may be.

Make this first month of the year a great month, then we may be sure that such a start will be made for all causes that will tell mightily for the success of the whole year. The pastors and the churches accustomed to loiter at their tasks through all the best days cherishing the false hope that all will be well in the end are certainly doomed to failure. A fine start in any undertaking is always an assur-

ance of success. Especially true is this in church work. "Diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord" is the divine qualification.

This first month of the year came the Hebrews out of bondage. Fortunate will we be to make January our Abib, the month when we come out of bondage, assured that the hand of the Lord has led us. The stress this new year should be put upon God's guidance.

A Story of the Middle Ages for 1942

A POOR barefooted man came to the gate of a monastery and, finding all the monks at work, gravely shook his head and remarked to the abbot: "Labor not for the meat which perisheth. Did not the Master say: 'Mary hath chosen the good part?' "

"Come in," said the abbot, and forthwith he ordered the newcomer to be taken to a cell and provided with a book of prayers with which to occupy his time. There he remained, wondering increasingly, as the hours passed, that no one had offered him any refreshment. At last, driven by hunger, he left his cell and sought out the abbot. "Father," he said, "do not the brothers eat today?" "Oh, yes," said the abbot, with a quiet smile playing over his aged face, "they have eaten plenteously." "Then how is it, father," asked the stranger, "that you did not call me to partake with them?" "For the simple reason," said the abbot, "that you are a spiritual man, and have not need of carnal food. For our part, we are obliged to eat, and on that account to work; but you, brother, who have chosen 'the good part,' you sit and read all the day long, and are above the want of 'the meat that perisheth!' "

The foregoing story is an excellent sermon for this new year, particularly for all those who mistake laziness for piety and who misquote the Holy Scriptures to suit their personal inclinations. An empty stomach is the only thing that can teach some people industry and common sense.

The Will to Win

THE will to win implies action and determination. Along with this determination for conquest goes emotional inclinations and the proper attitude to life and the world. Intelligence and gumption furnish the guidance and sufficient wisdom essential to the selection of the best methods for success. In other words, the will gives driving power to the machinery of life. Then success is expected to crown the undertakings of those who count life a privilege rather than a burden to be borne or punishment to be endured.

The lazy, the indolent, the sloven for whom life is a burden ever fear the lion in the way. Instead of facing opposition with a determined front, born of a will to win, they falter and fail.

The Christian of the apostolic age was one diligent in business and fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. That was the day of the great athletic games and the athletes were held up as examples for the early churches. A group of modern Christians with the spirit of determination and noble heroism of some of our modern football teams would win victories that would startle the world. They would wear the wreath of victory. What would the present day pastor give for such a group with such a will to win?

A Great and Good Woman Gone

MRS. ELLEN J. Y. PREYER died at 11 o'clock Saturday night, December 27, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. N. L. Eure, in Greensboro. Eighty-six years was the measure of her earthly pilgrimage. Queenly in appearance and bearing and of great personal charm, she graced every circle that she entered. Her life was a long story of good works that she wrought for the glory of God and the good of humanity. In her young womanhood she was active in church work as an organist and leader in musical circles. Later she was one of the organizers and the first president of the woman's missionary societies of the Evangelical Church of which she was then a member in Pennsylvania. She and her husband were instrumental in establishing the first industrial school for negro boys in North Carolina. Mrs. Preyer was for 25 years treasurer of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in North Carolina and editor of the White Ribbon. These references to her services are but a hint of the fullness of her busy life.

Mrs. Preyer's greatest gift to the world, perhaps, is the family that remains to bless the world. These sons and daughters are in every way worthy of their mother who occupied such a large place in her home life and in human society.

On another page of this paper is a brief sketch of this remarkable woman.

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People and Things

Rev. G. L. Wilkinson, pastor of the McDowell circuit, sends five new subscribers to the Advocate to start off the new year on the right foot. Look out for others from McDowell before the year is far gone.

Rev. T. V. Crouse, pastor of Haw River charge, sends eight new subscribers to the Advocate. This is not the first report since conference from his new charge. He has sent them repeatedly, but it is the first for 1942.

Bishop Purcell next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock will be the speaker at vesper services of Bennett College, Greensboro. A special invitation is extended the general public to attend these services and hear the bishop's address.

Rev. W. A. Jenkins, new pastor of First Methodist church, High Point, according to reports emenating from that church is greatly pleased with his new appointment and the congregation is delighted with their new pastor.

By approval of Bishop Clare Purcell, Rev. N. L. Oliver has been appointed supply pastor of Why Not charge. He has entered upon his work and expects to move to the parsonage in January.—S. W. Taylor.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district will hold its first luncheon meeting of the new year Monday, January 5, at the S. & W. Cafeteria, Asheville, at 12:30. It is hoped that all wives will attend.—Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., Sec.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon sends $14 for new subscribers at China Grove. This is a good start for the Advocate campaign which begins with the new year and we expect it to be the best year in the history of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The Duke University school of medicine, to accelerate its course for the war emergency and produce more medical graduates, has decided to operate on a three-year basis. Previously the three-year course has been elective at Duke, but now becomes required of all students.

Boston University has advanced the date of its 1942 commencement from June 8 to May 25 and is completing arrangements to offer a 12-week summer period of study to enable school graduates to finish their college studies in three years, President Daniel L. Marsh announced in stating the university's war time policy.

We are getting off to a good start here at Central church, Spencer. We like the people, the church, the parsonage, and the town. The people have received us with warm hearts. We hope that this is going to be a good year for our church at this point. Trust that you and your staff will have a progressive and prosperous new year.—C. W. Kirby.

Dr. R. Nathaniel Dett, head of the music department at Bennett College, is represented in the recent Victor release of recordings of piano music by American composers by the Adagio Cantabile from his Cinnemon Grove Suite. The records are played by Jeanne Behrend. Dr. Dett has written the following suites for the piano: Magnolia, In the Bottoms, Enchantment, Cinnamon Grove, Tropic Winter, and Bible Vineyards, the last of which has not yet been published.

Wilson Jean Hoyle, aged twelve, is thought to be the youngest full-time pipe organist in the Methodist Church. Her home is in Virginia, Illinois, and she plays in the Methodist church there, where Rev. George Hoyle is pastor. She takes weekly organ lessons from Miss Ruth Melville, teacher of organ at MacMurray's College for Women in Jacksonville. Because she is tall for her age, she can reach the organ pedals easily and plays the hymns and anthems without difficulty.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove, on December 18, at the Rowan Memorial Hospital in Salisbury, a daughter named Nancy Leila. Mrs. Weldon is the former Miss Margaret Lyles of Darlington, S. C., and Mr. Weldon is a former associate minister of Centenary church in Winston-Salem, and is now the minister of First church in China Grove.

The New Republic gives the following suggestion as to the way to secure a full church: "Invite the news reporters and cameramen to your meeting and when they come give them a show of which they can take photographs. Fall on your back and talk in unknown tongues. The next night fall on your stomach and have pictures taken." Of course The New Republic was using sarcasm.

In their fourth annual lectureship Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas, had as their speaker Dr. Rollin H. Walker, professor emeritus on English Bible of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, O., and author of the Bible column in the N. C. Christian Advocate. Titles of some of the lectures over the five day period were: "The Vitamins of Holy Writ," "Lenses that Correct Our Holy Vision," "The Realism of the Bible," and "The Teachings of Jesus Concerning Prayer."

We are getting off to a happy start in our second year at Yanceyville. Shady Grove church has been painted on the exterior recently. A new forced warm air heating system is being installed in Bethel church. The exterior work on the Yanceyville church is about completed. Each church now operates on the unified budget system. The World Service is being met monthly. Nineteen of our 27 stewards now receive the Advocate. This will be 100 per cent within a few more days.—J. V. Early.

The first Sunday in November, at the 11 o'clock service, the members of historic Asbury Memorial church, Asheville, raised in cash contributions and pledges enough money to pay off the indebtedness on the church building. Our bishop, Dr. Clare Purcell, has promised to lead us in a service of dedication June 14. Considerable improvements have been made on the parsonage. The budget of the church is being balanced monthly. Mrs. Taylor and I have received a number of valuable and attractive gifts from the church since we began our fellowship here. For these expressions of love we are truly grateful.—Ralph H. Taylor.

Due to an emergency education and defense conference of 1200 college presidents which the government has called to meet in Baltimore on January 3-4, all educational gatherings scheduled for Cleveland, Ohio, for the week of January 5 have been transferred to Baltimore. The executive committee of the Association of Schools and Colleges of The Methodist Church, therefore, announces that the association composed of the presidents and other administrative officers of our educational institutions will hold its annual session in the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland, instead of in Cleveland, as originally planned.

Mr. Firestone, who is an authority on automobile tires, in writing of the present lack of rubber on account of the war, tells how to prolong the life of auto tires. He lays emphasis upon slow driving as one of the ways, and perhaps the most important, to prolong the life of auto tires. Let us add that at the same time slow driving will prolong human life. Most fatalities on the highways, both of passengers and pedestrians, are the result of fast driving. There would be some accidents if everybody drove slowly, but they would not result in fatalities. Somebody has been driving fast, too fast for safety, when there are deaths upon the highways from accidents.

William H. Maness, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Maness of Jackson, N. C., was recently commissioned an ensign in the Air Corps of the U. S. Navy. He has been assigned the position of an instructor at the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida.

The Methodist churches of Rutherford county are planning a county wide training school some time in March, the exact date to be announced later. The following courses will be taught: Methodist Church and Its Work, taught by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent of the Marion district; Senior and Young People's Work, taught by Rev. Teague Hipps of Spruce Pine; and Workers with Children, taught by Miss Alene McKenzie of Chapel Hill, using the book, "The Child's Approach to Religion."

What will Hitler do now? Evidence is rapidly accumulating that Hitler is really in serious difficulty. So startling, in fact, is the news coming from Russia, from Libya and from inside Germany that the American public is showing signs of increasing skepticism. It all sounds too good to be true! Yet there has been no serious attempt from Berlin to dispute the Russian claims of advances all along the eastern front or of British claims to be driving the Axis forces in precipitate retreat in north Africa. Neither has any explanation been offered for the virtual cessation of activity by the German air force or for the weak nature of the attempts to reinforce the hard-pressed troops in Libya. Russian claims that the nazis have suffered a genuine rout are obviously exaggerated; a glance at the map shows that. It does begin to look, however, as though they have been dealt a major defeat. Added to the military news is the admission made by Dr. Goebels—who was careful to announce that he was speaking by order of the fuhrer—that the Russians now surpass the German armies in both numbers and equipment.—The Christian Century.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, ASHEBORO, TO BE CLEAR OF DEBT SEPTEMBER 1, 1942

The First Methodist church of Asheboro will be clear of indebtedness by the close of the current conference year. This announcement has been made recently by Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor, and was received with a great deal of satisfaction by members of the congregation.

It was only a week before the pastor announced a drive to raise enough money by cash donations and pledges payable by September 1, 1942, to liquidate the outstanding indebtedness of $6,300 against the church property. A member of the congregation had pledged if the membership would raise the rest he would liquidate the last $1000. He, too, is more than pleased that the membership has caused him to "plank down" the thousand.

The value of the First Methodist church property, located on the corner of East Salisbury and North Fayetteville streets, is estimated at $150,000, and the property constitutes probably the best constructed and best equipped church in a town of the size of Asheboro in the entire Western North Carolina conference.

PROGRESS IN HIGH POINT DISTRICT

The new conference year is starting off well in the High Point district. Nearly all first quarterly conferences have been held, and 25 charges have increased World Service acceptances over last year. Two charges that did not make increases when conferences were held are expected yet to do so. The total increase to date is $1389. All pastors of the district, ten of whom are new, are entering upon their work thoughtfully and enthusiastically, and the new plan for financing the Children's Home is being well received throughout the district. Some charges have already paid in full the regular 10 per cent while others have paid the supplementary percentages first. Several charges have church and parsonage projects on, and a number of parsonages have been done over inside and out since the new conference year began. Two churches, Seagrove and Asheboro First, have liquidated the indebtedness on their church buildings, amounting to about $9,600. S. W. Taylor.

A MARRIAGE OF CHARM AND SIMPLICITY

In a ceremony characterized by impressive charm and simplicity before the immediate families and intimate friends, Miss Marie Fitzgerald of Harris and Mr. Matt McBrayer III of Rutherfordton were married Sunday afternoon, December 21, at 5 o'clock at the Harris Methodist church. Rev. J. B. Fitzgerald, father of the bride, officiated, using the single ring ceremony of the Methodist Church, assisted by Dr. C. S. Kirkpatrick of Marion.

The vows were spoken before the altar banked with evergreens, against which candelabra holding white candles were placed. The candles were lighted by Ernest Fitzgerald, brother of the bride.

Prior to the ceremony Miss Oneta Fitzgerald, younger sister of the bride, played "Traumerei" by Schumann, "None But the Lonely Heart" by Tchaikoysky, "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life" by Herbert, and "I Love You Truly" by Bond. The Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin was used for the processional and the Wedding March by Mendelssohn for the recessional. "Liebestraum" by Liszt was played during the ceremony. The bride and bridegroom entered together unattended. The bride wore a yellow wool gaberdine suit with brown accessories and a shoulder bouquet of yellow orchids.

There was no reception. Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for a short bridal trip.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Fitzgerald of Harris. She attended the state schools and was graduated from Greensboro College. She has done graduate work at W. C. U. N. C. and for the past two years she has taught in the McDowell county schools.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. Matt McBrayer of Rutherfordton. He attended Mars Hill College and was graduated from Western Carolina Teachers' College. He now holds a position at Radford, Va.

NEWS FROM McDOWELL CHARGE

Just a few lines from the McDowell charge to let you know we are still on the map.

We were very kindly accepted for the beginning of our second year on the charge. Beginning on Wednesday night before Thanksgiving poundings began coming in. Bethel, Trinity, Snow Hill, Pinnacle and Nebo, up to Christmas, came with turkey, chicken and all good things to aid in making Christmas bountiful and enjoyable. All of which we are thankful for and pray the blessings of God upon all having a part.

Pinnacle church has been covered, painted outside and inside; a new floor is to be added later and grounds beautified. Shrubbery has been put out and a marker put up. Markers have been put up for all churches except Nebo and it is being made. Five Sunday school rooms are ready for windows and doors at Trinity church, and the fever is getting rather high to start a new church at Bethel as soon as time and means can be provided.

A great work is to be done here by the help of God. So pray for us that a deeper spiritual interest may be developed as well as material things.

G. L. Wilkinson, Pastor.

CONFERENCE JOURNALS NEEDED

Brother pastor, if you cannot sell your 1941 conference journals, please return them to the conference secretary, 517 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, N. C., AT ONCE. The supply is exhausted and there are others calling for additional copies. Too, please remember to send the pay to E. O. Cole, treasurer—not to the secretary.

E. H. Nease.

MYERS PARK CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

The Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, was filled on Christmas Eve to hear the ancient Christmas story as told by Bishop Clare Purcell, and to partake of the Lord's Supper. The church was beautifully decorated and was lighted with candles. After the program of special Christmas music by the choir and quartet, Bishop Purcell was assisted in the serving of the Lord's Supper by the district superintendent, Dr. G. T. Bond, and by the pastor, Dr. Embree H. Blackard.

Angels of the New Year

By ERNEST WIDENHOUSE

To start at the gate of a new year and know that the old year is closing in upon us, and "what we have written, we have written, is always a solemn hour. This year the emotion will be heightened. There will be a deeper yearning to know what another year will bring forth. It is well that we can not draw back the curtain and peer out into the future. To be able to do so might paralyze all our best efforts, if it did not leave us impotent. God's goodness is manifested no less by that which he withholds than by that which he reveals. To know that God's grace will be sufficient when we come to the bridge, even though it be a bridge of sighs, is better than to have the way shown. King George VI broadcasting a New Year's message, in England's darkest hour, closed by quoting an obscure author: "I said to a man who stood by the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown,' and he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light and safer than a known way!'" This is now a fitting message for us all. Yet there are angels of the New Year to greet us and speak to us a message of hope.

The first angel that meets us at the gate is the angel of Regret. We can not refrain from taking one wistful look into the past. To do so is to open the fountain of regret. There are our sins of omission and our sins of commission. We failed to keep our promise to the men who gave their all in the last war. We promised them it was "a war to end war "and a war to make democracy safe." As soon as the firing ceased we proceeded to cancel these promises and all idealism, with which we had dressed up the war. The dominant desire was, "Normalcy," and to be given free reign to go our own selfish way. The "laissefaire" was freely granted. We went on an hilarious spree, which brought us to twenty-nine and then to thirty-three; which we then thought was the depths of despair. Now we have the rude awakening of forty-one. We have sown to the wind, we are reaping of the whirlwind. The angel of Regret meets us as we stand at the gate of the New Year. Let us be honest and confess our shortcomings and sins!

"An honest confession is good for the soul," and when it is humbly made another angel meets us at the gate. This is the angel of Reverence. Reverence leads us into the conscious presence of God and his forgiveness. At a great crisis in Israel's history—the death of King Uzziah—the young prince Isaiah went reverently into the temple to pray. He confessed his sins and the sins of the nation, of which he was a part. This was the vestibule into the Holy of Holiest, where he saw the Lord. He was filled with awe and reverence, which led to deep contrition. Then came the assurance, "Thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin is purged." With this came God's call for heroic service. "I heard the voice of the Lord saying, Whom shall I send and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me."

The angel of Regret introduced Isaiah to the angel of Courage. We need to meet this angel not only at the gate of the New Year, but become intimately acquainted with him and have him walk closely by our side through the entire year. The angel of Courage calls for heroic deeds and not mere flag waving and high sounding words. Isaiah spoke convincingly because he lived courageously. The angel of Courage walked the hard path of life with him. He had the strength of ten because his heart was pure. He had come clean with God, the nation, and his people. Let us do likewise. We will need all the courage we can summons, as we make our journey through this year. There are hidden elements in our nature and in the heart of the nation which needs to be tapped. The angel of Courage can reveal and release these unto us.

Courage will be closely followed by another angel—the angel of Service. "Here am I, send me." Many men will be "in service." May we all be in the service of God—serving his humanity—and thereby be of greatest service to our nation. Dark and stormy nights call for deep, consecrated service.

The angel of Service has a companion—the angel of Joy—who always accompanies him. No man, who serves in the spirit of the Lord, ever fails to find joy. Jesus said to those he sent out to serve, "Your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you."

Finally there is one greater than an angel, the Son of God, who not only meets us at the gate but passes from the old out into the new year with us. "Lo, I am with you always," is his promise to his disciples. The darker and stormier the night the brighter his light shines. He has passed this way before us and will walk the way again with us. He knows and cares, and can give light, because he has passed through deep waters and dark nights. Borden P. Browne said, "No man knows how dark was the night, and how deep were the waters through which the Son of God passed." How true! We too may have our Dunkerque, but if we are conscious of his presence we shall be more than conquerors.

Let us meet the angels of the new year with high resolves. If regret leads to true repentance, then thank God for the visitation. Reverence will lead us into the light of the divine. Courage will sustain us when other things fail. Service will always bring joy to us. In him who is more than an angel—the Son of God—we shall find all these combined along with other angels to safely guide and strengthen us through the year.

MY CREED

I hold such creed to be earth bound and futile
Vain breathings of a sentimental clod,
That fail to turn the face to Christ the Saviour,
Or point a hungry heart to God.

I also would be true for those who trust me,
And I too would be pure and strong and brave;
But how be all of this, or friend to friendless,
While heedless of the One who died to save?

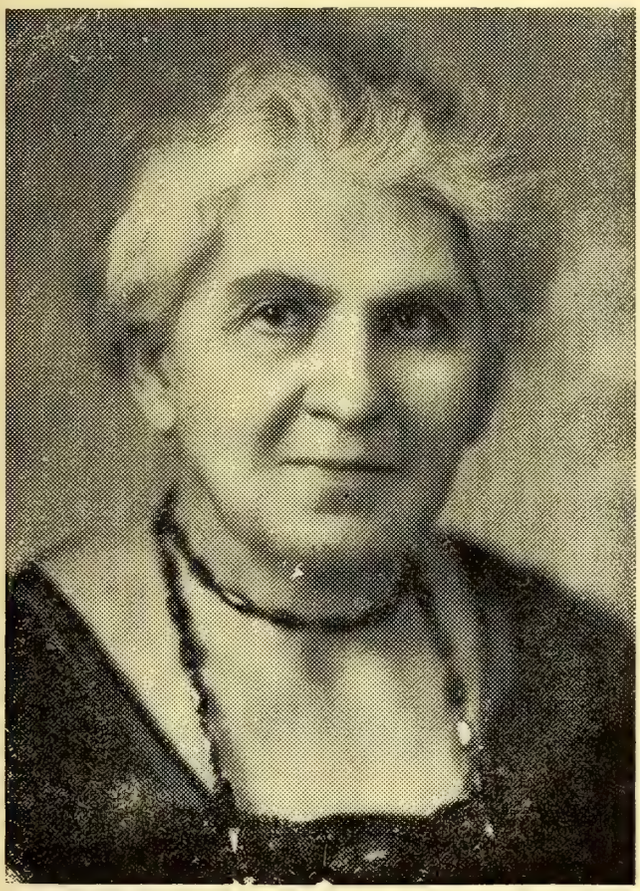
My heart is hungry for a Presence,
Some Living One to lift me from the sod;
My creed must tell of more than human doings,
My creed must lift my lonely heart to God!

—Bishop Cushman, in The Pastor's Journal.

MRS. ELLEN J. Y. PREYER

Mrs. Ellen J. Y. Preyer, one of the leading women of Greensboro who was loved and admired by a large circle of friends, died December 27 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. N. L. Eure. A chronic heart condition that resulted from her advanced age of 86 was the cause of her death.

Funeral services were held in West Market Street Methodist church, of which she had been a member for 37 years, at 11 o'clock Monday, December 29. Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of the church, assisted by Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of Greensboro College, conducted the service. Especially impressive and beautiful was the solo, "Home of the Soul," which at the request of the deceased was sung by J. Foster Barnes, a son-in-law of Mrs. Preyer and director of choral music in Duke University. A great company of friends gathered for these services and the flowers were beautiful.



Mrs. Ellen J. Y. Preyer

Mrs. Preyer, a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. William Yost, was born in 1855 in eastern Pennsylvania. In 1890 the Preyers moved from Cleveland, Ohio, to Elizabeth City, where Mr. and Mrs. Preyer were active members of the Methodist church. While in Elizabeth City Mrs. Preyer assisted Mr. Preyer in aiding negro boys and in establishing the first industrial school for Negro youths in North Carolina.

Since the death of her husband in 1904, Mrs. Preyer made her home with Judge and Mrs. N. L. Eure. While interested in everything that pertained to human betterment she gave much of her time in later years to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of which she was a trusted and valuable leader and for years edited the "White Ribbon," official organ of the W. C. T. U., and at the same time handled the finances of that organization, having been its treasurer.

She never grew old in spirit and to the last continued to be devoted to all things that interested the young. When 75 years of age she toured a large part of Europe with a college group, and when in her eighties she was one of Greensboro's most ardent football fans and attended the games.

Surviving Mrs. Preyer are two sons, W. Y. Preyer of Greensboro and New York City, president of Vick Chemical Company, and Allan T. Preyer of New Rochelle, N. Y., formerly of Greensboro, executive vice president of that firm. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Eure, Mrs. T. Frank Moffett of Greensboro, and Mrs. J. Foster Barnes, Durham. Ten grandchildren survive, nine being grandsons. They are William Y. Preyer, Jr., Lunsford Richardson Preyer, Robert O. Preyer, Norris Preyer, Freddie Preyer, Robert Moffett and Howard Moffett, all of Greensboro, and Allen T. Preyer, Jr., and Richard Preyer of New Rochelle, and Barbara Barnes of Durham. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. I. J. Cox of Evanston, Ill., who at present is in Chile with her husband, an exchange professor from Northwestern University in good-neighbor activity.

FOREST CITY STARTS WELL

The Foreset City Methodist church has started well the new year. Our pastor, Rev. Harold Gross, was returned to us for another year to the delight of the congregation.

The board of stewards did fine work in making an every member canvass and the pledges that were received covered 92 per cent of our annual budget. The board has resolved to balance the budget each quarter as they did last year.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service is progressing nicely. For its project this year, an organ has been installed in the church auditorium in November and the payments are being taken care of through the society. This was a large order for the members of the society, but the woman's society in our church has always done things in a big way. Since the organ has been installed, the music has been inspiring and has increased the attendance at the services.

The men's Bible class of our church held an oyster supper the latter part of November, having as their principal speaker Mr. Grigg, Cleveland county superintendent of schools, who brought an inspiring message to the class. More than 50 members attended and the program was enjoyed by all.

During the Christmas holidays the church joined with the other organizations of this city in distributing baskets to the underprivileged. About 75 baskets were distributed by all organizations.

A young people's service was held on Sunday evening, December 28, for the students who were at home from college. Three college students made ten-minute talks on the religious activities carried on in the colleges they attend.

In spite of the war, the church with its active forces will continue to grow and should be a source of comfort to all—both those of us who know the irony of war from another war, and those to whom war is a new experience.

E. L. Walker.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8: MATERIALS FREE FOR OBSERVANCE

February 8 will be observed this year as National Race Relations Sunday, the twentieth annual observance of the occasion. In thousands of churches appropriate sermons and addresses will be delivered, and special programs will be presented in Sunday schools, young people's meetings, and other assemblies.

As in previous years, materials useful in preparing such addresses and programs are offered free of charge by the Commission on Interracial Co-operation, with headquarters in the Standard Building, Atlanta.

Among these are "Brothers in Black," a notable sermon by Dr. J. McDowell Richards, president of Columbia Theological Seminary; "Negro Progress and Handicaps," by Dr. Guy B. Johnson, University of North Carolina; "America's Obligation to Its Negro Citizens," by Mark Ethridge, manager of the Louisville Courier-Journal; and "America's Tenth Man," 16-page survey of the Negro's part in American history. Write for Race Relations Sunday packet. There is no charge for these materials, but postage may be enclosed if convenient.

Dorothy Thompson's Attack on Prohibition Shot Through With Misinformation

"The Age of Prohibition" (by Dorothy Thompson syndicated in her "On the Record" column through the Bell Syndicate, Inc., to various daily newspapers in the United States and Canada).

Reviewed and answered by Mary Balcomb, Ph.D., (author, "Problems in Democracy"; instructor in History and Civic Studies, Harrison High School, Chicago, president (1939-1940) Chicago Council for the Social Studies; editorial staff National Forum).

In Dorothy Thompson's syndicated article on "The Age of Prohibition" she seems to have lacked much information that should have been at her command for such an article.

Her first two sentences are indeed a challenge. She says that the last twenty years might well be called "The Epoch of Prohibtion for its characteristic of them that we have sought to prosper and progress by not doing things instead of doing them."

What about the development of electrical power during the last two decades begun during the prohibition regime? The Hoover Dam, the TVA, the Booneville Dam? These gigantic undertakings, the results obtained and the possibilities visioned stagger the imagination. (1) Note this please, during the prohibition era: Life insurance per capita more than doubled—$342 in 1921 and $858 in 1919; savings deposits increased from $144 in 1920 to $233 in 1928; the death rate of infants per 1,000 births decreased 20 per cent; the number of pupils in high school almost doubled as did the number of students in colleges; there were more than six times as many washing machines in use in 1929 as in 1921, and the number of automobile registrations more than trebled.

Her second paragraph declares that a well organized minority decided to keep Americans sober by forbidding them to drink any beverages "containing more than three per cent alcohol." Now that is just too bad, three glaring misstatements as to facts in one sentence! It was one-half of one per cent, not three per cent.

The Eighteenth Amendment was passed by a larger majority of state senators and representatives elected on the issue involved than any other amendment to the constition, 85 per cent of the former and 79 per cent of the latter. And it was ratified by more states than any other amendment, 46 out of 48 states adopted it. Only two of the smallest failed to ratify, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Then talk about control by minorities!

Miss Thompson's third error in this sentence is that Americans were to be kept sober "by forbidding them to drink." Not at all: the Eighteenth Amendment hit the liquor business as a business. It forbade the "manufacture for sale" of intoxicating beverages. Anyone could make his own, and a small percentage of the people did so without the slightest interference. The mass of the people said to the wholesalers "Thou shalt not." Precedent? The Decalogue—basic, fundamental law without the general observance of which society could not function—evolved by and for adults.

Miss Thompson declares the argument of the isolationist "is a typical prohibition agreement. It is the do nothing argument." Miss Thompson is younger than I or she would have remembered how temperance people plead for riddance from the saloons that workers might spend their money for food and clothing and homes for the wife and kiddies and that places of business rendering constructive services for society might prosper. That was scarcely a "do nothing" policy.

She admits that "the saloon was tied up with politics in a most unsavory way. Obviously there had been great abuses. Right. Only it was the forces behind the saloon, the powerful brewers' and distillers' organizations that defied law, largely controlled the political parties, and, through advertising, the press. The saloon keeper was simply the hired servant through whom these powerful groups worked in local communities.

"To have regulated traffic in liquor and enforced restrictions upon it, would have been reasonable but difficult." For centuries people had tried just that, but without success. For decades before the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment, every form of restriction and regulation had been tried. Finally, local communities went "dry" only to find neighboring "wet" communities nullifying their laws. Then states passed prohibition laws, but the powerful national brewing and distilling organizations, operating from the few wet states remaining, over-rode their state barriers. The national law was the only possible answer.

"Rampant gangsterism" Miss Thompson declares was the result of prohibition. (2) A three-year study begun in 1926 by the lIlinois Association for Criminal Justice on "the administration of criminal justice, and of the causes and conditions of crime within the state" absolutely refutes this absurd statement. To quote: "Organized crime is not, as many think, a recent phenomenon in Chicago. . . . A study of over 100 cases of bombings in the last quarter century seems to justify the following classification by motive: Gambling wars, 'black hand,' political bombing, inter-racial conflict, labor union (direct action), and merchant association (racketeering)."

We "expropriated the business," says Miss Thompson. Nothing! The right of a community to protect itself from exploitation by the liquor interests had been established over and over again by the courts, from the lowest to the highest. There had been a strong prohibtion movement in the 1850's. It was stopped only by the Civil War and the sore need of the government for revenue. It was at that time the liquor interests submitted to "high license" to prevent extinction. Maine remained dry from 1850; Kansas from 1881. It was a well established principle that the liquor interests, by the very nature of their business, had no inherent rights but existed only by the suffrance of the people.

"Instead of whiskey we got rotgut." A witty remark by Miss Thompson. But who got "rotgut"? Not I, nor my friends—we got delicious fruit juices, body builders, instead of body destroyers.

Again, Miss Thompson, we got "the most drunken age America has ever known." Easy now. It so happened I was teaching (1822-1939) in a high school situated in one of the so-called foreign sections of Chicago; the second generation of Polish, Bohemian, Russian, etc. During the entire prohibition era I did not see one drunken person. A few days of repeal broke this splendid record. Other teachers in the school noted the same. As a matter of record, drinking fell off over 60 per cent during the dry era—a splendid accomplishment.

"Illegal drunkenness was the result of prohibition. Pray tell us how much better "legal" drunkenness is. One would suppose from Miss Thompson's arguments that the bootlegger and the speakeasy were born with prohibition. Facts show otherwise. Chicago with its 7,000 legalized saloons in pre-prohibition days had a third as many speakeasies. This was typical. The Pittsburgh Leader, March 14, 1907, stated that "from July 1, 1876, to July 1, 1905 (29 years), 3,763 illicit distilleries were seized in the United States."

Let Colonel Knox, now Secretary of the Navy, speak to us through his Daily News: "Repeal was urged by its sanguine supporters as the remedy for all the ills of the dry regime. The saloon was never to return; liquor was to be taken out of politics; bootlegging was to be ended; drinking was to decrease; temperance was to be promoted; furthermore, unemployment was to be mitigated greatly; new revenue was to roll into state and federal treasuries in vast

sums, and the nation was to be saved many millions in the cost of enforcement.

"None of the promises has been fulfilled. The saloon is back, liquor is in politics, bootlegging continues, drinking has increased, unemployment is worse, the revenue returns to the state treasury are far below the hopeful estimate of 1933, and the cost of fighting the illicit trade is still burdensome."

I think Miss Thompson forgot herself at least once. She says, "Prohibition is not the American way." A few sentences later, "And, incidentally, we didn't make America by avoiding war. We made it by raising the emblem of the rattlesnake and the cry, "Don't step on me"—a prohibition pure and simple!

Miss Thompson challenges the claim often made that "There was a problem of over-production," and "production must be curtailed." Incidentally, I do too. But when she claims that this was "the prohibition mentality" we part company. The liquor traffic is a parasite using materials such as corn and barley that are needed to produce food for the people, a source of health and happiness, not one of disease and misery.

And what shall we label the mentality that protects a a business whose consequences are often disastrous? Many read of the Rushville (Indiana) bus disaster. According to the account of the Chicago Tribune, November 16, the bus driver and eight passengers were killed. The driver of the auto which caused the accident was drunk. Yes, the law promptly arrested him for drunken driving; it had, less than a week before, fined him for drunkenness. The law had not been evaded, but nine innocent persons lost their lives. What shall we say of the "mentality" of those who would protect such a business? After all, some 25,000 persons lost their lives in auto accidents last year and more than a million others were injured.

Miss Thompson, you and I are both women. The instinct of motherhood is strong within us. We wish to see life conserved, nourished, not destroyed. Aren't there better uses for our grains and fruits than turning them over to a powerful, unscrupulous industry which prospers in proportion as it debauches our people?

A PLEA FOR ENTHUSIASTIC PREACHING

By W. R. Spence

To enthusiastically sound an evangelical faith in some of our churches is to be branded as an enthusiast, a fanatic, or a simpleton. Thus we have become so afraid of being sensational or too emotional, in case we offend the refined senses of our hearers, that we have become as dry rot, incapable of kindling a decent fire. Quintilian said that he had seen actors who, after they had played their parts and had removed their masks, showed faces wet with tears. Maybe we moderns need to take Garrick's advice to the bishop and preach the gospel of redeeming love as truth and not as fiction.

If the word of God burned in our souls, as it did in Jeremiah's, then it must burn its way out to bring spiritual light and heat to the black, sick hearts of unbelief. Before we can make a truth felt by others, we must feel it ourselves. It might be a good thing if we forgot much that our academic specialists have said regarding religion and religious experiences and recaptured for ourselves the blessedness of once more becoming as little children ready to be taught of God. Then would our language take on more of the accent of those who fellowship with Christ than the air of the worldly wise.

The apostles were fearful of allowing extraneous activities to come between them and their true mission of giving themselves "continually to prayer, and the ministry of the word." So the modern preacher needs to be aware of the so-called harmless things sapping his spiritual energy and power. We can do this by a faithful discrimination—valuing things in the light of our calling.

FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN

(Selected by David H. Scanlon)

TRY THE TITHE THIS YEAR

"Give as you would to the Master
If you met his searching look;
Give as you would of your substance
If his hand your offering took."

PUT BUSINESS IN RELIGION

On Monday morning a lady called at a minister's home and asked if he would kindly call at her home after supper that night. The pastor found a business man, not a member of the church, who said: "I do not attend church very often, but yesterday I was there twice. This plan of tithing, or giving to the Lord a regular and fixed proportion of one's income appeals to me very much. It's good business. I have wondered many times that the church of Jesus Christ should stoop to such methods as it often has in carrying on its work. If this program is to be carried out in your church I and my family desire to sign up."

The fact should be added that they not only signed up, but two weeks later this same pastor had the joy of receiving that family into the communion of the church.

A LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER

"Do you know out of what I get my greatest satisfaction in life now?" said the engineer of a railway flier. "I get it out of being the Lord's treasurer. Before I was converted I used, the first thing, to take out of my pay envelope, enough to cover my booze bill. Now, as soon as I step off the pay car, I put a fixed proportion of my wages into a separate pocket: to be given away. Then, when I get back into my cab, I feel a new sense of partnership—that of the Lord's treasurer instead of only a locomotive engineer."

SOME MATHEMATICS

A weekly payment of 50 cents to the church means for the year $26, or one-tenth of a yearly income of $260; $1.00 per week is a tithe of $520 annual income; $2.00 per week is a tithe on $1,040 income; $5.00 per week is the tithe of $2,600 income; $10.00 per week is the tithe on an income of $5,200, etc.

Classify yourself and see whether you are using any of your Lord's money on yourself?

Your tax is not "given" to the state; neither is your tithe "given" to God; both are just obligations and should be "paid."

"NET INCOME"

(a) Give, not from the top of your purse, but from the bottom of your heart.

(b) The Jews of old with their inferior religious privileges gave one-tenth of their net income to the Lord.

(c) Your "net income" is your total income less the cost of producing it; in other words your living expense should not be deducted before the tithe is made.

(d) Our Lord's portion should go to him, not to be used for ourselves; it is embezzlement to use another's money for ourselves.

THE OLD PREACHER LOOKS BACK

By A. N. P.

"When comes King in his royal might
To crush the wrong and crown the right;
When all the saints in glory meet,
No more to die, no more to weep;
When thrones are set and crowns are given
And all the rich rewards of heaven,
Oh, in that glorious bye and bye
What's done for God can never die.

"When the sands of the hour glass falter,
And the end of it all is night;
When the signal is near for the curtain
And the footlights begin to die,
It is good to look back on the duties
That we have done in the days gone by."

"I know not whether God has sent me problems and difficulties, or if they have come of my own blundering in choosing a way of life and duty; but I know he has sent love's blessings of his grace therewith, and paid me full dividends upon life's adversities." —D. H. S.

"TO THE FULL"

The above are the closing words of Moffatt's translation of John 10:10. Jesus came that we may have life "to the full."

It is, of course, a clean life, so clean that a man may live comfortably with himself, may enjoy his own company, may go fishing by himself, or take a long walk by himself, or even play golf by himself, and have a genuinely pleasant time. A good conscience is indeed a choice possession.

A gladsome life is that which Christ lives. C. F. Andrews declares that "the grotesquely distorted portrait of Christ, showing us one who was almost insufficiently pious, has to be frankly rejected. It is not history." Jesus of Nazareth was genuinely pious, but he certainly did not exhibit that unctious solemnity which some people display, and from which we always wish to escape as quickly as possible. Christ was no "kill-joy." We read of him as a guest at a wedding, at dinner parties in the homes of rich and poor. Indeed, he was so positively social in his realtionships that there were hostile critics who pointed the finger of scorn at him and said, "Behold a glutton and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!" "Be of good cheer!" he said again and again to his followers. He is saying the same thing to us in these trying days. Brethren, let us all rise and sing the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Devoted, brotherly, loving service marks life to the full. We sometimes wonder what our Brother of Nazareth did during those 18 years in that Galilean town besides working in a carpenter shop. We are certain that people who came into the shop received very kindly and cheerful words, and that many went out of that place of toil better for having conversed with the strange young man. We are sure that many a good, helpful deed in behalf of men, women, and little children, especially the needy and friendless ones, was credited to the youthful carpenter. We know that during the three years of his public ministry he was so busy serving people that it was written of him years afterward, "He went about doing good."

There is no life so utterly wretched as a selfish life. To live wholly wrapped up in the interests of number one, to regard others with a cold eye and a marble heart, is to build a hell on earth. Better to live in poverty and to die poor, while being a brother to one's fellowmen, than to accumulate millions, live in a palace, and illustrate the miserable philosophy, "every man for himself, and the devil take the hindmost." When do men experience their most thrillingly happy moments? When are their life satisfactions at the supreme height? When at personal sacrifice they have served their fellowmen who needed help.

A lot has been written and spoken in recent years on the subject of self-expression, a good deal of it the most foolish kind of nonsense. According to some people's ideas of self-expression, it is to throw all restraint to the winds, indulge recklessly at the call of every fleshly instinct, and to make a consummate fool of oneself. This is being written on New Year's Day. Last night there were thousands of misguided persons who got drunk, entered the whirl of wild carousal, and raised the devil, while flattering themselves for the possession of "personal liberty," and their manifestation of "self-expression." But the simple and tragic fact is that they degraded their precious souls. There is really just one way wisely and fully to express oneself, and that is the Christ way.

A long time ago there was a man who had a wonderful vision, and who wrote a splendid description of it. He saw a great white throne, dazzling in its beauty. Out from the throne there flowed a bountiful river, as bright and clear as a crystal with the sun shining through it. Along both banks of the river, stretching out into the distance, were trees laden with fruit. So rich and vibrant with life were these trees, that they produced, not one kind of fruit, but twelve. They yielded their fruit, not once a year, but once every month. And there was healing power, healing for a distressed world, in the leaves of the trees. I think that is the loveliest picture of life ever drawn by the pen of man; life rich and glorious, life exceedingly abundant.

"I have come," said Christ, "that they may have life and have it to the full."—W. E. M. in The United Presbyterian.

OUR STRENGTH

All recognize the need of physical strength, and desire it. Who does not dread decrepitude, or shun whatever would rob him of strength of muscle? The "preacher," in Ecclesiastes, exhorted the youth of his day to fortify themselves against the evil days "when thou shalt say, I have no pleasaure in them." He was looking forward to old age. We may criticize him for referring to that stage of life as a period of "evil days," and yet who among us regards it with favor? We know that the passing years will have their toll of physical strength, and if we live to be old we must close our days on earth shorn of that endowment of energy that is the glory of youth. We desire, we need, physical strength—every one of us. But we need spiritual strength more—a fact of which only Christians are aware in any adequate measure. Seldom does a child of God offer a prayer without including a request for strength. It is a prayer that we may well pray, expecting an answer; for it is in keeping with the Father's will. He knows our need of strength and is willing to supply it. He supplies it by giving us himself, energizing our souls with his own Spirit, refreshing us, putting a new spirit within us. To live the Christian life is to live in his strength, not in our own, for it is never sufficient.—Religious Telescope.

HAPPY IN RALEIGH AS IN WILMINGTON

After four happy years at Trinity, Wilmington, I and my family have come to Hayes-Barton, Raleigh. When we moved we brought with us many tokens of the kindness and good will of our former parishioners—among them a sterling silver pitcher and goblets—for all of which we are grateful.

We found here a splendid church, well organized with a most capable leadership, and growing in numbers and power. Under the capable leadership of the two former pastors the church in five years has received into its membership 629 members and now has a net membership of 529. New members are coming in almost every Sunday. The church is located in the best residential section of Raleigh and has almost unlimited possibilities of growth. The salary has been set at $3000. The church rents a comfortable brick, steam heated, well furnished home for the pastor and his family. On December 19 the woman's society had a formal reception for us. From the day we arrived the members have shown us every courtesy and warmly welcomed us into their midst. We are very happy here and are looking forward to the year's work. Robert L. Jerome.



Missionaries and deaconesses commissioned at the annual meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York, on December 3. Top row: Rev. and Mrs. Marvin A. Keisler, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon T. Herrmann, Mr. Tracey K. Jones. Center row: Miss Josephine Fort, Miss Alice Randall, Miss Golde Zane Brooks, Miss Lee Ola Foust, Miss Margaret Wilson, Mrs. Donald E. Rugh, Rev. Donald E. Rugh. Bottom row: Miss Ann Averitt, Tudor R. Roberts, Miss Virginia Tyler, Rev. and Mrs. Samuel R. Smith.

AN APPRECIATION OF MRS. W. L. SHERRILL

When sorrow comes to the home of anyone who belongs to our Methodist ministry we all feel the loss keenly. Our entire ministerial family suffered a great bereavement when on Tuesday, November 25, Mrs. Luetta Connor Sherrill, the beloved wife of Rev. W. L. Sherrill, passed from her earthly abode to her heavenly home.

For more than half a century, fifty-seven years, she walked in beautiful comradeship with her husband and shared with him the successes and joys, and the burdens and responsibilities of life. When her husband felt the call to enter the ministry, she gladly gave up her home with its comforts to enter the itinerate system and be the mistress of the parsonage.

She was of distinguished ancestry. Her father was Lieutenant Charles T. Connor of the Confederate Army. Her grandfather was Henry W. Connor, a member of Congress representing the Lincoln district from 1821 to 1841; her great-grandfather was Governor William Hawkins, North Carolina's youngest governor.

She was a devoted follower of Jesus Christ. As a girl of twelve years she was converted at Rehobeth church in Catawba county under the preaching of the late Rev. George W. Ivey. Through the years she was true and faithful to her Saviour. Though unassuming in manner she possessed a heart of pure gold and had that charm and refinement of personality which bound friends to her as with hooks of steel. Because of the sincerity of her own nature she was a reader of character and was never disappointed in her choice of friends who came from every walk of life. Mrs. Sherrill was a woman of keen intellectual perception. She graduated from Greensboro College and was always interested in the intellectual, cultural and spiritual life of her community.

The final services were held at the Rehobeth church, where sixty-eight years ago she gave her heart to Christ. Friends from many parts of our state were present to express their love and respect. Amid a bower of beautiful floral tributes the body was laid to rest among her ancestors. The service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. W. Lynch, assisted by Bishop Clare Purcell, E. H. Nease, Howard P. Powell, John W. Moore, L. D. Thompson and the writer.

We bid goodbye to one of our elder sisters, and look with confident hope to the glorious reunion in our Father's house.

We pray that God's presence may bring comfort and peace to Brother Sherrill and the other loved ones.

Embree H. Blackard.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF STATESVILLE DISTRICT MEET

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the Statesville district met for a delightful Christmas party at the new Harmony parsonage, with Mrs. R. V. Martin, hostess, on December 5. Mrs. J. S. Hiatt of Statesville, president, presided over a brief business session. A devotional was given by Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle of Hickory. Then the slate of new officers was presented by Mrs. H. G. Allen of Statesville, chairman of the nominating committee. Mrs. J. C. Auman of Maiden was elected president to succeed Mrs. Hiatt, Mrs. J. M. Brandon, Sr., of Rhodhiss to succeed Mrs. A. G. Lackey of Shepherds as vice president, and Mrs. M. Q. Tuttle, Newton, to succeed Mrs. Martin as secretary-treasurer. Mrs. J. B. Tabor, Sr., of Statesville closed the session with prayer.

The home was beautifully decorated with flowers and Christmas motifs. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Lackey, led several contests and games. Twenty-five members and one visitor, Mrs. Herman Duncan of Elkin, were present. During the social hour a musical program was rendered by a group of local musicians.

Assisted by Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Lackey and Mrs. E. W. Fox, Statesville, the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Mrs. Mark Q. Tuttle, Secretary.

REV. J. O. ERVIN IN MARK TWAIN'S HOME TOWN

Mrs. Ervin, my daughter Evelyn, and I are spending a few days in Mark Twain's home town with G. Clifton Ervin, D. S. of the Hannibal district.

I hope to return to fill my appointments on January 4.

J. O. Ervin.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

A WAY TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR

"To leave the old with a burst of song,
To recall the right and forgive the wrong,
To forget the thing that binds you fast
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;
To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worth while of the days grown old;
To dare go forth with a purpose true
To the unknown task of the year that's new;
To help your brother along the road
To do his work and lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Is to have and give a Happy New Year." —Selected.

FOUNDER OF SCARRITT HONORED AT UNVEILING

The December issue of the World Outlook carries a most interesting account of the unveiling of the partrait of Sam P. Pones, well known evangelist and one of the eight founders of Scarritt Bible and Training School (now Scarritt College). The story goes that: "In the early days of 1892, Miss Belle Bennett, a great Methodist woman, was canvassing the Southland for an institution to provide specialized religious training for lay workers. In the discouragement of her first difficult efforts, she took her project and problem to Sam P. Jones, who was then conducting a meeting in Kentucky.

Interested in Miss Bennett's Bible Training School, Mr. Jones invited her to present the cause at the camp meeting. There could be no collection, however, as that was against the rules of the camp grounds. She went on the platform with Mr. Jones. He preached and then he announced that Miss Bennett had a story to tell. She arose and told her difficulties in establishing a school for Christian workers, and when she sat down Mr. Jones took the floor and announced that it might be against camp regulations to take a collection, but it was not against the law of God or man or any camp grounds for people to give Miss Bennett help if they wanted to do so. After the service closed crowds surged forward and piled gifts before Miss Bennett.

This incident and others like it was rewarded by Mr. Jones being named one of the eight founders of Scarritt. The others are: Miss Bennett, Rev. Nathan Scarritt, Mrs. Maria Davies Wightman, Bishop E. R. Hendrix, Bishop W. R. Lambuth, Miss Maria L. Gibson and Dr. J. L. Cunninggim. The names of these founders are today inscribed over the doorways of the "Room of Remembrance" at Scarritt.

A portrait of Mr. Jones was presented to the college during its commencement season of the past year by Rev. and Mrs. Walt Holcomb of Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Holcomb is a daughter of Mr. Jones and Mr. Holcomb was associated with him as assistant and co-workers during his career as an evangelist."

IMPORTANT ITEM OF INFORMATION

In the message of the president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of our conference, found on the woman's page of this week, there is an item to which we wish to call special attention of the societies regarding the sending in of the reports for the fourth quarter ,and ask that the request from Mrs. Weaver be granted with all reports reaching our conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, 316 S. Fulton Street, by January 5, 1942. This request is made because this closing report of the year is the most important of the year, and if it does not reach the officers before their books are closed on January 5 it will have to be carried into the new year. Our pledge for 1941 was $55,000 and up to the first of December only $38,572.19 had been reached, leaving a balance of more than $16,000 to be secured in the closing quarter. Let us not fail to send in these reports by January 5 and make a record of "paid in full" as has been the custom of our conference for the years that are past.

My Dear Friend:

I wish we could sit down together and talk over our work. Since that is not posible, I want to write and bring to your attention some very important items:

1. The time for the week of prayer has passed. If for any reason your society has not observed it, please do so before the close of the year,and send your offering in with your fourth quarter's report ,and be sure and mark it "Week of Prayer" offering.

2. I hope that your officers for the new year have been elected. Please send the entire list to your district corresponding secretary AT ONCE. You will find blanks for the officers' names in the back of your corresponding secretary's book.

3. We must get to work right away on our young women and girls' work. All the new plans are now ready. Please have your secretary of Y. W. & G. W. get this material, make a study of it, then get in touch with the pastor, and see that this work is organized through the youth division of the church. This is a part of our responsibility. Fifty per cent of the offerings of the Methodist Youth Fund are to be administered by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, and will channel through the treasurer of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service. Also please have your secretaries of student and children's work get their new material, and organize your church according to the new plans.

4. I take it for granted that you ordered your literature for the new year last September. If you did not, please order it AT ONCE.

5. Begin NOW to plan for your January pledge service. This should prove to be one of the finest and most sacred services of the entire year, when we make our pledges for the carrying on of this great work. I trust that every woman will pledge as God has prospered her. There are leaflets and pledge cards for this service. You will find all literature including young women and girls' work, student and children's work, program material, and other things listed on page 32 of The Methodist Woman, and can be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

6. The Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference is to be held in January. Our conference is asked to be ready with our report. In order to do this we must have all reports and checks sent in by the first of January. Our conference treasurer is planning to close her books on January 5. Won't you please see that your reports are sent to your district corresponding secretary and your financial report with money sent to Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, before that date? You have been so co-operative all during the year, I know you will not fail now. I feel that the fourth quarter's report is the most important of the year, for if it does not reach the officers before their books are closed, it must be carried over into the new year. We need every dollar this year to meet our pledge of $55,000. So far we have paid only $38,572.19. I have faith to believe we will pay it. Let us all do our very best!

7. Please check the Efficiency Aim and see if your society has reached it this year. If so, be sure and report it this quarter. You will be glad to know that for 1942 the Efficiency Aim will be featured with an attractive poster which can be displayed at the monthly meetings. This poster will be available free through your district corresponding secretary.

I want to thank you again for the fine work and spirit of co-operation during the year. Without your help the report that we shall make would not have been possible. I appreciate all you and your fine women have done, more than I can express to you in words.

Wishing all of you a happy New Year, Sincerely,

Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

The Asheville district reports a new organization at Riverview church, on the Asheville circuit, with the following officers: President, Mrs. Rose Hayes, Asheville, Rt. 4; vice president, Mrs. J. R. Wilson, Asheville, Rt. 4; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Bannie Melton, 585 Montford Ave., Asheville; reporter, Mrs. Frank Israel, Asheville, Rt. 4.

Statesville district welcomes a new society at Olin with Mrs. L. J. Jurney, president, and Mrs. Gale Walker, corresponding secretary. Address of both Olin, N. C. Other officers will be elected later.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

A POEM FOR THE NEW YEAR

Let us take heart again, let us go on,
Whatever disaster, or grief or despair
Walked with us through the old year
—that is gone,
Let us forget that it ever was there.
Let us remember no evil can last,
Courage will come again certain as
dawn.
The new year is here and the old year
is past,
Let us take heart again, let us go on.

Editor's note: These meaningful words from the pen of Grace Noll Crowell are being shared with the readers of the N. C. Conference woman's page as a symbol of gratitude for all who have contributed to and who have read its editions during 1941 and as a message of courage and sincere good wishes for 1942.

CHEER FOR SOLDIERS

Mrs. J. S. Chandler, president of the Soldiers' Service Club of Fayetteville, which organization sponsors the Soldiers' Town Home in that city, writes appreciatively of the response to calls for cookies and other articles of food for the Soldiers' Town Home. She stated that with conditions as they now are many of the soldiers will not be able to go home for Christmas, as they had expected to do, and is suggesting that any individual or group of folk who desire to share in sending Christmas cheer in the form of cookies, cakes, coffee, suger, canned milk, pickles, nuts, peanuts, fruits, candies, etc., will find a most grateful and receptive welcome in doing so. Your editor realizes the fact that this reminder will not be published before Christmas. However, conrtibutions after Christmas will yet be needful and happily received. Send all contributions to Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Hay Street Methodist Church, Fayetteville, N. C. Incidentally, the W. S. C. S. of Edenton Street Methodist church in Raleigh voted on December 15 to send $12.50 to Mrs. Chandler to be used as Christmas cheer for the soldiers, and the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street church will also send a contribution, probably an equal amount as that sent by the W. S. C. S.

AN INTERESTING HOBBY

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson is compiling a scrap book of all adult, Junior and baby life memberships which have been presented in the Rocky Mount district since she became district secretary several years ago. The record of each life membership listed in the scrap book includes a picture, the name, address, age of each recipient and the name of the donor of the gift. This interesting and unique hobby which Mrs. Johnson is pursuing should prove advantageous now and in future years and we commend its emulation in the districts and in local W. S. C. S., which reminds us that all items which are worthy of preservation for historical records should be sent to the woman's page editor, who, as conference historian, is compiling an historical scrap book which will eventually be placed in the archives where the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. are preserved.

DID YOU KNOW

That the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist church is the church in action on the frontiers of every land? It preaches in 50 countries, in 125 languages, through 1400 missionaries and 4000 national preachers—it proclaims the gospel to multiplied millions. It has organized 5000 churches and gathered 900,000 members in foreign lands. It operates more schools than all other church agencies combined—360 in foreign lands, 37 in the United States, including eight universities, 35 colleges, 260 high schools and 93 professional schools. It operates more hospitals than all other agencies combined—nine in America—and in other lands 77 hospitals, 28 clinics and dispensaries, three medical schools, 14 training schools for nurses, seven leper colonies. Its social service centers dot the map of the world. In foreign, fields 104 homes and orphanages and 22 social and evangelistic centers. In America, 73 homes, 65 settlement houses, 99 Goodwill industries with 98 branches. It has erected in foreign lands 3000 churches and parsonages by gifts or loans or $53,000,000. Its permanent fund for church extension is $12,000,000. In many languages and nations it spreads the Gospel through literature. Its annual study book is the best seller of Methodism. World Oultook and The Methodist Woman is the church's finest periodical. The Methodist Woman is the organ of the world's greatest woman's organization. It has publishing houses in many nations and publishes newspapers in many languages.

HARVEST DAY LUNCHEON

Installation of officials, reading of the list of circle members by the respective circle chairmen, annual reports and a devotional led by Mrs. Earl Brian were principle features of the harvest day luncheon meeting of the W. S. C. S. of Edenton Street Methodist church on December 15. The report of Mrs. W. H. Middleton, treasurer, revealed that a total of $2642.50 has been raised during the year, $1300 of which was sent to the conference treasurer for missions. Mrs. H. T. Sawyer, secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, reported various worthy projects having been promoted in that department, chief of which was sponsoring the Wake County Mental Hygiene Clinic; donation of clothing for 13 children, 40 pounds of cake on Thanksgiving and 205 Christmas gifts for the Methodist Orphanage; cookies sent many times to the Soldiers' Town Home in Fayetteville; $15 appropriation for welfare work and co-poration with the juvenile court, institute of religion at the United church in Raleigh, rehabilitation committee, committee on international relations and world peace, and other agencies. Reports of all departments of work were gratifying. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, installed the following officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. L. A. Watts; vice president, Mrs. A. Wray White; recording secretary, Mrs. J. Warren Smith; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Joe Chambers; treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Middleton; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. H. T. Sawyer, missionary educaional service, Mrs. R. E. Paschal; literature and publications, Mrs. B. E. Dennis; children's work, Miss Mary Gardner; supplies, Mrs. Caswell Riddle; young women and girls' work, Mrs. James H. Overton, Jr.; student work, Mrs. John W. Goodman; spiritual life groups, Mrs. John C. Glenn; baby specials, Mrs. Haslin Simon. Committee chairmen: Mambership and placement, Mrs. T. B. Gunter, Jr.; fellowship, Mrs. Julian White and Miss Daisy Greene. Circles chairmen are: Mrs. Graham Poyner, Mrs. W. O. Goad, Mrs. W. H. Herring, Mrs. J. L. Hathcock, Mrs. Garland Tucker, Mrs. A. C. Jones, Mrs. Evelyn Boone Weinges, Mrs. Jay J. O'Connell, Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Mrs. W. D. Lee, Mrs. A. B. Lloyd, Mrs. N. B. Stevens, Mrs. John Crawford and Mrs. Fred Greene.

WAYNE COUNTY ZONE MEETS

On October 21 the W. S. C. S. of Wayne county zone met at Pine Forest with Ebenezer W. S. C. S. as co-hostess. In the absence of the zone leader, Mrs. C. T. Davis presided. Rev. W. R. Stevens conducted the opening devotional, which was closed with prayer led by Rev. C. W. Guthrie and an interlude of quiet music played by Mrs. Peele. Mrs. L. B. Thompson extended greetings to which Mrs. Vann Smith responded. At the "problem hour" Mrs. Maude Foy of Kinston dissucced C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. Gertie Matthews and Mrs. R. L. Cox told of plans for young women and girls' work; Mrs. Lillie B. Holmes discussed student work; Mrs. W. R. Stevens told of the abundant material for children's work. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, gave her report, following which three girls sang "Fairest Lord Jesus." Rev. W. R. Stevens dismissed the morning session with prayer and lunch hour was enjoyed. At the afternoon session Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, gave an inspirational address, using John 10 as a basis of her remarks. Mrs. D. A. Yelverton was presented a life membership. Mrs. Yelverton has served as zone secretary for the past five years with untiring faith and capability. Mrs. Charles Davis was appointed to succeed the retiring secretary. The program closed with an appropriate poem read by Mrs. Davis, the singing of the Doxology and prayer led by Rev. W. R. Stevens.—Mrs. C. T. Davis.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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CHRISTMAS CHEER

Our children have had a most enjoyable Christmas. They were well remembered with Christmas gifts and they remembered well how to share their gifts with others. Some of our children received gifts from their friends and relatives over and above their Santa Claus allotment. Long before Christmas every youngster wrote a letter to Santa Claus listing some of the things desired. Santa Claus replied to these letters in every instance. There were gifts over and above these from sponsoring friends and relatives. Those children receiving more than others are sharing their gifts in a liberal way. A number of instances of our children's sharing with children outside our campus have been recorded.

OUR CHIEF CONCERN

All of us who work at the Children's Home keep constantly in mind that the welfare of our children is our chief concern. Christmas works on our workers to a very marked extent. Individual consideration of 450 children, thirty to the family, amounts to a considerable expenditure of energy. Added to this expenditure is that necessary consideration of the wishes of their friends and relatives. Workers at an orphanage must lose themselves in the joy of leading children in order to enjoy living. When this is done there is great joy.

SCHOOL OPENS AGAIN

After the rush of preparation for Christmas and the necessary direction of children enjoying their ten days of holiday festivity one confesses to a sense of satisfaction over the return of normalcy, the opening of school. Our family has kept well during Christmas and the beginning of the spring term finds practically a full enrollment of our boys and girls. The return of school days will give our good teachers an opportunity to engage the attention of our children for a part of the day's schedule. There are many good values in children's going to school.

THE JOY BELL RINGS

Our immediate financial needs have been met by the returns from many pastoral charges. During the past two weeks the following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full, enabling us to ring the joy bell over and over again. Join us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having caused the ringing of the bell:

Ramseur, Ramseur-Franklinville, Dr. J. E. Pritchard.

St. Paul, Balls Creek circuit, Rev. R. L. Forbis.

St. Paul and Naomi, Randleman-Union circuit, Rev. I. L. Roberts.

Lowell, Lowell circuit, Rev. E. C. Price.

Maylo, Gastonia, Rev. J. N. Wise.

Bethesda, Erlanger, Rev. F. E. Howard.

Highlands, High Point, Rev. T. G. Smith.

Clover Hill and Rehobeth, Polkville circuit, Rev. W. L. Scott.

Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs circuit, Rev. H. L. Creech, Jr.

Wesley Chapel and McKendree, Shepherds circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

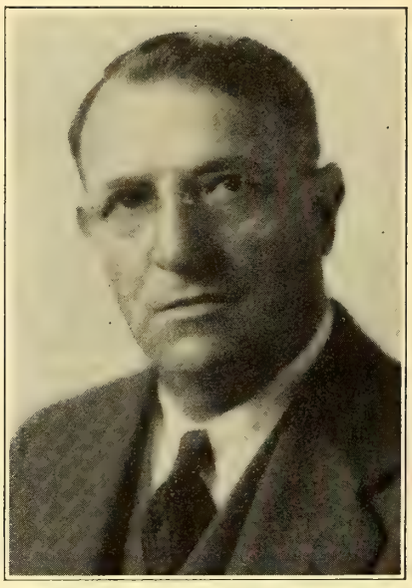
Reeps Grove and Palm Tree, Vale circuit, Rev. E. P. Green.

Midway, Center and Mt. Vernon, Welcome circuit, Rev. C. O. Kennerly.

Friendship, Boone, Dr. E. K. McLarty.

Myers Park, Charlotte, Dr. E. H. Blackard.

Ruffin, Pelham and Hickory Grove, Ruffin circuit, Rev. J. W. Fowler, Jr.



An Englishman with a fine sense of humor

Rogers Chapel, Murphy circuit, Rev. Alfred Smith.

Main Street, Rowan and Rocks Grove, Salisbury, Rev. Wade R. Bustle.

Loves, Walkertown, Rev. A. P. Ratledge.

New Hope, Lowesville circuit, Rev. C. L. Grant.

Huntersville, Mt. Zion, Rev. W. S. Smith.

Centenary, Winston-Salem, Dr. W. Stanbury.

Mt. Herman, Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

NOTABLE NORTH WILKESBORO

Some of the older members of our singing class joined Miss Jones' and the Children's Home man in presenting a program at First Methodist church, North Wilkesboro, late Sunday afternoon just before Christmas. On arrival we found the church and Sunday school annex filled with people and packages. In front of them was a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Rev. A. C. Waggoner, the pastor, who has already deeply ingratiated himself among his new people, presented our young people, directed the taking of an offering for the Children's Home and turned the congregation loose in presenting their white packages around the Christmas tree to be distributed among the less fortunate people of that community. It was a great occasion, in which pastor and people joined to make happiness abound. The offering for Children's Home amounted to $130.

FOUR WISE MEN

Rev. W. A. Kale, O. C. Towell, M. L. White and F. E. Brown visited us just before Christmas, bringing with them forty-five dozen choice Cannon towels. These four wise men proved to be great benefactors. Their gifts, representing conrtibutions from the superintendents and overseers of the Cannon Manufacturing Company, will prove very benefiicial to us. It is the habit of these men to make such a contribution to some orphanage each year just before Christmas. It was the Children's Home's turn this year. A good Cannon towel is both a luxury and a necessity.

THE WADESBORO WAY

Read what Tom Little, superintendent of the church school at Wadesboro, has to say and join us in deep appreciation: "Up to this year it has been our custom at Christmas time to have a party for younger members of our school, but we decided to give way this year to a better cause. Sunday before last I visited each department and asked our young people if they would not like to send a Christmas present to your big family, explaining to them that to do so would do away with our usual tree party. The response was unaniomus in favor of sending the present to the Children's Home at Winston-Salem. I am therefore enclosing check for $50, which represents a Christmas present to the Children's Home from our Sunday school."

A GREAT CHARACTER

Years ago when this scribe was a school man at Lexington he observed that George L. Hackney, superintendent of the Lexington Methodist Sunday school, whose picture is herewith presented, was a great booster for the Children'e Home. He saw to it that very liberal fifth Sunday offerings were given by the Sunday school each fifth Sunday. As the years unfolded Brother George's interest in the Children's Home has continued. He, along with George F. Ivey, whose likeness was recently presented, is a charter member of our board of trustees. Brother George never does anything by halves. His enthusiasm, sense of humor and devotion to a righteous cause have all been used for the benefit of orphan children in western North Carolina for more than three decades.

MANY GIFTS

Our family has been the recipient of many gifts during the Christmas season, for which we are very grateful. Among them are a large number of warm quilts, greatly needed and very gladly received. They will serve to keep the annoying cold from invading the beds of our youngsters. Our little fellows, along with the older children, can sleep and dream under the warm quilts of warm-hearted friends.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina.....

..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

A NEW PLAN—When money is received at the Orphanage a card, or letter of thanks is written to the individual who sends it, and a receipt is mailed to the pastor. By following this plan, pastors will be able to keep an accurate account of all money sent to the Orphanage. In the past we have sent a receipt to the sender, and often the pastor knew nothing about the contribution. With the new plan every pastor will know just what has been sent to the Orphanage from his charge.

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TURKEY DINNER—On Christmas day our boys and girls and staff sat down to a sumptuous turkey dinner. Brother W. H. Basnight of Ahoskie sent us two hundred and fifty pounds of turkey, so that every child and worker would have a bountiful serving. It was a beautiful sight to see the joy written on the faces of the children as they sat down to a big turkey dinner. Every boy and girl in the home is deeply grateful to Brother Basnight for making possible such an occasion.

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COMMENDABLE—Within the last two weeks friends have sent the Orphanage money instead of sending flowers to homes where there was bereavement on account of deaths. After thanking the friends for their contributions I wrote a letter of sympathy to each of the bereaved families, stating that these friends had sent money to the Orphanage instead of sending flowers to the homes where there was sorrow. I think it most commendable in these friends to express their sympathy for the bereaved family by sending checks to the Orphanage.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING — Several orphanages in the state have a young people's organization which meets twice each year. Two seniors and two juniors from each of these orphanages meet on such occasions and discuss matters of mutual helpfulness. On December 12 the meeting was held at the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, and two seniors and two juniors from the Methodist Orphanage were appointed to attend the meeting. Our young people report a most interesting meeting in Thomasville.

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BIBLE CLASS—On Sunday afternoon before Christmas the Julian S. Carr Bible Class gave the children in our baby cottage a beautiful Christmas tree. Quite a large delegation came over from Durham and presented our tots with gifts on that occasion. Before the presents were distributed our little folks sang three or four Christmas songs and repeated in concert the beautiful story of the manger. The children were radiantly happy as they received their gifts from their friends. The thing that impressed me most on that occasion was the expression of happiness on the faces of the men who made possible the Christmas tree. After the exercises were over those fine men lingered for a while and had a big time with the baby cottage children. The Julian S. Carr Bible Class has proven a great friend to the Methodist Orphanage, and they are planning big things for us during this new conference year.

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CHRISTMAS AT THE ORPHANAGE—The big occasion at the Orphanage during the Christmas holidays is the Christmas tree celebration on Christmas afternoon in the Orphanage auditorium. The circles of Edenton Street Methodist church, under the leadership of Mrs. I. M. Proctor, provide gifts for each child in the home on that occasion. After songs by the children the friends who were present distributed the gifts among the boys and girls. I doubt that there was a happier group of children anywhere than our boys and girls were on Christmas afternoon. Ever since the Orphanage was established the members of Edenton Street church, and particularly the good women who compose the Society of Christian Service, have remembered our children at Christmas, and the children of our home appreciate such friendship and devotion on the part of these good friends. Many individuals in and out of Raleigh remembered our children during the Christmas season. Every child in the home is grateful for such tokens of love.

GOD'S BANKERS

Honorable William E. Gladstone, England's greatest statesman, wrote to a son who was then in residence at Oxford University, in which he suggested eight rules, the observance of which would be conducive to the highest interest of his son's life, literary, moral and spiritual. Among the suggestions was the following on the use of money.

"In regard to money—there is a great advantage in its methodical use. Especially is it wise to dedicate a certain portion of our means to purposes of charity and religion, and this is more easily begun in youth than in after-life. The greatest advantage of making a little fund of this kind is that when we are asked to give, competition is not between self on the one hand and any charity on the other, but between the different purposes of religion and charity with one another, among which we ought to make the most careful choice. It is desirable that the tenth of our means be dedicated to God, and it tends to bring a blessing on the rest. No one can tell the richness of the blessings that come to those who thus honor the Lord with their substance."—Selected (D.H.S.)

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YOUTH AND MISSIONS

(By request we are repeating our page of November 27, with a few changes)

"Together" is the keynote of the new unified plans for the missionary education of youth in the Methodist Church

TOGETHER IN ORGANIZATION

All missionary education for youth twelve through twenty-three years of age should be channeled through the World Friendship Commission of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. By agreement with the Woman's Society of Christian Service all Circles including girls or young women under twenty-four years of age are to be discontinued, and their membership merged with the World Friendship Commission. Provision is made in this Commission for interest groups of girls interested in studying the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Standing back of the World Friendship Commission in each church are the—

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
CHURCH BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION
CHURCH BOARD OF EDUCATION

Each of these is represented on a Joint Committee, the duties of which are to:

1. Appoint Adult Adviser for the Commission on World Friendship, in consultation with the Youth Council.
2. Channel information from various agencies interested in missionary education of youth.
3. Serve in an advisory capacity.

TOGETHER IN GIVING

As an organization, our young people are unified in their giving to missions. All contributions for missions from young people twelve through twenty-three years of age should go to **The Methodist Youth Fund.** This includes the contributions from those girls or young women under twenty-four who have been members of a circle under the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Pledging: On the basis of the individual pledges of its members, each Methodist Youth Fellowship makes a pledge to The Methodist Youth Fund as a special contribution to missions over and above any other obligation. Department and individual pledge cards can be secured from Box 828, Salisbury. These should be filled in, a record of the pledge made for the local group, and then the card forwarded to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, treasurer of the Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship. She will in turn notify the Nashville office and other interested persons of all pledges received.

Paying: One-half of the amount pledged to the Methodist Youth Fund is to be paid to the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the local church, **marked Methodist Youth Fund,** and the other half, marked the same way, should be sent to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury. It is urged that these pledges be paid monthly.

This method of payment provides for the continuation of the missionary work formerly done by the Girls' and Young Women's Circles of the Woman's Society, and also for the work supported by the missionary contributions of the organized young people's departments.

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This information is for Pastors, Leaders of Youth, and Secretaries of Young Woman's and Girls' Work in each local church

BISHOP, RABBI LAUD MEALTIME GRACE IN NBC'S DAY SHOW

Author Harlan Ware's practice of having Grandma Barton say grace at the family table of "The Bartons," popular Chicago dramatic program boardcast Mondays through Fridays at 11:30 a. m. EST, over the NBC Red Network, has brought him commendation from various religious and social welfare leaders.

Whenever an episode in the program is built around a family meal, Ware always puts into the script these words of grace to be said by Grandma, portrayed by Kathryn Card: "Our Heavenly Father, we thank thee for all our blessings and we ask thy mercy for less fortunate people the whole world over."

Church leaders of all faiths and social workers all over the country have written Ware congratulating him on the procedure. They view it as a means of reviving an honored American custom which they say has fallen into disuse in many homes during recent years.

Typical comments are those by Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf of the Methodist Church and Dr. Louis L. Mann of the Chicago Sinai congregation. Bishop Waldorf wrote:

"From many sources I have heard favorable comments of high appreciation of your reference to that delightful old plan of home worship wherein grace was said at the table. That obtained as a rule in my parents' home and I am continuing it in my home, and I think it would be of great profit to all the home folk in every home everywhere. I wish to express my personal appreciation of your including this in such a beautifully suggestive way in connection with your radio play."

Dr. Mann's letter read:

"The very fitting and beautiful custom of saying grace before meals so admirably depicted by the grandmother in your radio play has undoubtedly struck a responsive chord in prayerful hearts among people of all faiths and creeds."

Ware explains the custom was observed by his parents and has been continued by him in his home. "It was only natural," he says, "I would have the Bartons do the same and knowing them as I do, I'm sure they would insist upon it."

JOTS AND TITTLES

We must live as the Saviour did; his sorrows he divided with his Father —his life with the world.

The life purpose of Jesus was to get men to say our Father—and believe it; and to live in the world as children in a Father's house.

Those who try to do something and fali are a great deal better off than those wh otry to do something and succeed.

Reach up as far as you can, and God will reach down all the rest of the way.

Jesus hath made lovers of his heavenly kingdom, but few bearers of his cross.

The question for each man to settle is not what he would do if he had the means, time, influence, and educational advantages; the question is, what will he do with the things he has?

Salvation is going to Jesus for what he can give us—adoption, forgiveness, strength—and then going into the world with what he gives, to live his life and do his work.

We have cast anchor just for a little while beside this island of a world, but we are bound for a continent of Immortality, and since the ship must soon lift its anchor, let us take on board a cargo which shall be worth something in the country where we are to spend the longest time.—D.H.S.

PREACHING UNDER DIFFICULTIES

By J. A. Dailey

All of us preachers at times have preached under difficulties. I, myself, had such on experience not long since.

The pastor of a Christian (Disciple) church near where I reside some two months ago underwent an operation for an eye trouble and has been blindfolded since. Having known him, and favorably, for some while, I called to see him and offered to help him out. So very soon an elder in his church called me over the phone and asked me to take the following Sunday night. I accepted. I was there at the appointed hour. Very soon that elder came around to the front and met me. In the brief conversation he informed me there was to be a baptismal service at the close. Well, I knew I would hear something about being buried with Christ in baptism, and I promise you I heard a-plenty. But the thing that made me very nervous was this: When I went into the pulpit the elder announced a hymn, and as the singing began a gentleman stepped in front of the baptistry and turned on the water to fill the pool, and that went on until we had sung three songs, making a noise like an engine popping off overload of steam. Finally I turned to the elder and asked: "Is this thing to go on while I'm attempting to preach?" And he said no. Now I had a good subject: "The Cross Currents of Life," a subject on which I had given much thought and prayer. Well, I didn't preach that night; I just said my little speech of 25 minutes, and to tell the truth, I was glad when the whole affair had come to an end. Do you, under such difficulties, think you could have done better? Then to be told at the baptismal service that the candidate was following our Lord, that he was being buried with Christ in baptism and being resurrected with him in a new life. From the first until the close of the hour, the whole thing was so heavy on my heart, this thing you call preaching the gospel went out of my heart for once at least in my ministerial life.

Sorry I could not attend the N. C. conference, my conference, but I remembered the brethren every day and many hours of the day while the session was on in Durham. May the preachers all be happy in their new appointments, whether re-appointed or sent to new fields for service.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke

Matthew 1:1-17; Mark 1:1-14-15; Luke 1:1-4; The Acts 1:1-5

If one of the great motor companies were to issue a booklet describing the wonders of their huge plant, we might suspect it of being a piece of advertising exaggeration. But after constantly meeting their machines everywhere on the roads our suspicions would tend to disappear. So in like manner one might suspect the Gospels as exaggerations, but when we read the Acts and the Epistles with their first hand evidence of the extraordinary impression Jesus made, and note his mighty transfiguring influence on such men as Peter and Paul, and see how they expected him to come again in glory to judge the world, it seems reasonable to believe that Jesus was as unique as the Gospels represent. And we are made doubly sure of this when we note his mighty influence throughout the centuries.

Professor Donald Riddle stresses the fact that the men who wrote the Gospels were not looking back to one who was the subject of a biography. They were writing of one who as they were writing was the power of God unto salvation to them, and of course it is likely that they reported some of the sayings of Jesus in a form influenced by what since his ascension he had already accomplished in the world. Some of the seeds he planted are shown in their sprouted form.

The Gospels are not biographies in the modern sense. They are rather character sketches of Jesus. The evangelists were primarily interested not in giving us the life of Jesus in exact chronological order, but in telling us what kind of a man Jesus was, and what he will do for those who believe in him. The one thing that must be stressed is that these writers understood Jesus. Of this one becomes increasingly sure.

The first three Gospels are called the Synoptics, because they give a very similar picture of Jesus. The question as to the extent to which these evangelists were dependent on one another, and the question as to the other sources from which they gathered their material, is called the synoptic problem. It is commonly believed now that Matthew and Luke had in their hands, or more likely in their memories, the gospels of Mark. The writer believes that the Gospels received their present perfected form after endless retelling before they were written down. It is likely that they would repeat the whole gospel from beginning to send, before eager groups less impatient of time than modern audiences.

We can be sure that each of the writers has a special type of audience in mind. It seems plain that Matthew wrote his gospel for the Jews, and wished to stress the fact that Jesus was the fulfillment of the prophecies of the coming of the Messianic King. It is also interesting to note his habit of grouping together similar material (chapters 5-7; 10:24-25).

Mark is believed to have been written for the Romans. He stresses the fact that our Lord was aggressively active, like one of the conquering Caesars, and was a great healer and caster out of demons. He perhaps rightly felt that the most notable thing about our Lord was not so much his teaching as the power that constantly came forth from him.

Luke's Gospel is dedicated to Theophilus whom he calls, as we would say, Your Excellency. He was evidently a high Roman official who was an eager inquirer concerning Jesus, and who wanted to know the facts sifted from mere rumor, and Luke tells him how he had taken the trouble to trace the course of all things accurately from the first. He pictures Jesus not so much as the Jewish Messiah, but as the one universal, utterly comprehending, divinely sympathetic incarnation of God's love. He alone records the story of our Lord's defense of the repentant woman (7:36-50), the Good Samaritan (10:26-36), the parable of the Prodigal Son (15), the Rich Man and Lazarus (16:19-31), and the story of Jesus' words to the thief on the cross (23-39:43). Women are to the fore in Luke's Gospel (1-2; 18:15-17; 21:1-4; 23:27-31). He tells us of the first Woman's Society of Christian Service (8:1-3).

It takes a time exposure to realize the classic beauty of the Gospels, just as it takes a time exposure to appreciate great art and great music. We can thank God that they are not volumes of sermons, but moving pictures adapted to readers of all kinds and all ages.

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NUTTING TIME

By Evelyn Winn

"Wake up, Jean!" cried Marie, bouncing out of her cozy bed and giving a playful pull to the long plait of brown hair lying on the pillow next her own. Jean opened one sleepy eye as Marie ran to peep out of the queer little gable window at the early dawn that was slowly creeping over the high Swiss Alps.

"Oh, Jean, Jean! Wake up, you sleepyhead!" Marie cried again excitedly. "There was a frost last night! And—have you forgotten what mother said we could do today if it was cold enough?"

Jean opened her other eye and there was no sleep in either now. With a happy little bound she was out of bed and beside Marie, hugging her tightly. The two little girls danced gleefully around the room.

"Now we can a-nutting go!" trilled Jean.

Mother's voice was heard calling from the foot of the narrow stairs. "Hurry up, you little birdies. The pancakes are frying and father is already bringing in the fresh goat's milk."

Then what a scramble there was as the two girls hurried into warm woolen skirts, pointed black bodices, and stout leather shoes!

"May we start right after breakfast, mother?" Marie asked eagerly, as she and Jean sat eating pancakes in the warm kitchen.

Mother smiled. "When the sun has climbed over the top of old Mt. Pilatus and begun to chase away the morning shadows from the mountain path, you may go," she answered.

And while the two little girls went about their morning tasks, one or the other would run to the door to see if the sun had yet shown himself over the high Alps. At first there was only a pale glow in the eastern sky, then streaks of bright colors began to appear, and finally, the sun himself, like a glowing ball of fire, came rolling over the top of snow-crowned Pilatus. Then mother said the girls might set forth on the day's excursion. Jean and Marie ran to get warm woolen shawls to wear on their heads, and mother brought out two baskets. In one she placed a lunch of bread and cheese tied up in a clean white napkin.

"Be sure to carry your alpensticks," mother said as the children kissed her goodbye. "You will need them to help you over the rough places."

"We will, mother," promised Jean and Marie. Taking their sharp-pointed sticks, they were off down the mountain path on flying feet.

The frosty autumn air was cool and bracing. Already some of the lower mountain peaks were white with new-fallen snow. Days before, the herders had brought down the cows from the summer pastures on the high Alps to their warm winter home in the valley. In a few weeks more snows might come and shut in the little house from all the world. Even now, father was replacing some fallen stones on the housetop and tightening the stout cables lest some fierce gust of wind blow the roof off. But today the sun was shining as Jean and Marie raced away down the mountain side to the grove of chestnut trees. They were swinging their empty baskets and singing an old Swiss nutting song.

All was peaceful and still in the chestnut grove. A few birds were flying among the tree tops, and overhead on a brown limb two gray squirrels sat chattering to each other. Perhaps they were talking about the plentiful supply of nuts Dame Nature had left for the winter. A plentiful supply there undoubtedly was, for the ground was strewn with the prickly chestnut burrs which the frost of the night before had opened. From inside their sticky cradles the smooth, satiny brown nuts peeped out.

"Let's race," suggested Marie, "and see who can fill her basket first."

Jean stopped a moment near the squirrels. "You needn't talk so much about it," she said. "There is plenty for us all."

Then she, too, set to work with a will, for both the little girls knew how good the chestnuts tasted during the long, cold days of winter. Sometimes mother boiled them in a big pot on the kitchen stove and sometimes she roasted them in the hot ashes made by the cheery fire burning on the hearth. But, roasted or boiled, Marie and Jean thought them delicious. Father had said that if there were many chestnuts this year he would take a bagfull down to the village to sell, for he had promised mother and the girls a cuckoo clock to set on the wooden shelf in the kitchen and keep them company during the long winter days.

At lunch time the girls put their half-filled baskets under a spreading chestnut tree and sat down on a mossy bank to eat their bread and cheese. They found a sparkling spring under an overhanging rock and for an hour amused themselves listening to the echoes which the clear mountain air gave back to their songs and laughter.

By and by, Marie said, "Come now, we must gather more nuts or our baskets won't be full when it comes time to start home."

The girls scampered away through the trees to find their baskets. And, when they reached the spreading chestnut tree, what do you think they saw? One frisky gray squirrel was taking a nut out of Jean's basket and another was helping himself to one from Marie's basket!

"Oh, you naughty squirrels!" cried Marie, and Jean laughed as the little fellows, holding tightly to their treasures, ran up the tree trunk.

"We can get some more," Jean said, placing a handful of her nuts at the foot of the tree. "Let's see if they will come after these."

"They have a tree full already, I suspect," smiled Marie.

But as the girls moved away the squirrels come bounding down and began carrying the nuts off.

"Let's make up a little song about the squirrels," Jean suggested.

And here is what they made up:

Come, let's sing a song of nutting,
Of chestnuts ripe and brown,
A squirrel gray with frisky tail
Is hunting on the ground.

He came upon our basketful
Of nuts piled way up high;
And when he saw no one was near
He took one on the sly.

Oh, Frisky Squirrel, can't you see
There's nuts enough for two?
So I'll just take the basketful,
And leave the rest for you.

"Of course our basket wasn't piled up high," said Marie.

"But it makes a pretty rhyme," answered Jean.

The sky above the high Alps had turned a rosy pink from the setting sun when Jean and Marie reached home. Mother was waiting at the door with a smile. After eating supper in the warm kitchen the little girls went to bed in their cozy gabled room. Marie slept soundly the whole night through as a tired girl should sleep, and John dreamed that a hundred squirrels were dancing on her bed and each had brought her a chestnut.—Zions Herald.

FEEDING THE BIRDS

"Oh, goody," cried a little bird
Who found some grains of wheat,
"On such a day I didn't think
I'd find a thing to eat!

"For snow lies deep upon the ground
And limbs are glazed with ice.
To find a meal spread out for me
Is wonderfully nice."

Now other birds flew down and soon
They'd eaten everything.
Then up into the tree they went
Where each began to sing.

And Bob and Betty, watching them
Beside the window, heard
And were so glad they'd spread the wheat
For every hungry bird.

—Myrtle G. Burger, in Our Dumb Animals.

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Ellerbe, Norman, 7:30 11
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Granville, Union Chapel, 11 4
Louisburg, 7:30 4
Oxford, 7:30 7
Fuquay, Fuquay, 11 11
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Lillington, Lillington, 11 18
Garner, Mt. Zion, 7:30 18
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25
February
Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30.. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Walstonburg, 11 4
Grimesland, 3 4
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 6
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 7
Dover, 7:30 8
La Grange, Hickory Grove, 11 11
Seven Springs, 3 11
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Nashville, 11 4
Sandy Valley-Gold Valley, 3 4
Spring Hope, 7:30 4
Warrenton, 11 11
Littleton Ct.-Tabor, 3 11
Littleton, 7:30 11
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25
February
Stantonsburg, 11 1

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 11 4
Wilmington, Methodist City Society, 8 4
Clinton, ...11
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 11
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 3:30 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 7 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FIRST ROUND

January
Ivy, Mount Pleasant, 11 4
Barnardsville, Pleasant Gap, 3 4
Weaverville, night 4
West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25
February
Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Hawthorne Lane, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 7 5
First Church, Charlotte, 8 5

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Mitchell Grove, 7 2
Flat Rock, 11 4
West End, 7:30 4
Grace, 11 11
Jamestown, 7:30 11
Madison, 11 18
Calvary, 7:30 18
Leaksville, 11 25
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, 7:30 25
February
Mt. Pleasant, 11 1
Lee's Chapel, 7:30 1

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnston S., High Point
FIRST ROUND

January
Liberty First, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, 2:30 4

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 4
Sunshine, Hopewell, 3 4
Foreset City, 7:30 4
Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January
Westford, 11 4
Rocky Ridge, 3 4
Central, Spencer, 7 7
Forest Hill, 11 11
China Grove, 7 11

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Newton, First, 11 4
North Newton, night 4

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Green Street, 11 4
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 3 4
Morris Chapel, 7:30 4
Thomasville First, West End, 11 11
Thomasville—Unity, Fair Grove, 3 11
Thomasville—Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 11
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11 18
Pinnacle, 3 18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 18
Thomasville, Community, 11 25
Thomasville Ct., 3 25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 25
February
Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1

NEW BEATITUDES

We say a hearty Amen to this new beatitude, set forth by the editor of the Christian Advocate: "Blessed is the man who can write a courteous letter to the man with whom he disagrees, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

And we might add another: "Blessed is he that writeth the editor about ninety and nine things that he likes, and stoppeth not his subscription for the one that he dislikes."—The Living Church.

To which we may be permitted to add yet another: "Blessed is the man who writeth plainly so that the editor guesseth not at his meaning and then getteth it wrong and getteth a bawling out and maketh a correction in the next issue."—Religious Telescope.

THE AENEID IN A NUTSHELL

By Keith Preston

Aeneas, with his little boy,
Slid down the fire escape from Troy.
He took the household bric-a-brac,
He took his father pick-a-back.
His wife Cruesa he forgot.

(Although he loved her quite a lot).
She perished in the fire, poor dame!
He often thought of his old flame.

From Troy he sailed the raging tide, O!
To Carthage, where he fell for Dido;
Then left her cold and went to hell,
Came through, and married very well.
No one had ever thought him bad,
He was so sweet to his old dad.

Mr. Preston was professor of classics at Northwestern University and conducted a column for The Chicago Daily News until his death in 1927.

LEE: THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER

By H. H. Smith

Robert E. Lee abhorred war, and to him "it was only possible as a dire necessity, in defense of home and fireside." When the Federal hosts were driven back from the heights of Fredericksburg, an officer said to him, "Isn't it splendid?" Lee replied, "Yes, but it is well that war is so terrible or we might become too fond of it."

On Christmas Day, 1862, just a few days after his great victory over Burnside at Fredericksburg, he wrote to his wife. In this letter he did not boast of his great victory or glorify war, but expressed deep sorrow that war should become a necessity and mar the purest joys and happiness of life. "I pray that on this day," he said, "when only peace and good will are preached to mankind, better thoughts may fill the hearts of our enemies and turn them to peace."

Towards his soldiers Lee acted the part of a parent, sharing with them the hardships of camp life, and as one writer says: "He regularly robbed his own poorly supplied mess table of luxuries which friends would send him, in order that they might go to his ragged, suffering boys in the hospital."

One of the finest of all the descriptions of Lee as a Christian soldier is from the pen of a New England biographer, Gamaliel Bradford, in his book, "Lee: The American." In discussing the question as to whether Lee was approachable and had near and intimate friends, Dr. Bradford closes his discussion of the subject by saying, "Lee had one intimate friend—God." "So, I think we may conclude that the cardinal fact of Lee's life was God," says Dr. Bradford. "Everywhere and always he had God in his heart, not so much the God of power, or the God of justice, or even the God of beauty, but the God of love, tempering the austerity of virtue, sweetening the bitterness of failure, above all, breathing loving kindness into the intolerable hell of war. There have been fierce saints who were fighters. There have been gentle saints who were martyrs. It is rare to find a soldier making war—stern war—with the pity, the tenderness, the sympathy of a true follower of Christ."

No wonder the New York Herald, announcing the death of Lee, said: "He came nearer the ideal of a soldier and Christian general than any man we can think of, for he was a greater soldier than Havelock, and equally as devout a Christian."

After much prayer and effort by millions of Christians that war might be averted, at last it has come upon us. It is a day that tries men's souls. That we may support our government to the fullest and keep our hearts right toward God and man, Lord, God of Hosts, be with us!

THE OLD STORY

In his immortal allegory Bunyan presents the character of Mr. Standfast. He places upon Mr. Standfast's lips words like these, "I love to hear the name of my Lord spoken of." He loved to hear the story.

It is a strange sort of Christianity which does not emphasize the preaching of Jesus Christ and him crucified. If we love him do we not long to hear the name of our Lord spoken of? What a privilege to speak a good word for Jesus? What a joy it is to be among the people who gather in our sanctuaries! If the pulpit is losing its power, if people less regularly attend church worship, must it not be because we are losing our desire to hear Him spoken of?—Samuel T. Senter.

MY CROSS

"God laid upon my back a grievous load,
A heavy cross to bear along the road.

I staggered on, till, lo, one weary day
An angry lion leaped across my way.

I prayed to God, the swift, at his command,
The cross became a weapon in my hand.

It slew my raging enemy, and then
It leaped upon my back, a cross again.

I faltered many a league, until at length,
Groaning, I fell and found no further strength.

I cried, 'O God, I am so weak and lame,'
And swift the cross a winged staff became.

It swept me on until I retrieved my loss,
Then leaped upon my back again, a cross.

I reached a desert, on its burning track,
I still preserved the cross upon my back.

No shade was there, and in the burning sun
I sank me down and thought my day was done.

But God's grace works many a sweet surprise;
The cross became a tree before my eyes.

I slept, awoke ,and had the strength of ten,
Then felt the cross upon my back again.

And thus, through all my days, from that to this,
The cross, my burden, has become my bliss.

Nor shall I ever lay my burden down,
For God shall one day make my cross my crown."

—D. H. S.

CONSIDER THE HAMMER

It keeps its head.
It doesn't fly off the handle.
It keeps pounding away.
It finds the point, then drives it home.
It looks at the other side too; and thus often clinches the matter.
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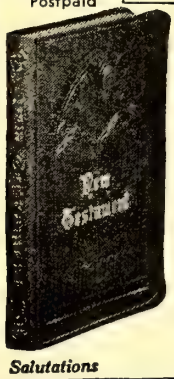
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In Memoriam

SIVILLS—Mrs. Susan Sivills, the widow of the late Samuel Sivilles, died October 13, 1941, at the age of 90, the oldest member of Perkins Methodist church. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. C. K. Wright and her body laid to rest in Sivills' burying ground. She is survived by one son, J. T. Sivills; three daughters, Mrs. M. D. Ethridge, Mrs. W. R. Berry and Mrs. H. R. Sawyer; two sons and two daughters had gone on before. She longed to go to them. She loved her church, though too feeble to attend for some time; always gave of her means to help the Master. She was not afraid. "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, for thou art with me." Daughter.

BYRD—Charles William Byrd, well known resident of Elizabethtown, died at his home October 29, 1941, after several months of illness. Having been born April 16, 1862, he was nearing his 80th birthday. In early manhood he married Miss Martha Burney and the two had lived together for 57 years. Mr. Byrd had been a faithful member of Trinity Methodist church for many years and was known as a genuine Christian character. His was a life of helpful influence and he will be remembered for years to come.

He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Josephine Byrd, and three sons, L. Byrd, C. C. Byrd and Irving Byrd, all of Elizabethtown. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted in Trinity Methodist church by his pastor and interment was made in the cemetery nearby. C .W. Barbee, Pastor.

JOLLIFF—Mrs. Lizzie Felton Jolliff, daughter of Ellsbury W. and Elizabeth Felton Riddick, was born May 15, 1862, and died at her home near Belvidere November 20, 1941, having passed her 79th year. The funeral services were held at Bethany Methodist church November 22 by Rev. B. T. Hurley of Williamston, assisted by Rev. J. D. Cranford of Winfall. She was laid to rest in the family brial ground by the side of her husband, Joshua G. Jolliff, who preceded her some years ago. The large concourse of people present and the many beautiful flowers evidenced the high esteem in which she was held by her many friends both in her home community and elsewhere.

Mrs. Jolliff was married to Joshua G. Jolliff of Perquimans county September 19, 1883. To them eight children were born, seven of whom are now living as follows: John R. of Portsmouth, Va., Miss Lillie of Chester, Pa., Joshua G. of La Mesa, Calif., Misses Manola and Wilma and Mrs. Jesse Asbell of Belvidere, and Mrs. Clinton Perry of Hertford. In addition she leaves a number of grandchildren.

In early life Sister Jolliff professed faith in Christ and united with the Methodist church, to which she gave her undivided loyalty and the full measure of devotion down to the end of her days. She loved her Lord, her church, her family, and her friends. In her loyalties she was not narrow or sectarian. She loved the good and beautiful everywhere, and she also wanted to see the bad made good and the ugly made beautiful. Bethany Methodist church, the church school, and the Woman's Society of Christian Service have lost a most faithful and consecrated member.

It was the privilege of the writer to become acquainted with this fine Christian home more than a quarter of a century ago. He will never forget their kindness to the young pastor and his wife while he served and visited in their home. A friendship was developed that has lasted throughout the years. Truly it can be said of her, "She hath done what she could" to make life better. Our loss is heaven's gain. B. T. Hurley.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has taken from us, the Methodist Sunday school of Littleton, N. C., our beloved superintendent emeritus, Mr. C. G. Moore; and

Whereas, the Sunday school, while missing its leader, feels grateful for his 32 years of of faithful, enthusiastic service as superintendent; for his scholarly, inspiring work as teacher, and for the contagion of his radiant personality; and

Whereas, the church misses his joyous presence at all of its services and feels the loss of his capable stewardship, his inspirational prayers, and his tactful co-operation in every department of its work; and

Whereas, the community has been bereft of a loyal friend, and the family has lost a devoted father whose consistent good humor, tireless energy and thoughtful courtesy endeared him to each of his children and to his late beloved life companion with whom he is now joyfully reunited.

Be it resolved:

That we, the members of the Methodist Sunday school, accept this dispensation of God's providence as an evidence of his love, by which our friend has been called to a higher, fuller service.

That we express our sympathy and sense of personal loss to the bereaved family.

That these resolutions be placed on the records of the Sunday school and copies be sent to the family and the church paper.

Mattie H. Jenkins,
A. B. Thorne,
D. H. Eason.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Weddington Methodist church of Charlotte district, pay loving tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. W. T. DeLaney, who was called home to heaven December 4, 1941.

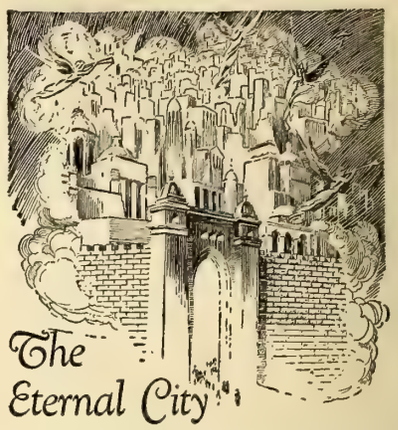
She was one of our most faithful and consecrated members, always interested in every activity of the society as long as her health permitted, and has filled some of the important offices of the society. Possessing a sweet, gentle, loving manner, her winsome personality endeared her to all. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in the death of Mrs. DeLaney not only our society but the church and community have lost a most exemplary Christian character.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, daughter and relatives, and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be placed on the minutes of the society.

Mrs. E. W. Thomas,
Mrs. J. L. Redwine,
Mrs. S. D. Belk.



The Eternal City

John, the beloved disciple, in Revelations, chapter 21, verses 19, 20, endeavors to express in human language the most transcendant spiritual beauty and permanence of the heavenly city—the everlasting city. He selected, singularly enough, to describe the foundations thereof, beautiful crystalline gems: Jasper, Sapphire, Chalcedony, Emerald, Sardonyx, Sardius, Chrysolyte, Beryl, Topaz, Chrysoprasus, Jacinth, Amethyst, every one of which appears in the minute crystals of

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Patrolman to Patrolman

Fifth-grader Bobby Jones of the Oxford Schoolboy Patrol talks shop with Corporal Wingate Carter of the North Carolina Highway Patrol. They both are in the life saving business in our state.

To Bring in War Time Prohibition, United Dry Forces Launch New National Campaign

Announcement of a sweeping national campaign for bringing in war time prohibition was made on Sunday, December 28, at the Lincoln Fellowship Forum of New York Avenue Presbyterian church by Captain Edward Page Gaston, founder of the World Prohibition Federation at London in 1909. He is now a military reservist, and has traveled widely about the world investigating alcohol, opium and other intoxicants.

"Abraham Lincoln was the first outstanding American prohibitionist, "said Captain Gaston, "As a member of this Presbyterian congregation while President, he is said to have repeated in this room the hope that the time would come 'when there shall neither be a slave nor a drunkard on the earth.' If America is to win our present war, we must suppress liquor and its related vice without undue delay. We Americans lag far behind our enemies, Germany and Japan, in efficiency as regards temperance among the armed forces. The United States must take warning from France, whose collapse in 1940 was largely due to alcoholism."

Campaign Mapped at Washington

"A citizens' temperance campaign to cover five months has been launched by our United Dry Forces of the District of Columbia. Rev. Thomas E. Boorde (Baptist) is president. This campaign," explained Captain Gaston, "is for general temperance advancement; especially in support of the Guyer dry bill for Washington and the other federal legislation now pending.

"As announced by its officials, there meets on January 27 and 28 in the Methodist building at Washington the annual National Temperance and Prohibition Council, composed of nearly thirty great religious denominations and reform organizations," said Captain Gaston afterward. "This is the most powerful moral reform unit in the nation, representing many millions of constituents. President of the Council is Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin of New York, vice president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and a nationally prominent club woman. Roger W. Babson, noted economist, Dr. D. Leigh Colvin, Edward E. Blake and other prohibition party leaders also are working nationally to strengthen their affiliations among dry voters. Maryland and other states have recently benefited from such organization work.

Increasing Public Indignation

"Increasing public indignation against the arrogant liquor traffic is shown today by six major prohibitory or regulatory bills as now pending in Congress, not only for war time but permanent prohibition. Taking first place as a means for national defense is S-860 introduced by the late Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas to protect our soldiers and sailors from disease and drunkenness. This measure is now sponsored by Senator Edwin C. Johnson of Colorado, who says he 'placed it, after a hard fight (in the Senate Military Affairs Committee) on the Senate calendar for passage. At the first favorable opportunity, we expect to bring it up for final passage,' as reported in the Congressional Record. Reform forces are pressing for an early vote. This Sheppard-Johnson Bill is giving the powerful liquor lobby at Washington deep concern, as its probable passage will immediately sweep great areas of the country into dryness under military and naval enforcement. Few legislators at Washington dare vote against it, as they are receiving mountains of protests from parents and other connections of men in the service concerning immoral conditions now prevailing throughout the country.

"Passage of the Sheppard Enabling Amendment (Joint Senate Resolution No. 21) would bring in national prohibition at once if adopted by a bare majority vote in Congress, where it could be passed over the presidential veto, if exercised.

BISHOPS PEELE AND PURCELL TO BE IN GREENSBORO JANUARY 18

At 11 o'clock Sunday morning, January 18, Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond, Va., will preach for Dr. J. B. Craven, the pastor, at West Market Street church, Greensboro, and at the same hour of the same day Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte will preach for Dr. R. M. Courtney of College Place church. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day Bishop Peele will deliver the address at the vesper services of Bennett College. This will be a great day for the Methodists of Greensboro when these two chief pastors occupy pulpits in the city, where both are most highly esteemed and loved by the people of the Gate City.

Bishop Peele served as presiding elder of the Greensboro district when elected bishop. His friends are legion and they will most gladly welcome his return and his services. Bishop Purcell is our presiding bishop and never fails to receive a most cordial welcome whenever he comes to Greensboro. Each of these brethren beloved are welcome guests anywhere in North Carolina Methodism. They are of good Tar Heel stock.

THE TESTING

When in the dim beginning of the years,
God mixed in man the raptures and the tears,
And scattered through his brain the starry stuff,
He said, "Behold! Yet this is not enough,
For I must test his spirit to make sure
That he can dare the vision and endure.

"I will withdraw my face,
Veil Me in the shadow for a certain space,
And leave behind only a broken clue,
A crevice where the glory glimmers through,
Some whisper from the sky,
Some footprint in the road to track Me by.

"I will leave man to make the fateful guess,
Will leave him torn between the no and yes,
Leave him unresting till he rests in Me,
Drawn upward by the choice that makes him free—
Leave him in tragic loneliness to choose,
With all in life to win or all to lose."

—Edwin Markham.

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Churches as houses of worship for all people and pulpits filled with men of God with a living message from God will send the people away from church sure that they have met with God and know something of that peace which passes all understanding.

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Why do you weep over the sorrows of people in whom you have no interest? asked the male critic of a keen-minded woman. To her male companion she put this question, "Why do you cheer wildly when a man with whom you are not acquainted slides safely into second base?"

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William Lyon Phelps has said: "One man finds an obstacle a stumbling block, another finds it a stepping stone." This is especially applicable to preachers. How many of us have seen pastors face to face with obstacles stumble and fail, while another man comes along and make these obstacles stepping stones to a glorious success. Brother, what are you going to make out of your obstacles?

* * *

States and nations wage war which always brings disaster and death to living creatures. War is really a failure unless it does this. Such is expected of this present world wide effort to destroy. We are all caught in it and our only hope is to win a peace which will allow us to gather the wreckage which remains upon which to build. Primarily the church of God is expected to be a constructive force in the world. Jesus came to save and not to destroy. War means destruction; peace makes possible construction. The only hope for this wrecked world is God in Christ Jesus working through his church to make all things new. Let Christ and not Mars be enthroned in every Christian church to make possible a just and lasting peace following the coming armistice. "My peace I give unto you."

Faith is more than "the substance of things not seen." It is the product of a past experience. And unless it is rooted in past experience it will hardly stand the test in looking for unseen things. In other words the men of faith who really conquered were men with a great history back of their outlook upon the future.

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From time immemorial men have learned to trust the stars. Mariners upon trackless leagues of ocean, both explored and unexplored, have depended upon the stars of heaven to guide them aright. Pilgrims of the desert have looked to the stars for guidance. To the night skies wise men have turned for instruction because they proclaim the glory and the handiwork of the Most High. It was a star that led the wise men to the infant Lord and Saviour. And at each returning Christmas season not only the Star of Bethlehem but all stars become fresh oracles to wise men everywhere. "They rejoiced when they saw the star" is not limited to the Magi that journeyed to Bethlehem, but applies to all wise men.

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Alcoholism and war are the two great enemies of the human race. The whole world is now arrayed to kill and to destroy life and property. America, along with its war, is under the dominance of the liquor trade set as never before to spread waste and ruin. The ultimate end of both is destruction. Our nation drafts the boys and commandeers the treasures of this Republic, but no effort is made to save the boys from the ravages of liquor and its attendant vice. We had war time prohibition in the first world war, but in this last no violent hands can be laid upon the liquor trade. Congress votes away billions and sends millions of boys to the wars but it will not even pass the Sheppard bill. No wonder the people lose their respect for the men at Washington and have a contempt for the promised social redemption.

He Carried His Scourge in His Own Heart

PEARL S. BUCK in "Fighting Angel," a biography of her father, tells of this lonely adventurer ranging the turbulent interior of old China, exposed to the hazards of famine, banditry and revolution. On the foul decks of river junks, on donkey back, on foot, far from home on long journeys into the interior of China, as a fighter for the souls of the heathen, this daring, heroic son of "the preachingest family in Virginia," pressed on. The daughter of Andrew in her biography of him says she never knew him to postpone the hour of his going or to shirk the most difficult or dangerous journey. Says she, "He carried the scourge in his own heart."

This is the story of his call to be a missionary. A missionary from China came to preach in the old stone church in Louisburg, West Virginia, and he told the tale of his life. Andrew, then sixteen, sat in the line of his family in that first pew, listening to the story of hazard and danger and desperate need, and listening, he was afraid. He was so afraid that he hurried home alone, and avoided the missionary. But the father brought the tall, gaunt man home to the big Sunday dinner, and there he could not be avoided. At the table the missionary, looking down the long line of sons, said to his father, "Out of all these sons you have begotten, will you not give one to China?"

During the dinner the missionary said quietly, "God calls."

Terror caught Andrew's heart. Suppose God should call him to go. The food turned dry in his mouth.

Afterwards he went for weeks with terror. "I believe I lost ten pounds," said he, rememing after fifty years. He grew afraid to say his prayers lest God should call him as he prayed. Finally he went away into the woods alone and there he cried out resolutely to God. "I subdued my stubborn heart," he wrote. "I cried out to God, 'Here am I—send me!' Immediately peace filled my soul. I was afraid no more. I felt myself strong when I gave up my own will; God's power descended upon me. And God sent me."

In later years Andrew told his daughter that at first he had never thought of being a missionary, but that inner struggle would not let him rest. An unseen presence urged him on through the years. Such experiences as these make missionaries, ministers and prophets of God to the nations.

With a world at war and the only hope of humanity lodged in the power of the living God, our outstanding need this hour is a church led and inspired by such men as Andrew with a "scourge in his own heart."

Men in all our pulpits with the trumpet call of God sounding out against the present background of a world at war will mean a better day in all our land. We Methodists are looking for great victories here in North Carolina this new year. Are we going out from Bethlehem with peace and good will in our souls true to Him who made the journey across the world to the cross? To do so in a world at war is not easy. It is not easy to keep this spirit dominant in our pulpits and our pews. But if not here where else can we look for the power and presence of God to be found? What a responsibility rests upon the leaders in the church of God at this hour!

The North Carolina Christian Advocate

AS the name implies the North Carolina Christian Advocate is devoted primarily to the Methodism of North Carolina. First, last and all the time its sole purpose is to serve the Methodist Church in the Old North State. While the readers of this Advocate are scattered through the nation and there are a few in foreign countries, the great bulk of our subscribers are in North Carolina and we make no effort to extend the circulation beyond the borders of the state. All that we receive from beyond comes without solicitation on our part.

And we are content to confine our work to North Carolina. Years ago at Trinity College this writer delivered his graduating address upon "A Carolinian's Duty," which was a plea for young men to remain in North Carolina and build up their native state. Through all the years we have been striving to walk in the pathway that was marked out by this youthful dreamer. And we have never for a single moment regretted it. Because we have lived to see North Carolina, at that time struggling to recover from the effects of the war between the states and the constant drain of a migrating population that sought the open spaces of the great West, become one of the most prosperous commonwealths of the nation to which people are turning from all sections of America. And what is true of this state is emphatically true of the Methodist Church in North Carolina where the

country church flourishes in pristine glory. And the measure of the country church is the measure of American Protestantism, particularly of Methodist Protestantism. And it is known in every well informed circle of our church that the country churches in North Carolina excel those in every other section of this nation.

Furthermore, the Methodist ministry of North Carolina, particularly the younger men, in training and unselfish devotion to their tasks surpass any other section of the church.

Why then should not a man gladly give his best services to a place where progress is the watchword and there are so many capable men with whom one can join in the service of God and humanity?

The Place of Preacher, Teacher and Policeman

REV. D. E. EARNHARDT in a luncheon address to the Civitan Club of Durham (appearing in an another column) emphasizes the importance of the preacher, the teacher and the policeman in the scheme of our civic and religious life. "The preacher represents God, the teacher culture and the policeman law," says he, "and no civilization has ever or ever will last 1,000 years without these elements."

The policeman guards our freedoms. He guards the freedom of worship, the freedom of the press and the freedom of assembly. He holds the field until right prevails. In this respect there is a wide difference between the police system of civic life and a war system that would dominate the nations by force. War is destructive of life and property and of all else that belongs to civilized society. The supreme determination in the hearts and lives of a nation at war is to dominate by national force. Destruction of the existing order is above all else with a nation or a group of nations. It is otherwise with the police. The police power of a people is a restraining force for the constructive efforts of a people. So the police of a people is a Christian force—a constructive element; war remains primarily anti-Christian. Jesus said, "I come not to destroy men's lives but to save them." So the war system stands against everything that Christ stood for. If Christ stays in the world, ultimately war must go. A police system is simply a part of man's process of building. Thus, the policeman has a place along with the teacher and the preacher.

That Rose Bowl Game

NOTHING in the recollection of the oldest inhabitants so aroused the people of North Carolina as did the coming of the Rose Bowl football game to Durham, not even the Charleston earthquake in 1876, when many people thought the judgment day was at hand. It took a world war combined with the wisdom and daring good judgment of Coach Wallace Wade to effect such unexpected and startling results.

At one bound North Carolina leaped to the very top in the great athletic events of the nation. The state and Duke University got more publicity than they could have bought for thousands of dollars. In fact it was a sort that money could not buy. It was an event that will become historic in the onward and upward march of North Carolina throughout coming decades. Duke did not win, but why should that matter? Duke and Wallace Wade had already received glory enough out of the coming of the Rose Bowl to North Carolina. Furthermore, it would not have been polite to invite a team as guests, "wine and dine" them and then be so rude as to hurt their feelings.

But Duke was not in a position to win. Devils belong to a dry, hot country, while Beavers possess amphibian capacities; they live in and along water courses and with the assistance of water have established a reputation as dam builders. There is little that a beaver can accomplish without water, of which those Beavers were bountifully supplied in Durham January 1, 1942. This is not an alibi. It is a study of devils and beavers. One must have a hot, dry country to get in their best work, while the other must have a well watered land.

We conclude with what Jake Wade wrote in the Charlotte Observer. It follows:

> That tall, tired man met with the reporters at the beautiful Duke University House last night.
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> He allowed whimsically that "It looks like my Rose Bowl luck has run out." He praised the Beavers, reminded us that he had said all along that he knew they would be good. He thought Don Durdan was an All-American against Duke. He said his own boys made too many mistakes to win. He thought they had good determination, but at times "lost their balance."
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> He had no alibis, which is the point. And I'm not going to make any for him. The better team won yesterday. As for the Dukes, they were good enough to get into the Rose Bowl. And that's pretty good. Duke University and Wallace Wade were good enough to get the Rose Bowl game to Durham when it was cancelled on the coast. And put the classic on in great style. The two teams played a razzle-dazzle contest, abounding with thrills and it was about as close as anyone could ask for. Plenty of scoring and just four points difference at the end. It was a great day for Duke and North Carolina. And not bad for the Oregon State Beavers.

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Shuller of Hookerton announce the birth of a son, Robert North, at Memorial General hospital, Kinston, January 2, 1942. Mother and son are doing fine.—E. R. Shuller.

Bishop Purcell authorizes me to announce the appointment of Rev. Sherrill Biggers as assistant pastor at Myers Park Charlotte, and the appointment of Rev. C. C. Sharpe as supply pastor of Palestine- Tabernacle charge in the Salisbury district.—C. N. Clark, D. S.

Mrs. H. L. Isley, who had an emergency operation for appendicitis in the Alamance General Hospital, Burlington, has returned home. She is now recuperating rapidly. She is profoundly grateful to former and present members for the beautiful flowers and many cards sent to her while in the hospital.

Our friends will be glad to know that we are very pleasantly and happily situated in the Candler parsonage, especially since the three churches on the charge have just completed improvements in the sum of $550. A good part of this amount went into the installing of a bath room. The churches on the charge are making good progress, and we are expecting a good year with these fine folks.—C. W. Bates, P. C.

If I stake my faith and my ethics, not on one fact or line, but on a thousand, on all the array of spiritual truths that are as sure as any facts can be, then I have a defense in depth that no enemy can master. Surely we can rest our belief in goodness, law, order, and love on a thousand sure things. I am always sorry for the man who says, "Well, if I were to lose my faith in that fact, I'd give up everything!" Cultivate "defense in depth."—James Black, in The Christian World, London.

Durham ministers met Tuesday morning in the First Presbyterian Church House at an informal gathering of a number of the younger ministers, who agreed that they would purchase bicycles for use in pastoral and local duties. Those joining the bicycle brigade included the Revs. J. Winston Pearce, pastor of the First Baptist church; D. E. Earnhardt, Calvary Methodist church; John T. Wayland, Temple Baptist church; James G. Huggin, Trinity Methodist church; W. L. Clegg, West Durham Methodist church; M. C. Dunn, Carr Methodist church; David W. Yates, St. Philip's Episcopal church; and S. J. Starnes, Durham Methodist circuit. These men entered into this volunteer movement to conserve the use of automobiles and allied consumption of fuel and oil. They agreed to use their cars less with the exception of funerals and longer trips incumbent upon them as ministers.—S. J. Starnes.

In Camp Ground church, Fayetteville circuit, at eleven o'clock the first Sunday morning in January, 1892, Rev. J. D. Bundy preached his first sermon after his appointment as a pastor. Last Sunday morning he preached in the same church at 11 o'clock commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of that event. During the 50 years that this brotherly Methodist preacher has rendered excellent service as preacher, pastor and presiding elder he has won for himself a multitude of devoted friends. Many of those friends living in this vicinity were grateful for the opportunity of hearing him last Sunday morning. A large congregation was present, but only four persons in the congregation were also present 50 years ago. Brother Bundy's general health is good. His vision has faded until he can no longer read, but he still preaches occasionally and well. May his useful life be continued many more years is the prayer of us all.—H. R. Ashmore.

Citizens of Stuttgart, Ark., under proclamation of the mayor, must stop work at 10 a. m. for 15 consecutive days for prayers to God "that we live in America." Church bells of the city toll the hour to remind citizens of the time to pray.

Our work started off the best of any year yet on the Vale charge. Orphanage home money raised in full from all the charge, pastor's salary in advance over last year, and larger congregation to preach to. Looking forward to fine year. ($5.00 already sent for new subscribers to Advocate).—Ellis P. Greene, Pastor.



Wilshire Blvd. Methodist Church, Los Angeles

This was used as an actual setting for one scene of the Methodist preacher movie, "One Foot in Heaven." Mr. Lee D. Rustin, a recent graduate of Duke Divinity School, is now associate pastor of this church.

In explanation of a recent Associated Press cablegram from China to the effect that Bishop Ralph A. Ward and a number of missionaries have been able to leave Wuhu and enter Free China, presumably on their way to Chungking, the Board of Missions and Church Extension states that it has advices listing the party as including the following: Dr. Hyla Watters of Wuhu, Dr. L. C. Morgan of Wuhu, Miss Harriet Whitman of Nanking, Miss Jessie L. Wolcott of Nanking, Miss Lillie Stephens of Peking, Miss Bessie A. Hollows of Shanghai, Rev. F. C. Gale of Nanking, Rev. John C. Hawk of Chunking, Rev. Albert N. Stewart of Nanking, and Bishop Ward.

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America, which co-ordinates the overseas mission activities of practically all the major Christian agencies of the United States and Canada, has a new secretary in the person of Miss Sue Weddell, who succeeds Miss Florence Tyler, retired. Miss Weddell is widely known as an author, teacher and lecturer. She has been general secretary of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, and has had a wide experience as a missionary and educational administrator. A graduate of Bucknell College, she was with the Y. W. C. A. War Work Council and director of the Hostess House at Plattsburg, N. Y., during the World War, and later with the national board of the Y. W. C. A. Since 1928 she has been with the Reformed Church in its missionary work, and was a delegate to the World Conference in Madras, India, in 1938. During 1940-41 she has been president of the Foreign Missions Conference.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND DISTRICT COMMITTEES OF BREVARD COLLEGE TO MEET IN STATESVILLE

Pursuant to an order of the annual conference, arrangements are being made for the observance of Brevard College Day in all churches of the Western North Carolina Conference on Sunday, February 15. In order to implement this action of the conference, committees of three members each representing the various districts have been appointed. On each district committee, in addition to the district superintendent, there will be one minister and one layman.

The members of these district committees and the members of the board of trustees of Brevard College will have a luncheon meeting at the Broad Street Methodist church in Statesville next Tuesday, January 13. Among others who will be present will be Bishop Clare Purcell, who will make the principal address of the occasion. Plans for the observance of Brevard College Day will be made. A complete outline of the plans will be published in next week's Advocate. E. J. Coltrane.

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

The Durham district pastors and laymen are reminded that January is North Carolina Christian Advocate month. The paper informs Methodists about their church and its comprehensive program. It challenges them to measure up to the unusual demands of this momentous day in which we live. It is standard equipment in every Methodist home. Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, pastor of Calvary church, Durham, is our district director for the January campaign. Please co-operate with him and send in your new and renewal subscriptions at an early date.

A. J. Hobbs, D. S.

REV. E. L. KIRK LEADS THIS WEEK

Rev. E. L. Kirk, pastor of Cliffside charge, sends $34 for new subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. These put Brother Kirk in the lead this week. To this alert and successful pastor who never overlooks the Advocate we extend sincere thanks. This will be only a beginning at Cliffside if on this new charge he makes a record like those on other charges that he served. And he will.

ENVELOPES FOR THOSE WHO CARE

We have small envelopes with appropriate printing on one side for the convenience of those who would care to use these in our Advocate campaign. All who request a mailing list and some of these envelopes for their use will be supplied at once.

Many have already made requests for these.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

NEW INSTRUCTOR IN SPEECH AND DRAMATIC ART

Rush T. Wray became instructor in speech and dramatic art at Greensboro College with the reopening of college Monday, January 5, according to Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, who announced also that Miss Charlotte Searles, for several years a member of the department, will be acting head of the department for the remainder of this scholastic year.

Mr. Wray's addition to the Greensboro College faculty became necessary by the death of Miss Elba Henninger, who had been head of the department for over 20 years, on November 2.

Mr. Wray, a native of Burnsville, holds the degree of Bachelor of Science of oratory from Curry School, Boston, and has also studied at the Plonk School of Creative Arts, Asheville, and the Phidelaph Rice Play House, Martha's Vineyard, Mass. He comes to the college highly recommended for his extensive experience in little theatre work, play directing, teaching at Curry School, and both public school and private studio teaching. In fact, he was well and favorably known by the late Miss Henninger herself, who, in recommending Mr. Wray for a vacancy in Greensboro College some years ago, stated: "His youth and enthusiasm would appeal to students. His being a North Carolinian gives him a sympathetic point of view for working with most of our students. I like his frank and enthusiastic attitude. He has lived and taught speech for most of his life. My opinion is that he loves his work, he would give his best, and his enthusiasm would be contagious. His special training has been thoroughly done and he could teach the courses he would be required to teach."

MISSIONARIES "STICKING" IN MALAYA

A cablegram received December 29 from Bishop Edwin F. Lee of Singapore by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church gives the information that all missionaries of the church have decided to remain at their stations throughout the Malay Peninsula despite the nearness of the war. The Methodist Church has central schools and churches in more than a score of larger communities of the Peninsula, including Penang, Ipoh and Singapore, and smaller schools and chapels in more than 100 villages. In most of the larger centers there are also missionaries. Bishop Lee also gives the information that two missionary families from Sarawak, Borneo, are now in Singapore. These are Rev. and Mrs. Gerald V. Summers, Rev. and Mrs. Paul H. Schmucker, and their children. He reports also that the children of missionaries from Malaya, usually attending school at Woodstock, India, are safe in Rangoon, Burma. "The situation is tense, the morale steady," he cables.

NEWS FROM BELHAVEN

We left the First church, Mebane, on November 20 and arrived in Belhaven the same day. We have found a fine lot of people here, who are the very salt of the earth. They have received us kindly, pounded us heartily. On last Tuesday evening about 7:30 we were pleasantly surprised when the members of Belhaven church visited us with outstretched arms, but filled with packages of sugar, coffee, eggs, flour, and all kinds of fruit and canned goods, etc. We tried to express in our feeble way our appreciation. We had prayer together, and they spent a pleasant hour with us.

We held our quarterly conference on December 21. The reports were very good and plans were made for the new year. The pastor's salary was increased $100.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service has painted the kitchen and placed a new rug on the floor and have painted the bed room on the lower floor, and are planning to paint the dining room on the inside.

We are expecting a prosperous year with this people.

C. L. Spencer, Pastor.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT INSTITUTE

The District Missionary Institute will be held at First church, Rocky Mount, Monday, January 12, at 10 a. m. The institute will close not later than 3:30 in the afternoon. Each pastor is requested to arrange for a representative group to attend and participate in this district meeting. L. C. Larkin, D. S.

A PREACHER'S DREAM

He was a famous and beloved preacher of the Gospel, and one night, pondering over a sermon he was preparing, he fell asleep and dreamed that he was knocking at the gate of Heaven for admission. He gave his name, only to be told that it did not appear on the books. Then as, disappointed and disconsolate, he lingered by the gate, he was told that he would be permitted to enter and appear before the throne of God Himself, and finally leave or remain in the abode of the blessed according as his judgment went.

Standing before the throne, he gave his name, and was asked: "Have you led a consistently righteous life?" He had to answer "No." Then he was asked: "Have you always been kind and forgiving to those around you?" "Alas, no," he replied, "I have failed miserably in that." "Have you always been honest and just?" he was next asked, and answered: "I fear not." As other questions followed, his case seemed more and more hopeless, and when the last question came and he had to give the same negative reply as he had given to the others, he was about to turn on his heel in despair and depart into the outer darkness, when the brightness about the throne grew brighter, and suddenly he heard a voice all sweetness say: "My Father, I know this man. It is true that he was weak in many ways, but he stood for Me in the world, and I take his place before Thee."

And there his dream ended, and waking, he resumed his pondering of his sermon, into which the story of his dream fitted as though made for it—as no doubt it was. —Methodist Recorder.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE

First Methodist church, Charlotte, of which Dr. G. Ray Jordan is the enterprising and alert pastor, provided timely and successful observance of the Yuletide.

In keeping with the annual custom, First Methodist church observed its White Gifts service on Sunday, December 21, at the 7:30 service. Through the use of music, scripture and a bit of pageantry, the theme The Prince of Peace was carried out. Taking part in the service was the church choir, the youth choir and the junior choir. Special music was given by each of these groups including antiphonal singing by the adult and youth groups. Representatives from the departments of the church school presented White Gifts at the altar.

Dr. G. Ray Jordan, minister, presided at the service, with Rev. E. D. G. Brewer, associate secretary of the conference board of education, serving as the reader for the occasion.

Student recognition day was observed on Sunday, December 28, initiating activities in the early evening with a youth banquet sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the young people's department of the church with the college students of the church as honor guests.

After the banquet the 7:30 worship service was devoted in its entirety to this emphasis, with collegians taking part in the program. Joseph McLaughlin, stuudent at Duke University, led the service the theme of which was "The Christian Community on the Campus."

The final hour of 1941 was devoted to presentation of a "Watchnight Service of Commitment" at First Methodist church under the leadership of Miss Helen Gage, director of Christian education. Special contributions to the program, essentially conservative in nature, were made by J. W. Scarboro, chairman of the local Methodist Youth Fellowship, Miss Marie Cuthbertson, secretary of the fellowship, and Miss Mary Frances Glaze who served as leader for the service. The purpose of this Watchnight service was a common one shared by youth throughout Methodism marking the inauguration of the great Methodist Youth Fellowship and its commitment to the high cause of the Christ.

"THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL"

By Ed Earnhardt

There are three men who have it as their sole job to build and maintain civilization. They are the preacher, the teacher and the policeman. The value of these three is found more in what they represent than in what they do. The preacher represents God, the teacher represents culture and the policeman the law. No civilization has lived a thousand years without these three factors.

The preacher is the first to enter the field. He comes as a missionary and his first job is to stop the cannibals from eating each other—evidently he has not reached Hollywood yet. After he makes a few converts they get together and hire a policeman to protect the new order Then they employ a school teacher. The preacher continues to proclaim the good news which consists in pardon and regeneration. He also runs a daily confessional and supervises a school of religion.

The policeman becomes the guardian of the four freedoms. He guarantees the freedom of worship by standing ready to arrest any culprit who tries to molest. If he did not stand at the door of the newspaper we would not only lose the freedom of the press but the press too. He assures the freedom of assembly by holding in check the birds that would break up the assembly. He keeps my neighbor from mashing my mouth when I enjoy freedom of speech.

The policeman holds the field till right prevails. He compels those who refuse to be persuaded. He is the protection of every home and every legitimate business. The policeman is the law and the law is the soul of order and harmony and efficiency and the power that sustains the stars and the ocean and unifies isms and varieties and elements into one government.

The policeman is the antidote for anarchy and war. If it were not for him there would be civil war in every community. When the wreck occurs he is there to hold tempers and muscles in check until peaceable settlement is arrived at. A world police would likewise prevent world war. The pacifists said we would have no war if all parties to the quarrel would put their guns on the table. All the good men put their guns on the table. The bad men put one gun on the table and another in their breeches leg. The war lord said if you will give each of them a gun there would be no war. When each one got his gun and saw his neighbor in the back yard practicing, each figured that he had better shoot first or it would be too bad. The happy-go-lucky good fellows said if you will stop discussing this thing of war the people will go on their way and forget it and have peace. But then the safe-crackers saw their opportunity to organize the balance of power and make a scoop. Now the cars have run together and the crowd has assembled and a fight has started. If the world policeman with a number forty shoe, with a fist as big as a haystack, and shoulders that tower like Grandfather Mountain, armed with the authority of the laws of Almighty God, and be backed up by the sentiment of the nations, would come walking to the scene of disorder and carry the contested issues to the World Court for settlement, we would be spared the hasty fight in the bottom of the ditch beside the road.

(Substance of an address before the Civitan Club of Durham.)

"THOUGHTS ABOUT THE THINGS I LOVE"

This is the title of an attractive little volume of 70 pages, the author of which is John Raymond McCrary of Lexington, North Carolina. Having written primarily for his family and "the many fine people with whom I have been associated so long," to quote from the preface, the book contains a brief sketch of the McCrary family. This is followed by a story of Davidson county courthouse, now nearly a century old, of Grecian architecture and modeled after the Confederate States capitol in Richmond, Va., which housed the Confederate Congress during the Civil War. The wonderfully romantic history of this old courthouse, the legal, political and social center of Davidson county moved the author to festoon its portals and Grecian columns with some of his oratorical garlands.

In writing of the early schools and homes and social life of Lexington, Mr. McCrary paints a strikingly vivid picture; and intriguing is his story of the unique characters of Lexington, into which has been brought General James Madison Leach, Col. W. F. Henderson (better known as Windy Bill Henderson), and Cicero F. Lowe, Esq.

There is an extended sketch of Daniel Boone, who at the age of sixteen came with his father from Pennsylvania and settled on the banks of the Yadkin in Davidson county, then a part of Rowan county. From there he began his immortal career as a pioneer backwoodsman.

About half of the book is devoted to literary and oratorical gems that bear the impress of the author's gifts as a writer and speaker.

So far as our information goes the book is not for sale. But if you have to beg or borrow, be sure to get this book and you will read it through at a single sitting, unless you be dumb or dull as an ox.

DID LIQUOR PLAY A PART?

Declaring that, "unfortuately, there are now appearing in the public print strong suggestions that Sunday was chosen by the Japs as the day of attack (upon Pearl Harbor) because of the heavy drinking Saturday night habit of the fleet and the army," Henry M. Johnson, president of the American Business Men's Research Foundation of Chicago, on Monday of last week addressed a letter to Congressman Andrew J. May, chairman of the House military affairs committee at Washington, in which he urged that the committee make a special inquiry into the relationship that "beverage alcohol may have played" in the tragic event at Honolulu on December 7. Asserting that the American Business Men's Research Foundation has information that 55 per cent of the 428 "saloon" licenses in Oahu were held by Japanese, and suggesting the possibility that some of these 235 Japanese saloonkeepers might have advised the Japanese government that Sunday morning was an ideal time for an attack "because a certain percentage of our naval and military establishments were not fully fit for immediate service." Mr. Johnson's letter declares that "such an investigation would be very much in line with modern military theory." "Many Americans believe that the use of alcohol played a prominent part in the Pearl Harbor tragedy. . . . We feel that our men and our service should be cleared of this charge, or, finding some basis for the charge, the American people be assured that the condition will be corrected." The letter refers to the accepted fact in France that her military collapse "was in part, at least, due to the use of alcohol," and to the view that the German army, abstemious until recently, has suffered disastrously since the use of alcohol reputedly was forced upon the troops as an emergency resource in the Russian winter campaign, and adds, "History is so filled with the effects the use of alcohol in drinks has had on commanders and men" that, "in the interest of public morale," this sinister possibility in connection with the Pearl Harbor massacre calls for thorough-going investigation.—Editorial in Zions Herald.

REV. JOHN H. FITZGERALD, LONG MISSIONARY IN MEXICO, DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Rev. John H. Fitzgerald, member of a prominent Davidson county family, who for thirty years was a Methodist missionary in Mexico, died Friday at his home in Huntington Park, California, following a stroke. Mr. Fitzgerald had resided at Huntington Park for the past 12 years after the state of his health constrained him to give up the heavier duties of presiding elder of five northern states in Mexico, a work to which he had been appointed after long service as an active missionary. Upon moving to California he did lighter ministerial work for five years among Spanish speaking residents and took retirement about seven years ago.

Mr. Fitzgerald, a brother of G. Fletcher Fitzgerald of this city, son of John Burgess and Mary M. Fitzgerald, was born at the old family homestead in Boone township. He graduated from Trinity College, now Duke University, in 1895, and was a student of the college when it was moved from old Trinity to Durham. For two years he served as pastor of the Winston circuit while awaiting assignment to his chosen field as a missionary in Mexico. He served there with great fidelity and distinction and faced many dangers.

Mr. Fitzgerald married Miss Clara McCaughan of Mexico City and Des Moines, Iowa, who survives him together with four sons, Robert, principal of a technical school at Santa Monica, Calif., Lawrence, Howard and Jimmy, all married and living in California; one daughter, Mrs. Russell Cutler, wife of a professor in Oregon State College at Eugene, Oregon; seven grandsons, two brothers, Thomas L. Fitzgerald of Whitsett, and G. Fletcher Fitzgerald of Lexington, and four sisters, Mrs. Cora E. Baxley and Mrs. Joe A. Sharpe, Spencer; Mrs. Pearl Holt, Burlington, and Mrs. E. W. Downum, Wilmington.

Funeral and interment were at Huntington Park.—Lexington Dispatch.

THE PEASEL TREE STORY

It is the tale of a preacher of insufficient education who elected to preach on the words of the Psalm: "Awake, psaltery and harp! I myself will awake right early"; and began his sermon by saying: "This here Sam was written by King David. As you all know, he was very fond of playing on the harp all day long, and at night, when he went to bed, he'd hang up his harp on a peasel tree that grew outside his window; and in the morning when the sun rose and shone in his face, he'd jump out of bed, and exclaim: "Awake, peasel tree and harp! I myself will awake early." —Methodist Recorder.

NEEDED: A MICROSCOPE

The College of West Africa—Methodism's highest ranking educational institution in Liberia—is trying to conduct science classes with two very cheap microscopes that are of little value for detailed work. Perhaps you know of a doctor or a clinic that is "retiring" a still serviceable microscope for a newer model; or of a student no longer using one. If you can find such an instrument write to the Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, concerning it.

What Should We Do Now?

By E. STANLEY JONES

Along with countless others I worked hard to stave off this hour of war. But in spite of everything, it has come. We are confronted with a fact. In the face of that fact what do we Christians, who do not believe in the war method, do?

I can only answer for myself. First, I do not regret that I did my best to avert this hour. Those efforts failed, but if I were given the chance to do it over again, even though I knew it would fail, I would do it again, unhesitatingly. I do not have to succeed; I have only to be true to the highest I know. And the highest I knew was to do everything possible to save these countries from war.

"But the Japanese let you down." Some of them did, but I am convinced that the Japanese at Washington did not. I believe they were sincerely desirous of peace and working for it day and night, and were broken-hearted when at last it all broke down and ended the way it did. As I look back over the months of contact with them I cannot see a single thing which leads me to believe that they were other than they seemed to be, namely, members of the peace party in Japan who were working sincerely for peace, but were defeated by the war party. But suppose they, too, had let me down, it would not change my attitude in the slightest. I would do the same thing over again, even though I should be let down in the end. I have become used to being let down. The Christian takes it in his stride and goes straight on.

The Universe Holds Steady

Second, what has happened has not changed my code of morals. I did not have one code of morals on Saturday the 6th, and another code on Sunday, the 7th of December. I did not get my code from the crisis, but from the Christ, and I did not find him changed on those two days. I was booked to speak on "The Basis of a Just and Enduring Peace" on Sunday afternoon, December 7, at the University of Illinois, and when I saw that peace was gone I swiftly changed my subject to "What Christ Means to Me." (A thousand stayed for an after meeting for personal surrender). And I felt that what Christ meant to me Saturday, he meant to me Sunday, and the same on Monday. I am grateful beyond words that my universe held steady. Nothing had changed except the attitude of other people. I am grateful that I do not get my code of conduct from the last person, or the last situation, I meet.

In Pittsburgh on Tuesday, December 9, I was booked to speak in the Soldiers' Memorial Hall on "What Is America's Role in This Crisis?" Since the role had been decided upon, we changed the subject to "What do we as Christians do under these altered conditions?" When I went to recast my message I found that nothing basic had changed. In fact, most of what I intended to say on the first subject could still be said, and was.

Third, since my code is the same, my conduct will have to be the same. I believed it was my business as a Christian to reconcile men on a higher level before the war; it is still my business to be a reconciler, and I trust at the end of the war it will continue to be my business. I have no illusions about its being possible to be a reconciler under war conditions. For the time being reconciliation is out as an effective program. But it is not out as an effective attitude, and I hope to maintain it within and have it ready when it is wanted. In the meantime I can wait. Reconciliation will not be wanted for some time to come, but it will be wanted after the war method has exhausted itself. I hope to be ready with it then.

Bowing to a Wrong Decision

Fourth, in the meantime, I do not feel called on to interfere with the war effort as such. I am a Christian, but I am also a member of a democracy. The majority has decided for war. As a believer in majority rule, I bow to that decision, even though not inwardly agreeing with it. Since the majority has decided for it, I shall not try to thwart the effort to put into operation the majority decision. I simply register in this statement where I stand and leave it at that. I have no confidence in the war method, but I will allow those who do have confidence in it to try it. I expect it will mean ruin for everybody, but in the end I will try not to say, "I told you so," but will humbly try to make a better world out of the ruins.

Fifth, there is one place where I can help put into operation the principle of reconciliation, and that is within the Christian church. I shall try my best to help hold the Christian church together during this period. I shall endeavor to get men to believe in liberty of conscience so much that they will give others the liberty of conscience to disagree with them without any penalty or disability. I trust that during this war there will be no persecuting of people for disagreements in opinion. I hope our fellowship will not be broken.

Sixth, I shall try to strengthen my nation in whatever small way I can, as I have been doing. I shall try to build up its character. Some of that strengthened character will be used for purposes of war, for this I am not responsible. My intention is to build it up to get ready a people capable of making a just and generous and lasting peace. But most of it will probably be used for other purposes. That responsibility for ultimate use is hardly mine. A doctor's responsibility is to cure the patient; it is the patient's responsibility to decide what he will do with his cured body.

Jesus the Only Realist

Seventh, I was never so convinced as now that the way of Jesus is the only realism. I have nothing but reprobation for Japan's attack upon America. But I have no doubt whatever that it could have been prevented. This war in the Pacific, as well as the war in Europe, could have been undercut before it arose. I do not go into my reason for holding that; I simply register it. The time for arguing is past. The future will have to render the verdict.

Eighth, I shall register when called, but will register as one who has no faith in war; as one who will do all he can for his country, but without the war intention. I trust I shall not be a less useful citizen because of this inward exception. I love my country intensely—I think I love it more than some of you who are always here (Dr. Jones, it will be remembered, is home on furlough from India

—Editor), for I see it in contrast—and I shall work the harder to make the kind of country which will make a better world out of the chaos of this one, a world based on equality of opportunity to all, including the Japanese, the Germans and the Italians.

Ninth, I am an evangel and a missionary. As an evangelist I appealed to my nation to make a Christian decision in this hour of crisis. But now I will not be able to appeal to my country for a collective choice—the choice has been made, for good or ill. But I am still an evangel-



Dr. E. Stanley Jones

ist and a missionary and my business is therefore to reconcile man to God, to reconcile man to man and man to himself. The way of reconciliation is still open between man and God and man and himself. The way of reconciliation between man and man is closed for the time being, except on a small scale here and there. But one day it will be open again, and I hope to be ready for it, for in the meantime I trust I shall not have changed my intention in the slightest—it is only the application that has been thwarted.

Just now I passed a sign in a window saying that the government wants blood for blood transfusions for wounded and sick soldiers. "Ah," I said to my companion, "that I can do. If I cannot take blood, I can give it." In more ways than one I'd like to give it.

One day in Washington, Dr. Robinson and I were walking along the river front in prayer between important interviews with the state department and the Japanese. I turned to my friend and half playfully and half seriously said, "If we find a way out I shall be willing to jump into this river with the words, 'Now Lord let thy servant depart in peace.'" Now the half-playfulness is gone, for seriously, I should be willing to jump into the river, or its equivalent, to bring this war to a close, or shorten it even by an hour. For my vision of something else is undimmed.

Note: E. Stanley Jones is known throughout the world as a Christian missionary and evangelist who speaks with peculiar power to the conscience of this age. Readers of The Christian Century already know of the way in which Dr. Jones, after finishing his tour of the country with the National Christian Mission last spring, postponed his return to India in order to work for peace here. They cannot know of his ceaseless efforts to bring to a peaceful conclusion the negotiations between the United States and Japan. Indeed, that is one of the "behind the scenes" stories which can only be told after the war. Dr. Jones will continue to work in this country for an indefinite period. His permanent address is 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

—The Christian Century.

FULLNESS OF MIND

By Arthur Hopkinson

How often in the crowded window of some modern go-getter store one will read the sign: "If you do not see what you want in the window, ask for it inside." It is rather a challenging statement, dripping with Rotarian eagerness-to-serve and chock-full of promise. But, alas, many who have yielded to its seductive invitation have learned thereafter to be, if not less superstitious, more skeptical of signs—which is bad for business.

But how much greater is the calamity when promise outruns fulfillment in the more intangible things of life. For example, who has not at some time been in the company of someone who, by choice remark or seeming insight, has stimulated expectancy in the minds of those present, but who when pressed for further light upon the subject had to confess—with more truth than did Will Rogers—"All I know is what I read in the papers"?

The times in which we live invite us all to shallowness with their radio flashes, tabloid newspapers, digests of all kinds, chatty books on deep subjects, and—The Busy Man's Bible. This temptation, if we are to be adequately equipped, must be sternly resisted, since all knowledge gained from such information lunch-counters amounts to little more than mental window-dressing.

There is vastly more social value and personal satisfaction in being what Francis Bacon called "a full man" —one who, by the discipline of hard reading and clear thinking, has arrived at honest convictions about God and Man, the World and Things. It was out of such fullness that Jesus spake, and this explains in large measure why he did so much good, and why the common people heard him gladly.—Zions Herald.

"HE EMBARRASSED GOD"

Was it impossible that Napoleon should have won that battle? We answer No. Why? Because of Wellington? Because of Blucher? No. Because of God.

Bonaparte victor at Waterloo; that does not come within the law of the nineteenth century. Another series of facts was in preparation, in which there was no longer any room for Napoleon. The ill will of events had declared itself long before. It was time that this vast man should fall.

The excessive weight of this man in human destiny disturbed the balance. This individual alone counted for more than a universal group. These plethoras of all human vitality concentrated in a single head; the world mounting to the brain of one man—this would be mortal to civilization were it to last. The moment had arrived for the incorruptible and supreme equity to alter its plan. Probably the principles and the elements, on which the regular gravitations of the moral, as of the material, world depend, had complained. Smoking blood, overfilled cemeteries, mothers in tears—these are formidable pleaders. When the earth is suffering from too heavy a burden, there are mysterious groanings of the shades, to which the abyss lends an ear.

Napoleon had been denounced in the infinite, and his fall had been decided on. He had embarrassed God.

Waterloo is not a battle; it is a change of front on the part of the Universe.—"Les Mireables: Cosette, Book First—Waterloo," end of Chapter IX.

WALTER HAYWOOD WORTH

By Garland Stafford

The death of Walter Haywood Worth, at his home in Jefferson, N. C., on December 16, 1941, removed from Ashe county one of its most distinguished citizens and from western North Carolina Methodism one of its most devoted lay leaders.

Born June 13, 1874, at Bridle Creek in Grayson county, Va., he was the son of Thomas Clarkson and Ruth Cox Worth. He was well born. His forebears on his father's side were early settlers in New England, where they were noted for their superior abilities. That portion of the family that migrated to Guilford county, North Carolina, gave the state the post bellum governor Jonathan Worth. Through his mother he was related to some of the most prominent families in Southwest Virginia. He was reared in the ancestral home at Creston in Ashe county. Sixty-five years ago Charles Dudley Warner, making a horseback tour of the North Carolina mountains, stopped at "Worth's" over night. His notes on this trip contain a very complimentary reference to the culture and refinement he found in this home.

He was educated at Abingdon Academy and Warrenton Military Institute, Virginia. Afterward he was associated with the mercantile firm belonging to the late A. G. Click of Elkin. In 1903 he opened the first bank in the county, The Bank of Ashe, of which he was cashier and later president until it was merged with The Northwestern Bank. He was cashier of The Northwestern Bank at the time of his death. He held many other positions of honor and trust: Clerk of the superior court two terms, president of the first fair association in the county, twice mayor of Jefferson, and chairman of the board of trustees and district school committee of Jefferson School.

His work in the church, however, was his greater delight, and it was while teaching his class of young people that he was stricken on the morning of November 2, 1941. He served in many capacities: Sunday school teacher and superintendent, steward and trustee of his local church, district lay leader of four districts—North Wilkesboro, Mount Airy, Statesville and Elkin, all of which at successive times included Ashe, and for his annual conference he was a delegate to three general conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, a delegate to the Uniting Conference, to the first General Conference and to the first Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference of The Methodist Church. The effectiveness of his labors increased with his years. He was a staunch friend of the Children's Home and called his own home, in which were seven children, by that name. For 20 years, beginning in 1911, he was closely identified with the founding and operation of the Jefferson School as a church institution. He was the friend of young people seeking an education and he personally assisted many of them to go on to college and professional schools.

When the proposition for the unification of the three larger branches of Methodism came he found his sympathies and convictions to lie with the opposition and was the only delegate from North Carolina to register his opposition when the matter came to a vote at the Birmingham conference. It was charactertistic of his genuine spirit, however, that when the General Conference had decided the matter it was decided for him and he was ready to do all he could to make unification succeed. He remarked, facetiously, in this regard that should the General Conference decide that we had not been baptized properly and should all be immersed, "you would find me on the river bank singing 'Will the Waters Be Chilly?' "

He was a champion of righteousness and morality. Evil in general and the liquor traffic in particular found in him a relentless foe. At a district conference one delegate announced that by a vote of the people it was no longer legal in his town to sell beer and wine. Mr. Worth announced quickly that it was perfectly legal to sell it in Jefferson "but they can't do it," and he was a very good reason why they could not. One of his associates said of him, "He did not hesitate to defy the demagogue or openly to oppose what he considered the forces of evil. Good government, law and order, educational progress, temperance, religious growth were with him a passion—things to believe in and do something about."

He was a true friend. No man in the life of his county ever won a more devoted circle of personal friends. A number of men stood about his grave and said, "He was the best friend I ever had."

His home life was exemplary. He was married to Miss Maude Allen, daughter of the late Judge and Mrs. V. C. Allen of Dayton, Tenn., on December 19, 1907. Dr. David Sullins, venerable preacher and educator of Holston, officiated. They established their home on Christmas day of that year and lived together nearly 34 years. Theirs was a home of beautiful devotion that was strong to bless all who came within its influence. No man was ever more devoted to his family nor more deeply revered and loved in his family circle.

He leaves his wife, seven children—Misses Josephine and Ruth Allen, and Allen and Will Allen of Jefferson, Mrs. Emily Worth Smith and Mrs. Anne Worth Barber of Greensboro, and Walter Allen Worth of the U. S. Army, one granddaughter, Emily Carrol Smith, who was born December 5, 1941, two sisters, Mrs. Clyde Worth Knox and Mrs. Jennie Worth Crowell of Newton, and one brother, Joseph Cox Worth of Jefferson.

The funeral was held in the Jefferson church in the late afternoon of December 18 by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, Rev. Hugh Jessup and the writer, G. R. Stafford. Burial was in the Jefferson cemetery.

A LITTLE SERMON

Sir: It is Sunday evening and, uninvited, I propose to preach you a little sermon. It will have at least the virtue of brevity. When you remember the years of your pilgrimage do you ever think of yourself as moving along a line of places or events or persons; you move and they seem to wait for you? They stand in their order or succession as they stood for Christian in the Pilgrim's Progress. You remember the geography of the Way as the Pilgrim found it—Mount Sinai, the Wicket Gate, the Cross, the Hill Difficulty, Vanity Fair and the other landmarks. It is not hard to make a map of that journey.

The impression left by Bunyan is perhaps shared by you. Your life has taken its character from your encounter with things or persons apparently waiting for you to come. You grew in stature and in years, and you passed along the line, and at each moment in which you encountered these things some impression was left on your spirit. And so it will be. It is not exactly like that, this way of pilgrimage, but it looks like that, and it is a useful convention to apply it to ourselves.

In reality the scene of the pilgrimage and all its cities and hills and rivers, and all its characters, are within you. They are not found always in succession. It is not unlikely that you found the Palace Beautiful towering above Vanity Fair, and certainly you found the Hill Difficulty turning up at many points. Nonetheless, Bunyan was right not to make his allegory move on all fours. Allegories never do, and the best of them have the most scorn for consistency.

But let us assume that we are traveling to events that await us, and to places that stand there until we come. Let us pretend that a history of our times is being written on the tables of our memory which is a register of such encounters. If it is an honest register and not out of action, it will make a good autobiography. But, as you will agree, autobiography may be very good or . . . useless. To be very good it demands the quick and sensitive spirit, ready for experience. If the register is defective, it is useless.

Do you ever go over that journey backwards? Do you see things happening? When St. Augustine wrote his Confessions, that was what he did. As we read the book we seem to look upon the schools of thinkers, the sects of heretics, the cities of Carthage, Rome and Milan as if they were waiting for this mighty pilgrim. And as each came in sight something happened in his spirit, though at the time he did not know it.

It is not a wasted exercise of our spirit to read our life backward in this way, to read it as a series of encounters, each of which has left its deposit. "Man is never put to the test without results, and there can never be a return to an earlier stage. We must go forward all the time and even reaction itself in the spiritual life is innovation and not repetition."

I suggest an interim journey backward; the reading of the register, so that you may go forward with new faith. To conclude let us have the hymn:

Begone, unbelief,
My Saviour is near,
And for my relief
Will surely appear;
By prayer let me wrestle
And he will perform,
With Christ in the vessel
I smile at the storm.

—Quintus Quiz, in Christian Century.

HISTORY OF THE HYMN "AMERICA"

On Independence Day, 1832, the hymn was sung for the first time. The occasion was a children's celebration in Park Street church, Boston. From its first appearance, over one hundred years ago, it sang its way straight to the hearts of the American people. Its author was the Reverend Samuel F. Smith, a Baptist clergyman, who but three years previous had been graduated from Harvard College, a member of the famous class of 1829, of which Oliver Wendell Holmes was also a member. Mr. Smith in his later years wrote many hymns, several story books for boys, was editor of numerous religious magazines and was a professor in the institution which later became Colby College. However, if it were not for the fact that he gave us our popular hymn, "America," it is likely that his name would long ago have been forgotten along with the thousands of others who have entertained and instructed merely their own generation.

SOME LIGHTS FOR LIFE'S WAY

From a Church Bulletin (D. H. S.)

To have life is not merely so important as to use it well. —Grenfell.

A man's vocation is the sphere in which to illustrate his precepts.—Bishop Brent.

The reason that Christ came was that we might have life, here and now, and that we might have it more and more abundantly hereafter.—R. H. Fisher.

For my part, I find the world is good. It is a most reliable paymaster, whichever way you make your investment, and I am glad to be in it.—Grenfell.

What is the use of eternal life to a man who will not use half an hour of this life well?—Emerson.

By religion, we mean that following of the Christ which is a daily endeavor to interpret his teachings by translating them into action.—Grenfell.

Miss Nellie Sprunt, one of our splendid missionaries, was asked one day by a native, when she was itinerating: "Have you brought Jesus with you? We want to see Jesus."

The character which we find described in the Beatitudes is beyond all question nothing else than our Lord's own character put into words. . . . It is a description set side by side with an example.—Bishop Gore.

An old Chinese woman was so grateful for the Gospel brought to her by our American missionaries that she said to one of them: "When I go to heaven, I'm going to tell the Lord I'm an American."

"THE MASTER CALLETH FOR THEE"

(From a Church Bulletin.—D.H.S.)

"Today, if ye shall hear His voice, harden not your hearts."

There is no more important step or any greater crisis in the life of anyone than the act which we call "joining the church"; for it is only the outward sign of great convictions which have come to us through careful and prayerful thinking, and a sincere faith in the facts of the Gospel of Christ—and the Christ of the Gospel. You are no longer to live in the land of the undecided, but you are to be a witness before the tribunal of the world and concerning things which you believe and profess about Jesus.

A true decision for Christ is about as follows: "I take Jesus Christ as my all-sufficient Saviour. I cast myself in loving dependence on him. I accept his gracious sacrifice for me. I plead the precious blood as the only ground for my hope, and the only plea which I can make before a righteous God. I promise as his sinful but loving disciple to obey him implicitly, serve him consciously, and confess him gladly before my fellowman."

It would be an incredible thing that the assumption of such responsibilities as accepting the Lord Jesus Christ as the Master of the heart and life, should be without some experience of divine grace, yet no one can write out the religious experience of another's soul. No one should have the temerity to unveil that sacred meeting between the sinner and his saving Lord. No other eye or ear has a right to see or hear that interchange of confidence between the sinner and his Saviour, or the broken confessions of his unworthiness, or the Lord's absolution to his restored child.

It sufficeth to say that there is a contentment born of the living companionship of the Lord which banishes loneliness and gives a great and abiding joy. The sense of the Saviour's love, and the assurance of perfect safety in the day of judgment, because of the atonement of Jesus, rob death of its terror and lets celestial light shine on our daily life.—Maitland Alexander.

JAPAN

By Bishop John M. Moore

Japan on Sunday, December 7, 1941, infamously thrust the United States into the World War. Without warning her air force swooped down upon Hawaii and Pearl Harbor, the great naval base of the United States in the Pacific, sank one battleship and one destroyer, damaged other warships, crippled many airplanes, killed 1500 persons and injured 1500 more. The dastardly attack was being carefully planned and prepared all the while the special Japanese Envoy Kurusu and Ambassador Nomura were engaging our Department of State in supposedly peace negotiations. While these Judas smiling diplomats were holding these conferences they knew full well that the Japanese fleet and air force were slipping across the ocean in the darkness and making ready to attack like a tiger our unsuspecting forts and bases. Japan that day won a great victory but sealed her own doom. The vicious and treacherous attack blasted away all differences in America and a created a solid American force for the utter punishment and defeat of Japan. The villainous action set the indignation of the entire American people on fire, a fire that will not burn down till Japan has paid dearly for her infamy.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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A NEW LEAF

He came to my desk with quivering lip—
The lesson was done.
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf,' he said,
I have spoiled this one."
I took the old leaf, stained and blotted,
And gave a new one all unspotted,
And into his sad eyes smiled,
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with quivering soul—
The old year was done.
"Dear Father, hast thou a new leaf for me?
I have spoiled this one."
He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,
And gave me a new one all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled,
"Do better now, my child."

—Kathleen Wheeler.

"I have three reasons for praying. First, I pray because Jesus prayed. Second, I pray because of the answers I have received. Third, I pray because I have come to believe that prayer is the supreme method ordained by God for our growth. For actual assistance learning how best to pray, this rule meant most to me: First, go and listen to Jesus of Nazareth when he prays; then in reverent imagination let Jesus of Nazareth listen to you when you pray."—Winifred Kirkland.

WOMEN MAKE PLANS FOR PRAYER

The Woman's Division of Christian Service, during a recent annual meeting in New York, decided to observe the national minute of prayer at six o'clock each afternoon, beginning New Year's Day. The recommendation presented by the spiritual life committee of which Mrs. W. M. Alexander of Nashville, Tenn., is chairman, is in line with the recent action of the Federal Council of Churches which seeks to promote a daily "prayer minute" throughout the nation. It is believed that the Methodist women are the first to adopt the action officially.—The Christian Advocate.

PASSING OF MRS. F. H. E. ROSS

The announcement of the death of Mrs. Frances H. E. Ross, carried in the January 1 issue of The Christian Advocate, will bring genuine sorrow to her numerous friends in North Carolina who were associated with her in the woman's missionary work. Mrs. Ross fomerly lived in Greensboro, but for some time had been with her son, Dr. Worth M. Ross, noted child specialist of Detroit, Michigan, where she passed away November 30, 1941. In 1910 she was elected treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Council of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, an office which she filled most efficiently until 1923. During those 15 years the Advocate says "she handled more than $1,000,000 each year through the Nashville banks, her drafts going to eight foreign fields." In "Fifty Years of Seed Sowing"—a history of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. conferences from 1878-1928, a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Ross is given by her intimate friend, Mrs. R. R. Alley, who said of her, "The predominating traits of Mrs. Ross' character are clearness of conviction, steadfastness of purpose and loyalty to duty. These are true of her social life as of her religious and business career." She was imbued with a zeal for consecrated service and gave freely of her talents to the upbuilding and furthering the cause of missions as sponsored by her church. She wrought worthily, keenly alive to the interest of the Master's kingdom, and her influence and memory will live in the hearts of her friends and loved ones.

GOAL FOR THE METHODIST WOMAN FOR 1942

The committee on publications and literature of the Woman's Division of Christian Service on October 1, 1941, recommended that a goal of 250,000 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman be reached by January, 1943. This recommendation was accepted by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, November 29, 1941, "and special emphasis given to joint subscriptions with World Outlook." This means an average of two-thirds net gain over 1941 in every society. If every officer were a subscriber the list would number 288,000. Therefore the slogan suggested is "Every Officer a Subscriber." New Year's resolution: "Begin Now. Let's Go." The Methodist Woman, 50 cents; World Outlook, $1.00. Combination subscription, $1.25.

BE MUCH IN PRAYER

By Mrs. J. D. Bragg, Pres. W. D. C. S.

The events of the last few days have brought grave concern to every section of our country. Not only do they closely touch us in our private lives but as church women they bring to us new opportunities for service. Under the emotion of the hour bitter words are being glibly spoken and there is danger of arousing racial feelings which will have widespread and disastrous results. As leaders in our churches and communities we each have a responsibility to help people, young and old, to hold steady, to keep their spiritual poise, to be careful in word and deed, that Christian standards and attitudes may be maintained.

We should especially remember in prayer our fellow Methodists in these war torn countries. They are clinging to their faith in spirit of great suffering. We have many missionaries and institutions in the war-shocked islands, Alaska, and lands across the sea. They are passing through trying and most dangerous hours. We should be much in prayer for them—in fact, a great wave of prayer should encircle the world at this hour.

A BIG QUESTION

By Mrs. Velma Maynor, Executive Secretary Dept. Foreign Work

Do we still need missionary money for China, Japan and Korea? Of our missionaries at home, who will use it? Even though it is needed can it still be sent? China—missionaries are still serving in China. The opportunities and the need for missionary service are greater than they have ever been. The response to the gospel message is unparalleled. Emergencies constantly arise that call for added outlay of expense. The cost of living has risen until in many places it is twenty times what it was three years ago and continues to rise. Food prices are so high that it is necessary to double and treble salaries of Chinese preachers and teachers and Bible women, in order to prevent actual starvation. Japan and Korea—Before the missionaries left Japan and Korea provision was made as far as possible for the payment of the 1941 appropriations. In Japan they were met in full. This was done by borrowing money from the missionaries and other Americans in Japan. As fast as your money has come in these obligations have been met, but the money to pay them in full must be found.

The withdrawal of missionaries has laid an added burden on the local budget of the mission institutions in these two countries. Workers had to be found to take the places left by the missionaries and they have taken up their tasks and need our prayers and our money.

Evacuation—The evacuation of missionaries has cost tremendously. More than 100 women missionaries have been moved to other fields or to their homes in America. This has been done at a time when travel costs are increased by war conditions. Methodist Overseas Relief has been an aid in this, but the burden on the treasury has still been heavy.

Specials—If your special is for a piece of work or for the salary of a national worker it is needed more than ever. Please continue it. Transmission of funds is difficult just now, but we will do our best to see that it reaches the object for which it is intended. If your special is for a missionary now in America, do not be in a hurry to change to another special. We trust the missionaries will be getting back or be transferred to other fields and be in a position to use the salaries. If a missionary cannot continue in service because of age, or health or family conditions, privilege of choosing another will be given those responsible for her support.

Pledges—We are depending on our women to pay their pledges in full just as they have done through the years and to pledge largely for the new year. We American women stand in a highly favored place in the midst of a broken and needy world. Let us express our gratitude to our Father in the form of large gifts to meet the need of those his children who are less fortunate.

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PRAYER A NECESSITY

Today, as never before, prayer is a binding necessity in the lives of men and nations. The lack of emphasis on the religious sense has brought the world to the edge of destruction. If the power of prayer is again released and used in the lives of common men and women; if the spirit declares its aims clearly and boldly, there is yet hope that our prayers for a better world will be answered.—Dr. Alexis Carrell.

UNITED FOR ACTION IN 1942

As members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service a year of learning and working out new plans of promotion of the great missionary enterprise of the Methodist Church has just ended. A new year of opportunities for service in God's kingdom is before us. How shall we make these opportunities count as a mighty power for good?

Because of perilous war conditions many of our missionaries have been recalled from the mission fields. According to their own testimonies and statements of the authorities of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, the missionaries were reluctant and sorrowful to leave their work. However, the foundations which have been laid by them and by other missionaries throughout the years are so deeply rooted into the hearts and minds of the native Christians in the various mission fields that these native Christians are carrying on in a courageous and magnificent way. The missionaries who have been recalled have been placed into places of employment in the homeland and in other fields. This is no time, therefore, for a retreat or a slackening of interests and efforts on the part of members of the W. S. C. S. Every department of work should be emphasized as never before. Prayers for guidance in the promotion of the cause should be a part of the daily life of every Christian worker and sacrificial offerings should be a matter of concern of every missionary minded Methodist. United in best efforts, united in prayer, united in sharing, women of the North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S. can and shall during 1942 be instruments in the hand of God.—Editor.

CONSIDER AND ACT

Every member of the W. S. C. S. who is not a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook would do well to ponder the words of Mrs. George Keene, publications manager Woman's Division of Christian Service. Mrs. Keene writes: "Because we need more space for articles on fields of work, the committee on literature and publications at its meeting in New York, October 1, suggested a goal for The Methodist Woman of 250,000 subscriptions by January, 1943. This will mean a two-thirds net gain all along the line. A good slogan would be 'Every Officer a Subscriber.' There must be thousands of officers who do not subscribe. How do they carry on intelligently? Why not a World Outlook for every Methodist woman?" And may your conference secretary of publications add a plea that the women of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. do their best in helping the women of Methodism to make the goal of which Mrs. Keene has written. To have an informed membership every member of the W. S. C. S. should be a reader of World Outlook, the magazine with a world outlook, and The Methodist Woman, the trade journal of the W. S. C. S. If you are not a subscriber why not see the secretary of literature and publications of your W. S. C. S. NOW? She will be happy to send your subscription to the proper place.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

When the district missionary institutes are held in the N. C. conference during the month of January the emphases on woman's work will be greater than ever. Miss Ruth Wheaton, a field worker from the Woman's Division of Christian Service, will deliver an address, lead a question and answer period and will, following the luncheon hour,, meet with the women in a separate session. The institutes will begin at 10 a. m. Places and dates are: First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, January 12; Hertford, January 13; Queen Street, Kinston, January 14; Trinity, Wilmington, January 15; Page Memorial, Aberdeen, January 16; Trinity, Durham, January 19; Edenton Street, Raleigh, January 20. Women of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. should attend the institute in their respective districts in large numbers.

LOUISBURG SOCIETY

Sharing with the congregation some of the accomplishments of the Woman's Society of Christian Service during 1941 and an appropriate sermon by the pastor, Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, were features of the morning service at Louisburg Methodist church on December 14. The Louisburg W. S. C. S. has a membership of 63, divided into three circles. Mrs. H. G. Leonard gave the report of the Kenmore circle and Mrs. Ernest Thomas the Wesleyan Service Guild. Mrs. Walter Patten, president, summarized the financial report, stating that a total of $647 has has been raised for missions and local church activities, $26 of which included the week of prayer offering and $4.00 sent to the Methodist Student Center at East Carolina Teachers' College; $100 was donated for repairs of the church and a new carpet, $131 repairs to the pipe organ, $30 for parsonage improvements and $20 for Louisburg College bond. Four boxes of clothing amounting to $69 were sent to children at the Methodist Orphanage and Christmas boxes valued at $30 were donated. Many gifts of staple foods were donated to the county welfare department for distribution among the needy. Editor's note: We are indebted to Mrs. T. C. Amick of Louisburg for these interesting notes concerning the Louisburg W. S. C. S.

NOTES FROM OCRACOKE SOCIETY

The Ocracoke W. S. C. S. met on December 1 at the home of Mrs. Joe Burwell for the last meeting of the year. The society has a membership of 71, 60 of whom are charter members. The week of prayer was observed, the offering amounting to $9.49. The total amount sent to missions was $55.31 and the total amount used for local work $20.71. Newly elected officers are: President, Mrs. Charles Scarborough; vice president, Mrs. Zina Williams; second vice president, Mrs. Amasa Fulcher; treasurer, Mrs. James Garrish; recording secretary, Mrs. T. W. Howard; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Pinta Williams; corresponding secretary, Miss Lela Howard; publicity, Miss Virginia Howard; secretary supplies, Mrs. Eliza O'Neal; secretary literature, Miss Dell Garrish.—Virginia Howard.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT NEWS

During the month of October all seven zones of the Elizabeth City district held their regular fall meeting. Mrs. B. F. Boone and her team of workers conducted the three study leaders' meetings. All these meetings were well attended and proved very beneficial. Following is an outstanding feature of each meeting:

Gates county zone: Study leaders' meeting conducted by Mrs. Boone. Afternoon: Women of the zone continued and completed their fall study day, which is an annual affair. Dare county zone: Study leaders' meeting conducted by Mrs. Boone. Afternoon: Regular fall zone meeting. Re-election of officers. Beaufort-Hyde zone: Mrs. Minnie Spencer Credle, a charter member of the first missionary society organized in Hyde county in 1888, was present. Pascurcam zone: Re-election of officers; Bible study conducted by Mrs. Eggleston of Virginia conference. Perquimans-Chowan zone: Two conference officers present, namely, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin and Mrs. B. B. Slaughter. Mrs. Slaughter was presented a love gift from the children of the zone. Plymouth zone: Efficient presentation of fall study helps and very inspiring noon day devotional. Parade and concert by Roper high school band during the lunch hour. Hertford-Bertie zone: Every society in the zone was represented. One society reported some very outstanding work being done in the department of Christian social relations and local church activities. Hatteras zone: This was a special study meeting conducted by Mrs. Boone and her team . The fall study book was presented during the morning. After a delightful luncheon and fellowship hour the women reassembled for a round table discussion concerning the different departments of work. Mrs. Boone, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter and I considered the trip to Hatteras and the contacts made there one of the highlights of our lives.—Mrs. Glenn Pendleton.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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BOB IS O. K.

"Come in, Bobby, and let's see what you have there." In comes Bobby with a little mongrel dog, one he says has been about the place for some two weeks. Bobby being a member of the Dog Gone Gang, thought that even though the boys liked the little shaggy dog, it was not a fit applicant for becoming a member of the Children's Home family. So he brought the dog down to the office. According to our procedure here, everything must stop when a member of the Dog Gone Gang appears at the office for any official business. So Bobby, a fine twelve-year-old lad, sponsored by the Young Mothers Class of West Market Street, Greensboro, and this scribe jumped into the pick-up truck and away we went to the police station. The desk sergeant, a kindly looking man, even though he deals with criminals most of the time, looked at Bobby and the little mongrel dog and then at the Children's Home man, who by this time was explaining how Bobby wanted a home for a homeless dog. A big policeman took the dog to be "impounded" while Bobby and his friend hurried back to the Children's Home to look after other important official business.

THE OLD, OLD STORY

This Monday is almost gone. It has been a very busy day. There was hardly time for lunch. The children's problems have been most absorbing. Questions of far-reaching import for youngsters in their important adolescent period have had to be evaluated. The old, old story of trial and error, success and failure have come along for review. Human nature is the most inconsistent set-up of consistency one ever studies. We have children in our midst and must be in the midst of their welfare.

HEALTHY AND HAPPY

Our children are well and we pause many times during the run of the day to give grateful thanks. A visit just made to the infirmary reveals that only one little girl and four little boys are in bed. Little Patsy is recovering from a severe cold, Richard, Kenneth and Jack are about well from a tonsillectomy, while Don has a slight hurting in his side. Over at the City Memorial Hospital is Douglas who is coming along nicely following an operation for osteomyelitis. The six sick children are almost well. Four hundred and forty-four children are well.

BOBBY AND JANE

Since the foregoing paragraph was written two new members of the family have been enrolled. Bobby, an 11-year-old girl, has just arrived after having waited for months to get to live at the Children's Home. Before she was through being welcomed in comes little two-and-a-half-year-old Jane, accompanied by one of the best women who ever lived, one with whom little Jane had made her home for some six months and who, because of illness in her family and other pressing obligations, could not longer keep her. So two new little girls have come to live in the great big Children's Home, sponsored by big hearted Christians.

THE TAPPER TAPPED

We have been having big honor rolls to feature this page as the Advocate has come out each week. This time we have only one new member of the honor society. But this new member has kept the joy bell from getting rusty. The tapper has tapped. Join us in grateful thanks for the entire apportionment from Jonas Ridge, Linville Falls circuit, located on the very top of the Blue Ridge, where the Conference Journal says a minister is to be supplied.

TIDINGS FROM CHARLOTTE

George F. Stratton, treasurer of the First Methodist church school, Charlotte, forwards a check for $308.57, covering the white Christmas offering. This contribution is in addition to a fifth Sunday offering amounting to $279.03 and a ten per cent apportionment contribution amounting to $791.51. Indications point to First church's heading the list of congregations making large contributions to Children's Home for the present conference year.

SPIRIT OF THE MAN

During the holidays Mrs. Woosley and I visited Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon, former director of the High Point Children's Home, in their new home at Broad Acres, near Greensboro. Dr. Dixon's health has improved and Mrs. Dixon was happy in looking after some fine Plymouth Rock hens whose contribution amounted to 25 dozen eggs per week. The daughter, a medical student, was home for the holidays and was busy popping corn in the good old-fashioned way. Prior to this visit the following message from Dr. Dixon was received which sets forth the spirit of the man: "The card and this note come to wish you all the joy of the season and an abundance of happiness and success in your work for Him and His children and young people during the new year. We wish there were something we could do to show our continued interest in and love for all those we sent over to you; but we prefer to recognize that all of the youngsters there are one group now, and feeling that way about it and preferring to have them feel that way, we wish through you to extend our love and our Christmas greetings and best wishes for a happy new year to both of you and to all those under your care. We think of you often and bear you on wings of prayer to the throne above that His blessings may be upon each of you and His holy presence may continually guide you."

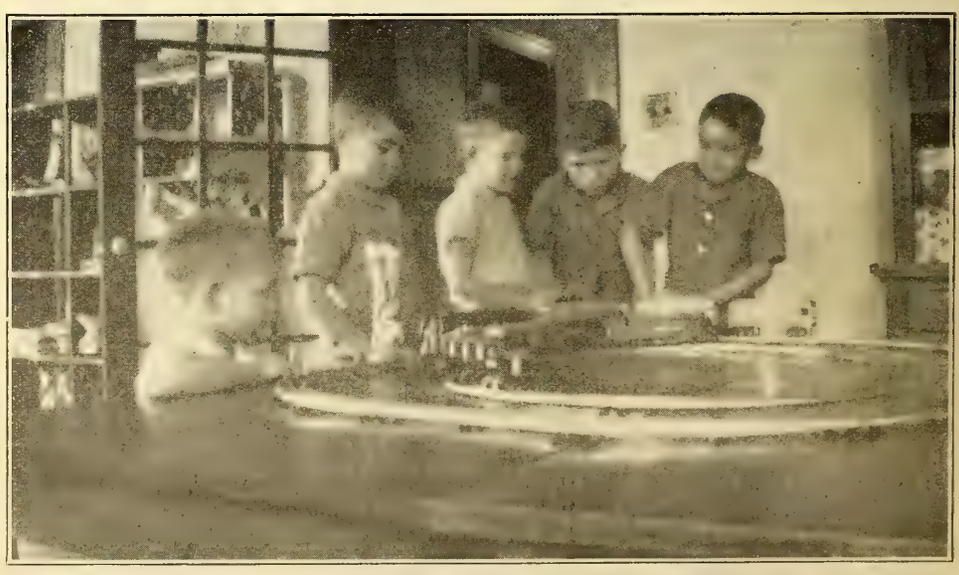
IN TOYLAND

The picture this week is that of some of our little boys who are having a lot of fun running a little train on a little circular track on the top of a little table. Little things bring forth a great deal of happiness among our children. So the boys turn on the current and make the train move, dreaming of the time when they will be engineers and conductors on the big, fast flyers thundering over the tracks of the big railway system.

TEAGUE PULLS THE TRIGGER

"Please find a money order enclosed for $4.20 from Teague Chapel, on the Sandy circuit, in Buncombe county, covering our fifth Sunday offering. We had the misfortune of getting our church burned down and have had a struggle getting it built back. Now we are thankful we have a place that is comfortable in which to have services. We want to help our Children's Home children to be comfortable."

So writes Mrs. H. G. Teague, who evidently is a moving spirit at Teague Chapel. This scribe confesses to a great deal more regard for the person who pulls the trigger than the one who is always aiming to do so.



In Toyland the Train Runs Round and Round

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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NORMAL AGAIN—The Christmas holidays are over and our children are back in school. All the activities of the home are going smoothly and successfully. Unquestionably, the Christmas just passed was the best one that we have experienced at the Orphanage in many, many years.

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CHAPEL SERVICE — We held a most impressive chapel service on Wednesday night, the last day in the year 1941. The official staff and children were urged to make new resolutions,, and to live up to them throughout the new year. All were told that they were in for hard sledding, and that it was absolutely necessary for each one to practice rigid economy, and to make some contribution in the defense of their country.

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WEST DURHAM—A few Sundays ago I had the privilege of attending services at the West Durham Methodist church. Rev. W. L. Clegg, popular and much beloved pastor, preached a most interesting and helpful sermon to a large and appreciative congregation. Brother Clegg is recognized throughout the conference as one of our best preachers. During his pastorate at West Durham he has paid off a large debt on the church. He is one of the most aggressive and constructive leaders in our conference.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The singing class had two very pleasant Sundays on the Person circuit. Rev. F. B. Peele is pastor of this work. On December 7 we were at Concord and Warren's Grove churches, and on December 14 we were at Leasburg and Oak Grove churches. Large congregations greeted us at each church, and we received a hearty welcome from these splendid people. On December 21 the class visited the Farmville Methodist church, of which Rev. M. Y. Self is pastor. The church was beautifully decorated. Two white Christmas trees had been placed to use in the afternoon for the White Christmas service, and this was also a pretty setting for the Orphanage concert. We enjoyed the hospitality of these lovely friends."

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BATTLESHIP LINOLEUM — I am deeply grateful to the Woman's Societies of Christian Service for the efforts that they have put forth during the past year to secure funds with which to buy battleship linoleum for the large Orphanage dining hall. We have not received a sufficient number of coupons yet for this purpose. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, who is in charge of this special undertakings, joins me in urging all the societies of Christian Service to redouble their efforts to accomplish this worth while objective. If our money friends could see our medium size girls scrubbing the large dining hall three or four times each week, they would understand and appreciate the need of covering the floor with battleship linoleum. If the dining room floor were covered the labor necessary to keep it clean and sanitary would be greatly reduced.

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MOST ENCOURAGING — Every mail brings a number of contributions from our churches and church schools for the benefit of the Methodist Orphanage. Some of the charges have already finished paying their 6 per cent Orphanage apportionment for this new conference year. Many other charges have also kindly remembered our children. From several pastors I have received letters stating that they plan to raise all of their 6 per cent Orphanage apportionment in the near future. I want our pastors and church school superintendents to know that such tangible expressions are deeply appreciated. May I express the hope that other churches and church schools that have not yet remembered us since the conference will do so at an early date. There is a great deal of money in circulation at this season of the year, and now is a most opportune time to present the needs of the Orphanage to our supporting constituency.

STRANGE PEOPLE I HAVE MET

By H. C. Funderburk

People who talk about prayer but who never pray.

People who say tithing is right but who do not tithe.

People who wish to belong to the church but who never attend or support the church.

People who say that a man reaps what he sows and then sow sin, disloyalty and disobedience.

People who make good salaries and give nickels and dimes to the church.

People who say that the Bible is God's Word to man and yet who do not read it.

People who say they believe in heavenly rewards but who never do anything to gain such rewards.

People who say that eternity is of more importance than time, but who live for this present life only.

People who criticize others for things they do themselves.

People who say "We" in accomplishments in which they had no part.

People who stay away from church for trivial reasons and then sing, "O How I Love Jesus."

People who repeat a scandalous rumor while declaring they do not believe it is true.

People who had rather hear something bad about another than something good.

People who follow the devil all their lives, but expect to go to heaven when they die.—Baptist Standard.

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CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Members of the conference staff of the Board of Education, members of the district staffs of Christian education, and officers of the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship met at Louisburg College December 31 and January 1 to plan the educational program of the North Carolina conference for the current year.

Discussion groups for workers in the Children's Division, Youth Division, and Adult Division met in the afternoon and evening, where plans were formulated for the work of these three main areas of work in the church.

The general sessions were presided over by the director of the conference, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw. On Wednesday afternoon a demonstration in audio-visual education was presented by Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr., and Miss Elizabeth Myers.

The district staffs met for a session on Wednesday evening and the superintendent of each district presided. These periods proved very worth while in that each group made definite plans for the work of the district.

At 11:30 Wednesday night all members of the group gathered for a watch night communion service led by Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Rev. W. V. McRae and Rev. H. I. Glass. Rev. W. E. Howard's piano music added to the effectiveness of the service. This was a very impressive way of greeting the New Year and the inspiration received, as the participants pledged themselves anew to the task of creating God's kingdom on earth, should make 1942 one of the most successful years in the North Carolina conference.

The conference on Christian education offers the following suggestions of items to be included in the local church program for 1942:

Children's Work

In the area of children's work it is urged that all teachers and parents be enrolled in the Fellowship of Study; that the pastors hold classes with boys and girls previous to their joining the church on Easter Sunday, and that they keep in close touch with the boys and girls following their membership in the church; that early and efficient plans be made for a vacation church school in every church of the conference; that the church school co-operate with the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the promotion of missionary education of children on each fourth Sunday and at the time of the special World Friendship study.

Youth Work

The following dates have been set for youth assemblies at Louisburg College:

Young People's Assembly (ages 18-23), June 18-22.

Senior Assembly (ages 15-17), June 22-26.

First Intermediate Assembly (ages 12-14), June 26-30.

Second Intermediate Assembly (ages 12-14), July 1-4

At Murfreesboro: Intermediate Assembly (ages 12-14), July 13.17.

It is suggested that plans be started looking toward attendance of young people upon these assemblies; that local churches plan to observe Youth Week in the summer (young people prepared to serve in Youth Week will be available to local churches); that since a Caravan will be in the North Carolina conference for seven weeks during the summer, charges desiring the Caravan for one week make application through the conference board office immediately; that youth leaders and young people attend district or sub-district rallies to be held in the spring; that special emphasis be given to pledges for the Methodist Youth Fund in January which has been set aside as "pledge month. Plans are now being made to give each department an opportunity to pledge to this, the Methodist Youth Fund.

Adult Work

In the area of adult work special emphasis is given to leadership education through the formal training work in long and short course schools, through informal training in Bible conferences, Learning for Life Schools and Elective Units. All workers — in Children's, Young People's, and Adult work—are urged to attend the Christian Workers Assembly at Louisburg College July 6-8, and that all young adults attend the Assembly for Young Adults at Louisburg College July 4-5.

General

One of the main objectives for the year is that each church school observe the fourth Sunday as World Service Sunday, with an offering for the World Service program of the church. It is also suggested that each church school observe church school rally day, April 19, with a program (to be furnished each church) and with an offering for the support of the Christian education program in the North Carolina conference.

District Staff Members

Under the educational set-up of our church the district superintendent in each district is the head of the district staff of Christian education, and is, therefore, responsible for the district program of Christian education. Associated with the district superintendent and sharing responsibility with him for the program are three district directors of the age-group divisions—children's division, youth division, and adult division. These leaders in the age-group divisions not only have responsibility in their respective areas of work, but also share with the district superintendent the responsibility for the total district program.

Members of the district staffs serving this conference year are as follows:

Durham district—
Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent.
Mrs. C. P. Morris, Efland, director children's work.
Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr., Longhurst, director youth work.
Rev. T. B. Hough, Mebane, director adult work.

Elizabeth City district—
Rev. T. McM. Grant, district superintendent.
Mrs. George Jackson, Hertford, director children's work.
Rev. O. L. Hardwick, Plymouth, director youth work.
Rev. A. L. Thompson, Ahoskie, director adult work.

Fayetteville district—
Rev. W. V. McRae, district superintendent.
Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen, director children's work.
Rev. D. L. Fouts, director youth work.
Rev. W. F. Keeler, director adult work.

New Bern district—
Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent.
Mrs. W. R. Stevens, director children's work.
Rev. C. D. Robbins, director youth work.
Rev. W. R. Stevens, director adult work.

Raleigh district—
Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent.
Miss Mabel Merritt, director children's work.
Mr. Francis Edwards, director youth work.
Rev. F. D. Hedden, director adult work.

Rocky Mount district—
Rev. L. C. Larkin, District Supt.
Mrs. W. F. Walters, director children's work.
Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr., director youth work.
Rev. E. D. Weathers, director adult work.

Wilmington district—
Rev. A. S. Parker, District Supt.
To be filled, director children's work.
Rev. F. B. Joyner, director youth work.
Rev. J. W. Lineberger, director adult work.

Conference Youth Officers

Officers of the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship together with the district directors of youth work form the Youth Council of the conference and formulate plans for the youth program of the church. The officers serving during the current year are:

President, Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton.

Vice President, Mr. Ralph Rogers, Durham.

Secretary, Miss Reba Young, Rose Hill.

Assistant Secretary, Miss Lois Asbell, Belvidere.

Treasurer, Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs.

Assistant Treasurer, Miss Pat Cherry, Tarboro.

Puplicity Supt., Mr. Harris Proctor, Durham.

Asst. Pub. Supt., Mr. Thurman Brooks, Wilson.

MY HOBBY

My hobby is the collection, restoration and reproduction of old clocks. My interest in clocks is due to the fact that the first copies of art that I remember were the painting on the door, and the style of architecture represented in the old mantel clock that sat over the fireplace in my childhood home. That clock now sits on the mantel in the living room of my home, and is the most cherished possession I have, for it has been in my family for over 100 years.

All over the house, I have in every room some kind of clock which I have collected — grandfathers, grandmothers, swinging, shelf, alarm, pendulum, lever, weight, springs, Gothic, Tambour, ship, octagon and banjo. These are not half the styles and kinds of clocks there are in the world.

My hobby is most fascinating, for there is nothing in which the people of America are more interested than in time. To save watch hinges, I always carry a good clock along with me and place it in the church where it may be easily observed by the congregation.

From my studies, made in connection with clocks, I have learned much about astronomy, for the stars were the first timekeepers for people, and they operate on the split second accuracy.

I have found out also that the most satisfying explanation of the building of the Pyramids of Egypt is that they were the timekeepers for that ancient civilization—just great sun dials, the shadows of which marked the time of the day. I am not surprised that this is so, for in our own civilization there is nothing so universally owned and so often consulted as some form of timekeeper.

The information which I have accumulated by plying my hobby is amazing. I can just talk by the hour on the subject of clocks, and realize that the half has never yet been told about the place clocks hold among the American people.

Try a hobby, and get wise about millions of things you never knew before; and get them in a most interesting way.—Rev. W. R. Reed, in National Advocate.

THE LETTER-BOX

We came up in the bus together, Mrs. Walkington and I. The bus was very crowded for us to talk—we were both standing—but I felt sure that all was not well with her.

Usually a cheery little soul, vivacious and something of a tease, she stood woodenly as she stared unseeingly out of the window.

When we reached the corner, she got out mechanically. I fell into step with her.

"Like rain," I began.

She nodded.

"Touch of winter in the wind," said I.

She nodded again.

"Is there anything you'd like to tell me?" I asked.

She did not reply at once. Then she said simply: "John went this morning. He got his callin-up papers last week."

That was all but I had an inkling of what it meant.

It meant that she was living alone; for she and John are childless, though they have always wanted children; and somehow each has been more than usually devoted to the other. To think of them separated hurt me; and suddenly I realized how cruel war can be, what sweet and tender things it smashes.

When we parted we shook hands. I did not try to comfort her.

But late that night I stole to her front door, and through the letter-box I pushed a little note. It said: And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying: Lo, I am with you alway.—Methodist Recorder.

THE FAMILY MAN AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER

I walked home with her.

It was a quiet Sunday afternoon, sunny, warm, kindly.

"So you have gone back to the Sunday school?" I asked, addressing the woman in black at my side—a woman with white hair, gentle eyes, but firm chin.

"Yes," she said.

"Have you had many?"

"Seven girls. I usually have a class of eight, but Mary is ill. I shall be going to see her tomorrow."

"Busy as you are with your war work?"

"One can always make time," she countered.

We went home in silence.

Presently I said: "What made you take up Sunday school work again?"

Her answer was startling. She said: "I lost my husband in the last war and my only son in this."

I knew it well enough; but for a moment I did not quite understand the significance of her reply.

"You see," she explained, "the world is full of clever men; but there will never be peace till the world is full of good women—mothers and wives who believe in God, who know God, who try to serve him, and who bring up their little ones to love God and their fellows. So, as you see, I have asked if I may help in the Sunday school doing my very little bit towards bringing girls into a closer walk with him."

I do not know how this brave answer strikes you, but it seemed wonderfully convincing to me.—Methodist Recorder.

SERMONOGRAMS

If you want to be poor, never give anything away.

Cease minimizing your blessings and exaggerating your misfortunes.

There will be fewer incorrigible children when we have more disciplined parents.

The person who continually pities himself has little sympathy left for the needs of others.

We may gauge ourselves by our ideals; we can judge others by their activities.

To reach a port we must sail, sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it, but we must sail, not drift, nor lie at anchor.

Encouragement is oxygen to the soul; no one ever lived without it.—George Matthew Adams.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Infancy and Boyhood of Jesus

Matthew 1:2; Luke 1:2

Before one discusses the question as to whether the stories concerning the birth of Jesus are true, he should make sure of finding out what they mean.

What does Matthew mean by saying that Jesus was born of a virgin? He wishes to say that Jesus was an altogether unique human being. He was not merely the greatest of the prophets, he was the Son of God. This high claim is borne out by his whole earthly career, by his resurrection, and by the mighty works he has accomplished in the hearts of men through all ages. And it is borne out by what he will do for any man who receives him. The Christ who was conceived by the Holy Ghost sends the Holy Ghost into the heart of every one who wholeheartedly believes in him.

By the story of the visit of the wise men Matthew wishes to say that the birth of Jesus was not a local and Jewish event. It was a world event. And that the Holy Spirit was preparing not merely the Jews but wistful souls throughout the world for his coming. The details of the story are framed in a way that is not natural to us. We do not read the world's fortune in the stars, and, considering their enormous size and distance, only a vision of a star, and not a real star, could lead the Magi to the place where the child lay. Modern missions, however, furnish close parallels to this intuition of the wise men which sent them forth on a long journey in an eager quest for the good news.

By constantly referring to the prophecies Matthew wishes us to see that Jesus was the consummation of a divine process beginning far back in history. We do not always see how Matthew's quotations apply. For instance, in the words, When Israel was a child I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt, Hosea was not looking into the future but into the past. He was thinking of the deliverance of ancient Israel from bondage. But Matthew seizes on everything in the Old Testament that is phrased to fit the new facts, just as we would say today that when the Pilgrim Fathers sailed for the new world in the Mayflower, not knowing where they would land, the Scripture was fulfilled which God spake to Abraham, Get thee out of thy country and from thy kindred . . . unto the land that I will show thee; and he went out not knowing whither he went (Genesis 12:1; Hebrews 11:8). But Matthew is absolutely right in saying the Old Testament glows with a prophetic hope of the coming of a mighty Deliverer.

And now what does Luke mean by his stories? In a very different but marvelously beautiful form he is saying the same thing. The birth of Jesus is a supreme event in world history. Jesus is to be absolutely unique among all that are born of women. And we note that, just as in Matthew the news came to the far off Magi, and not to the great in Jerusalem, so in Luke the announcement does not come to the learned scribes, but to the shepherds on the hillside. While angels were singing their loud Hallelujahs in the ears of these humble men, the doctors were either asleep or droning their pompous puerilities in Jerusalem, as unconscious of the great event as were the oxen chewing their cuds in the stable where Jesus was born. And alas, this tragic unawareness of the great things God was doing has been fulfilled in the lives of the world's exalted dignitaries again and again in subsequent history.

What then is the chief thing we need to say about the stories of the birth of Christ? It is confidently to affirm this one manifest fact, that Jesus has turned out to be as great an influence on human life as these wonderful stories would lead us to expect. The extent to which the narratives have been colored by the outcome we cannot certainly know, but we can be sure that the Jesus of history has fulfilled the expectations aroused by the Jesus of the Christmas stories. And their fulfillment in the past gives us ground for double confidence in this tragic hour that the music of the Christmas song will prove to be louder and more enduring than the noise of exploding bombs.

THOUGHTS FOR LIFE'S JOURNEY

(From a Church Bulletin—D.H.S.)

Time wasted is existence; used, is life.

Every hour is a crisis; every day a transition.

Life is nothing. It is the way of life which is much.

Jesus gave away a bit of his soul with every healing touch.

Character is transformed by the influence of our fellowships.

A life can always be judged by the things to which it gives first place.

Before the world owes a man a living, he himself owes the world a life.

God's love is not going to be satisfied with souls made right and a city left wrong.

If I cannot bring my lot to my mind, I can bring my mind to my lot.

The reason for Jesus' joyfulness corresponds to a universal law, that the happiest people on earth are those who are doing most for others.

There's a great deal of good that can be done in the world if we are not too careful as to who gets the credit.

When I don't sleep, I just count my blessings. That's a splendid thing to do, because you fall asleep before you get to the end of them.

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can.
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
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—Wesley's Rule.

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Children's Storyland



SANDY AND CHRISTMAS

By Margaret A. Fassitt

Perhaps you may have guessed that he had red hair; perhaps also that he had freckles and that his eyes were blue, and that he had a pleasant grin, but you never, never in all your life would have guessed that he had never had a Christmas. Of course, I mean a real Christmas, with a stocking hung up, with candy and toys and everything that makes it a real Christmas. With the story of the manger and of the angel's song, and all the things you have heard and had every single Christmas of your lives. Now, just stop a moment and think what it would be not to have all this. Well, Sandy had never had them.

Sandy lived with Granny Moore half way up the mountain-side, and sometimes when Granny did not need him to cut wood or dig potatoes, or to go here and there on errands, he went to school in the little schoolhouse at the edge of the village, which was at the foot of the mountain.

Christmas was almost here, and the minds of all the children at school were full of it; in fact, they could scarcely do their lessons for thinking of it, and planning for it.

"Say, Tom," said Sandy shyly to one of the boys at school, as they started homeward one afternoon, "if I bring you a bag of walnuts tomorrow will you give me a bit o' paper and a envelope?"

"Hey, there, fellows, Reddy wants to write a letter. What do you know about that?"

A shout of laughter followed, but, nothing daunted, Sandy repeated, "Will you, Tom?"

"Sure thing, Sorrel," said Tom good naturedly. "And see that it's a big bag of walnuts, too."

The next day Sandy took the nuts and got the paper in return. That evening he spent long hours printing his letter. His hands were stiff from hard work, and unaccustomed to holding a pencil. He had no stamp to put in the corner as he had seen them once or twice on letters, but decided to drop it in the letter box outside the post-office just as it was.

Half way down the mountain the next morning Sandy met a man who plowed Granny's garden in the spring, and sometimes helped her in other ways.

"Hi, there," Sandy," called Nathan Russell. "Granny says you're to help me get in my wood today. Snow's a' comin' 'fore long."

Sandy never thought of disobeying, but what should he do with his precious letter? He couldn't go back home without telling Granny, nor could he take it with him for fear of losing it.

"All right," he called. "I'll be there in a minute," and stooping down he hid the letter under a stone.

That afternoon a party of young people who had come to the great Manor House to spend Christmas, wandered out on the mountain-side to gather holly and mistletoe; on the way back a girl stumped her toe on a stone in the path. "Oh, look!" she cried. "Here's a letter some one has lost, and to Santa Claus, too." As it was addressed to "Mr. Santa" and unsealed, she opened it and read:

"Mr. Santa, you and me ain't never met, but the boys tole me 'bout you. Please, please bring me a little dog. I live half way up the mountin. I'm Sandy."

The young people looked at each other in silence for a few moments, then one said, "Say, let's give the youngster a Christmas," and they all echoed, "Sure thing."

Sandy shed a few tears over the lost letter, but he knew he could not write another, so being a brave lad he made up his mind to forget it.

Christmas morning dawned clear and cold. Sandy rubbed his eyes and thought he would stay in the warm bed as long as he could—but, hark! What was that? It sounded like a dog. Could it be that Mr. Santa found his letter, after all?

Pulling on his clothes, Sandy dashed down to the door, and when it was opened he could scarcely believe his eyes. There stood a great big basket full of good things. On the handle was printed, "Merry Christmas," while tied to one side was a little brown and white dog, who whined and waged his ridiculosuly short tail and one his collar was "Sandy from Santa."

But not waiting to read it, Sandy was on his knees with his arms about the dog's neck. He was having his first Christmas.—The Presbyterian.

TEN LITTLE FINGERS THAT WERE ALWAYS SO CURIOUS

A little girl lives in our town,
And she was wondrous wise,
Because she puts her fingers ten
In other people's pies.

If mother slipped her Christmas gifts
Into a handy box,
Miss Lulu's fingers searched them out
In spite of the keys and locks.

When sister left her watch and rings
Upon the dresser tray,
Small Lulu's fingers tried them on;
That always was her way.

She even handled people's clothes—
She loved to feel of silk;
She tried to see how thick the cream
Was on the mornin's milk.

Her fingers fluttered here and there;
She couldn't keep them still,
Until one day she looked at them
And bravely said, "I will!

My fingers I will keep at home;
They must not poke and pry;
I'll hold them fast—see if I don't—
When off they want to fly!"

And since that time we love her more,
Because we know she tries
To keep her little fingers out
Out of other people's pies!

—F. L. N., in Story World.

THE LITTLE LIZARD

One day a neighbor who had newly come to California from the East called me out to see what she called a "queer creature." "It looks something like a snake and I was wondering if we ought to kill it," she said. It turned out to be nothing more formidable than a little lizard, or swift as we more commonly call them. It was still sitting in the sun where she had first found it, but retreated hastily under some old boards when she stepped closer to get a better view of it.

She was assured that far from being harmful they are really friendly little fellows. I told her about the little pet lizard I once had who came out from his hiding place under the steps whenever he heard my voice. He would cock his little head in a friendly listening attitude. Of course it is necessary to assume a gentle tone. I have heard that some of them become so tame they can be touched. This stage must be worked up to gradually, however, or the timid little creature will drop its tail and run off in alarm. Gradually the tail grows back again after such a catastrophe.

So the little lizard's life was spared. —Leonie Hunter in Our Dumb Animals.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Two boys in the second grade were found in the cloakroom standing back to back measuring respective sizes.

"Why are you doing that?" asked the teacher.

"Well," replied little Frederick, "I just wanted to be sure he was as big as I was before I hit him. Dad told me not to pick on anybody littler than I am."—Indianapolis News.

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Little Betty, watching the farm hands spreading out a stack of hay to dry, could contain her curiosity no longer, so she politely asked:

"Is it a needle you're looking for?" —Ex.

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Calvary, 11 18
Carr Memorial, 7:30 18
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Long Memorial, 11 25

February

Trinity, 11 1

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Columbia, Wesley Memorial, 11 11
Creswell, 3 11
Plymouth, night 11
City Road, night 14
South Mills, Newland, 2 16
Bath, 11 18
Washington, night 18
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 21
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 23
Perquimans, Epworth, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 24
Roper, 11 25
Edenton, night 25

February

Moyock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Rockingham Ct., Zion, 11.....11
Mt. Gilead Ct., Parsonage, 3 11
Ellerbe, Norman, 7:30 11
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Fuquay, Fuquay, 11 11
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 7:30 11
Lillington, Lillington, 11 18
Garner, Mt. Zion, 7:30 18
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25

February

Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30.. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Dover, 7:30 8
La Grange, Hickory Grove, 11 11
Seven Springs, 3 11
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 11

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Warrenton, 11 11
Littleton Ct.-Tabor, 3 11
Littleton, 7:30 11
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25

February

Stantonsburg, 11 1

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Clinton, ...11
Roseboro, Bethel, 7:30 11
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 3:30 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 7 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FIRST ROUND

January

West Asheville, 11 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 3 11
Haywood St., Asheville, night 11
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Grace, 11 11
Jamestown, 7:30 11
Madison, 11 18
Calvary, 7:30 18
Leaksville, 11 25
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, 7:30 25

February

Mt. Pleasant, 11 1
Lee's Chapel, 7:30 1

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Rutherfordton, 11 11
Gilkey, Gilboa, 3 11
Marion, First, 7:30 11
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January

Forest Hill, 11 11
China Grove, 7 11

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

January

Thomasville First, West End, 11 11
Thomasville—Unity, Fair Grove, 3 11
Thomasville—Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 11
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11 18
Pinnacle, 3 18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 18
Thomasville, Community, 11 25
Thomasville Ct., 3 25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 25

February

Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1
Thomasville, Main St., 11 15
North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3 15
Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes, 7:30 15
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7

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By Laura Alice Boyd

Each autumn as the birds wing their way southward we marvel at the instinct that guides them on their journey and speculate as to how fast they fly

Hunters tell "tall tales" about the speed of the duck that got away, and there is some ground for their stories when we know that canvas-backs and teal are known to fly at 50 to 55 miles an hour. A pheasant's best speed has been ascertained to be 40 miles an hour while a partridge travels at about 25 miles an hour.

Birds of prey, such as eagles and hawks, have great flying speed but not for sustained flights over long distances. They are able to swoop down upon their victims with sudden bursts of speed which in the case of the duck hawk, one of the world's fastest birds, has been timed at between 160 and 180 miles an hour. The eagle has been estimated as swooping at the rate of 120 miles, though it does not fly straightaway at that speed.

More data has been obtained on the speed of homing pigeons than almost any other birds, and so many romantic stories have been told about their prowess in flight that the general public credits them with greater speed than facts warrant. As a result of the many races held among homing pigeons it has been proved that their best speed is not more than a mile a minute. Pigeons can rise almost vertically and attain their maximum speed quickly.

The hummingbird, however, has real pickup. High speed cameras have shown that he flies from a standing start at 45 miles an hour, which means that his wings vibrate at the rate of 55-75 beats a second. Perhaps the fastest fliers of all the birds are, as their name suggests, the swifts. So streamlined are these birds that even their nostrils point backwards. An Asiatic species has been estimated to fly at the rate of possibly 220 miles an hour.

Such excessive speed for such small creatures would be incredible were it not for the fact that they are built for speed and the breast muscles of a bird are 100 times more powerful, relatively, than those of a man.—Our Dumb Animals.

HE IS NOT DEAF

Few animals surpass the horse in the keenness of his hearing: yet there are a multitude of drivers who yell and shout as if the horse in front of them with the delicate and sensitive ear were sixteen blocks away. We have sometimes been able to convey a sound to the horse we were driving which the person sitting beside us could not hear. The quiet, confident tones of the voice aid greatly in controlling the horse. We do not like drivers who never talk to their horses, though there used to be a driver of six-horse team in Boston known as "Silent Jim." People stopped often to watch him handle his team in difficult situations, backing, cramping, turning around, without speaking a word. At any rate, please remember, whoever you are who drive, that your horse has no need of an ear trumpet to hear you.

Shaler Matthews, speaking about the white man's burden, says: "The white man's burden is largely composed of loot which the white man has taken from his yellow friend and brown brother.

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A well known bank president says, "If I had twenty tongues I would preach politeness with them all, for a long experience has taught me that the results are tangible and inevitable. Politeness is the Aladdin's lamp of success."

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He who can speak of a worn-out horse as an "old skate," or of a homeless dog as a "cur," is probably the sort of man ready to call an Italian laborer a "Dago," a Hebrew a "Sheeney," and Negroes and Chinamen and men of other nationalities besides his own, by names of contempt. By our words we are judged. They are revelations of our inmost souls.—Our Dumb Animals.

"THE UPPER ROAD"

"The lowland road is pleasant
And the upper road is steep,
The lowland air is windless
And its rivers sing of sleep;
When all the kings are gathered
And all the pastures mowed,
One should go home at evening
Along the lowland road.

"When stalwart knees bend inward
And strong-thewed shoulders tire,
When a man has wrought his utmost
And followed his desire,
When he has starved and feasted
And borne a heavy load,
How good to come at evening
Along the low road.

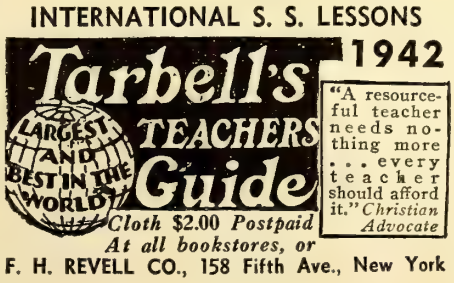
"But if the white peaks beckon,
If one be left to scale,
A man should seek the mountains
And shun the lowland vale;
His heart will feel their promptings,
And answer to the goad,
And tho' the hour be evening,
He'll take the upper road.

"When all earth's fruits are gathered
On silent field and garth,
When song is at the winepress
And mirth is at the hearth,
There is another harvest
Whose seed we have not sowed—
You'll find the orchards of the soul
Upon the upper road.

"I'm going by the upper road,
For that still holds the sun;
I'm climbing through Night's shadows,
Where starry rivers run;
If you should think to seek me
In my old dark abode,
You'll find this writing on the door—
'He's on the Upper Road.'"

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In Memoriam

WILKERSON—Henry R. Wilkerson has gone from us. Buckhorn church has lost one of its most faithful members and the community one of its most devoted leaders. Henry Wilkerson, as he was affectionately called, was an outstanding layman of the Methodist church. For many years he served as steward and trustee and he served well. On November 11, 1941, he passed into a larger life. He was born in Orange county in 1869 the son of the late John Wilkerson and Mary Frances Jordan. He came to Wilson county in 1890. In 1892 he married Miss Rosa C. Boyette of Rock Ridge, and after her death was married in 1918 to Mrs. Mary Boykin Fulghum. Surviving are his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Gara Manghue of Winstead, Conn.; five sons, Rev. J. Roy Wilkerson of Plainville, Conn., M. V. of Bailey, Rt. 1, Numa F. of Jackson, Miss., S. Dwight of Greenville, S. C., and Henry G. of Kenly, Rt. 3; four stepchildren, Mrs. H. F. Barnes, Mrs. M. G. Ferrell, C. W. and M. G. Fulghum, and several grandchildren.

Henry Wilkerson made a fine contribution to human society. Every cause that was just and right had his support. He knew what it meant to be in fellowship with Jesus Christ. His life was a splendid example of devotion to Christian ideals. He was faithful to the end. His heart was filled with the peace of God and his face was radiant with the light of the eternal. Henry Wilkerson will be greatly missed in his church and community, but his life will long be an inspiration to his home, his community and his church. Bood-bye, we hope to see you in the morning. Geo. B. Starling.

A TRIBUTE

Our entire community was shocked and saddened when the news came over the wires that Mr. Will Bingham had fallen asleep. We cannot understand why he was taken when he was needed so much in the home, Sunday school and church, but God knows best and never makes a mistake.

Mr. Bingham was almost 46 years old. He leaves a widow and six children. He joined Henson's Chapel Methodist church when a young man, and was a devoted Christian. He was a steward in the church and teacher of the men's Bible class. His going from the home, church and community is keenly felt, yet his life will continue to be an inspiration to those who knew and loved him.

To his family we extend our sympathy and want them to know the gratitude we have in our hearts for the life of Mr. Bingham. The memory of him shall linger long and the inspiration of his life will mean much to all of us in the years ahead.

J. W. Henson,
John Hicks,
Lewis Johnson.

WILLS—On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, one of the choicest spirits I have known passed away in the person of Miss Mary Wills of Greensboro, aged 93 years. Miss Wills was a daughter of the late Rev. W. H. Wills, D.D., at one time president of the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and Anna Maria Whitaker, representing two of the best families of Halifax county. She was born and lived at Brinkleyville, where her life greatly enriched the community until 18 years ago when she moved to Greensboro. She was a teacher, first in private schools and later in the public schools. For almost a lifetime she was a teacher in the Sunday school. The writer first knew her while on his first charge, now West Halifax in the N. C. conference. She was one of the most loyal and dependable members to be found anywhere. Her home which was graciously presided over by herself and sister, Miss Harriet, was a most delightful place to visit, both by the pastor and a lot of other people. Three nieces and a nephew found a home here in every sense of the word following the death of their parents.

On moving to Greensboro Miss Wills identified herself with Grace church, where she taught in the church school as long as her health would permit. Surely she wrought a good work and many are better because she lived. The funeral was held at the home at 212 North Cedar street in Greensboro, where she and his sister, Miss Harriet and niece, Miss Agnes, have lived and was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., Dr. R. M. Andrews and Rev. N. M. Harrison. In addition to her sister, Miss Wills is survived by a number of nieces and nephews in Greensboro and Halifax county. J. E. Pritchard.

A TRIBUTE

The subject of this sketch, John Adolphus Jolliff, was born in Perquimans county October 27, 1877, and died November 3, 1941, on week after the celebration of his 64th anniversary. Growing up on the farm, where hard work and outdoor life developed in him a physical giant—strong, healthy, robust, a splendid specimen of humanity. In early life he followed the logging industry in the Carolinas and Virginias.

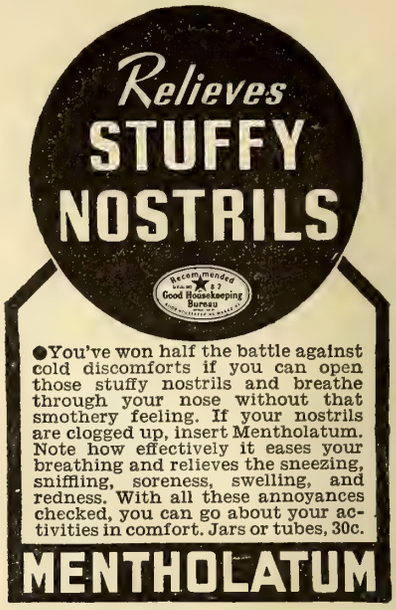
About the age of 35 he married Miss Hannah Savage of Gates county, N. C., and settled on his farm in Perquimans county, where he remained until he was called home. Three children came into their home: two sons, Willis Savage and Guthrie, and one daughter, Marrietta, all of whom with the mother survive.

The funeral was conducted in Bethany church by Rev. J. T. Stanford, assisted by Rev. B. B. Slaughter and Rev. J. D. Cranford. The crowd present attested the esteem in which he was held by the community.

Lion like in strength, lamb like in innocence, Christ like in his daily life. Several years ago his pastor said to me, "If I were asked to name the best man in Bethany church I would name your brother John." His neighbors loved, honored and respected him. To the writer he was brother, friend and counselor. We grew up together leaning upon each other.

The last three years of his life he was not able to do physical labor. One day he said to his wife, "I thought I should wake up in heaven this morning." And not many days later I am sure he did. He loved his Lord, his church, his family and his friends, and their name was legion. He gave his means, his time, his talent. He was gifted in song and vocal prayer. While our hearts are broken and bleeding because of his going, we are sure that it is better for him. We shall miss his keen sense of humor and wit. We shall miss his warm hand clasp and genial smile. We shall miss the many tokens of love and appreciation, and the sound of his manly voice and his stately walking in our midst. But one day we shall see him again, where no parting words are spoken and no farewell tears are shed. His brother,

J. M. Jolliff.



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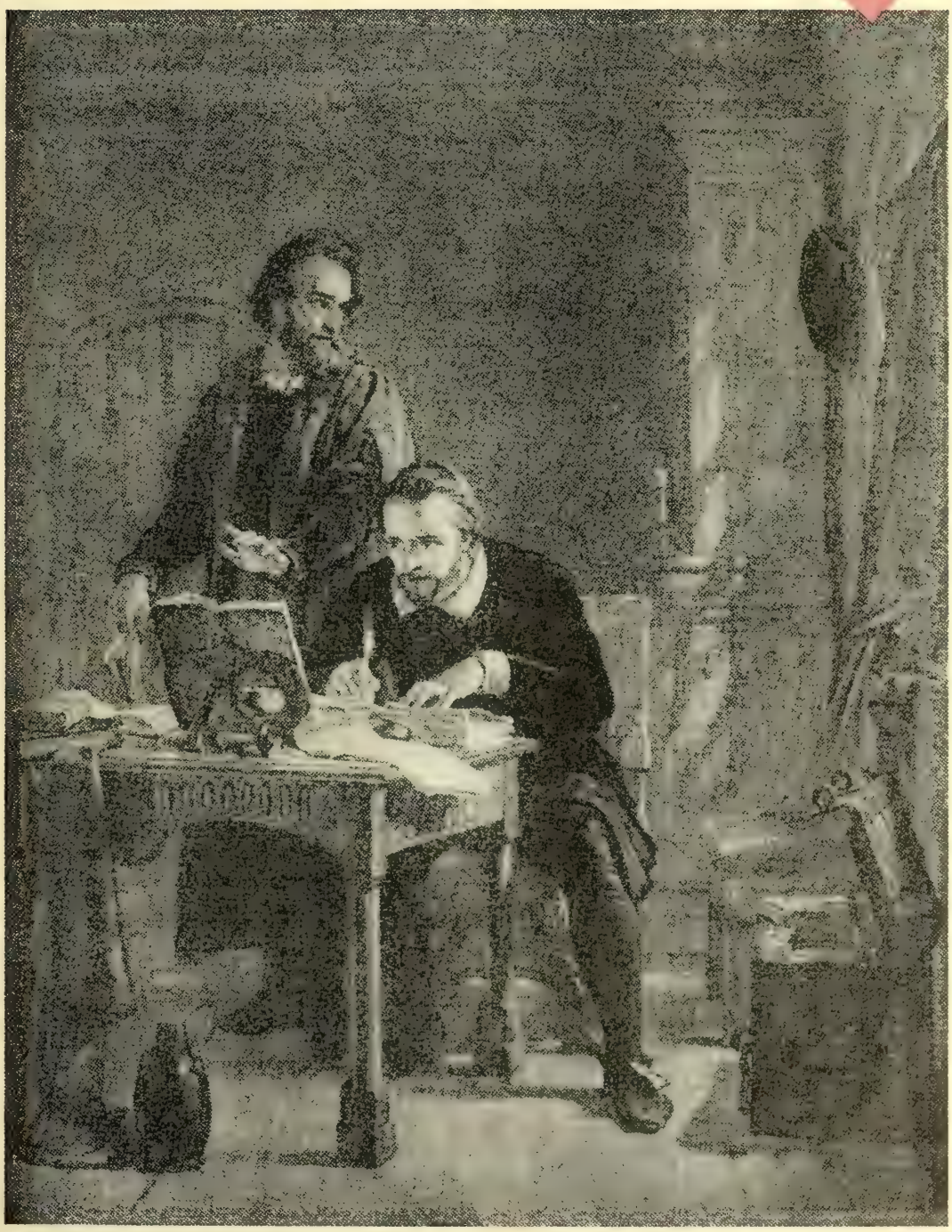

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Unchristian War Propaganda

By Richard L. Ownbey

Every thoughtful Christian today finds himself shaken by the peril of being too much influenced by unreasoning and unchristian attitudes toward our national enemies, and especially toward the Japanese whose "treacherous attack" on Pearl Harbor aroused the moral indignation of all good people. Since that attack there has been a rising tide of resentment against the Japanese Empire, and this resentment is being strengthened by a mounting prejudice which would classify all Japanese as "'yellow," using that term not only to denote a racial distinction but also to characterize an act as base and dastardly. To permit the increase of such a prejudice against a yellow race would be most unfortunate, for not only would it give long-remembered offense to our allies, the Chinese, but would play into the schemes of the Japanese who would like nothing better than to make world war II in the Pacific area a war of color. Antipathy toward white peoples is very strong in the Orient, and to call the Japanese as a race "yellow," or to characterize them as "Hitler's yellow friends," will but add to the bitterness of their racial hatred when the war is ended, and make more difficult the rapproachment essential to the creation of a Christian peace.

There are four outstanding reasons why Christian people should carefully refrain from contemptuous name calling when speaking of the Japanese. In the first place, there are many thousands of fine Japanese citizens of Japanese blood in our country, especially on our western shores, and every effort should be made to safeguard their rights and to see that they are as comfortable as possible in a situation that may desperately try their faith both as Christians and as American citizens. It is most encouraging to read reports of many earnest efforts on the part of white Americans in California thus to assist their brothers in Christ.

In the second place, there are large numbers of Christians in Japan to whom we must look when the war is over for kindly and intelligent co-operation in the making of a Christian peace, and whose ideals we hope may be the saving leaven in a nation gone war mad. Among these Christians is Toyohiko Kagawa, world renowned as a consecrated follower of Christ, and with him in the large peace party in Japan are many others who doubtless are ready to die for the sake of the Christ we love. We must not forget these brothers in Christ, thousands of whom may be called upon to make far greater sacrifices for the Christians faith than any of us have yet dreamed.

In the third place, we cannot afford to risk placing ourselves on a parity with those who espouse the unspeakable Hitleran dogma of racial supremacy, and thus contradict and nullify the proclaimed basis of our national war effort. Any boastful attitude which seems to imply American racial supremacy involves two major errors, namely, the denial of our Christian faith that "God hath made of one all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth," and at the same time ignores the fact that our American civilization is the creation of a variety of racial groups, including all the colors from white to black.

In the fourth place, it would be foolish and sinful to encourage any racial attitudes that might lead us further toward partitioning ourselves into color groups—a process which will inevitably make racial frictions more serious in a situation that already bristles with problems we have scarcely begun to solve. In a few weeks we will be observing "Race Relations Sunday" in our churches, at which time we would seek to cultivate among our people a more sympathetic co-operation with our Negro friends in their efforts for better trained Christian leadership among them. At such a time any war propaganda that raises the cry of "yellow" is most dangerous, not to say unchristian.

Perhaps it may help us to more Christian attitudes toward those races against which our armies are marching if we keep humbly in mind the fact that our own country is not guiltless, and that both in our overt acts of hostility and our futile, short-sighted efforts at "appeasement," we have bound ourselves with other nations in a world guilt for which we shall have to pay in sweat, blood and tears. Christian journalists, Christian ministers, and Christian leaders of all kinds can help in the growth of truly Christian attitudes by meticulously refraining from that type of name calling which is itself the denial of the Christian spirit.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE MISSIONARIES

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Benson Baker, and Miss Nell F. Naylor, missionaries to India, arrived in New York City on January 7 on regular furlough.

Rev. and Mrs. Mott Keisler, Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Seamands, Rev.Edward Mumby and his two sons, and Prof. Harold Buell are on the high seas en route from India. A cablegram to the Board of Missions and Church Extension, from an unknown port, announces they are safe and proceeding home.

The board has had no word in recent months from missionaries in Bulgaria, Poland, Bohemia, Moravia, or Belgium.

According to latest information the family of Dr. Thonger of Belgium is in Free France.

Under date of January 8 Bishop Edwin F. Lee cabled from Singapore that missionaries were continuing in Malacca, Kuala Lumpur and Serembam; that others are engaged in mission and emergency war work in Singapore. He also said that Rev. and Mrs. Eugene O. McGraw have sailed—presumably toward the United States.

Cable advices from Honolulu indicate that Miss Maude Nelson and Miss Pearl Palmer, missionaries going to India, and Rev. and Mrs. David C. Stubbs, former Japanese missionaries who were en route to new service in Malaya when hostilities began, are safe and "proceeding destinations"—having apparently left Hawaii.

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We are told that the hens of Europe met their end in the stew pots of Germany. So fifty billion eggs is set as the goal for the hens of America. This is almost a parable for those who care to moralize.

Dr. Joseph Fort Newton says: "If we thought more and talked less we would have more to say." This is an obvious truth of which we see impressive illustrations in men and women all about us, but Dr. Newton's way of expressing himself is quite attractive and also effective.

A wise old preacher makes the following observation which is well worth pondering. He says: "I used to think that the kingdom would come with the merging of small congregations into big ones. This has not proved to be the case. A too-big church is often the burial ground of good lay talent. Hundreds of churches do not have any talent; other hundreds are so loaded that 90 per cent of it remains idle and fruitless. The big church is often the hiding place of inactive church members, the refuge of the 'close,' who get by in a large church with a fraction of what the small church would probably require."

As we sense the situation a new seriousness has taken hold of the ministry of the Methodist Church. Most of them are opposed to war and are aware of the sore disappointments that follow war. Such were the years following the first world war and they can hope for nothing better of this. Their reliance is on God and the spiritual forces of the Christian church. So they are striving to hold the church to its spiritual mission so that when the final collapse of arms comes there will be a power to help rebuild a new world on the fragments that remain. The effort is to make the most of a bad situation such as always comes with war. The foregoing observations are encouraging.

Men who have been about the camps say that the soldier boys do not have the jaunty manner and display the rollicking spirit of those who were training for the last war. As one man put it they act as though they had a mean job ahead and they are set to make the best of it. There are no rollicking songs and eagerness to get "over there." As a matter of fact American boys are not soldiers at heart eager to be off to the wars.

Charles W. Gilkey, dean of the chapel of the University of Chicago, addressed the graduates gathered for the quarterly convocation service. "You have been taught to think. Now you will be called upon to think and act in a world that very often does not do both," he said. "That was the cause of the failure of the last war. We won it, but we were not ready for the peace. This generation must not make that mistake. There will be great religious tension in the coming days. We must not leave God out of the picture. Man has a responsibility for the future, but he is not alone. God has a plan and a purpose for us to carry out. Faith will help us to keep in line with that purpose. Otherwise we may well end in despair."

Dr. Harold N. Brewster, Methodist missionary in Foochow, writes: "Let us go through the streets together and see the hungry and the naked, starvation shrinking them to shadows, despair staring out of their sunken eyes. It is not pleasant to look into the eyes of people on the verge of death from starvation. It haunts one's dreams, and swims before us as a vision between us and the food we eat. See yonder corpse lying in the street, gathering flies, waiting for the sanitary squad to take it away to its last resting place. His sufferings are over. See the little babies whom desperate parents, starving themselves, have left outside our gates—not for lack of love—but in the hope that somebody will take them in and feed them."

Views of a California Business Man

A FORMER Carolina man spent some years in Norfolk, Va., but for the last quarter of century has been in business in and around Los Angeles. He wrote a personal letter to an old friend during the holidays in which he made reference to the war that has broken upon us. One paragraph is worthy of careful thought. Yea, more than that. It suggests the many angles to this second world war in the light of the past and of the more recent present. Says he:

"I don't believe in war and know that if we Christians would follow the teachings of our Leader there would be no need for war. We sold war material to Japan to murder the Chinese, and incidentally probably some of that oil and iron is being used to kill our boys today. I would like to have seen a strict neutrality and shipped no material of war, but to have built up protection for defense of our own country if any dared to attack. Of course that is not popular today, but George Washington's farewell advice of friendship for all and allies of none has not been proven bad advice."

The man "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen" uttered many wise words that rise up to perplex us in these later years. Even with the present clouds of war in the sky and the world filled with increasing armaments, the conscience against war is forming. With the coming of another peace still more striking pronouncements against war may be expected. Other pacts will be signed. Conscience banished slavery and conscience will yet banish war.

But first we must end this war and hope for a better peace than that which followed the Armistice of 1918.

*Fifty Years of Public Life

IN this autobiograhy Daniel C. Roper gives an interesting and informing story of his life from Old Plantation Days to the End of an Era, with Hitler's invasion of Poland. Mr. Roper's public life began as a member of the South Carolina legislature and ended as Secretary of Commerce and minister to Canada under Roosevelt. But the interest of this autobiography is far more than a record of public service for half a century.

Born in Marlboro county, South Carolina, in the years of Reconstruction and forced to begin life subject to the limitations and hardships of those years, Mr. Roper is able to give a vivid portrayal of conditions in the Carolinas in the decades following the Civil War. The training of his early years, the knowledge of cotton gained in his official position at Washington, the friendships formed as clerk of the Ways and Means committee of the House, his experiences as First Assistant Postmaster General under Burleson, proved to be of immense value to Daniel C. Roper in the later years of his public career. In a most interesting and informing way does he tell of his half century of public life in South Carolina and all his years in Washington until he resigned as Secretary of Commerce in 1938.

The book abounds in stories of important events of the times, glimpses of prominent men in political life, and anecdotes of plantation days, but it is more than a record of private life and public events. A fine philosophy of human life at its best and a keen sense of human values pervades the whole. Mrs. Roper is the unseen presence in it all. The account of their first trip to Europe closes like this: "Mrs. Roper and I returned to London via Munich, Berne, and Paris; and I completed my notes on the destruction of American Cotton. By now we were anxious to get home to our children, although thankful for the opportunity of having had a pleasant European visit."

*"Fifty Years of Public Life." Daniel C. Roper, in colaboration with Frank H. Lovette. Duke University Press. 1941, Durham, N. C. Price $3.50.

Give God Time

MOST of us Americans are restless and in a hurry. But God is not. "Wait on the Lord" was one of the refrains of the Hebrew hymn writers. And in most instances this refrain became an injunction to take time for spiritual fellowship with the Eternal. And in this sense it is a timely injunction that should be heeded. But we can very well adapt it to our present day needs and learn to wait patiently upon what seems to us to be the slowness of God. For he must have time to do a great many things. This is an obvious truth, but one that we are prone to forget. We become too impatient. If our prayers are not answered promptly we are inclined to conclude that they will not be answered at all. When we toil we are disposed to look at once for the results of our labors. But God with infinite patience can wait. If it requires a thousand years to do what it seems to us God should accomplish in one day, God's patience is not over-

taxed, neither does he seem to modify his methods. God takes five or six thousand years to grow a California redwood tree and he may take a hundred thousand years and even longer to establish peace upon earth. Who can tell?

About the best we can do is to accept the advice of the psalmist who said: "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait, I say on the Lord."

William Tyndale

ON the front page of this paper is a picture of William Tyndale at work translating the Holy Scriptures. He was a heretic. That is, he was at variance with the ecclesiastical authorities. A learned doctor on one occasion said to him, "We were better without God's law than the Popes" (that is, better without the Scriptures than the Decretals). To this Tyndale exclaimed, "I defy the Pope and all his laws! If God spare my life ere many years I will cause a boy that driveth the plough shall know more of the Scriptures than thou dost." A heretic like that was headed for the stake.

Tyndale was tried for heresy and condemned. He was strangled at the stake, and his body burned August 6, 1536. And William Tyndale becomes an impressive reminder of the world's indebtedness to heretics.

For the Authorized Version, which for three hundred years has been without a peer, is more deeply indebted to Tyndale than to any other translator. Froude wrote in his history of England, "though since that time it has been many times revised and altered, it is substantially the Bible with which we are all familiar."

Sound Business Judgment in Church Building

MAIN Street Methodist church, Thomasville, has secured plans for an elegant and spacious new church that is to be erected after the war ends. In the meantime the church is collecting funds and putting them in the bank to be used at a favorable time. Centenary church, Greensboro, is following a similar plan in regard to a proposed educational building.

There may be other congregations in North Carolina that have adopted the same method of raising funds for future church building. To us it appears to be a wise procedure. Ten dollars can be raised as easily before one builds as five dollars can be secured to pay a church debt. Get the money first is a fine rule.

Home Sweet Home

MAN is a being of dual nature—the physical and the spiritual. He belongs to the animal kingdom and also to the realm of just men made perfect. So it is possible for him to be at home with God as well as at home here in this mundane sphere. Fortunate is the man who can feel at home in his earthly habitation when love and loyalty to the highest and best bear rule.

The lilies of the field are at home with fertile soil and salubrious climate; the birds of the air on the wing are at home above the earth in the vast expanse of the heavens; the wild animals are most at home in the jungle to seek their food in their own wild habitat. Yet they are subject to certain laws of the jungle. In the words of Kipling:

"Now these are the laws of the jungle, and many and mighty are they;
But the head and the hoof, the hump and the haunch is—Obey."

So flower and bird and animal and man can learn to be at home in its element. So much so as the fish in the water should man be at home and find it easy and joyful and sweet to be with his own where truth and beauty and purity and holiness abound. These meet the needs of his highest and best nature.

Sam Jones, the Inimitable

RECENTLY we ran across a new story concerning Sam P. Jones, the evangelist whose name was a household word in all parts of this country during the early years of this present century. The story runs after this order: A gentleman approached Mr. Jones during one of his revival campaigns and expressed the hope that the whole community would be saved. "To what church do you belong?" inquired Sam Jones. "I do not belong to the church but I am a Christian," replied the gentleman.

The remainder of the story follows exactly as told to us:

"And then I said to him: 'I'm mighty glad to see you, sir; and when, this afternoon, I call up the penitents, I want to call on you to pray for them.' 'Oh, no,' he said, 'I couldn't pray in public.' 'Well,' said I, 'when the service is over this afternoon, take one of the boys—one of the penitents—and go out into the woods and pray with him.' 'Oh, no,' he said, 'I couldn't do that. 'Why?' I asked. 'Because I'm not a member of the church, Mr. Jones,' he replied. 'Well, said I, 'can't you just take one of the boys by the arm and carry him off in the woods and talk with him about Christ?' 'No,' he said, 'my trouble is I'm not a member of the church.' 'No, sir,' said I, 'that ain't your trouble. Your trouble is that you belong to the devil from your hat to your heels.' "

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Williams are the happy parents of another son, Joseph Lavis, who was born December 31, 1941.

Henry Ward Beecher said: "The church is not a gallery for the exhibition of eminent Christians, but a school for the education of imperfect ones." Dr. Poling says: "The church is not a dormitory for sleepers, but an institution for workers; it is not a rest camp, it is a front line trench."

To keep a pure heart amid a stained world, to live a straight, unselfish life where a lie meets you at every turn, to love the unlovely, to serve the needy, to be patient with the envying and weak and to fear nothing but sin—this it is to serve God and live in the Christ-life.—Church Bulletin.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Winston-Salem district will meet in the dining room of Centenary Methodist church Friday evening, January 23 at 7:30 p. m. This meeting will be held during the first check-up meeting of the district. All the wives are urged to be present.—Mrs. Charles D. White, Sec.

The Harvard Divinity School was the only branch of the university to announce an increase in registration this year. The number of students at the divinity school increased by approximately 20 per cent with an enrollment this year of 86, as opposed to last year's registration of 71 students. That may be o. k. and then it may be earthquake piety in these war days.

One should not pay too much attention to the faults of others, or to the defects of the world in which he lives. He may become a chronic fault-finder, and in that case he will become a grumbler. If he is not careful, he will degenerate into a growler. If he growls enough, he will become a cynic. When a man has become a cynic he has reached the bottom. There is nothing lower than cynicism. A cynic is of no account, eitiher to himself or to anyone else. He is a nuisance and a stumbing block. He did not intend at the start to become a cynic. He began by finding fault, and the habit grew on him until his mind became twisted and his heart sour.—Dr. Charles E. Jefferson.

Any church can now put on a ten weeks' course of tithing education, in the midst of its other activities, and at a very small cost, according to the Layman Tithing Foundation, 740 N. Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois. This philanthropic organization, which has distributed millions of pamphlets on the tithe, now announces an attractive new series at so low a price that distribution to an entire church through ten weeks costs only 3½ cents a family. A set of samples and full particulars are offered free of charge upon request, but this company asks that persons writing, after seeing this announcement, state their denomination, and also mention the number.

Methodist students from 258 campuses throughout the nation closed the second National Methodist Student conference at Urbana, Ill., last Friday (January 2) in a commitment service in which they dedicated their hands and hearts to Christian world reconstruction, "beginning now in whatever place or position they may be." These 1150 students and counselors and 83 commission and resource leaders from 40 states and 13 foreign countries had spent five days together in developing a "thought process" which began with "the reality of Jesus in personal experience" and ended with "the ultimate commitment—the individual's supreme loyalty to God." Speeches by outstanding religious and educational leaders and discussions in commission study groups followed the same pattern on the theme, "The Student in Christian World Reconstruction."

The members of St. John's church meant for their pastor and his wife to have a happy new year as far as they were concerned. After the benediction of the regular Wednesday night prayer service a spokesman for the congregation informed us that they were all coming home with us. When we arrived at the parsonage we found a car parked near the kitchen door. From what took place within the next few minutes we realized that they had not only come home with us, but that they had sent someone ahead with a large old time pounding. We greatly appreciate this helpful act of thoughtfulness and all the other deeds of kindness the people of the Kinnakeet charge have shown us.—J. D. A. Autry, Pastor.

A testimony by a Hawaiian, converted by a Methodist missionary in the Philippines, featured a recent street meeting sponsored in Philadelphia's Chinatown by members of the Chinese Methodist church. Gifts of interested persons have made possible the purchase and installation of a loud speaker by the Chinese group. Every Sunday that the weather is warm enough street services are held. The pastor, Rev. T. T. S. Ko, preaches and music is furnished by teachers and friends. A staff of about twenty assists in the program at the Chinese church which includes activities for children, young people and adults. A large group of young men spend most of Sunday, their "day off," at the church attending the services and learning English in special classes.

Fifty per cent of the young women who have graduated from Bennett College since it became a woman's institution are now married, it was revealed in a recent communication from the college to the Bennett alumnae. Bennett, which in its curriculum emphasizes home-making as a career, also has received reports of the birth during the past year of 24 children to its former students. Bennett graduates also are making their mark as careerists in other fields, the communication showed, mentioning specifically Miss Rose Mae Withers, a native of Greensboro and a 1934 graduate of the college, who is now national student secretary of the Y. W. C. A., and Miss Elfreda Sandifer Moore of the class of 1932, who has established a glee club at the celebrated Abyssinia Baptist church in New York City. Two other outstanding graduates, both of whom are now residing in Greensboro, are Miss Lydia Jetton, '36, area supervisor for the NYA, and Mrs. Nell Artis Coley, '31, of Dudley high school.

To study means of interpreting the Negro and white races to each other and to promote better relations between the races is a goal of the Department of Negro Work of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, as suggested by its superintendent, Dr. Edgar A. Love, recently. Other goals include the following: To study and meet the needs of pastors of the 19 Negro conferences, to sponsor schools of practical methods for town and country pastors and promote area councils of city pastors and workers; to encourage daily vacation schools among underprivileged children in neglected areas, with training schools for workers in these schools and in young people's institutions; to discover missionary projects and develop them through adequate leadership and to encourage large and prosperous Negro churches to assure larger missionary responsibility; to make careful studies and interpret population shifts and trends; to present to the church a true picture of Negro life, both in and out of the church; to co-operate with government and other secular agencies seeking to improve conditions among Negroes and to acquaint Negroes with agencies available to assist them.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Monday night at 8 o'clock in the east parlor of Greensboro College at the regular meeting of the college art club, Miss Dorothy Sellars of Burlington spoke to the club on interior decorating. Miss Sellars was a student at Greensboro College in 1938-39, after which she studied interior decorating in New York. Miss Janella Kirk, Cliffside, president of the club, presided.

Miss Charlotte Searles, assistant instructor in the dramatic department, held open house Monday night in the faculty house of the college for the entire dramatic department, honoring Mr. Rush T. Wray, now member of the department. President and Mrs. Gobbel were also special guests.

Mr. Elliott O. Watson, head of the history department, addressed the student body at the regular chapel hour Tuesday morning, January 13, discussing current events.

The Greensboro College campus and church relations committee held a luncheon meeting Thursday, January 15, at the college to discuss plans for the coming semester, particularly religious emphasis week, to be observed February 15-20, with Rev, Walter Towner, director of the young people's work of the Methodist Church of the United States, as speaker. Members of the committee include: Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the college department of religion; President Luther L. Gobbel, Dean Mary Ivy Swank, Assistant Dean Mary Owen, Miss Lorene Weaver, president of the college Y. W. C. A., Miss Sadie Wolfe, student president, Dr. J. B. Craven of West Market Methodist church, and Miss Jo-Marie Thomson, director of young people at West Market.

Immediately following Christmas holidays, Dr. Luther I. Gobbel attended a number of college conferences in Baltimore, including meetings of the Association of American Colleges, national committee on education and defense, the council of church boards of education, the national conference of church related colleges, and the Association of Schools and Colleges of the Methodist Church.

On January 9 Dr. Gobbel attended an executive meeting of the N. C. College conference, of which he is president, which meeting was held in the office of Dr. James E. Hillman of the State Department of Education in Raleigh. The purpose of the meeting centered upon plans for a program and suitable speakers for the annual meeting of the conference to be held next November 4-5 in the O. Henry Hotel in Greensboro.

The executive committee and the building committee of Greensboro College held a joint session in Dr. L. L. Gobbel's office Tuesday morning to accept bids for the reconstruction of Main building. No definite decision was reached concerning the bids offered, but a statement is expected during the latter part of the week.

Those attending the meeting were: James G. Hanes, Winston-Salem; W. Y. Preyer, Greensboro and New York; Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville; T. C. Hoyle, Sr., Greensboro; Dr. Gobbel, T. C. Harrel, treasurer and business manager of the college, and P. Burton Wilder, architect.

DURHAM DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The 1942 district missionary institute will be held at Trinity church, Durham, next Monday, January 19, beginning at ten o'clock in the morning and closing at three in the afternoon. The institute is a public meeting and a large attendance of Methodists is expected. The following groups should be present: (1) preachers, (2) all members of the local church boards of missions and church extension, (3) church school workers, (4) youth leaders, (5) officers and leaders, (6) officers and leaders of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, (7) lay leaders, (8) finance officers of the churches.

A. J. Hobbs, D. S.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF N. C. CONFERENCE

Money collected in the North Carolina conference for the Sustentation Fund should be sent to the conference treasurer, Mr. C. A. Dillon, Raleigh, N. C.

FIRST OF MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

The missionary institute for the Rocky Mount district assembled at First church, Rocky Mount, at 10 a. m. Monday of this week and closed the work of the day at 3:30. Every charge save one was represented and all pastors were present except three who were detained by sickness. But better than all else was the new note sounded. The spirit dominant gives promise of a successful year.

For more than a dozen years we have been attending all sorts of religious gatherings in the state—some of them dull and listless, just another meeting—but this was far above the average. There seemed to be an earnest desire on the part of all to meet the present situation with the determination to win. The sense of helplessness and the spirit of defeatism so pronounced a few years ago seem to have given place to a desire and determination for conquest. This certainly is essential to meet the demands crowding in upon us in both town and country church.

The program was well taken care of. Dr. L. J. Walton, representing town and country work of the Board of Missions, Miss Ruth Wheaton, field worker for the Council of Christian Service, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Rev. C. W. Goldston, Mrs. D. J. Fouts and Rev. F. S. Love of the North Carolina conference met every demand expected of them.

The local workers of the district were alert and met well every demand of the day. Mrs. Johnson, district secretary, guided the women and Brother L. C. Larkin had all the details of the day well in hand. This first conference set a fine pace for the district meetings to follow

LOOKING FORWARD

With the future of our country depending in a large measure on the type of citizen who reaches maturity in the next few years, colleges of the country stand for the purpose of helping to guide youth into the paths of life that will aid them to be of the most service to their fellowman and to God. There is no better institution to which you may give than to the small college where more attention is paid to the proper development of the person than in any other situation of life.

The following letter from our district superintendents and the executive secretary of the Conference Board of Education is indicative of the interest felt by those of our church who have kept apace of the development and increased facilities of Louisburg College in the past few years.

"We are aware of the service that Louisburg College is rendering our young men and young women, and are grateful that the college is fairly well out of debt. We are, however, greatly interested in seeing its arm of ministry strengthened and commend to our people and organizations the effort of the college to increase its service scholarship funds."

A. J. Hobbs,
Thomas McM. Grant,
W. V. McRae,
J. A. Russell,
H. I. Glass,
L. C. Larkin,
A. S. Parker,
Robert W. Bradshaw.

This Service Scholarship Fund was developed that our people of eastern North Carolina might have an opportunity, at no great financial outlay, to give of their means to the work that their oldest junior college is doing for our Methodist young people especially, and for other ambitious young people. A note to Walter Patten, president of the college, will bring you complete information about the service scholarship fund plan, the method of operation and the details of what it hopes to accomplish. Address Walter Patten, Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

What Is the Worst Poverty?

By WINFRED RHOADES

What is the fundamental poverty, the really dangerous poverty, the finally destructive poverty? Will the equalizing of income lift up mankind into happiness, into the satisfactions man really craves?

You see a friend who lives in a beautiful home surrounded by spacious lawns and glorious trees that fain would pierce the sky, chaste and quiet within, restful with soft tones and the absence of clutter, where, for all its distinction, the simple life is practiced—a home which is indeed, as it is named, "The House of Peace." An hour or two later your experiences takes you into streets where there is no peace, but everywhere clutter and noise and yelling confusion; no beauty, but only ugliness. The stairway is dark, the rooms dark and small and smelly; disheveled forms are leaning out of the windows and taking their poor pleasure by looking into the swarming street below, the problems of tomorrow's food and next week's rent are heavy, and not a few of the families are "on the Welfare." Your heart aches at the thought of it; your eyes shrink from the sight of it.

The abolishing of conditions such as those has become one of the greatest of modern concerns. We have socialism and communism, insurance plans and old age pension schemes, charities public and private, labor unions and college theorists, all working at the problem of poverty. It is a needed emphasis and an effort too long delayed.

But, viewing material destitution with all the heartache that can rise within you, is that the fatal abysm of poverty? Is it the most dangerous poverty?

Here is the fatal abysm of poverty: poverty of mind and soul; inability to discern, and failure to desire, life's real and fundamental values.

To be lacking in brave aspirations, and in high spiritual yearnings, and in unquenchable endeavors to win victory over all that is evil, and in goodly ideals, and in desire to live continually in fellowship with God in the Eternal Meaning of the universe; to know naught of an Inner Light, and to have no inclination to follow any light beyond that of your own wayward mind: that is the depth of poverty.

Thomas R. Kelly, in his rare and precious book called A Testament of Devotion, tells of people he has seen in the war-stricken countries of Europe, people just as refined and gentle as any that can be found over here, just as capable of suffering and just as much in need of strength for the experience of suffering, who have no inner strength with which to meet the present crisis in the world's life and in their own. We know that with many it is not so. Splendid books are telling us of courage as it is practiced in places high and low. But where it is the case, there you have fundamental poverty.

But not alone in the war-stricken countries is spiritual poverty to be found. It is round about us all the while. Three times during this present week my work has led me to talk searchingly with young women who are letting themselves go loose in destructive and shabby ways: one with drink, and two with sex. The lack of ideals, and even of self-respect, is appalling. How can a young woman let herself go back to her place of abode so drunk that others have to clean up her vomit and put her to bed? Did she think she was having a good time that evening? Then think of her with pity! And how can a young woman of good mind and pleasing personality, with a child of her own, let herself go from one man to another for the most intimate of life's intimacies? How can a young woman, the mother of two children, keep a "helpful friend' 'in her home until one or two o'clock night after night for year after year? What has become of her self-respect?

The same week that brought those three interviews brought also a letter from a friend who said that over and over in her mind, during these days, she has found a great word repeating itself: "The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him!" The thoughts you live with make a difference in the life you lead. In the minds of the three who are letting themselves go loose there is little thought of taking life as a holy thing, little thought of waiting in inward quietness upon the voice of God.

And that is poverty; a poverty more fundamental than that of money, clothes, a home, food, pictures, amusements, or any other such thing.

Such things are important. It is right to seek after them. They help to make life livable. But they are not fundamental and final, and it is not well to keep the mind tense and strained, anguished and feverish, with regard to them. The thing that is fundamental and final is the Life Within. In one of his letters to C. F. Andrews the great poet of India, Rabindranath Tagore, gave a great revealing of what life can be and should be. "I have a force acting in me," he said, "jealous of all attachment, a force that ever tries to win me for itself, for its own hidden purpose; . . . and the somewhat wide expanse of time and space that I always try to keep in reserve about me is not mine to use as I wish." Do you feel that force? Are you cultivating the habit of attending to it and yielding to it?—Advance.

IF YOU PREACH—SPEAK UP

For some reason, seminaries have not majored in elocution, with the result that some very good preaching is lost because it is only mumbled. In almost every congregation there are people who are hard of hearing. When the preacher bends his head to look at his manuscript and talks down to the lecturn, he ought to know that the people in the pews will have difficulty in hearing what he has to say. Three brethren, born in 1864, occupy the third pew in a certain church. The hearing of these men is dull. They get the sermon when the pastor keeps his head and voice up, which is only seldom. And yet, these aged friends love their church and desire the Word of God. Preachers, generally, must exercise care in the training of their voices so that when they come to say anything, if it is worth hearing at all, it shall be said plainly, impressively, and in such a manner as that all shall hear. It is not necessary to shout or to rant in order to make oneself heard, for it is as hard for a congregation to endure an unrefined, booming voice all the time as it is to put up with faint mumblings.—Watchman-Examiner.

INTERESTING MEETING LAST TUESDAY AT STATESVILLE

Bishop Clare Purcell, the district superintendents of the Western North Carolina conference, the trustees of Brevard College, and members of the Brevard College free will offering committee, assembled in Broad Street church, Statesville, Tuesday of this week to lay plans for taking the $10,000 free will offering February 15, or as near thereto as practical, for Brevard College. It was ordered by the last annual conference assembled in Winston-Salem.

At noon the ladies of Broad Street church served lunch in the dining room of the church. This was an enjoyable hour of good fellowship and good food.

Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, president of the board of trustees of Brevard College, presided and directed the movements of the business session, which proved to be an interesting occasion and at times many grew enthusiastic for the success of the task in hand. The chairman explained the object of the meeting and then asked President E. J. Coltrane to speak.

Dr. Coltrane read a carefully prepared and interesting paper that sketched the work of the college for several years past and then emphasized the present financial need, particularly the urgent need for the proposed $10,000, in order that the college may be able to meet the operating expenses.

Bishop Purcell followed with suggestions as to the methods that in his opinion would bring the desired results. We hope at a later date to give readers of the Advocate the benefit of the bishop's suggestions. Dr. M. T. Smathers, superintendent of the Asheville district, gave assurance that his district would do its part in bringing this special offering to the attention of the people of his district and he expected good results. W. L. Hutchins said that the pastors and other leaders of the Waynesville district are already busy with plans which they expected to get results. J. S. Hiatt made it clear that the Statesville district would fix a definite goal and then reach that objective without question.

Others who spoke briefly and offered timely suggestions were Judge Guy Weaver of Asheville, C. S. Kirkpatrick of Marion, A. C. Gibbs of Elkin, L. B. Hayes of Greensboro, C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem, S. W. Taylor of High Point, Mrs. E. L. McKee of Sylvia, C. G. Hefner of Winston-Salem, and possibly others of whom we have no record.

It was decided by the group that each district superintendent and those working with him will determine what method will be adopted to present the proposed offering to the people of the district. It will be interesting when the reports are all in to see who adopted the most successful method for securing the cash.

Present at the meeting were Bishop Clare Purcell, M. T. Smathers, G. T. Bond, A. C. Gibbs, E. M. Jones, L. B. Hayes, S. W. Taylor, C. S. Kirkpatrick, C. N. Clark, J. S. Hiatt, W. L. Hutchins, C. C. Weaver, T. A. Glascock, Kenneth Goodson, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. E. J. Coltrane, Mrs. E. L. McKee, H. C. Sprinkle, Paul Hardin, Jr., H. G. Allen, A. W. Plyler, Fletcher Nelson, E. L. Walker, E. J. Coltrane, Geo. W. Clay, W. A. Rollins, E. P. Billups, Cecil G. Hefner, E. R. Buckner, C. M. Pickens, Wm. H. Bobbitt, James B. McLarty, Guy Weaver, H. A. Dunham, G. A. Bagwell, L. B. Abernethy, W. B. West, Byron Shankle.

THE GREAT GULF

All of us who love animals should stop frequently and take anew our bearings. Wonderful as appear at times the intelligence and almost human cleverness of the animal, a little thought reveals the great gulf that divides his life from ours. The baby just born is, so far as we can discover, no different in mental or moral constitution from the young puppy or the helpless kitten, indeed rather less promising in these respects than the new-born colt. But there comes a day when the human child begins to say "I" and "you"; when that transcendent gift of speech is evident as a part of his great inheritance. By this alone is he separated immeasurably from the creatures below him.

"The animal," said Professor James, "has a hair-trigger constitution, and action follows immediately upon impulse." Show a hungry dog a bone and he enters into no debate with himself as to whether he should eat it or not. It is true he will bury a bone and so save it for some future meal, but not if he is hungry. No horse, so far as we know, ever left half his oats today fearing that he might need them more tomorrow. Impulses are not restrained among animals to conserve health and add to efficiency. Marvelous as may be the power of my dog to understand my moods, deathless as his affection and fidelity, his mental state is as unsolved a mystery to me as it was to my remotest ancestor.

This does not mean that the claim upon us of the animal is one whit the less for justice, kindness, protection from needless pain. Rather the more, because this gulf exists, because I am the more highly endowed, must I show to him the spirit of good will and thoughtful care. Noblesse oblige.—Our Dumb Animals.

MINISTERS ALSO NEED TIRES

Hon. Harry F. Byrd,
Hon. Dave E. Satterfield,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am writing you concerning a matter of great importance to Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish ministers.

The newspapers state that "The car owners who can get new tires are those whose vehicles are essential to services for health, safety and industrial and commercial operations of a limited nature

"These are: 1. Physicians, surgeons, visiting nurses, veterinarians."

It is quite amazing that there seems to have been no provision made for the needs of the ministers of the various churches. In the country districts nearly all ministers are dependent upon their automobiles to visit the sick, to attend church services and funerals, and to make the pastoral calls, which are essential for the maintenance of the spiritual health of the people. The necessity is not quite as great in cities where there is street car and bus service. But pastors of large city churches can not render full and efficient service if obliged to wait for street cars and buses, and this is especially true in case of rainy, snowy, or very cold weather.

If, as the President and other national leaders have declared, the spiritual life must underlie the highest morale, surely those who minister to spiritual health should be given facilities equal to those given to those who minister to physical health.

I am writing to you gentlemen, asking you to present this matter to those having authority to grant to ministers of religion the same authority to get new tires as can the physicians, surgeons, visiting nurses and veterinarians.

I am sending copies of this letter to the secular and religious press.

Hoping that you may be able to secure prompt action on this important matter, and thanking you in advance for whatever you may be able to accomplish,

Sincerely, (Signed) James Cannon, Jr.

The Lights Have Not All Gone Out

By S. E. HENING

Daily reports constantly remind us of the now famous remark of an eminent British statesman as the first world war broke out. Looking out of a window in London, he said, "The lights are going out all over Europe." And the lights did go out all over Europe. The ensuing four years were indeed years of darkness. Some of these lights week relighted after November 11, 1918. We had hoped they would stay lighted. But they did not. Since September 2, 1939, many of these lights have again gone out, along with many others. But not all the lights have gone out. Let us hold that thought in mind. Some lights are still burning.

When I say that all the lights are not out, I am not asking you to play Pollyanna. Nor am I saying that war is not bad. Far from it. No one can make me believe that war, with all of its gruesomeness, pain, and death, is any sweeter than the famous one word description of it by Sherman. War is with us with all its horrors and darkness. But if we yield to the gloomy conclusion that all is lost and all the lights are out never to become bright again, we are indeed in a hopeless plight. Finding the remaining lights and holding them up above the darkness is the way out of gloom.

There is the light of human kindness. How is this light shining? In many ways. Perhaps you are one of those who resent receiving so many calls for contributions these days. Every day seems to bring a new one. But let us rejoice at these requests. They are reflections of that light of human kindness. The Red Cross with its big heart is actively planning to minister to human suffering wherever found. Other kind hearts are organizing and leading committees on behalf of unfortunate refugees. Still other organizations are heroically raising funds and ministering to those in need of food and clothing. Large quantities of food are being stored in England and America to be rushed to the hungry as soon as delivery can be assured. God forbid that the light of human kindness shall ever grow dim.

Light is shed by the courage of brave hearts. All of these brave hearts are not free to speak out boldly and vigorously, as President Benes fo Czechoslovakia, but we hear the echoes of what they are saying and doing in protest against injustice, and in their firm insistence that all is not lost and that a better day will come.

There is the light of science and industry. Even the remarkable progress in making war weapons more deadly may, and probably will, be turned to good use after this fighting is over. Instead of being used to destroy buildings and bridges and highways and railroads, and to snuff out human lives by the thousands, high-power explosives will some day be used to blow away the obstacles to human progress and for the construction of new highways and railroads for friendly intercourse between peoples and nations. The planes that are being turned out in quantity production to fly faster and farther on their mission of death and destruction will, please God, some day be used for peaceful travel. The ghastly number and severity of serious bodily wounds to soldiers challenge science to develop new and better methods of healing. Improvements in treating skin wounds during the first world war are said to be responsible for the marvels of plastic surgery which has brought healing and restoration to thousands of people. Is it not likely that the present wholesale maiming of soldiers will result in still greater improvements in the technique of healing and a benefit to all? Judging by the past, the present war will be followed by scientific progress beneficial to the human race in the realm of manufacturing, transportation, and communications, as well as in the art of healing.

The light of international friendship and good will still shines. Truly nation has risen up against nation and the world seems to be aflame with the fire of hatred, bitterness, and strife. Still there is a spark of friendship left. Fellowship groups, composed of men and women of nations at war with each other, here and there throughout America, are meeting in an atmosphere of Christian friendship. The recent outright gift of the beautiful Belgian World's Fair building to Virginia Union University, an established Baptist school for Negroes at Richmond, Va., is a case in point. This building was one of the largest and most beautiful at the New York World's Fair. It represented Belgium's best in material, handicraft, and art. Costing $700,000, it was planned by Belgium's best architects as a complete college, adapted to the Fair, sent over in prefabricated form, and erected by Belgian workmen. This building was one of the few permanent structures on the Fair grounds. Erected with bolts and nuts instead of rivets, it was to have been dismantled after the Fair and returned to Belgium as a college. The invasion of Belgium by the Germans made this impossible. Instead, it was presented by the Belgian ambassador to this Negro college as a gesture of international friendship and inter-racial good will. The United States government recognized the significance of this gesture and canceled a duty charge in the interest of international friendship and good will. A suppressed but highly civilized nation of Europe expresses good will toward a minority group in another land. The Belgian building has been dismantled, completely transferred to Richmond, and is being re-enforced in four units. To commemorate this act of friendliness, it is to be called significantly The Belgian Friendship Building.

The eternal light of God and truth still shines. If all the other lights were to flicker feebly and go out, light from the eternal God would still be shining. Many of us may find it hard to believe that he still lives when the forces of destruction seem to be in control, but the least we as a Christian nation can do is to hold onto our faith that God still lives, that he has not changed his nature, that right is still might, and that in the end truth will prevail. Listen to the fine expression from a recent statement of a brave heart: "But a day will come when a pure breath will sweep all this away. We are many who still have a flame in our hearts." No, the lights are not all out.—The Watchman-Examiner.

A man one day inquired of Hiram Goff his business, and Hiram replied: "My business? Oh, my business is to serve the Lord; I cobble shoes to pay my expenses."—Selected.

THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM

By Rev. Wilson O. Weldon

A. J. Cronin's popular and interesting novel, The Keys of The Kingdom* is a contemporary commentary on the teachings of Jesus. Though not labeled as such, and though it does not ooze with so-called "Morals," in this story are definitely lucid lessons for daily living in this turbulent and reeling world. Perhaps, as no other modern story, it incarnates the spirit of Jesus' teachings on the kingdom of God. From the life of its hero we learn that the Christian ethic is acutely applicable to our own century; that the message of the kingdom is truly relevant for our own lives today! We, too, can possess the keys of the kingdom!

Told in a charming and dramatic style, the novel is the story of Francis Chisholm, a saint, but not a perfect saint! He makes mistakes; he is human; he has an appeal to the hearts of men that is powerful. Francis is a Scotsman who wants to be a priest in his church. The story moves forward —through the early loss of his parents, the hardships of persecutions, the bigotry of superiors in the church, a long ministry in far-away China, and finally back at his Scottish home. Through devious and difficult paths he finds the meaning of the kingdom.

I. One interesting fact about Francis Chisholm is that he rises above the intolerance of his own branch of Christendom, the Roman Catholic Church. Never does he entertain the idea that there is only one path into the kingdom of blessed living. During his early boyhood, in the town of Ettal, where intolerance raised its hideous self against his own father, Francis drew away from it. He flinched at the dirty spirit of intolerance as he thought—

"Why could not people let each other be? His father and his mother had not the same belief; yet they lived together, respecting each other, in perfect peace. His father was a good man, the best in the world. . . . Why should they want to do him harm? Like a blade thrust into the warmth of his life came a dread, a shrinking from that word 'religion,' a chill bewilderment that men could hate each other for worshipping the same God with different words."

When Francis was in China serving as a missionary priest to a small, struggling group of Chinese, he did not oppose the coming of a Methodist mission. Why shouldn't the Methodists come? There was plenty of work to be done by both the Catholics and the Methodists. They were seeking God, trying to serve him in their own way—in different modes, to be sure, but all were working for the kingdom!

In these times when the world is being shaken by violent social explosions how needful it is for Christians to renew their comradeship, to lay aside their petty differences and unite in holy service for the advancement of brotherhood. Why should I hate another person merely because his creed is different from mine? There is and there can never be any logical and sensible reason. Wherever there is hatred, disputes and antagonisms among denominations there is a striking absence of the spirit of the One who taught the meaning of the kingdom. Man seeks God along varied paths—but the key to the kingdom is not this or that way. It is an ardent effort to find God and to help others find him!

In another century at the conference of Poissy L'Hopital, the Chancellor of France spoke an immortal sentence. At that conference, you remember, the almost unimaginable cruelty of the religious wars of France came to an end. As he pleaded for peace and harmony, the Chancellor fervently declared, "Gentlemen of France, there must be an end or France must perish. Abandon these devilish words, Lutheran, Hugenot, Papist: do not alter the name Christian." That is where this fellowship of Christian believers must dwell before we are too deeply enmeshed in the outer fringes of a denominational loyalty.

II. As one reads the story of Cronin's saint he sees a man who is possessed to a marked degree by the type of humility which characterized our Lord. His was the humility that always accompanies true greatness. Again and again Francis Chisholm's love for children and his effort in their behalf reveal something of his sublime humility.

As perspective for the understanding of this virtue, let us think of that unforgettable picture which our Lord gave in Luke 9:46-48. There the disciples are arguing hotly and fiercely about their future greatness. Their discussion proceeds along the usual lines that you and I hear so often. "I shall be a noted scholar so that the world of learning will take note of me," proudly declares one disciple. Another says, "I'm going to own much property. I shall be a wealthy man and thereby have security." Another disciple, a bit more pious than the others, affirms, "I propose to be a saint here, and when life is done on this earth I shall sit upon a throne of gold with God in heaven." On and on the debate continues. Then, to their silent Master they turn, as if to say, "Lord, decide this for us; tell us which one is going to be the greatest." "No," Jesus responds, "I will not tell you that, but I will tell you what true greatness is." And then he calls a Jewish lad nearby, and pointing to the boy, says, "Look at this child. See the gentleness of his nature, the trustfulness that radiates from his eyes, the joyful expression playing upon his face. You must be humble like that lad before you can even approach real greatness." And, let us not forget the fact that this humility is not gained by seeking it **per se.** It slips into your life and mine as a by-product when we live under the constant influence of the Christ.

How much do we really want this key to the kingdom? Oh, we want it, but we prefer to gain it by our own methods. We are so prone to believe that power, notoriety and fame are vastly more effective than humble trustfulness. Jesus thought otherwise. He did not try to advertise the fact that he was God. Without a scepter he ministered. Instead of ruling he served. With a towel and a basin he washed the feet of a dirty world—and he is still doing that very thing. "Come unto me and I will give you rest—and I will also give you abundant life." His way offers something that each of his chidren can do in the spirit of gracious and humble service.

Is it not true that we in this topsy-turvy world, even as Francis Chisholm in his turbulent experiences, might own the key to life, the key that would help us find our way through the conflicts of sordid war propaganda and mounting nationalistic hatreds? It is true, provided, that we would become more concerned about washing the feet of a dirty world rather than imposing our schemes and our petty bigotries upon other persons. If we would become seriously intent about redeeming a world rather than making a world; about forgiving enemies rather than bombing them; about trusting a heavenly Father rather than trying to mold his will to fit our own little desires. What a power we might be in helping to build the kingdom of God on this earth!

III. Every one of us who seeks to be valiant, every one who tries to live victoriously knows how temptingly easy it is to drop our efforts when doubts attack the citadel of our soul. Francis Chisholm was a man who doubted o'er and o'er, again and again, almost to the breaking point. But he kept laboring. He did not give up his education. Despite criticism, he carried on to build a boys' club in a mill village. He fights against the discouraging odds and the almost insurmountable obstacles that confront his mission in China. One night after he ministers to a little child in the street he muses, "—despite my doubts, there is need for me, in this strange land, after all."

Regardless of how often our doubts come or how numerous they may be, we must retain our labors for goodness! For a Christian will not let defeat make a defeatist out of him. Someone has described a friend as possessing "a New Testament face." When asked what he meant, this illuminating answer followed, "It is a face where the lines have turned to light, where grief has learned to smile through its tears, and where in spite of anything that may happen there is a sense of victory." I have not lived so long nor am I very wise, but I do know that this quality is one of the keys to the kingdom of abundant and blessed living!

A religion for religion's sake goes a long way in making a real saint! Chisholm was not much concerned about the honors, the rewards that he would get from his ministry. He was serving God because he loved God! He was ministering to needy persons wherever he found them because of the sheer joy that comes from unselfish devotion. So many people tell us today that this philosophy is foolish. But is it not always a mark of a really great soul? Isn't it always the sign of a movement that it has come to stay in the world when it looks foolish, tragically foolish according to current standards and popular opinions? Saint Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "We are fools for Christ's sake." We dare not forget this truth as we search for keys to the kingdom.

In any worth while enterprise occasions will come when we doubt the wisdom of continuing to make sacrifices for its furtherance. To those who desire to make a local church more effective as a Christian brotherhood there will be temptations to give up the effort and lose heart. But, noble Christians cannot become fainthearted! The words of Jeremiah come with a bolstering influence, "Ye shall seek me and find me, when ye seek me with all your hearts." "All your hearts" is the cue. Wholeheartedness is a key to successful living. The only spirit that is worthy of the kingdom is to fling our souls into whatever we do!

It all comes to this: Religion is a matter of life and death. It is not some soft, saccharine, lily-covered affair. The gloriously happy life is found in continual sacrificial service, no matter how hard the way may be. Augustine Birrell gives us a poignant description of those who think religion can be flirted with, toyed with, treated as an elective: "We have all known many a sorry scrub who has fairly talked himself into the belief that it is only his intellectual difficulties that have prevented him from being another Saint Francis." That type of person usually has many other obstacles. If he would only let God strengthen him to rout his laziness, conquer his cowardice, make him intensely earnest, give him the victory over his besetting obstacles, he might then become possessor of the keys to the kingdom of eternal life. Yes, it is always the spirit within a man that counts! It is this consecration which enables Francis Chisholm, the hero in "The Keys of The Kingdom" to affirm,

"This is life—to begin again when everything is lost!"

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*The Keys of The Kingdom, A. J. Cronin, Little, Brown and Co., Boston, 1941.

METHODISM IN FRONT-LINE HAWAII

Hawaii—now on the front page of every newspaper —is also on the "front page" of Christian interest.

Methodist work in Hawaii, first established in the middle of the nineteenth century, is now centered in 99 preaching places on four large islands—Aahu, Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii. Supt. W. H. Fry, who has headed the Hawaii Mission conference for nearly 28 of its 37 years as a conference, reports 99 preaching places; 31 preachers; 59 local preachers; total resident membership 2,996; 44 church schools with an enrollment of 3,505; 1,142 Epworth and Junior Leaguers; 64 adults and 129 children baptized last year; valuation of churches and parsonages, $515,800; expenditure for building and improvements, $4,244; $20,119 for curent expenses and $7,438 for pastoral support. World Service giving totaled $1,950.

Ten years after founding work in Hawaii, Methodism withdrew in favor of the Hawaii Board of Missions, but when the influx of Japanese, Koreans, and Filipinos came to Hawaii, that board requested the Methodist Church again to send workers to minister among them. In 1904 the Hawaii Mission conference was organized. It is composed of twelve Japanese charges, ten Filipino, eight Korean, and one American project, together with one self-supporting English-speaking church in Honolulu. The Susannah Wesley Home, operating under the Woman's Division of Christian Service, serves as a child welfare institution. Its staff of 12 serves eight nationality groups.

AN END TO SOFTNESS

The bell is tolling for our soft life. It has been a period of high and low thinking. We are just about at the end of an era of cheap moving picture shows, newspaper sensations, ice cream gorging, jazz dancing, liquor guzzling, reckless money-spending, motor car speeding, extravagant dressing, lax discipline in the home, loose sex relations, erratic thinking, and lazy doing. We are at war. We are beginning at last to feel the keen edge of tragic reality. For some, the situation is one of unmitigated calamity. They feel that they simply cannot live without their baubles. What is to become of them? They cannot work, and to beg they are ashamed. But there are others who, caught, misguided, deceived by a false way of life, are just beginning to wake up. They are now indulging the hope that they may somehow recover their lost manhood and womanhood and be of some worth to the world.

The time demands an end to softness. In order to "speed up production," in order to become "physically fit" for combat on the field of battle, in order to conserve material resources for a "long war"? No! Important as are these aims, they are by no means primary. What is supremely needed first of all in this hour of crisis is men and women. We must get hard, tough—tough and hard as the steel drill that cuts its way clean through a block of granite. But this hardness must be of high quality—no mere impetuous, unthinking bluster, no stubborn drive, no blind-horse mettle, no superhead emotion of hate and revenge, no showy display of temper, no oversimplified demand to "get things done." The hardness of men and women who are to deliver the nation and the world from its present predicament will be the hardness of deep integrity, of sound character, of careful thought, and of well-controlled and regulated action backed by the cold determination of a disciplined will. Hard! We must get hard if we are to save ourselves and our fellow men.—Zions Herald.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Walter Patten returned last Tuesday night from a joint meeting in Baltimore of the National Association of College Presidents, the American Association of Junior Colleges, and the Association of Presidents of Methodist Colleges. The meeting was called in the interests of the national defense program, and was attended by leading educators and representatives of almost all the schools in the country.

Dr. Patten spoke in chapel at the college Friday morning and gave the students of the college something of the trend in colleges, and the part which colleges may play in the present situation, as presented in the meeting. He stressed the need of preparing for the defense effort and insisted that the students conserve everything that could possibly be used by the government in our war effort.

Troy Barrett, Fayetteville, and Ira Helms, Scotland Neck, were chosen by student groups on the campus as delegates to the National Methodist Student Movement convention held in Urbanna, Illinois, December 29 to January 2. The trip was sponsored by the college student body, the Louisburg Methodist church, and Barrett's home church, Hay Street, in Fayetteville, R. E. Brown, pastor. On their way back to the school after the convention Barrett and Helms came by way of Fayetteville, where Barrett spoke at the evening service in Hay Street church January 4.

Rod Lancaster, Vanceboro, and Ira Williams, Durham, were elected co-captains of the college basket ball team last Friday. The team has played a number of games this season, and although handicapped by a lack of height, is the best team the college has put on the floor in several years. In games this year where the opposition has not been several inches taller on the average, the fast breaking attack and deceptive tactics of the Trojans paced by Wheeler and Williams, forwards of Durham who played through high school together, have resulted in victories by a substantial margin for Louisburg.

AN APPRECIATION

The end of last conference year marked the close of eight years of a most fruitful ministry on the part of our beloved pastor at Goldston, Rev. W. J. Underwood. During these years he has given his time, strength and ability unreservedly to the promotion of the spiritual life of his church and community. We, the members of the official board, wish to express to Mr. Underwood our deep gratitude for his faithful and devoted service to our people as pastor and preacher. He has not only the love and esteem of the congregation of his church but has gained the friendship and appreciation of a host of people throughout the community of other denominations. We are grateful for the inspiration of his life and work among us, and we pray that God's richest blessing may rest upon him and his good wife as they continue to labor in the Master's cause.—Board of Stewards.

REV. E. L. KIRK LEADS AGAIN THIS WEEK

Brother Kirk sends another $30 to pay for 15 one-year subscribers from Avondale and Cliffside. We wonder if he expects to mail another thirty next week.

Mrs. D. A. Pender sends 11 new subscribers from Mebane, which put her in second place. This is a great record in view of the sort of weather we had.

ENVELOPES FOR THOSE WHO CARE

We have small envelopes with appropriate printing on one side for convenience of those who would care to use them in our Advocate campaign. All who request a mailing list and some of these envelopes for their use will be supplied at once.

THE COMMISSION ON TOWN AND COUNTRY WORK MEETS

The Commission on Town and Country Work, authorized by the 1941 session of the annual conference, held its first regular business meeting in the Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, Thursday afternoon and evening, January 8, with the chairman, Rev. F. S. Love, presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the duties of the commission and to formulate definite policies for the year's work Of the 25 members on the commission 20 were present. There was obviously a resolute determination to make of this newly organized commission a force for good. Dr. J. M. Ormond called attention to the fact that this is the only conference commission which has on its membership representatives from all the boards and commissions of the conference, and that consequently it is in a position to render a distinctive service.

The following are members of the commission: The presiding bishop, Clare Purcell; the district superintendents, H. I. Glass, L. C. Larkin, T. McM. Grant, A. S. Parker, J. A. Russell, W. V. McRae, A. J. Hobbs; the conference missionary secretary, F. S. Love; the executive secretary of the conference board of education, R. W. Bradshaw; from the board of missions, Dr. J. M. Ormond, F. B. Joyner, C. W. Goldston; from the board of education, E. D. Weathers, M. W. Lawrence, A. P. Brantley; from the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. G. P. Hood; from the board of lay activities, F. E. Parrot (and one other whose name is not in hand); from the conference commission on evangelism, C. G. Morris, W. R. Stevens; from the conference youth organization, Joe Burn and Mary Lee Holder.

After thorough discussion, the commission adopted the following recommendations for the year:

1. That each of the district superintendents be asked to establish within their districts a group ministry in which several ministers located on contiguous charges may work together to (a) conduct surveys; (b) to co-operate with other agencies interested in rural life; and (c) to meet periodically for fellowship, conference, and study.

2. That the chairman of the commission appoint a commitee of three to seek out and recommend to the cabinet in the annual conference session of 1942 some particular area where a group of ministers, selected by the cabinet, might work together in a rural church project.

(Note: There are ministers in the conference who have expressed the desire to dedicate their whole ministry to the rural church. They seek for an opportunity to work together on a long-term project. The purpose of this second recommendation is to provide that opportunity and to encourage other ministers whose heart is in the rural field to follow the same course).

3. That a circulating library be set up in each district, the district superintendent to appoint some minister through which this may function.

(Note: The idea here is for, let us say, twelve ministers to contribute one book each into the circulating library. Thus at the end of the year each man would have read twelve books at the cost of one, plus postage for mailing. Each man of course would receive back at the end of the year the book which he originally contributed).

4. That there be organized the Methodist Rural Fellowship of the North Carolina conference. That this might be done at the forthcoming pastors' school the following were elected temporary officers: M. W. Lawrence, chairman; F. B. Joyner, vice chairman; F. M. Patterson, secretary.

(Note: This fellowship, already organized in many other annual conferences, would be composed of all rural ministers and others especially interested in the rural field. It would possibly meet twice annually, at the pastors' school and during the session of the annual conference).

5. The commission heartily endorses the Bible conferences being sponsored by the board of education and recommends that this work be expanded in the town and country churches.

6. That a committee be appointed by the chairman to investigate the feasibility of securing appropriate and reasonably priced markers for our many unmarked town and country churches. The district superintendents are asked to encourage all the unmarked churches in their districts to use the markers.

7. That the executive committee of the commission cooperate with Dr. J. M. Ormond in formulating practical and definite programs for the guidance of the divinity school students in their summer work in the rural churches.

8. That a copy of these recommendations be sent to each member of the commission and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. C. W. Goldston, Secretary.

FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN

(Selected by David H. Scanlon)

The world at its worst needs the church at its best.

He who lives to God lives long, be his years many or few.

There is only one way to rest and that lies through the heart of the world's work and pain.

There is no lash in life more sharp and merciless than the memory of wasted years.

Prayer is an indefinable relief that gives us inward fitness for the high work of the kingdom.

A man can always choose his path if he cannot at every moment determine his company.

Let us be assured that if our religion requires to be apologized for we had better get rid of it altogether.

Whether amidst the things that grieve us we win a blessing or gain a curse, depends on how we bear them.

The longest stretch of years cannot carry a man beyond the voice of the great imperative—"Come unto me."

Trust in Him through every hour, and when a tragic hour comes, one step shall take you into the innermost safety.

God gives us glimpses here of the gateway of that life where regret and shame and sorrow fall back unable to enter.

If the heart grows, the will stronger, the vision clearer, the judgment truer—indeed, if there comes to the soul each day some increase of life, it will surely find its way into "living praise."

Earthly sympathy is just a communion of sad hearts —one weak hand holding another.

Grief can take care of itself, but to get the full value of joy you must have somebody to divide it with.

Trust in Him through every hour, and when a tragic hour comes one step shall take you into the innermost safety.

Plutarch said: "If we traverse the world, it is possible to find cities without walls, without letters, without kings, without wealth, without coin, without schools, and theaters; but a city without a temple, or that practiceth not worship, prayers and the like, no one ever saw."

What power there must have been in the voice, the face, the love of Jesus. He spoke to men who were almost strangers; they glanced up, saw the Master, and surrendered at once.

The botanist tells us that there is no soil in which a plant thrives so well as that formed by the decay of its own leaves. And, perhaps, there is nothing more helpful to the soul's growth than meditations on one's own mortality.

Our bodies cannot live without inhaling the air of this world, nor can our souls live without inhaling the air of the eternal world. Prayer is the soul's respiration.—Luthardt.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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BE STRONG

The following is from "An Open Letter" by Mrs. V. F. Deviney, executive secretary of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation of the Woman's Society of Christian Service:

"We are faced with the solemn fact that Christianity is the 'only connecting link' which holds the broken world together at the present time. As the largest organized group of Christian women in the world today, the responsibility of the Woman's Society of Christian Service is stupendous. The 25,000 links which form this organization, with the addition of hundreds of splendid Wesleyan Service Guild units, must strengthen the chain of Christian influence which encircles this broken world. 'No chain is stronger than its weakest link' is applicable to our society. Think of this as we undertake the tasks ahead, and with the song of Maltbie D. Babcock on our lips and its message burning in our hearts, let us face the new year."

"Be strong! We are not here to play,
to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do and loads to
lift;
Shun not the struggle, race it—
'Tis God's gift—Be strong! be strong!

Be strong! Say not the days are evil,
Who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiesce—
O shame!
Stand up, speak up, and bravely in
God's name, be strong! be strong!

Be strong! It matters not how deep
entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day
how long;
Faint not, fight on! Tomorrow comes
the song. Be strong! be strong!

SOUTHEASTERN JUDISDICTION LEADERS TO MEEET IN NASHVILLE, TENN.

A joint meeting of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Board of Missions and Church Extension will be held in Nashville, Tenn., January 27-30, 1942. The meeting of the women will be held in McKendree historic church each morning from 8:30 to 11, while the Missionary Council will meet in nearby First Presbyterian church. Joint inspirational sessions will be held in the War Memorial Auditorium. Rev. H. P. Myers of Danville, Va., is president of S. E. Jurisdiiction Board of Missions and Church Extension, and Mrs. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount is jurisdictional president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Dr. Elmer T. Clark of New York City is chairman of the program for the joint sessions and expects to present such outstanding speakers as Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, Dr. John R. Mott, Dr. Ralph W. Sockman and Bishop Arthur Moore. Delegates to this meeting from the W. S. C. S. of the Western North Carolina conference are Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem, Mrs. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, Mrs. George Hoyle of Shelby, Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro, and Mrs. W. R. Harris of Asheville. Reserve delegates: Miss Amy Hackney of Asheville and Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

First Friday in Lent, February 20

The World Day of Prayer is sponsored by the National Committee of Church Women representing Foreign Missions Conference, National Council of Church Women and Home Missions Council of North America. "I Am the Way" is the subject for the program for the day ,and program material is now ready for distribution and may be secured from Home Missions Council of North America, Room 63, 297 4th Ave., New York City. Leaflet "I Am the Way" 2 cents each, $2 per 100; Call to Prayer free; Handbook for Yay of Prayer Leaders, 10 cents each.

BIBLE SOCIETY AIDS WAR PRISONERS

The American Bible Society is the principal source of supply of Scriptures for war prisoners in German camps and in other parts of Europe. It has distributed Bibles, Testaments and Gospels in English, French, Italian, Dutch, Polish, Russian, Czech, Hebrew, Yiddish and Finnish. The Netherlans Bible Society is cut off from practically all the continent except Portugal and its capacity to support its world-wide work is being reduced; the French Society is also cut off from its large constituency in Southern France. The American Bible Society, through its war emergency fund is endeavoring to save the work of these Bible societies during this crisis.—The World Outlook for December.

The one great need of our world today is a great faith in a great God. That faith is revealed in Christ Jesus. . . . We grow to be like the God in whom we believe. If we believe in a little God, we will not grow very much, but if we believe in a big God we will grow to be like him. . . . Faith in God is what the nations need today. . . We need, like Isaiah, to see God. Always when men look upon God they are humbled and they want to confess their sins and recognize their dependence upon God. A true Chrsitian believes in God and recognizes his dependence upon God. A true Christian believes in God and recognizes his dependence upon him and his way of life.—Rev. Howard M. McLamb.

STUDENT WORK

Mrs. Lenore E. Porter, Secretary

There is no more important or far-reaching department in the Woman's Society of Christian Service than is the department of student work, which furnishes means of keeping in touch with the young people who each autumn begin campus life. Methodist women have long realized that something should be done along this line and they are cognizant of the splendid work that is being done by the organization already set up.

Through the organizational plan adopted each student can be reached personally. The student secretary in every local Woman's Society of Christian Service is an important person and upon her is placed the privilege and duty to send to national headquarters the name of each student leaving her church, and this name to be relayed to the secretary of student work in the church nearest his or her campus. The task of reaching the 200,000 Methodist students is ours and offers a tremendous challenge. The opportunity to place before students defiinite pictures of the value of Christianity around the world is important. The new vistas are limitless. Who is more concerned than youth today in world peace, international relations, economic situations, citizenship, family relations?

The service of the student secretary is already beginning to keep the college young people closer to the church and the church closer to the young people. There is richness to be gained by both the church members and the students which can never be had except through the closest relationship. The Woman's Division of Christian Service can give no more helpful ministry to students than to encourage the office of student secretary in the churches of Methodism. Student secretaries realize that theirs is a unique task of assisting the whole church in meeting the individual at his point of need. They will do their part as program makers, counselors, hostesses, etc., and in giving activity to the restless, in steadying the purpose of the serious, and guiding the uncertainty of those seeking a Christian way of life. Some recent developments in this work are:

(1) Students' names are coming in! (2) Because of the intensity of the need the program has been expanded and student secretaries are finding a responsibility in the church and campus service program. (3) Missions is now on every Wesley Foundation program and there is a close correlation of the work of the five student secretaries representing the board of education and the board of missions under the student work in the Methodist student movement.

The conference secretary of student work in the Western North Carolina conference (Woman's Society of Christian Service) is Mrs. Walter Lanier, who will be glad to answer any questions about this work and will appreciate the co-operation of the societies in carrying it forward.

It's what you do when you have nothing to do that reveals what you are.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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YOUR QUIET HOUR

The technique of growing centers in the observance of a daily quiet time. This is not pious dogmatism, but the assertion of the deep principle that underlies all growth. Where? This was chosen for its set-apartness. Even the corner of a commonplace room may become a spot of hallowed associations. The answer to the inquiry what? includes, in part, material helps. A religious picture that you value for its message may add to the atmosphere of your shrine. Always conveniently at hand should be your Bible and lesson books that help to illuminate it. Finally, whither? If tarrying in the secret of His Presence means anything, it means going forth into the day's routine with a new dependence of His spirit, and a new job in co-operating with Him.—Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, in The Methodist Woman.

A LETTER FROM MISS HANKINS

Miss Ida Hankins of Wilmington, N. C., who is temporarily on leave from her work as missionary in Korea, writes your editor of the interesting work which she is doing at Erie School, Olive Hill, Ky.: "Temporarily I am working under the home department of the Board of Missions until conditions are such that I can return to Korea. In August I was appointed to Erie School as teacher of grades 1, 2 and 3 and I am enjoying it. I am teaching 34 children but this is only a part of the work I have to do here. The school includes the eight grades and four years high school accredited by the State Department of Education of Kentucky. For many years it was for girls only, but now besides boys from town there are about a dozen boys boarding here and attending school, and the total number of boys and girls enrolled is nearly 200. The faculty consists of 11 teachers and the staff of 16 includes, of course, these teachers. I live in the dormitory with the women teachers and about 65 girls who have to be over 12 to be boarders. I take my turn with the other teachers in taking the high school pupils to church, in keeping study hall every night, in leading prayers in chapel and in the dining room as well as faculty meetings, and yard duty at the dinner hour for the day pupils who do not go home to eat. I also have charge of the junior young people's missionary society, which meets once each month. I teach at Sunday school and, of course, I have to speak on Korea when I am asked by the churches and organizations. Within the past few days I have been thrilled at my first graders who had to poke out a foot to show me new shoes or a leg to show me a new pair of trousers, or to stand forth in all the glory of a new dress 'that mother made all by herself.' These exhibitions of the last few days have supplanted those of open mouths and stretched back lips that I might see the holes of teeth extracted with a strand of mother's sewing thread and a quick jerk. Please give my love to the women of the N. C. conference who knew me and tell them I expect to be back in N. C. for vacation next summer."

BROTHERS IN CHRIST

In the occupied area around Nanking, China, Japanese soldiers often go to Sunday school services in the small country churches and there join with Chinese Christians in singing, for the soldiers can read the characters and know the hymn tunes. They also join in the congregational prayer when the people pray individually, out loud and in concert. The Japanese soldiers cannot understand the Chinese language but communicate with the people by written Chinese characters. Some have written that they come from Christian homes, that their father was a pastor, or their mother was a devout Christian, or that they have attended mission schools and are brothers in Christ.—From a booklet, Christian World Facts, published by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church.

W. S. G. HONORS MISS FREEMAN

Circle No. 1, Wesleyan Service Guild, Front Street Methodist church, Burlington, decided late in 1941 to take as its special project the furnishing of a room in the new Gibson dormitory at Scarritt College as an honor to Miss Mary Dockhart Freeman, deaconess during the past ten years. Miss Freeman was president of Front Street Society when the circle was formed and has attended the meeting of the circles many times since. Her sister, Miss Margaret Freeman, is a circle leader. A check for $75 was sent to Mrs. McKinne in December as half of the necessary amount for the furnishing of the room, the second half to be paid in 1942. The members of the circle are happy at this achievement and of their ability to thus honor a home girl who has made good in the Master's work. —Florine Robertson.

PRAYER MINUTE

Since the first noonday prayer meeting held by the Board of Missions on June 20, 1912, weekly prayer service has been observed at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, when missionaries all over the world unite in prayer for the work of the Christian church. This custom is being continued under the unified Board of Missions and Church Extension. The Wesleyan Service Guild is observing the "Prayer Minute" and is asking each member of each unit to co-operate. Plans were under way for this when the executive committee of the Federal Ciouncil of Churches of Christ in America adopted a resolution recommending a Prayer Minute to begin on New Year's Day at 6 p. m. and to continue every day throughout the year 1942. They are calling for all Christians to observe this special time of prayer. The Woman's Division of Christian Service in its December meeting passed a motion endorsing this action of the Federal Council.—The Methodist Woman.

LOOKING TOWARD CONFERENCE

March 10-12 are the dates and Edenton Street church, Raleigh, is the place which has been selected for the annual meeting of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. In looking forward toward the conference one of the preparations is that of printing programs of the three days' sessions. It is imperative, therefore, that names of members of local W. S. C. S. who were deceased since last conference be sent to the respective district secretaries, in order that they may be printed on the programs. Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep of Elizabeth City will conduct the memorial service during the conference in Raleigh.

A GOOD RESOLUTION

A timely and needful resolution to make and keep is a determination to help purchase enough battleship linoleum for the dining room floor at the Methodist Orphanage. All that is necessary in order to aid in this worthy cause is to expend a bit of effort in collecting and sending to Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of Methodist Orphangae, Raleigh coupons from Octagon soap, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzianne coffee and tea, Rumford baking powder, Health Club baking powder. The need for this floor covering is a long felt one and certainly the women of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. should concern themselves in the matter of a campaign for coupons for the Orphanage. Dividends in supplying an urgent need and the satisfaction of a job well done will be great.

SPRING CHURCH TO BE HOSTESS

Northampton zone W. S. C. S., Rocky Mount district, will meet at Spring church on January 22, beginning at 10 a. m. The program will be interesting and full of inspiration. Spring church W. S. C. S. has not been in Northampton zone very long but the members have been loyal to the work. They are dependable and their efforts are greatly appreciated. It is hoped that this appreciation will be manifested by a large attendance and by participation in the worship at the zone meeting. May we hold high the torch in every situation, realizing that, as never before, we must be on the alert in our work. There must not be a blackout on our missionary front.—Mrs. Henry W. Maddry, Northampton zone leader.

MORE NEWS FROM ERIE SCHOOL

In another item on this page Miss Ida Hankins interestingly describes some of her work at Erie school, Olive Hill, Ky., which reminds us that on page 31 of the January issue of The Methodist Woman is published another er item concerning some activities at this school. We commend it for your reading and your consideration.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE COVERING COVERED

We have had some very cold weather. The weather man says that the weather dipped down to six below zero. At this writing it is still cold. It was a great satisfaction to note that in checking through the cottages, the youngsters, little and large, had sufficient covering. Thanks to the good women who throughout the fall and early winter continued to send choice quilts to us, the youngsters could lie down under sufficient covering to be comfortable. There's lots of difference in being cold and being warm throughout long winter nights. Grateful thanks are extended to the good women who took the stitch in time.

YIELDING TO TEMPTATION

It seems that during the days subsequent to Christmas giving our children have their greatest temptations at Christmas taking. Sometimes some of our youngsters yield to the desire to "borrow" from their fellow youngsters. The scooter gets out of place, the flexy goes visiting and the toboggans get on the wrong youngsters' heads. Honest Rufus got so exasperated a few days ago that he issued a manifesto to the effect that hereafter he believed that Hitler was right—get the thing before somebody else gets it. But Rufus was only joking. He and some of the rest of us are looking into the matter of honest living and good citizenship.

THE MELTING PROCESS

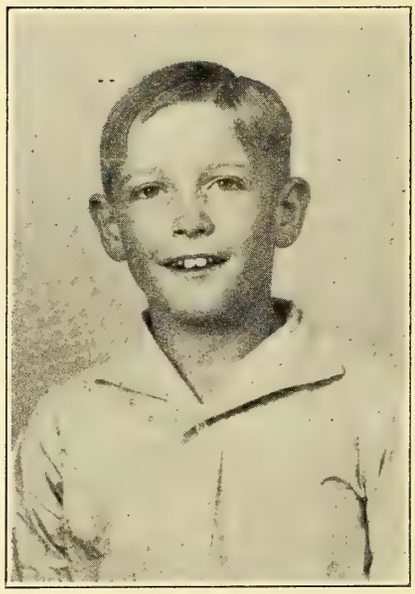
When a fellow gets all screwed up in rigidness and soured with a bit of impatience and disgust he needs to go down to the baby cottage where 28 little youngsters will crowd around, all trying to talk at one time. They talk in various languages but they all mean the same. They want to be loved. Even little 14-months-old Reece and the 20-months-old twin boys have caught the spirit of comradeship. Our baby cottage is a good place to thaw out frigid feelings and to acquire some balminess. Little children can lead a fellow around.

INCOMING AND OUTGOING

The records show that during the past calendar year 63 new boys and girls came to live at the Children's Home and 77 went away from the Children's Home to live somewhere else, this tabulation not including the transference of the 42 boys and girls from the High Point Children's Home to the Winston-Salem Children's Home. This was a good deal of coming and going. But before the coming came and the going went there was a good deal of coming and going necessary to ascertaining where the going should go and when coming should come. We have given much attention to the amalgamation and consolidation of the two Children's Home families which were merged during the past year. In the run of a year or so we will have many matters worked out through a process that will be more or less satisfactory to all concerned.

ONE OF THE GOERS

The picture this week is that of Thomas Crump, 11 years old and in the fifth grade. Thomas, along with his young brother, Richard, has gone to live with his mother, she having reestablished her home. Thomas and Richard are mighty fine boys. Thomas was sponsored by the Sunshine Class of Central, Spencer, and Richard by the Builders Class of the same congregation. Both classes will transfer their support and devotion to new boys, the Builders having already accepted Billy Shutt, a new comer. This notice will probably be the first information the Sunshine Class has of Thomas' recent departure. Be it said to the credit of nearly all of our sponsoring groups that they readily transfer their support from one child to another when there is a good reason for it.



From Home to Home

NEW DIVINITY TRAINING

Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, superintendent of the Marion district, sends the following information on the back of a postal card. The typewritten missive is so intriguing as to have caused several readings of it: "Your commendation of Jonas Ridge gives me occasion to report that Rev. J. F. Bowers of Morganton is supplying the Linville Falls charge. You remember we had a shortage of preachers this year. Brother Bowers has served his county as register of deeds, clerk of court and as juvenile judge. Now he serves the church as supply pastor. If you do not know him, you have missed something."

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

J. H. Beal, president of the Bank of Lenoir, stirs up a corner of my appreciation box with the following message: "The enclosed $25 is sent from the Men's Class of Fairview Presbyterian church near Lenoir. This class has in it a man who is a faithful member of the South Lenoir Methodist church but who has for some ten years or more rarely ever missed an afternoon class in this Presbyterian suburban church. Last Sunday the class voted unanimously to send this contribution to you in honor of this good and faithful Methodist brother, Mr. Wilburn Keller, Route 4, Lenoir."

OF COURSE WE WONDER

In these days of necessity it is nothing more than natural that we wonder what will become of the Children's Home family. Our friends will be called upon to share very materially their income for the sake of our great country and our fine way of living. Taxes and calls for voluntary giving will follow one another in accelerated frequency. In the midst of our wonder we have a sort of a feeling that our friends will be mindful of their dependent children. No doubt our income producing property will produce much less. We trust that our income producing constituency will produce much more. In these times of stress we have the feeling that the hearts and minds of our people will be more liberally turned to those who need their help more decidedly.

IN THE MIDDLE

This scribe has just re-read the 16 points outlined by our good Bishop Purcell for attainment by the constituency of the Western North Carolina conference during the present conference year. Number eight, right in the middle of the 16 challenges, reads as follows: "Wholehearted acceptance and payment of new scale of askings for our Children's Home at Winston-Salem."

THE TAPPER STILL TAPS

Our joy bell gets a little cold but it still rings. The tapper doesn't tap as much as it used to but it still taps. It has tapped during the past week for the following congregations and pastors who have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full. Kindly note them and listen to the rythm of the joy bell in the soul of altruism:

Zion, Vale circuit, Rev. E. P. Green.

Marvin, Pineville circuit, Rev. J. L. Rayle.

White's Chapel, Liberty circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill.

Palmyra, Walnut Cove circuit, Rev. W. R. Harris.

Siloam, Dobson circuit, Rev. J. W. Parker.

DOWN IN GEORGIA

C. Baxter Jones, a prominent lawyer and a member of the board of trustees of the South Georgia Conference Methodist Home at Macon, Georgia, writes as follows: "I have been

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie Rives writes as follows: "On January 4, the first new year's service for the singing class, was a full day on the Brooksdale charge, with Rev. D. A. Petty, pastor in charge. At the 11 o'clock hour we were at Webb's Chapel, at 3 o'clock at Allensville church, and for the evening service we were at the handsome stone church at Brooksdale. We were cordially received by splendid congregations."

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COVER NEEDED — The extreme cold nights of last week reminded me that our big family needs more cover for this winter. Many of our good women, over a long period of years, have made and sent us nice quilts to keep our youngsters warm. Several of our well-to-do men have sent us from time to time a large collection of nice blankets. We need quilts and blankets mostly for three-quarter width beds. Our beds in the infirmary are single beds, however, and those in the baby cottage are regulation size cribs. If the good spirit moves any of our friends to remember us along this line the Orphanage will appreciate it very much.

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STILL REJOICING—Our boys and girls and staff members are still singing the praises of Brother W. H. Basnight for the turkeys which he so kindly and generously gave for their Christmas dinner. Two of our girls wrote Brother Basnight thanking him in behalf of our children and workers for the turkey dinner. These girls received letters from Brother Basnight expressing his joy in making the turkey dinner possible. In one of his letters he wrote as follows: "I certainly do appreciate your letter in reference to the turkeys which I sent to your Orphanage. I assure you that it was a great privilege for me to do this for the Methodist Orphanage and I am indeed glad that all of you enjoyed them. If nothing prevents I hope to have this same opportunity again another year."

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A TIMELY SUGGESTION—Several friends on different occasions have suggested to me the idea that people who have large incomes could make substantial contributions to the Methodist Orphanage and get credit on their income tax. The government will allow a 15 per cent reduction on gifts to charity. I know of no more worthy cause to sponsor than the cause of fatherless children. I have a conviction that if our pastors and church school superintendents would call the attention of our friends to this matter, many of them would be glad to render this needed service to our beloved Methodist Orphanage. I am happy to state that one of our good substantial friends has already made his contribution to our cause. It is the sincere wish of the executive board of the Methodist Orphanage that others follow his example.

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SINGING CLASS — The Methodist Orphanage singing class has made friends for the Orphanage throughout the conference. We can't begin to meet the demands upon the class for sacred concerts on Sundays. Wherever our children go they make friends for the institution. Mrs. Nellie B. Rives, who has had charge of the class for more than 20 years, has endeared herself to the churches of the North Carolina conference. In order to have a singing class the Orphanage has to spend money for an automobile, gas and oil, and for someone to direct the class. Many of our pastors and churches very thoughtfully and cheerfully pay the traveling expenses of our class to the different churches. The Orphanage makes no charge, but since it is costing us hundreds of dollars each year to send the class out, I feel certain that all pastors and churches will be glad to take care of the traveling expenses when the class visits a church to give a program.

CHRIST WANTS THE BEST

By W. A. Betts

Christ wants the best. He in the far-off ages
Once claimed the firstling of the flock, the finest of the wheat,
And still he asks his own with gentlest pleading
To lay their highest hopes and brightest talents at his feet.
He'll not forget the feeblest service, humblest love;
He only asks that of our store we give to him
The best we have.

Christ gives the best. He takes the hearts we offer,
And fills them with his glorious beauty, joy, and peace;
And in his service as we're growing stronger,
The calls to great achievements still increase.
The richest gifts for us on earth, or in the heavens above,
Are hid in Christ. In Jesus we receive
The best we have.

And is our best too much? O friends, let us remember
How once our Lord poured out his soul for us,
And in the prime of his mysterious manhood
Gave up his precious life upon the cross
The Lord of lords, by whom the worlds were made,
Through bitter grief and tears gave us
The best he had.

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FOURTH SUNDAY WORLD SERVICE

The church school is increasingly important as a part of the church. In designating each fourth Sunday as a time for emphasis on World Service in the church school its value was further enhanced. After one full year with this new procedure the wisdom of training in giving for all age groups is more and more apparent. A comparison of returns for the first quarter of the conference year with the previous year is encouraging. An amount of $5,394.22 has been received from October 25 to January 9, 1942. This is an increase of $1,486.19 over the corresponding period last year. The response by districts is indicated below.

Asheville District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
102	34	33

Total contributed $314.72

While only one-third of the schools in this district are assisting directly with the World Service program, there is an increase in the number of churches participating and in the total amount given over last year. Both the Swannanoa and the East Flat Rock charges are demonstrating in a fine way how each of the 11 churches is participating in this plan for systematic giving. Moody Smith and Brother Benfield, working with their church school superintendents, are interpreting the plan and are getting the desired results.

Charlotte District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
86	21	24

Total contributed $832.83

While there is a decrease in the number of schools from last year, there is an increase of $157.73 for the district during the quarter. The emphasis on World Service in the church school can and should make its best contribution in the smaller churches. This seems to be the group that needs most attention. The larger churches and the middle-size churches are responding in a fine way and this district is second only to Salisbury in the total amount given. As has been the custom for a number of years, First church leads the conference on this item.

Elkin District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
150	10	6

Total contributed $96.18

The record here shows a slight decline in both the number of schools giving and in the total amount given. More of the small churches of this district sholud take advantage of this plan for systematic giving month by month.

Gastonia District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
102	40	39

Total contributed $594.80

The record here shows a small increase in each item. Belwood, Dallas, Lowell, and Polkville are charges with three or more churches where all schools are responding to the fourth Sunday emphasis. The district record is on the up-grade, but still more of the smaller churches should be enlisted in this plan for systematic giving to World Service. Park Street, Belmont, is easily the leader for the district—having given more than twice as much as any other school.

Greensboro District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
91	34	37

Total contributed $570.10

The record here shows increase, with the total amount almost doubled. Reidsville circuit, Bethel-Battleground and Haw River charges are solidly behind the plan for a program and offering each fourth Sunday. The increase in the total offering indicates that the idea of fourth Sunday giving is growing.

High Point District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
102	35	34

Total contributed $526.12

Here again the record shows wholesome increases. The absence of one or two of the larger churches is all that keeps this district from a place close to the top. Central, Denton; Randleman-Union, Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Shiloh, and Trinity are among the charges with two or more churches that are responding unanimously. Main Street, High Point, leads with the largest contribution, and Pleasant Grove is a close second.

Marion District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
97	19	20

Total contributed $216.98

With the number of schools participating still small for this district, the total amount given for the quarter shows a substantial increase over last year. The other 77 schools ought to be taking advantage of this monthly plan for giving. First church, Morganton, has the largest contribution, with the Table Rock charge as a close second. All four churches of the Mill Spring charge are responding regularly.

Salisbury District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
83	46	55

Total contributed $843.74

This district easily leads the conference with the number of churches responding and with the total amount given during the quarter. The record also shows a fine growth over the same period last year. Central, Concord, and Trinity, Kannapolis, are the leading contributors. Congratulations to the district in taking the lead for this cause.

Statesville District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
94	40	43

Total contributed $427.47

The Statesville district is well ahead of its record for the same period last year. The total amount given is almost doubled. First, Newton, Granite Falls, and Race Street are the leading contributors. The Lenoir circuit, Cool Springs, and Catawba are charges that have aligned all churches with the plan in a fine way.

Waynesville District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
100	26	26

Total contributed $181.97

The Waynesville district is only $6.22 behind its record for the first first quarter of last year, and this will be changed as soon as the district superintendent and pastors hear about it. Central, Canton; Franklin, Morning Star, and Whittier charges are the leading contributors and a number of others are coming along with a good response.

Winston-Salem District

No. Schools	No. Contrb'g	Percent
103	38	37

Total contributed $789.31

The Winston district shows a fine increase. The number of churches is well up among the first in the districts and the total amount is practically doubled. Centenary, Unity-Fair Grove, Welcome, Mount Olivet, Central, Mt. Airy, and Mount Carmel-Pine Grove are the leading contributors.

Summary by Districts

Asheville	$ 314.72
Charlotte	832.83
Elkin	96.18
Gastonia	594.80
Greensboro	570.10
High Point	526.12
Salisbury	843.74
Statesville	427.47
Statesville	327.47
Waynesville	181.97
Winston-Salem	789.31
Total	5394.22

NEXT QUARTERLY REPORT

The next quarterly report for January, February and March will appear about the middle of April. The response to date is good. Between now and Easter there ought to be a wholesome increase over the past quarter. It is hoped that more and more of our church schools will get the habit of a monthly program followed by a prompt remittance of the World Service offering to Brother E. O. Cole.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8

Race Relations Sunday provides an excellent opportunity for every local church to assist with the educational program of the Negro race. It is suggested that this emphasis be made at the morning service, Sunday, February 8. Program suggestions may be secured by writing to Dr. M. S. Davage, 810 Broadway, Nashville. The offering on this occasion should be designated for Race Relations and should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Avenue, Asheville. Mr. Dunham will send it to the proper person in Nashville.

A man who wills can do more than ten who must.—German.

FACT OR FICTION

By Janet T. Van Osdel

"The Child's First School Is the Family"—Froebel

(Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City).

On her way home from her day's teaching, Bess Devon stopped at her sister Martha's. She found her five-year-old nephew Tommy seated in a corner of the living room, face to the wall.

"Hello, Tommy! Where's mother?" she asked.

"At the store. I can't talk, Aunt Bess! Hello!"

"When will she be back?"

"Mother said I can't talk, Aunt Bess."

"Sorry, Tommy!"

She kissed the back of his neck and went out on the side porch.

"Hello, Bess!" greeted Martha, arriving with an acquaintance fifteen minutes later. "It's ages since I've seen you! But I'm tired! I'd give anything to own a car. This is Mrs. Urdeman. She came in to write a card. Mrs. Urdeman, there is the desk; help yourself."

"Why have you turned your honorable son's face to the wall?" asked Bess. "And I mean honorable! There he sits, conscientiously refusing to talk, as mum as though you were watching him!"

"And he'd rather talk to you than eat, Bess! Well, he's there for a good reason—he will say things that aren't true!"

"What was it this time?"

"He and the Malcolm twins were playing on the steps here when it began to rain. Tommy said, 'W'd better go in before we get wet!' Billy Malcolm answered, 'Rain won't hurt us! We can't melt!' Then Milly Malcolm piped up, 'I did melt once, and I ran away like a little brook!'"

"Children!" laughed Bess indulgently.

"Then Tommy said, 'I never did melt, but I can remember back a hundred years. We kept a lion under the bed!'i Imagine!"

"Time seems much longer to children than to adults. As for the lion, perhaps he does think there was one under the bed long ago. He may have had a realistic dream; a mouse or a cat may have been there; a garment dropped that assumed a crouching shape. Who are we to say that Tommy's mind did not see a lion?"

"But, Bess, he can't go around talking like that. He'll grow up absolutely unmoral! And for this once I'm punishing him; he's said a thousand things that I've let pass."

"Here is something to think of, Mat: Children live in a world of their own. Only at rare moments does even the most understanding adult get even a glimpse into their world. Two-thirds of that world is pure imagination. Did Tommy and Billy question Milly when she said she had melted and run away like a brook? Did they try to make Tommy prove he had seen a lion under the bed? No! That is all a part of the funny world they live in, and it passes except with a too-literally minded child. You say Tommy tells lies—would you trust a liar?"

"Not an inch! That is why—"

"Yet you trust Tommy to sit there, his face to the wall, and take his punishment on this sweltering day—trust him to do it when he knows you have left the house!"

"All I want, Bess, is to bring Tommy up to be a good man!"

"You don't have to destroy his imagination to do that. He might grow up to be good without imagination, but he'll never be great or live a full life without it. By the way, Mat, why don't you take your own punishment? You said you hadn't seen me for ages—a was here five days ago! You said you'd give anything for a car. Would you? You said that Tommy makes a thousand misstatements for which he should be punished—"

"But I was only speaking figuratively!"

"Granted! Why not let Tommy speak figuratively sometimes? What do you think, Mrs. Urdeman?" as that lady closed the desk.

"I think," she answered seriously, "that imagination is an almost prceless gift, but—also that the confidence of others in one's word is priceless. Little children need to be helped to separate fact from fiction in their own thoughts and desires. Their failure to do this should neither be punished nor ignored. It means that we have not yet succeeded. Punish Tommy only if he lies maliciously, through cowardice, or to escape responsibility for his actions. At other times—pardon my frankness—" smiling at Martha, "it is the parent who should take the blame."

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE

"In my Father's house there are many rooms."—John 14:2.

No, not cold beneath the grasses
Not close-walled within the tomb;
Rather, in our Father's mansion,
Living in another room.

Living, like the man who loves me,
Like my child with cheeks abloom,
Out of sight, at desk or school book,
Busy in another room.

Nearer than my son whom fortune
Beckons where the strange lands loom;
Just behind the hanging curtain,
Serving in another room.

Shall I doubt my Father's mercy?
Shall I think of death as doom,
Or the stepping o'er the threshold
To a bigger, brighter room?

Shall I blame my Father's wisdom?
Shall I sit enswathed in gloom,
When I know my loves are happy,
Waiting in the other room?

(D.H.S.) —Robert Freeman.

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Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 18

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By Rollin H. Walker

John the Baptist and Jesus

Matt. 3:1-17; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 3:1-22

The Jews were tensely expectant of the rise of some great soldier who with hypnotic power would rally the nation, drive out the Romans, and bring in the reign of freedom and prosperity. But instead of a soldier the news flashed over the land of the rise of a great preacher who summoned the nation not to arms but to repentance.

What a strange figure John was, with his ugly garment of camel's hair! But an unwonted fire was in his eye, and he spoke with an eloquence that did not need to go to Jerusalem for a crowd, but drew the multitudes out into the desert to find him. He was incarnate reality, chemically pure of formalism, and utterly unafraid. He was not dependent on the collection from the crowd for his support, but being a child of the desert he knew where to find the wild honey, and like the poor of Palestine he had learned to grind up the locusts into a kind of cake which was not untoothsome or unhealthy. (It is great when one learns to turn the pests of life to good use).

Although he was the son of a priest who might naturally be expected to stress the ceremonial law, he seems to have mentioned none of these things, but he put the whole stress on doing justly, showing kindness and walking humbly with God. When the taxgatherers, frightened by his threats of judgment, asked, What shall we do? he contented himself with mentioning just one thing, knowing that if they overcame their chief besetment the rest would follow naturally. Said he to them, Exact no more than is appointed to you. When the rough soldiers who had been sent down there to police the crowds asked for instructions, John's answer was exactly what they needed. It might have been given to the police force of one of our corrupt city governments: Do violence to no man; exact nothing from these poor people by blackmail, and do not seek to eke out your wages by graft.

Like all great prophets John felt himself in the presence of a crisis, a crisis of impending judgment, and a crisis of great opportunity.

In calling the repentant to baptism, John, as modern psychologists bear witness, was eminently wise. When men propose to break off an old habit some outward and decisive act that puts them on record before the world increases their chances of holding out, especially if that act is an expression of trust in God. And more than that, when these men submitted to baptism before the eyes of their friends, it would influence some of them also to repent and seek God. It is the will of God that whenever we turn to him we should do it in a way that holds out the hand of invitation to others to join us.

Perhaps the supreme greatness of John was that in spite of the fact that he was the most sought after preacher for centuries, he realized his limitations. I indeed baptize you with water, said he, but there cometh after me one that the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose, he shall baptize you in God.

Jesus, hearing that John's preaching was moving many to repentance, took the long, hard foot journey to the place on the Jordan where John was baptizing. Doubtless it did not take him long to realize the limitations of the Baptist, but John was the first great prophet he had ever heard, and Jesus glowed with sympathy for him. Out of loyalty to this God-inspired movement, he even submitted to be baptized in the water that had been muddied by the feet of publicans and harlots. He thus showed his oneness with humanity in their struggles for a better life. Perhaps he took by the hand some trembling reprobate who was hesitating on the verge of the Jordan and they went down both together into the water, and then others seeing them were also encouraged to make a start. This identification of himself with the sins of his people was acceptable to God, for immediately the heavens opened and a voice from above said, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased. And great uplifts will come to us also whenever we go to any Jordan where a John is summoning men to repentance, and humble ourselves to be one with our ignorant and sinful fellow mortals.

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Children's Storyland



EVA GOES TO A NEW YEAR PARTY

Twelve-year-old Eva Dentler looked frowningly at the cream-colored dress her mother was pressing so carefully.

"Must I wear that old dress again to Bertha Spagler's New Year party?" asked Eva, puckering up her lips.

"Yes, dear," answered her mother. "I had hoped so very much to be able to get you a new dress for the holidays anyway; but you know I have had less sewing to do this winter than ever, and things are higher, so I've tried to brighten up this old dress. It's real good yet, Eva, even if it was first made three years ago out of your grandmother's dress. You see, I could fix it to be in the latest style again, and that is something."

"I wish grandmother hadn't had so many good things," grumbled Eva, "and then maybe I would get some new things. I've just a good notion not to go to the party, but I want to see that rich Mrs. Petzel, who is visiting Bertha's aunt. They say she is such a grand dresser."

"But you've never been to a New Year's party before," protested her mother, "and your dress will look quite pretty. At least it fits you, and I have tried to make it look as nice as I could, and some of the girls' dresses don't do that."

Eva knew her mother spoke the truth, for even she was aware that Leon Craig's new pencil blue silk dress did not fit her nicely, although Madame LeSinge had made it. And she had heard Opal Staley's mother that very morning fussing about the dress she had got for her duaghter from Chicago because it did not hang right.

That night Eva's mother dressed her little daughter with greater care than usual; and when at last the little girl looked at herself in the mirror, she had to admit her dress fitted nicely. "But oh, if I could only have another colored dress for once, or something else!" she sighed.

Most of the guests had already gathered at Bertha's house when Eva arrived; but seeing many familiar faces, Eva was not afraid, and by and by Mrs. Spagler came to her and began to talk.

"Why, there is Eva Dentler with that old dress of her grandmother's on again!" laughed Opal, and overhearing the remark, tears came into Eva's eyes.

"Come here, Mrs. Petzel, I want you to meet the sweetest little girl," called Mrs. Spagler, hoping that Eva had not heard the unkind remark.

"Why, my dear!" smiled Mrs. Petzel and put her hand in Eva's while the other girls looked on enviously.

Eva tried to keep back the tears, but at the kindly smile she began to cry.

"Why, my dear little girl, why are you crying so?" asked Mrs. Petzel, and without waiting to be urged more Eva told about the dress and the unkind remarks she had overheard.

Mrs. Petzel took the little girl on her knee, seeming not to care if she crushed her smart, smoothly pressed gown. "Why," she began, "do you know I am ever so glad you wore that dress and—and I met you, for you see I have decided to stay here all the rest of the winter and spring, and I have ever so many clothes to be made, and I just can't stand Madam LeSinge's sewing. Why, your dress is just a darling and is made the very nicest of any gown here. Do you think your mother would sew for me?"

"Oh, yes, I know she would!" exclaimed Eva, "for she hasn't much to do, and now I'm ever so glad I came to the party and wore this dress. It will be a real New Year all year now if you help us."

"Yes," agreed Mrs. Petzel, thinking of the many pretty things she would get for this little girl who was brave enough to help her mother in this way.—Lena C. Ahlers, in The Christian Advocate.

THE PERFORMING DOG

By Giralda Forbes

I watched a small performing dog,
A little frightened pup,
That missed a hoop, and whimpered when
His master took him up.

And that sidelight revealed how near
Our pleasure is to pain—
The little dog was beaten so
He could not miss again.

But if we did not find it fun
To see dumb creatures do
The silly things that surely God
Did not intend them to,

They would not have to toil in fear
Their daily bread to win,
For showmen do not teach dogs tricks
That bring no money in.

—Our Dumb Animals.

Little Girl (first time in church when the offertory was taken): "Look, mother, what a lot of tips that man is getting."—Methodist Recorder.

Johnny—"The camel can go eight days without water."

Freddy—"So could I if ma would let me."

THE LITTLE BIT MORE

"Nixon might wear a letter, if he only could learn to lengthen out his stride by one inch!"

The track coach was watching his squad circle the cinder path. Nixon seemed doing fairly well. Even a novice, however, could see that while he was working harder than most of the others, he was not getting on quite as fast. He had the build of a runner, strength, and a "fighting heart." But the form he was showing would not quite get him into the ranks of the school's "letter" men.

It was only a trifling lack that was keeping Nixon from success. And so it is with most of us. Differences between two people, one of whom is successful and the other not so, are often so slight as to be almost unnoticeable. But they may be just enough to make one a leader, and keep the other a drudge. Even a few extra ounces in a campaign kit are pretty important, if we are to carry the load ten miles.

How careful we should be of the little things that make or mar efficiency! The story of the kingdom lost for want of a horseshoe nail has daily illustrations in experience. Many a lad has lost a situation because his undoubtedly strong qualities were spoiled by some mischievous little fault. He may have been honest and industrious—not willing to keep his shoes shined, or to touch his cap to a lady, or to learn to spell simple English words.—The Intermediate Weekly.

LITTLE SINS

The following was told in the address of a converted Burman to a group of natives:

A little banyan seed said to a palm tree, "I am weary of being tossed about by the wind; let me stay a while among your leaves."

"Oh, yes," said the palm tree, "stay as long as you like," and by and by forgot the little seed was there. But the seed was not idle. It sent out little fibers and tiny roots, and they crept around the trunk and under the bark and into the heart of the tree itself. Then the tree cried out, "What is this?"

The banyan said, "It is only the little seed you allowed to rest among your leaves."

"Leave me now," said the palm tree. "You have grown too large and strong."

"I cannot leave you now; we have grown together. I will kill you if I tear myself away."

The palm tree bowed its head and tried to shake the banyan off but could not, and little by little the palm tree withered, the trunk shriveled, and only the banyan could be found.

Beware of little sins!—The Pilot.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Calvary, 11 18
Carr Memorial, 7:30 18
District Missionary Institute at Trinity Church, Durham, at 9:30 a. m. 19
Long Memorial, 11 25

February
Trinity, 11 1

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
South Mills, Newland, 2 16
Bath, 11 18
Washington, night 18
First Church, Elizabeth City, night 21
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 23
Perquimans, Epworth, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 24
Roper, 11 25
Edenton, night 25

February
Moyock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Goldston, Asbury, 11 18
Siler City Ct., 3 18
Siler City, 7:30 18
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Lillington, Lillington, 11 18
Garner, Mt. Zion, 7:30 18
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25

February
Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30.. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Seaboard, 11 18
Conway-Bethany, 3 18
Scotland Neck, 7:30 18
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25
Wilson, 11 1
Elm City, Mt. Zion, 3 1
Tarboro, 7:30 1
Farmville, 11 8
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 8
Rosemary, 11 15
Roanoke Rapids, 3 15
Marvin, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 22
Clark Street, 7:30 22

March
Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City..15
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Church School Institute & Youth RRally, Weldon, 4:30 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April
Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 18
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 7:30 18
Shallott, Camp, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 3:30 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 7 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FIRST ROUND

January
Central, Asheville, 11 18
Weaverville Ct., Alexander, 3 18
Hillside-Merrimon, night 18
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25

February
Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 11 25
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 25
Indian Trail-Stallings, Stallings, 7:30 25

February
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 1
Zoar, 3 1
Big Springs, 7:30 1
Morven, Pleasant Hill, 11 8
Peachland, Mt. Moriah, 3 8
Chadwick, 7:30 8
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 11
First Church, Charlotte, 11 15
Pineville, Marvin, 3 15
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 22
Polkton, Polkton, 7:30 22

March
Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April
Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Boone, 11 18
West Jefferson, night 18
North Wilkesboro, night 21
Elkin, 11 25
Jonesville, night 25

February
Dobson, 11 1
Bryant Memorial, Pine Hill, 3 1
Mocksville, 11 8
Davie, 3 8
Cooleemee, night 8
Farmington, 11 15
Mocksville Ct., 3 15
Advance, night 15
Ararat, Maple Grove 22
East Bend, night 22

March
Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1
Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April
Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Rhyne Heights, 11 26
Crouse, Landers Chapel, 3 25
West End, Gastonia, 7:30 25

February
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:45 1
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, 11 1
Dallas, Dallas, 7:30 1
Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11 7
Cherryville, 11 8
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Concord-El Bethel, Concord, 7:30 8
Mount Holly, 11 15
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 15
Vale, Palm Tree, 11 22
South Fork, 3 22
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 22

March
Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April
Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
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GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Madison, 11 18
Calvary, 7:30 18
Leaksville, 11 25
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, 7:30 25

February
Mt. Pleasant, 11 1
Lee's Chapel, 7:30 1

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

January
Marion Ct., Providence, 11 18
McDowell, Bethel, 3 18

February
Linville Falls, Concord, 11 1
Check-up Meeeting, Marion, 3 1
Old Fort, 11 8
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 8
Dedication, Henrietta, 11 15
Dedication, Pleasant Grove, 3 15
Marion Mills, East Marion, night 15
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 22
Valdese, Valdese, night 22

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Jones Memorial, 9:45 18
Mooresville, Central, 11 18
Statesville, Boulevard, night 18
Stony Point, 11 25
Troutman, night 25

February
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 1
Olin, Fairmont, 2:30 1
Mooresville, Broad St., 11 8
Davidson-Fairview-Williamson's, 2:30 8
Maiden, 11 15
Hickory, Westview, night 15
Lenoir, First, 11 22
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 22

Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, night 22

March

Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 9 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

January

Walnut Cove, Stokesburg, 11 18
Pinnacle, 3 18
Pilot Mountain, 7:30 18
Thomasville, Community, 11 25
Thomasville Ct., 3 25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 25

February

Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1
Thomasville, Main St., 11 15
North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3 15
Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes, 7:30 15
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7

"OLD SCOTTY"

By Louis E. Holcomb

The desert, and nature in general, has lost an ardent lover. "Old Scotty," desert rat, Oxford graduate, ex-sea captain, eccentric nature lover, who preferred the company of birds and animals to that of his fellowmen, has "crossed over Jordan' 'and maybe is finding new vent for his love on a beautiful isle of somewhere; somewhere in a sphere where the cruelties of men will not be in such sharp contrast to the affection of his beloved pets. The colorful eighty-year-old ex-sailor, whose real name is said to be Alfred Wallace, was drowned a few days ago in one of the Salt River valley irrigation canals near his desert camp when he attempted to swim across the swiftly flowing stream.

"Scotty" seldom went to town and when he did come he came dressed in his traditional short cotton pants sans everything else, his tanned skin glistening in the sunlight. A team of burros pulled his light covered wagon in which he carried back to camp his necessary supplies, which were meager indeed in comparison to those of the average individual.

For twenty years, or thereabouts, "Old Scotty" camped alone on the desert, shifting his camp from time to time, surrounded by his pets, consisting of a variety of birds and animals. They seemed to sense that he was their friend and would not hurt them.

Not long ago the health authorities of the city of Phoenix protested against his keeping so many dogs—close to one hundred they said—but finally compromised with him, allowing him to keep 20 of them. I talked with "Scotty" a few days prior to his death, and he said to me: "They want to kill my pets. They are my friends. I love them. You wouldn't hurt my pets, would you?" You see, I lived near "Scotty" about ten years ago while proving up on my desert homestead northeast of Mesa. "Scotty" was then taking care of the grounds of a private school for eastern boys while the master was back East interviewing prospective students. And "Scotty" and I became friends. His camp then was only a short distance from the Salt River and he would catch a kind of fish called bony tail which were quite plentiful and cook them up with whole grain as a "mash" for his pets. An old nanny goat supplied his milk needs.

At the time of his death his "zoo" consisted of 22 dogs, ten burros, a one-eyed mule, seven goats, some pigeons, cats and chickens.

Contributions from friends and a $12 monthly relief check supplied his simple wants.

His philosophy and religion is well stated in a poem of his own composing which was found among his effects. Evidently he cared little for human association for in his poem he asks:

So why should I be sad and lone
When all of Nature is His throne
And I, His child, the chiefest part
Of all within His loving heart?
I see Him in the friendly trees:
I hear Him in the whispering breeze;
I sense His all-embracing love
In song of lark and turtledove.
He speaks from out the murmuring brook:
All nature is His holy book.
And in each sacred page I find
Assurance He has me in mind
And will provide my every need:
This is my bible and my creed.
I see His smile in every rose;
I glimpse Him in the sunset glows;
In rainbows 'cross the heavens thrown
Where'er His handiwork is shown.
He decks the night with starry gems;
The snow-capped peaks He diadems;
He weaves the lily's snow white dress
And covers earth with loveliness.

And now "Scotty" rests in a potter's field, but that would not worry him, for Nature can spread her mantle of loveliness over him there as well as anywhere.

Perhaps if we listen aright we can hear his gentle, kindly spirit saying to us yet, "You wouldn't hurt my pets, would you?"—Advance.

CHILDREN'S HOME

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reading with interest about the revised financial plan for providing for the Children's Home which was adopted with enthusiasm at the recent Western North Carolina conference. We are faced with the necessity within another year of substantially revising our plan. If you can conveniently send me a copy of your plan with any comment that is indicated it will no doubt be helpful to us."

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In Memoriam

LEONARD—Shelly E. Leonard, aged 48 years, a world war veteran, machinist for the Columbia Manufacturing Co. and steward in the Ramseur Methodist church, passed to his reward from the home in Ramseur, December 16, 1941, after an illness of about one year. Mr. Leonard was born near Ramseur and had spent the most of his life in that community. He was a good man and had a host of friends. It is unusual to see such a prolonged and sustained interest in any man as was mainfested by a large number of people during his illness. The funeral was held in the Ramseur church on December 17. He is survived by his wife, the former Anna Reynolds of Anson county, and two sons, Allen and Shelly, Jr., by his mother, Mrs. Mary Reynolds, and one brother, Robah.

J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

COBB—On the morning of November 19, 1941, Brother John A. Cobb, a faithful follower of Jesus Christ and a devoted and loyal member of Bethel church, bade farewell to his loved ones and friends about him and went home to be with God. For many years he served as Sunday school superintendent and was a trustee of his church until death. His was a well spent and fruitful life, his influence counting for much in kingdom business in his community.

Death came as a liberator to him from his tired, weary body, in which he had suffered much the last few years of his life. Final services were conducted by the pastor, assisted by Rev. S. F. Nicks, a former pastor. His body now rests in Bethel church cemetery. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord . . . that they may rest from their labors."

Joyce V. Early, Pastor.

EDWARDS—Mrs. Sally Umberger Edwards, 66, widow of Rev. J. J. Edwards, former resident of Mt. Ulla and Greensboro, died at Mercy hospital, Charlotte, early Sunday morning, November 30, following an illness of three weeks. She was a native of Giles county, Va., the daughter of the late C. W. and Sarah Martin Umberger.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Knox Methodist Chapel, east of Mooresville, by Rev. L. B. Hayes of Greensboro, district superintendent of the Methodist church, Greensboro district, assisted by Rev. J. W. Madre of Mooresville. Burial was in the chapel cemetery.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Brooks Hayes, Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Ivor Vance of Plumtree; a son, T. E. Edwards of Hawk; two brothers, O. T. Umberger, Statesville, RFD, and K. W. Umberger, Mt. Ulla, with whom she had lived for several years; two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Terrell of Brazil, and Miss Brooke Umberger of Mt. Ulla, and five grandchildren.

ARMSWORTHY — Christmas was made sad in the city of Thomasville with the passing of Henry Weldon Armsworthy, 63, widely known and popular citizen of the city. Late in the afternoon of December 23, 1941, as day was rapidly fading into dusk, God saw fit to call this "soldier of the cross" to his final reward.

Brother Armsworthy was a native of Yadkin county, a son of Robert and Mary Foster Armsworthy. He had resided in Thomasville for the past 24 years and had been connected with the Thomasville Chair Company during this time, and for 20 years he was a member of the Thomasville Fire Department. He was also a member of West End Methodist church; he loved his church, his pastor, his community, his family, and his Christ. Although his failing health recently has kept him from church he still loved the church and had its interest at heart. He will be missed in our church, but because of the life he lived we can assuredly say that our loss is heaven's gain.

Surviving to mourn his going are the widow, the former Miss Maggie Binkley; two daughters, Mrs. Lewis Godley and Mrs. Stamey Clinard of Thomasville; two sons, Roy of Thomasville and Ross of Portsmouth, Va.; one brother, L. B. of Advance; and one sister, Mrs. D. M. Hanline of Statesville.

Funeral services were conducted at West End Methodist church by his pastor, Rev. Charles D. White. The large attendance of friends and neighbors showed the high regard in which he was held.

As a husband who loved his home and as a father who cared greatly for his children, he will be missed. I express the sentiment of the many friends of the family when I extend to the bereaved ones sincerest sympathies. One has passed from among us who belonged to that group of quiet and faithful souls upon whom the welfare of the community depends.

Charles D. White.



If a man is not familiar with the Bible, he has suffered a loss which he had better make all possible haste to correct—Theodore Roosevelt

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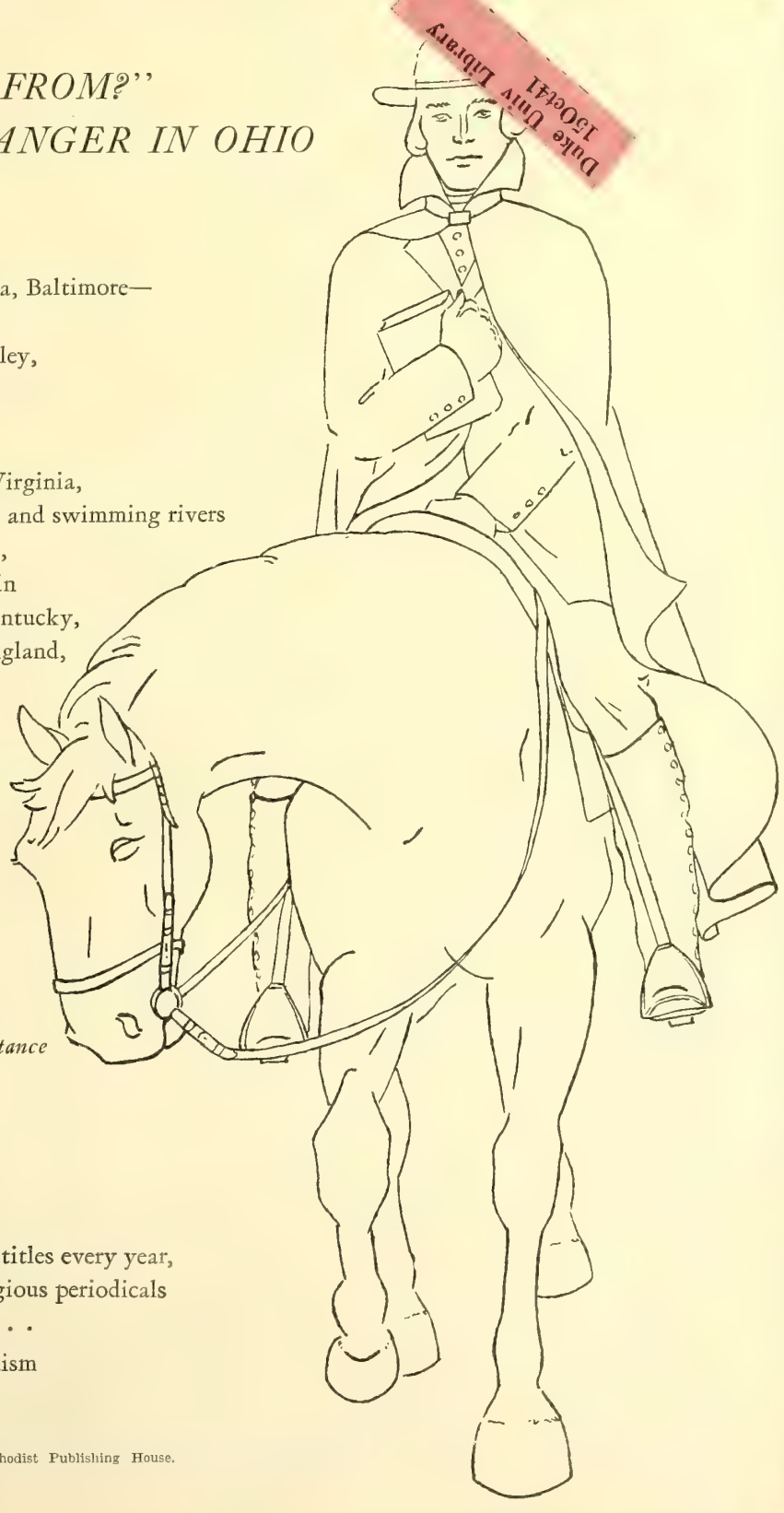
and got this answer:
"From Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore—
or almost any place you please."
So said the only man who outrode Wesley,
Francis Asbury.

This was his circuit: From Maine to Virginia,
through the Carolinas, wading swamps and swimming rivers
and climbing mountains into Tennessee,
then three hundred miles and back again
through the unbroken wilderness of Kentucky,
eastward to New York and all New England,
and west again to Ohio.
He rode this circuit every year,
until his crossings of the
Alleghenies numbered sixty—
and for every time he crossed,
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by means of the press is next in importance
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The Religious Requisites of an American Education

Church-related educational institutions are more vital to America now than ever before. Our country has come to grips with the most powerful and highly efficient systems of materialism that the world has ever seen. At the conclusion of this struggle it is conceivable that more than their blood may be left upon our hands. We shall be stained with the impressions of materialistic efficiency that will have been made upon us during what may be our long and bitter struggle. We shall be confronted with the temptation to abandon the religious substance and spiritual content of our constitutional system in favor of the more objective means and measures of the enemy. When that day of victory and temptation comes to America, there must be a vocal body of religious educators representing sturdy institutions of learning that are independent of the government and well beyond its greatly lengthened reach—educators who will be in a position to remind our people that God and not government is their eternal master, and that liberty is not merely a standard of toleration set by the state but the free and unalienable gift of the Creator. . . .

We must not forget that the defeat of the axis powers is only an incidental objective of our fight against them. The complete military victory of the United States is a means merely and not an end in itself. Our real and permanent purpose is to preserve our political system of constitutionally protected freedom. If we did not believe in the integrity of the God-created human spirit, we would have no abiding quarrel with the totalitarian nor they with us. We are not girded and determined as we are merely for the purpose of revenging a brutal but typical Oriental raid upon the tribal preserve of an unsuspecting neighbor. We are fighting to keep what has been demonstrated to be the breath of our national life, namely, "A nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." This subordination of man-made government to God-made man is now and ever has been the basic American principle.

If we fight the war in an attitude of skeptical materialism or with a waning faith in our traditional self-evident truths, we shall certainly come out of the struggle defeated and disillusioned regardless of our ultimate military victory. We cannot pledge our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor for anything short of or anything less than those articles of American faith which inspired our political ancestry to construct a nation out of their firm reliance upon the wisdom of divine Providence. Let us not forget that by every purely materialistic standard, Hitler and axis partners are a most virtuous combination. Only by the eternal standards of religion and American Declaration of Independence is totalitarianism wicked and unjustifiable. Let us keep our fighting faith firm lest, in the hour of victory, we go over to the enemy.

BREVARD COLLEGE DAY IN ALL CHURCHES OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE

It is now generally understood that Brevard College Day is to be observed in all churches of the Western North Carolina conference Sunday, February 15. At the last annual conference, upon request of the board of trustees and with the approval of the board of education, a resolution was passed setting aside this particular day with the understanding that the cause would be presented in all churches and an opportunity given for an offering for the college. The amount to be raised has been fixed at $10,000. In order to balance the budget for the year and avoid a deficit in operating expenses, it will be necessary to raise this amount.

All Methodists in the conference are invited to enlist as FRIENDS OF BREVARD. Without gifts to its current expenses the college is unable to operate and render suitable Christian service to its student body of fine young men and women. It is well known that Brevard is an institution that stretches dollars and obtains educational results of the highest order.

Through its eight years, Brevard College has lived and served because of the altruism of men and women who believe in its ideals and plan of operation. Many people believe that there is no organization within the bounds of the conference in which a greater sacrificial service has been rendered than at Brevard College. And as one man said, "It has been without complaint." Brevard College belongs to the Western North Carolina conference. It is owned and operated by that body. On its board of trustees are six ministers, ten substantial business men, and two excellent women. Many members of its present faculty have been with the institution since it opened in September, 1934. They believe in Brevard and its program. The observance of Brevard College Day gives 200,000 Methodists an opportunity to help in this constructive enterprise. As an institution of the church, Brevard College must continue its program of constructive service. As the years go by the college will be needed more and more.

E. J. Coltrane.

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The unusual interest of the pastors and many of the laymen in our church paper gives every assurance that our campaign for the North Carolina Christian Advocate this present year is to go beyond all past undertakings. The present quota fixed makes most definite appeal.

Nothing has been more spiritually refreshing to our devoted Methodists than the series of institutes that have just closed in the North Carolina conference. The spirit of Christ has stirred in the hearts of the faithful. Once more we have known something of the glowing soul as He held fellowship with us by the way.

Old Thomas Carlyle, as he was frequently called, said of himself: "You may hear it said of me that I am cross-grained and disagreeable. Dinna believe it. Only let me have my own way exactly in everything with all about me precisely as I wish, and a sunnier or pleasanter creature does not live." Numerous are the successors of Old Thomas Carlyle.

False propaganda, lying and death are the inevitable accompaniments of the war effort; good will, truth and fuller life are the essential elements in the Christian conquest. To preach, to teach and to heal belong to the Christian conquest. "I came not to destroy men's lives but to save them," said the Prince of Peace. All these are dominant in the Christian church.

Dr. J. Clyde Turner, pastor of the First Baptist church, Greensboro, says: "It is not 'pep' that preachers need so much as it is salt." Then he goes to Jesus for proof of his assertion. Jesus did not say "Ye are the 'pep' of the earth," but he did say, 'ye are the salt of the earth.' A preacher may lose his 'pep' and still do faithful work, but if he loses his salt he is good for nothing."

How do the following lines appeal to the farmer boys among our readers?

They strolled down the lane together,
The sky was studded with stars.
They reached the gate in silence,
And he lifted down the bars.
She neither smiled nor thanked him
Because she knew not how;
For he was just a farmer's boy
And she a Jersey cow!

A very good definition of a pacifist is one who renounces war as an instrument of national policy, and a militarist may in a general way be defined as one who exalts military ideals and ideas at the expense of peaceful methods of government. We belong to neither of these two classes. "Hell, hanging, and calomel" at times serve a useful purpose in this present world. Anyhow, this was an old notion that is not entirely out of date, even at this present hour. The world in which we live wrecks many beautiful and desirable theories, and one of these is the theory of a pacifist when a Napoleon or a Hitler seeks to enslave and murder the human race. Really the final word on this issue of peace and war was spoken by the Prince of Peace.

Somebody has said that the birth of a baby has bi-sected the history of our race. And who would question the wisdom of the observation? And the story of that birth never grows old. The ancient story each year becomes a new story. The world never gets tired of the three wise men who followed the star to where the baby slept. Those shepherds on the plains of Judea do not appear to succeeding generations as rough men in scant garments with the smell of the sheepfold upon them, but rather as pioneers in the joyous task of adoring the Saviour of the world. Indeed, these ordinary men of the fields appear to be worthy of a place in splendid temples and to be at home among white robed throngs who crieth "Alleluiah, Alleluiah, the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth."

Protect the Food Supplies

WE are told that America will be expected to feed the world for several years following this war. Are we going to see to it that the farmers are to be given a chance to keep the food supply at the brim? We are assured that the draft boards are set to disturb as little as possible the business life of the nation, all of which is evidently wise.

Surely the utmost care will be given to see that the boys on the farms are allowed to remain and carry on. There is going to be a shortage of labor in the country, especially on the farms. Once labor leaves the farms it is not easy to get it back. Last week a gentleman told us that hundreds of men were around the ship yards at Wilmington trying to get high prieed jobs. Many of these men were from the country where there was a need for labor but no such price could be paid. Evidently the draft boards should exercise the utmost care in allowing boys at work on the farms to remain. Every one acquainted with country life knows that it should be disturbed as little as possible if the farms are to continue to produce. The population of industrial communities shifts quickly, but not so those of agricultural life. A youngster well placed on a farm can be worth tenfold more in rendering a service to the country than as a private in the ranks.

For the last decade we have had a philosophy of scarcity in America, but we will hear little of this with four millions of men under arms and the nations for which we may be responsible on the verge of starving.

Our plea is for the farming interests right here in North Carolina to be disturbed the least possible as we are sending the boys to the war. Many youngsters would prefer to go to the camps than to labor in the fields in order to conserve the food supply of the world. We often recall a remark of the late Henry Page who was doing his best to care for the food supply during the first world war: "Unless we are careful," said he, "we will have our pockets full of money with little in our stomachs."

What the Experts Say About the the Resources of the Allies

THE experts tell us that the allies possess 64 per cent of the total production of the world's iron, against the axis possession of 27 per cent. We have 67 per cent of all the coal of the world while the axis have only 29 per cent. The allies control 86 per cent of the world's petroleum while the axis controls 3 per cent of the world's petroleum resources, which in itself should be a deciding factor. So much for iron, coal and oil, which are the modern sinews of war.

How about food? The allies produce 69 per cent of all the wheat produced in the world, and 70 per cent of all the sugar. The man power, percentage of the allies is 65 and the axis 15 per cent. By allies we mean the United States, British Empire, Russia, China, and the Dutch Empire. These figures of the experts tell us that we have the resources with which to win if we use them aright. But it goes without saying that these resources must be effectively employed in a manner that will win victories. Fireside chats to a people, multitudes of whom expect to get a living out of the federal corncrib, may be considered enough for the limping days of a bountiful peace, but to win victories in time of war requires sterner stuff. Let us all keep this fact in mind.

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After We Win the War, What?

WINNING the war is the largest task just now. But what is going to happen when the billions upon billions of dollars cease to be poured into war industries and the millions of young men return from the armies to find a job in civil life?

And at this time the multitudes now busy in war industries will be out of a job also. These are more perplexing questions than winning the war if we will stop to think of them.

Henry Ford when asked recently what he was going to do with his colossal new army airplane plant after the war, answered: "Make planes for everybody." This may be the answer. If so we will become a nation of great consumers in airplanes. But can we extend this production and consumption in all other industries? If so, O. K.

Run for Thy Life

THERE is an old fable about a dog that boasted of his ability as a runner. One day he gave chase to a rabbit and failed to catch it. The other dogs made all manner of fun over him. He retorted, "Remember, the rabbit was running for his life and I was only running for my dinner."

Alas! for the man who preaches the gospel of the Son of God with no higher motive or greater urgency than a meal ticket. The hireling flees when the wolf approaches, because he is an hireling. And the wolf devours the sheep. Jesus had no patience with hirelings and the church of God should get rid of them just as quickly as possible. Hirelings will never bring in that kingdom which magnifies the cross of Christ as does our holy religion, where sacrifice and service are the great watchwords thereof.

War Time Prohibition

IN the first world war we had war time prohibition to conserve grain and the other elements that go into alcoholic liquors. We also set ourselves to restore the hurt that comes to the armed forces by the free flow of liquor. Why should we not have prohibition this time when the curse of alcohol is manifest about every army camp? Are the citizens certain to profit by the liquor trade and the boys to suffer the hurt and degradation that follow the flow of liquor and its attendant vice? Cumberland, New Hanover, Wake, Durham and other counties boast of the millions gathered while no effort is made to clean up the situation in North Carolina. In fact, the doctors tell of the trouble they are having in dealing with venereal disease as liquor and prostitution continue to hold sway. The money derived from liquor stands in the way of bettering present conditions. A similar situation exists in the nation.

This government forces the boys into the camps and into the firing line. It also lays heavy taxes upon the people, but it refuses to restrain or to prohibit the liquor trade in its devastating work. No one dares to throttle king alcohol, even in this time of war.

What can a people under the double curse of war and liquor hope for? Both of these mean devastation and death. From this war at present there is no escape, but we might lay violent hands upon liquor to save our boys and our land from its death dealing work.

We gather up scraps of paper, hairpins, old postage stamps and all such in the name of patriotism, while millions upon millions of dollars worth of grain and other foodstuff go into liquor. Is it any wonder that thoughtful and sensible people refuse to listen to many of the pleas for help in this hour? It is the old story of "penny wise and pound foolish." Once the government lays a vigorous hand on Old John Barleycorn many of the present pleas for sacrifice will come with more force. War time prohibition just now would convince the American people that this Republic is in danger. This would be far more effective than the present efforts to bolster morale by catch slogans and false propaganda.

"Great men are always people who have learned the wisdom and poise of age without losing the spontaneity, hopefulness and simplicity of childhood."

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. David C. Boone of Robersonville announce the birth of a son, Daniel Crawford, at home on January 15. Mrs. Boone is the former Miss Ruth Culipher of Williamston.

Bishop Purcell authorizes the appointment of Rev. Melton Harbin, local preacher from Young Harris, Ga., to the pastorate of the Fines Creek charge. His address is Clyde, N. C., R.F.D. 1.—W. L. Hutchins, D. S.

Rev. Howard C. Williamson of Duke University, has been engaged as assistant pastor of First church, Charlotte. Mr. Wilkinson will complete his graduate work in June of this year. His undergraduate work was done at Southwestern University.

Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Parker gave us the rare privilege of being their guest last week at the district parsonage in Wilmington along with Miss Ruth Wheaton, Mrs. D. J. Forest and Dr. A. J. Walton. This was a most delightful sojourn for all of us.

Everything indicates that Advance charge will have another fruitful year. Four of the churches have paid in full for the first quarter, and two churches have paid out on the Children's Home for the year. Two poundings along with other favors give stimulant to the happiness of the pastor and family.—P. L. Smith.

Dr. R. H. Walker, distinguished writer and for many years professor of Bible at Ohio Wesleyan University, and the present writer of the Sunday school lesson for this Advocate, was the speaker for the Religious Emphasis Week held on the campus of Pfeiffer Junior College, Misenheimer, North Carolina, in November.

Pfeiffer Junior College, Misenheimer, N. C., reports that the Henry Pfeiffer Chapel, Washington Hall, and the Industerials, the three new buildings will probably not be construction. However, because of difficulty in obtaining materials, the three new buildings will probably not be completed before July 1, 1942.

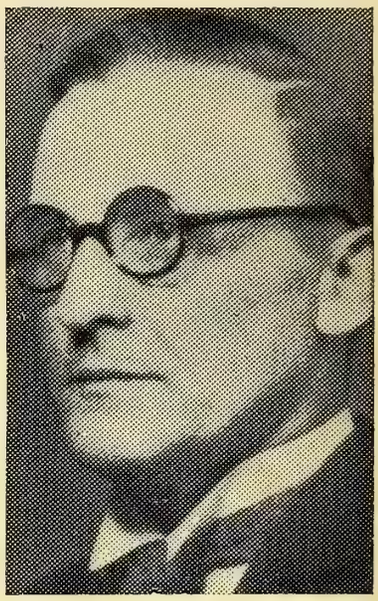
You may be interested in an item that came out recently in the High Point Enterprise: "Rev. and Mrs. C. Excelle Rozzelle received on Thursday evening from 7-10 at a lovely open house for the members of Wesley Memorial church. A large number called to greet the pastor and wife and to see the newly decorated parsonage."—A Member.

We came to Whitnel at the last conference. No people could receive their pastor more cordially than these fine people. Since we came a new bedroom suit, a new dining room suit, and an Ashley heater have been placed in the parsonage. We have high hopes and reasonable expectations for a fine year in our Lord's work.—R. H. Nicholson.

Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, Va., claiming to be the oldest Methodist college in America, opened for its 110th session on September 16 and received a student body, 60 per cent of which expressed a preference for the Methodist Church and over 78 per cent of which were Virginians, according to Dr. J. Earl Morehead, the eleventh president of the college.

It is reported in the Baptist Times of London that "lying among the dust and ashes in the choir of Westminster Abbey after a visit of the Nazi bombers, was a large type copy of the Book of Common Prayer. It was open on a page which bore these verses: 'They have set fire upon the holy places and have defiled the dwelling place of thy name even unto the ground. Yes, they said in their hearts, Let us make havoc of them altogether, thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.'"

Three members of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church have recently celebrated or are about to celebrate their seventy-fifth birthdays. Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of Washington, D. C., passed the three quarters of a century mark on December 7. Following closely after him are Bishop John L. Nuelsen of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Bishop John M. Moore of Dallas, Texas, who will be seventy-five on January 19 and January 27, respectively.



The Rev. Dr. Gideon I. Humphreys
President High Point College

President Gideon I. Humphreys of High Point College, North Carolina, was chosen to head the Association of Methodist Schools and Colleges at its annual meeting in Baltimore, January 5-6. He succeeds President Umphrey Lee of Southern Methodist University. Other officers chosen were: Vice president, Dr. Clyde E. Wildman, president of De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind.; secretary, Dr. Boyd M. McKeown of the Board of Education, Nashville; treasurer, Dr. Charles B. Ketcham, president Mt. Union College, Alliance, Ohio.—Methodist Information, Ralph Stoody, Director.

Very definite plans are being made for the coming of Rev. Gypsy Simon Smith for union revival in Bethlehem Christian church, just off Burlington-Reidsville highway, north of the Altamahaw mill. This outstanding preacher should attract attention from Burlington, Reidsville, Greensboro, and other neighboring towns. Revival starts February 1, continuing for two weeks. No conflicts with morning church services. Mr. Smith to preach in afternoon and at night. We are expecting capacity congregations. We invite Methodists, Baptists, Christians, Presbyterians and all others to attend—February 1-15.

A study of influence affecting the call to preach of the ministers in his area has been made by Bishop J. Ralph Magee of Des Moines on the basis of information furnished him by 653 members of his annual conferences. Three quarters of those men experienced their "call" under the age of 24. Of these less than half were under 19 and a few more than half between 20 and 24. In the case of 21 of the ministers studied (3 percent) the summons to the pulpit was not heard until they were 35 or over. An analysis of the findings on the factors influencing the call is not easy, due to a wide divergence of experiences. The highest vote given any single influence went to "parents at home," being checked for first place by 38 per cent of the pastors.

A reduction of indebtedness on church property of the Boston Area of nearly $700,000 between June 1940 and June 1941 is the story told by the statistical columns of the recently issued General Minutes of the Spring Conference. This diminished the amount owed on churches and parsonages in those four conferences by almost exactly one-third.

The Association of Schools and Colleges of the Methodist Church meeting in Baltimore, Md., January 5-6, elected the following officers for 1942 G. I. Humphrey, president of High Point College, president; Clyde E. Wildman, DePauw University, vice president; Boyd M. McKeown, board of education, Nashville, secretary; and Charles B. Ketcham, Mt. Union, College, Alliance, Ohio, treasurer.

Eleven bishops of the Methodist Church elected since 1908 now have sons in the ministry. The 11 bishops are: William F. Anderson, Charles Wesley Flint, Ralph S. Cushman, Edwin H. Hughes, Matthew W. Clair, J. Ralph Magee, Charles L. Mead, Arthur J. Moore, G. Bromley Oxnam, Naphtali Luccock, and Homer C. Stuntz. All but three of these are still living. Those who have died are Bishops Mead, Luccock, and Stuntz.—Zions Herald.

Dr. James Moffatt, author of one of the most widely read modern speech versions of the Bible, and professor of church history at Union Theological Seminary, has accepted for the fourth year a visiting professorship on the faculty of Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. He will continue courses which this year have included a series of lectures on the Psalms, the Gallilean Ministry of Jesus, the Wisdom Literature, and the Parables of Jesus.

Dr. Rollin H. Walker, professor-emeritus of Biblical literature at Ohio Wesleyan University and weekly writer for the N. C. Christian Advocate, suggests four requirements which institute deans and managers should require of those who teach the Bible to youth: "Stimulation of independent thought regarding the truths of the Bible; interpretation that appeals to the imagination; satisfaction of the love in youth for rhythm and cadence, and illustrations that stick in the student's memory."

The third in the series of sermons on the Ten Commandments was delivered at Broad Street Methodist church Sunday evening by the pastor, Rev. H. G. Allen, and Attorney C. H. Dearman, as lay interpreter, delivered a brief address to the congregation. The subject of the sermon, which was based upon the fourth commandment, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy," was "Is Sunday Yours." The largest crowd that has yet attended a service in this series was present.—Statesville Landmark.

Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte will preach here on Sunday morning, January 25, according to an announcement made Sunday by Dr. R. Dwight Ware, pastor of the church. The occasion of the visit of Bishop Purcell to Albemarle will be the opening of the modernized auditorium of this church, work on which was started several months ago, and which will be completed by January 25. New pulpit furniture, new lights and new carpets have been put in, and the auditorium has been re-decorated. Other parts of the church plant have also been improved and re-decorated. The first use of the auditorium will be for a communion service at 9 o'clock on January 25, conducted by Dr. Ware. —Stanly News and Press.

More than 50 per cent of the total number of conscientious objectors certified by Selective Service authorities as of November 1 are affiliated with the Mennonite, Brethren, or Quaker denominations, according to statistics released by the National Service Board for Religious Objectors. Out of a total of 3286 C.O.'s, 1798 are members of the traditioanl "peace" churches. Topping the list are the Mennonites, with 1181; the Brethren, with 407; and the Quakers, with 210. The Jehovah's Witness sect claims 204. Among the major denominations, the number of Methodist C.O.'s far surpasses all others with a listing of 246. Fifty-five Catholics and 8 Jews are registered as certified conscientious objectors.

MRS. D. H. NEASE DIES OF A HEART ATTACK AT HER HOME IN GREENSBORO

Mrs. Ida Jane Nease, mother of Rev. E. H. Nease, pastor of the Hawthorne Lane Methodist church, Charlotte, and secretary of the Western North Carolina conference, died at 12 o'clock Monday night, January 19, at her home in Greensboro. A heart attack following 18 months of ill health was the cause of her death. Mrs. Nease was a native of Buncombe county but had been a resident of Greensboro for the last 30 years. Her husband, the late D. H. Nease, died 23 years ago. Her death was unexpected as she was only sixty-three years of age.

Mrs. Nease leaves five sons and three daughters to mourn the departure of a devoted mother who left the riches of a consecrated life as a heritage for her children. A good woman has been called to her heavenly reward.

Funeral service was conducted Wednesday at 3 p. m. January 21 at Bessemer Methodist church, with interment following in Forest Lawn cemetery. Officiating ministers were Rev. R. M. Laughlin, pastor of Bessemer Methodist church, of which Mrs. Nease was a member, Dr. G. R. Combs, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, and Rev. J. P. Hipps, pastor of Carraway Memorial Methodist church.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. L. L. Wright, Mrs. Paul Price and Mrs. Kenneth Morgan, all of Greensboro; five sons, Rev. E. H. Nease of Charlotte, C. W. Nease of Greensboro, W. L. Nease of Fayetteville, J. L. Nease of Liberty, and Sergt. D. H. Nease of the United States army; nine grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. A. B. Caudle of Greensboro; three half-sisters, Mrs. G. W. Holmes of Haw River, Mrs. Paul Rumley and Mrs. Henry Phillips, both of Greensboro; two brothers, Major J. H. Watkins of Denver, Colo., and W. H. Watkins of Washington, D. C.; three half-brothers, Ollie, Dewey and Ernest Watkins, all of Greensboro; and her step-bother, Mrs. J. W. Watkins of Greensboro.

AUTO TIRES FOR MINISTERS

Word has just come to the Federal Council of Churches from Mr. Leon Henderson, administrator of the Office of Price Administration, that ministers of religion are to be included in the group eligible to purchase automobile tires under the rationing system. Mr. Henderson's announcement says:

"Clergymen in many communities, particularly where the population is scattered, are compelled to depend upon their cars to reach the bedside of the sick or dying, or to conduct services that are essential to the spiritual welfare of the public.

"As amended, the tire order will place the needs of clergymen on a par with those of doctors, nurses and other occupations and professions whose services are essential to public health and safety."

This modification of the regulations for rationing tires is gratifying recognition of the importance of the work of the church in the life of the American people.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY

This is to call attention to the importance of the observance of Race Relations Sunday in our churches February 8. This is the one opportunity we have to make investment in better relations between the two races here in the South. The offerings are used for the benefit of the schools and colleges fostered by the Methodist Church for the education of Negro youth. A generous response will be appreciated. Clare Purcell.

MAN OF GOD, OR MAN OF GOLD?

By Olin P. Ader

"Add $500 to a preacher's salary, and you change his social standing in the community over night," said a minister at Duke pastors' school.

Two facts flashed to mind like lightning: First, that is true, if the minister's standing is measured by worldly standards; second, such a standard makes the minister, not a man of God, but a man of gold.

Has the ministry fallen so low as that? Time was when the preacher was held in highest reverence as a messenger of God, standing far above all salary rating and worldly standards; but here is a "gold standard" that scandalizes the holy name. If his Christian character and his divine call and commission do not give him the highest rating of any man in human society, then let him share his Saviour's reproach and his royal crown of thorns. "God help me, I cannot do otherwise."

Better be a preacher of eternal riches on a small living salary than be a prince crowned with gold and glory. The preacher has the highest calling on earth—he is an ambassabor of the King of kings. To let money take the place of his Master in his heart is a downfall into utter darkness.

"And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him" (Judges 16:20).

The preacher is not a hireling, but a hound of heaven, hunting lost souls; or his hypocricy gives him rank with the world's meanest man.

"More preachers will be lost, according to numbers, than any other class of men," said a Vanderbilt professor. A northern bishop said the same thing to the students about the same time. It was a startling statement. Why is it so? First, because it is so easy to become mechanical in the ministry, and to give mouth-service to God while the heart is far from him. Second, it is so easy to neglect one's own heart and home while he goes round and round in his ministerial routine. "They made me keeper of the vineyards, and mine own vineyard have I not kept." Third, it is so easy to commercialize the gospel, and sell one's ministry for money. Fatal sin. Better go to hell from a house of prostitution than to go down into the bottomless pit from the holy pulpit.

The Christian minister should never want a big salary; nor want it for any man in the service of Christ and his church. Because, first, the big salary calls into the pulpit the man of gold, not the man of God. Second, the big salary corrupts the man of God and makes him a man of gold. (Of course "I" am an exception! But who else is? God pity me!) Third, big salaries reduce the number of workers, where the same money in small salaries would send out so many more workers for God.

When church leaders belabor themselves much to secure big salaries for themselves and for other ministers, and keep working for bigger salaries, the eye of the soul begins to cleave unto the dust and to lose sight of Deity. Such leaders soon lose their spiritual power, lose the confidence of their brethren, lose their influence for good, lose saints of God who cannot bear the high cost of church membership. Shall Methodism thus become a Sardis, or a Laodicea, lukewarm—dead?

Methodism's fine machinery stands before the world today like "organized labor"—in peril if she shows more interest in self and salary than in saving America. Self savors the things that be of men, and not the things that be of God.

"Get thee behind me, Satan!" The aim of the Christian ministry should never be "economic security" but evangelistic fervor and fidelity. The one chills the other. "Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion." Man needs the spur of necessity, "the moral equivalent of war," if he is to be a good soldier of the cross. The selfish minister who seeks ease is a pusillanimous parasite, a miserable mistletoe on the apple tree where apples should be. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself" (Luke 9:23). Self-denial is the first requisite of a Christian. Self on the throne sets the Saviour aside, sends him to the cross, and seeks to seize the good things of the kingdom without paying everlasting price of sacrifice.

"O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee!"

NORTH CAROLINA METHODIST STUDENT CONFERENCE

The North Carolina Methodist Student Conference will be entertained by the Methodist church and Methodist students at Chapel Hill the week-end of February 6-8. Two hundred or more students are expected at this conference, which will use the same theme as that at the National Methodist Student Conference which met during the holidays: "The Student in Christian World Reconstruction."

Richard T. Baker of New York City, writer and assistant editor of the World Outlook, will be the guest speaker. He is scheduled to deliver four main addresses, three of which will be followed by forum discussion which he will lead. Mr. Baker is a member of the staff of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church.

Dr. Harold A. Ehrensperger, editorial secretary of the Department of Student Work of the General Board, is also scheduled to be with us in this conference. He is well known to students as editor of the student magazine, Motive; and as a "guiding light" for the National Society of Wesley Players, drama organization for Methodist students. Mr. Ehrensperger will direct the worship periods of the conference, and will have charge of the Methodist student movement hour in which major emphases and projects of the student movement are discussed.

A banquet on Saturday evening will provide additional opportunity for fellowship, as will the fellowship hours in charge of "Wimpy" Lewis of Chapel Hill, and Rev. F. D. Hedden of Louisburg, on Friday and Saturday nights.

The Sunday session will close with installation of officers, a communion service, and the conference sermon by Mr. Baker.

Quotas have been set for each college in the state. If any minister knows of a student who should attend this conference, it is hoped that he will urge that student to get in touch with officers of his Methodist organization on campus.

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the N. C. Conference Board of Education, is dean of the conference for this year. H. A. Scott, Jr., of Duke University is student president of the organization.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT NEWS ITEMS

At the end of the first round of quarterly conferences in the Statesville district we find that 32 out of the 35 charges in the district have increased their acceptances for World Service and 18 of the 35 have increased their pastors' salaries.

A new church is being built at Shepherds, A. G. Lackey, pastor. Another church is being constructed at Hudson by R. E. Hunt, pastor; and class rooms have been built at Moss Chapel on the Olin charge, D. T. Huss, pastor.

C. A. Morrison is building a new parsonage at North Newton; a new roof has been put on the Balls Creek parsonage and a new coat of paint adorns Catawba parsonage.

On January 11 Bishop Purcell preached to a large congregation at First church, Newton, where M. Q. Tuttle is pastor.

W. Q. Grigg, Reporter.

SEVEN VALUABLE MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

The seven district missionary institutes just closed this week in the North Carolina conference were presided over by the district superintendents. The district missionary secretaries have presented the missionary literature and the editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate has drawn attention to the church paper.

Rev. L. C. Larkin presided at Rocky Mount and Rev. C. W. Goldston handled the literature. At Hertford, Rev. T. M. Grant directed the work of the day and Rev. H. F. Surratt handled the missionary literature. Over at Kinston, the day following, Rev. J. A. Russell kept the crowd on the alert and Rev. Leon Russell left nothing to be desired as missionary secretary. For the Wilmington district at Trinity church, Rev. A. S. Parker had made the most careful preparation to the last detail, and he was effectively reinforced by the missionary secretary of the district, Rev. C. W. Barbee. The same was true at Aberdeen as Rev. W. V. McRae and T. R. Jenkins joined in the work of the Fayetteville district. Monday of this week the Durham district came together under the guidance of Rev. A. J. Hobbs and Rev. M. C. Dunn. This was an unusually fine company. The same was true on Tuesday for the Raleigh district under the excellent guidance of Rev. H. I. Glass and Rev. R. L. Jerome.

At both these Dr. J. A. Ormond spoke most effectively as president of the conference board.

Practically the same program was presented each day by the speakers who made the round. These were Rev. F. S. Love, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Miss Ruth Wheaton, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, and Dr. A. J. Walton. All these speakers displayed fine fidelity and excellent qualifications for the work in hand. They gave entire satisfaction to the crowds that attended.

Space does not permit detailed report of these seven institutes, and it would be unjust to this excellent list of speakers to discuss the speeches or to compare the meetings as to interest and effectiveness. Suffice it to say that of the many district missionary meetings we have attended few have excelled these in sustained interest.

WHY NOT WARTIME PROHIBITION?

The Chicago Tribune, and perhaps a few other papers, are excited by what is said to be evidence that the dry forces are massing to demand of Congress some form of wartime prohibition. So far as we know the only evidence to support this charge is that certain bills have been introduced which would forbid the sale of liquor in army and navy posts or in the District of Columbia, and one officer of the World Prohibition Federation—whatever that may be—has been granted temporary desk space in one of the House office buildings at Washington. But now that the alarm has been raised, it may serve to start citizens asking the question: Why should there not be wartime prohibition? At a time when the secretary of agriculture and other government officials are making impassioned pleas against all food wastage, why should any of the grain which we are told is essential to winning the war be diverted into distilling and brewing? Walter Winchell reported in a recent column that the government has assured the liquor interests that there will be no limitations on their production and operations during the war. Why not? While limitations are being placed on automobiles, refrigerators, articles of clothing, certain kinds of food, why should booze be promised immunity from making sacrifices? Wartime prohibition may still seem an unlikely prospect, but isn't it about time to begin discussing the subject?—Christian Century.

TO ALL CHARGE LAY LEADERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

I am urgently requesting you through the columns of the North Carolina Christian Advocate to co-operate with your pastor during the week of this month that you are calling "Advocate Week" in your charge to the end that we may reach the goal of new subscriptions to the North Carolina Christian Advocate adopted by the Conference Board of Lay Activities and by the North Carolina conference last November. The goal we desire to reach is the securing of one new yearly subscription to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for every fifty church members in your charge. This can be done if all charge lay leaders will concentrate their time and effort upon this important objective of our conference lay program.

In the midst of tremendous preparations for preserving American democracy and human freedom everywhere there must be included the constant development of the spritual life of our people. All the things we cherish in America have sprung from one basic principle—the essential sacredness of the individual soul. There is no physical agency in our conference organization that is of more importance than the North Carolina Christian Advocate in the stimulation and preservation of fundamental spiritual values among our people.

I therefore appeal to you to assist and co-operate with your pastor in carrying out to the fullest extent this important objective of the Conference Board of Lay Activities.

W. K. Greene,
Conference Lay Leader.

ELKIN DISTRICT MEETING AT MOCKSVILLE JANUARY 25

The war clouds are hanging over our heads so dark that it is time for the Christian world to wake up. We are having a meeting of the stewards, lay leaders, Sunday school superintendents and other officers of our Methodist churches in the Elkin district on Sunday afternoon, January 25, at 2 o'clock at the First Methodist church in Mocksville for the purpose of organizing the district.

We will have with us to speak our district superintendent, Rev. A. C. Gibbs, Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, and Rev. Joe S. Hiatt. We will also have with us a quartet of girls from the Greensboro College Glee Club who will furnish music for the occasion. At the close of the program we will have a business meeting and elect officers for this district.

B. C. Brock,
Associate Lay Leader.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE SHOWS GROWTH

At a recent meeting of the trustees of High Point College, President Humphreys reported that the enrollment since 1930 had increased 73 per cent, and now totaled for the first semester 501. The physical assets had increased 41.7 per cent in the same period, and now totaled approximately a million dollars. Indebtedness had decreased 42 per cent since 1930. The new student center building, which is to house the college bookstore, a recreation center, and offices, will be completed by the second semester.

Honolulu as a Base for Mission Work

Evacuee Missionaries Find Hawaii's Leading City an Admirable Center for Launching Effective Foreign Mission Work

By CHARLES A. LEONARD, SR.

The large, cosmopolitan city of Honolulu, which has a population of around 200,000 residents from nearly every quarter of the globe, is the most important city on the Hawaiian Islands, not only because of its size, but due to its being the political, commerical and social center of the Territory of Hawaii. The development of Pearl Harbor as the largest naval base of the United States has given political importance and impetus to Honolulu as the Cross Roads of the Pacific. Pearl Harbor is both admirably situated and formed as a great harbor and naval base, being protected from storms by land on every side and from enemy attack by water, there being an entrance large enough only for the entrance of large ships. It can be closed at night and was usually kept closed, we understand, but the Japanese submarines seemed to get in without difficulty. The Japanese could have sunk a ship in the entrance and have bottled up the whole fleet. But the strategy they used gave us a greater setback. Servants of God should know not the meaning of defeat, for as Paul tells us, we can do all things through Him who strengthens us; so missionaries from the Far East now have gone to Hawaii, have gone on in extending the kingdom of God when conditions brought about by Japan made it impossible for them to work in occupied territories. The United States has suffered a terrible, treacherous stab by the Japanese; but as President Roosevelt has assured us, victory is sure to come, and when Japan is driven from occupied areas in the Far East there will be such an opportunity for mission work as has never before been known.

Not only was the population of Honolulu rapidly increasing when we left there three months ago, but the whole island of Oahu was filling up with residents. Thousands of workmen were coming in from the States to assist in the government's big defense projects on the island. Pearl Harbor, which is near Honolulu, was a veritable beehive of activity. We passed there twice every week on our way to the Reformitory of the Islands to hold evangelistic meetings. Developments week by week were most remarkable. It was estimated that there were already no less than 100,000 service men in that area, including those on the ships in Pearl Harbor. Southern Baptist missionaries have felt a keen interest in the spiritual welfare of the men of the Army and Navy from their first arrival on the islands, and have been doing work among them. It is gratifying that the Foreign Mission Board has been able to send evacuee missionaries recently to Oahu Island to do special work among the service men there.

One of the Southern Baptist lady missionaries visiting in the home of a Japanese family, the mother exclaimed: "Would that you had come sooner. My daughters have all joined the Mormons! I never wanted them to dance, but the young elders kept coming until they got them, and now there seems nothing I can do." At the large Mormon dance hall, just a block from our home, conducted in connection with the church nearby, we stepped to the side door to look in and were grieved, but not surprised, to see a group of young women, half dressed, giving the vulgar hula dance on the stage, while hundreds of other Mormons and their friends were preparing for a dance on the large ball room floor.

"I am sorry to say that many churches on these islands are dying of dry rot," declared a Protestant pastor. "The reason is," he continued, "so many ministers are not preaching repentence, the cross, and Christ as Lord." A young women in Honolulu remarked that she went to hear a certain minister because she was interested in a discussion of topics of the day. "And I get," she said, "that for which I go." Yet, this church is spoken of as one of the most evangelistic. A Christian leader who, apparently, had real interest in the lost, declared: "We need an injection of real evangelical faith, fervor and spiritual power such as comes with a true, full presentation of Christ and his gospel."

Many are lost and without Christ, both in and outside of the churches of Hawaii's great city. And we were startled to hear a minister on the big island (Hawaii) say: "Of the 73,300 people on this island, I dare say that not more than one thousand are really regenerate Christians." The proportion of those lost in Honolulu and on its island, Oahu, is we fear, as distressing. Another Christian worker, connected with the leading mission board of the Territory said: "We have woefully neglected the young Japanese, and they are going from us and are being lost, some to Buddhism, others to Mormonism. We have presumed that because most of them are becoming American citizens they would automatically become Christians. The numerous Japanese language schools, hotbeds of Buddhism and Shintoism, continue to enroll Japanese. The result is that many of these are growing farther and farther away from Christ."

People who understand Japanese psychology are surprised that the Mormons are getting so many Japanese young people, as well as Hawaiians. Maybe it is because there are among them who want something worth while, but have not found it. Perhaps nowhere in the world, certainly nowhere in American territory, are there so many currents and counter-currents as out there in the Pacific, in that melting-pot of East and West. The distressing thing is that so many are lost. A faithful, straightforward presentation of Christ is the great crying need. Someone asked: "Is not God sending you Southern Baptists here to meet this need?" What a responsibility is thus thrust upon us!

We missionaries did not realize the needs on the islands, and especially in Honolulu, until we went there. Liwewise, few others outside the Territory realize the needs for Christian work there. A few days before we left Honolulu, when looking for a suitable place to be used as a preaching (gospel) hall, six heathen temples—Buddhist, Sinto, and others—were counted in one small area. Chinese, Japanese and others who have gone there accept western civilization and the blessings of a land where many exemplify the light of salvation, but alas,

they still worship idols. What a challenge there is to all of us!

The missionaries there crave the prayers of God's people; that they be able to meet the many needs of the resident population of the islands, from the States and from islands of the Far East; also that they they be of definite spiritual blessing to the many thousands of American Army and Navy men who are going there now in increasing numbers. Missionaries laboring on the island are also suffering anguish of heart for their colleagues in China and Japan who remained on there and are now in the hands of the ruthless, cruel Japanese military and local police.

THE PREACHER AND TOBACCO

Is the use of tobacco a sin? Let us study it carefully and see?

First, it does no one any good, and is not a necessity to soul, mind or body.

Secondly, it is rejected by our bodies when a depraved soul tries to force us to use it. See how sick it makes one. The human appetites are naturally depraved, but must be further depraved before they will take tobacco. These two facts should be sufficient to convince anyone that it is wrong. But do they?

But there are four more reasons why we should not use it:

First, the financial reason. In 20 years a heavy smoker spends enough money to buy a small farm or start a small business; a light smoker spends enough to clothe himself well. Then think of burning up the Lord's money on a filthy self-indulgence, and how many needy causes he could help with it.

Second, the health reason. That it is injurious to health has been proven over and over in a scientific as well as in a practical way. Coaches in football and physical culture eliminate smoking for cultural reasons and for the good of the team. Read Gene Tunny's article in the Reader's Digest for December. If they do it for physical reasons mainly, should not we when we have so many more reasons?

Third, the filthiness of it. It is the most filthy habit of the human family. A friend of mine who had been a smoker but had quit said to me: "If I had known when I smoked that a man who smokes stinks like he does, I never would have smoked." The smoker, unconscious of his stinking, goes on forcing himself or herself on society, and they put up with it over a protest of their finer feelings..

After I had written the memorial to the General Conference, fought to get it by the committee on temperance of which I was secretary, and presented it to our annual conference at Charlotte, where for one hour or more we had one of the hottest discussions of the years of this conference, it was passed by a good majority and sent to the General Conference where it became a law much as we passed it.

Another sad feature of its filthiness is that its users seem to delight in treating others to second hand smokes.

Fourth, why we should not smoke is our influence. Paul said: "If meat makes my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth lest I make my brother to offend."

As a young preacher I smoked an occasional cigar, only with other smokers; but when I began to study my influence with children and young people I said, I cannot do it; and so cut it out forever.

I hear that some of our preachers who have come into our conference over this law, or under it, or around it, go on smoking. If that is true who is to blame? The committee on admission, or the preachers who do it? Did they promise and then disregard their vows? Have they no more manhood or character than that?

Our nation is supposed to have smoked one hundred and seventy-five billion cigarettes last year; that is more than thirteen hundred and fifty per capita, men, women and children. The nation is sucking its lungs full of one of the most deadly poisons known to man—and through the mouth and lungs into every organ of the body, heart, brain, nerves, blood vessels, bones and the whole connective tissue, impairing all of them.

I am discussing the tobacco habit mainly in relation to the best body of men on earth, the gospel ministry, to the end that the standards of some may be raised a little. What you may say about it or about me makes little difference. I am trying to be perfectly honest and sincere in the discussion, doing it in love for Him and you, realizing the truth of the noble adage: "Our best friends are they who tell us of our faults and help us to mend them."

May His grace abound to the making of us all victorious over every foe. Ebenezer Myers.

FAITH HAS THE ANSWER

A minister should have a purpose for every sermon. A writer should have an objective for every article. A paper should have an incentive for every issue. As The United Presbyterian begins its centennial year it has been asking one question: What is the most important and most essential thing to be included within its pages in a year torn with strife and filled with perplexing problems? What really is the center of the religion it seeks to promote?

There are some who say that it is the church and those who listen to broadcasts from Rome have this emphasis impressed upon them. Those who receive literature of denominational agencies and organizations, who worship regularly and keep in touch with the Christian thought of the day conclude that Christ is the center of religion. They quote Paul who "determined to know nothing . . . save Jesus Christ and him crucified." Others glory in the resurrrection. Paul also thanked God for "the power of the resurrection."

What did Jesus say? That his cross was the center of religion? That love was at the heart of his gospel? That hope was the core of plans for the future? That truth was the foundation of freedom? That justice and judgment were the habitation of God's throne; mercy and truth go before his face?

All these things said Jesus, and more. To the woman who was healed after touching the hem of his garment he said: "Thy faith hath made thee whole." To the one leper who returned to give thanks for cleansing, he said: "Thy faith hath made thee whole." To the woman whose sins were forgiven, to the blind beggar and others: "Thy faith hath saved thee." "According to thy faith," was one of his most common utterances.

No one can read the Bible without recognizing faith as the center of life. When John's religion had matured he wrote: "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." "By grace ye are saved through faith," wrote Paul. "Without faith it is impossible to be well pleasing unto him," declared the writer of the Hebrews. "The just shall live by faith," averred writers in both Old and New Testaments.—The United Presbyterian.

OVERSEAS RELIEF AND CAMP ACTIVITIES

The Council of Bishops, in their meeting at Sea Island, Ga., December 9-12, made plans for increased emphasis on overseas relief and camp activities throughout the church in the coming months. The details of the plans include:

The Council of Bishops, after careful consideration of the world situation and of the responsibility of the Methodist Church, declares with deep conviction that the efforts of the churches to meet the special war needs, both physical and spiritual, of our brethren and sisters, at home and abroad, should be continued and increased.

(1) That the disciplinary plan of taking a collection for the poor at each observance of the Lord's Supper be now followed by all our churches;

(2) That during this period of emergency this offering be divided—one-third for the poor of the local parish, one-third for the needy of the world parish, and one-third for the service of our boys in the camps of this country;

(3) That where local needs do not call for the share allotted to them, the church be permitted to relinquish that share to either or both of the other participants;

(4) That these offerings be remitted at once through the usual channels, clearly designated, respectively, for the Joint Commission on Camp Activities and Chaplains, or the Committee for Overseas Relief, and that they be acknowledged with World Service honor vouchers.

WHY SHOULD I UNITE WITH THE CHURCH?

Because it was commanded by Christ. It was an integral part of the "great commission," enforced by divine authority. "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. Go ye therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them." Discipleship implied church membership. Baptism was the visible rite by which converts were received into membership. "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that disbelieveth shall be condemned." "Everyone who shall confess me before men, him will I also confess before my Father who is in heaven, but whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father who is in heaven."

Because it was commanded and enforced by the apostles. When the multitudes at Pentecost were convicted of sin and cried, "What must we do?" Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, everyone of you," and 3,000 were baptized. When the Philippian jailer asked, "What must I do to be saved?" Paul said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ." "And that same hour he was baptized, he and all his immediately."

Because it makes you a part of the channel which the enthroned Christ is pouring his conquering power for the regeneration of the world. He told his disciples that he was, and would ever remain, the source of spiritual life and that he would give this to the world through his church. Can you not feel a tremendous urge to unite with the organization which is to be the carrier, and the only carrier, of this transcendent gift to the world?

Because it is a duty to become as good as possible. The church is the divinely appointed agent in the training and perfecting of God's children. It is the best agency that even God could provide for this work. When so much was at stake, it would have been a sin for him to employ a second best plan. It is the channel through which spiritual power reaches us. Why not expose ourselves to its vitalizing influence? The church, with its worship and teaching, is the most favorable agency for the nurture of faith and the symmetrical training of character.

Because we cannot give our best to the world except through the church. The church has been the supreme, conserving and uplifting agency in human society. It lifted the world from barbarism, and without it society would return to that condition. By union with others, one mightily increases his power. A belief unannounced accomplishes nothing; announced, it may make a reformation. Martin Basel and Martin Luther almost were contemporaries. They discovered the same teachings in the Scriptures. Basel was afraid to announce his discovery because he knew it would bring persecution. He wrote his discovery and drawing out a stone from the wall of his house placed the paper there and replaced the stone. Luther announced his discovery. The result was the Protestant reformation. A century later, workmen, tearing down an old house, discovered Basel's paper and held him up to scorn.

Because we would not rear our children or invest our money in a community in which was no church. If the church is of benefit to the community and to you and your family, why not make it the channel through which you influence the world? To praise and assist the church financially while you refuse to unite with it, is to pay compliments and give financial help while by the immeasurably larger power of your life and example you fight against it. "He that is not with me is against me."

Because the church is the army of the Lord and independent fighters accomplish as little in spiritual as in military warfare. Christianity would have died in the first century had it not been for the church. Why should one not give full support to the organization to which the world owes so much? Why not support the only organization whose whole purpose is to do God's will under the leadership of Christ?—J. D. R. in The United Presbyterian.

THE MENACE OF "JAZZY" MUSIC IN OUR CHURCHES

In many of our churches, hymn books are used which in content are light, frothy, and poor in quality. Inasmuch as good singing plays a large part in the success of any religious service, this is a situation which should be remedied as soon as possible. The following are some reasons why such books are unfit for use in church and Sunday school:

1. They deal with trite themes poorly expressed. They contain no profound thought or depth of religious experience. A class of college students could write better poetry or theology than these songs contain. Compared with the great hymns of the church, this type of music is found to be far inferior in thought and construction.

2. The tunes are not worthwhile. They are so "jazzy" they make one feel like patting his feet instead of bowing in awe and reverence before God. The first requirement of any church music should be leading people into the presence of God; however, in many quarters, choir leaders have accepted the "jazz" music of this age and called it sacred music. A congregation cannot be led to worship by the use of such tunes.

3. These hymns have not been tested and proven by time and long usefulness. The great hymns of the centuries, which are found in our Methodist hymnals, have been used since the days of John and Charles Wesley to lead thousands into our membership. Of late we are lagging behind in this respect, and many churches report few or no additions during a whole conference year. While all the blame cannot be placed on the songs sung in these churches, it can truly be said that "jazz" does not induce spiritual consecration nor help to correct this condition. Certainly more people were won to Christ when they sang the great old hymns than are won today by the use of such books as are not approved by our bishops and our publishing houses.

This menace is so widespread that it calls for unified effort on the part of all leaders in the church. The following are suggestions as to ways for improving this situation:

1. Every district superintendent can talk about this matter when all of his preachers are together, emphasizing its importance.

2. The conference board of education can ask on the blanks which are sent to annual conference if song books are used in any church which are not approved by the Methodist Church, just as they do concerning literature.

3. Every preacher can see to it that no church under his care ever again buys such books. If a church already has them, he can attempt to prove their worthlessness by comparison with better books, and urge the people to buy new books.

4. Every preacher can educate his members to want a higher type of music than the sentimental, subjective, rag time tunes. He can popularize beautiful hymns by human interest stories about the author or the composer, by training courses on worship, by pictures and drama, by sermons and trained singers. "Music night" will be a welcome occasion when the congregation joins in a service centered around the grand old hymns. Methodists will respond to these matchelss melodies if they are given the opportunity to become familiar with them and to see for themselves how far superior they are to the songs which they have been singing.

R. Odell Brown.

DO YOU PRAY?

Jesus said—"I pray" . . . "Pray ye."

Thomas Carlyle said—"Prayer is and remains the native and deepest impulse of the soul of man."

Another said—"Can it be that all men in all ages and in all lands have been engaged in 'talking forever to a silent world from which no answer comes?' "

Epictetus said—"When thou hast shut thy door and darkened the room, say not to thyself thou art alone—God is in thy room."

Dean Goulburn said—"When you cannot pray as you would, pray as you can."

George Herbert said—"Who goeth to bed and doth not pray, Maketh two nights of every day."

Archbishop Trench said—"We must not conceive of prayer as an overcoming of God's reluctance, but as a laying hold of his highest willingness."

Some one has said—"If God has left some things contingent on man's thinking and working, why may he not have left some things contingent on man's praying?"

Harry Emerson Fosdick said—"Prayer cannot change God's purpose, but prayer can release it. God cannot do for the man with the closed heart what he can do for the man with the open heart. Prayer is simply giving the wise and good God an opportunity to do what his wisdom and love wants to do."

Dr. Clay Trumbull said—He asked a wounded soldier after the battle of Fort Wagner if he ever prayed. "Sometimes," was the answer; "I prayed last Saturday night, when we were in that fight at Wagner—I guess everybody prayed there."

A worthy son said—"Whether mother has ever argued out the theory of prayer or not, she still prays on. Her intercession is the utterance of her life: it is love on its knees."

—From a Church Bulletin (D.H.S.)

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The executive committee of Greensboro College is calling a special meeting of the board of trustees of the college for 11 o'clock Monday morning, January 26, in the board of trustees' room, Main building, for the purpose of considering the various plans for the restoration of the burned portion of Main building, and concerning the question of awarding the contract.

The executive committee of the college, meeting at the college on January 13, received bids on a number of alternate schemes for the restoration of the damaged building. In view of the fact that not all members of the executive committee nor all members of the building committee could be in attendance, and because of the wide difference in the several schemes, the committee felt that it should call a meeting of the board of trustees to consider all these matters before taking final action.

Rev. R. M. Laughlin, pastor Bessemer Methodist church, spoke at vespers at Greensboro College Sunday evening, January 18, at 6:15 o'clock, in the Lucy H. Robertson room. Miss Marguerite Thomason, Lexington, played several selections on the organ preceding Mr. Laughlin's talk, with Miss Frances Thompson, Bluefield, W. Va., giving a vocal solo.

Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, spoke at New Garden Friends church, Guilford College, Sunday morning, January 18, at 11 o'clock, speaking in behalf of the Greensboro and Guilford county observance of Temperance Field Day. At 7:30 p. m. he spoke at Front Street Methodist church, Burlington, where the college trio, Misses Hilda Somers, senior, soprano, Burlington; Margaret Ross, junior, second soprano, Burlington; and Margaret Foard, senior, alto, Lenoir, sang, accompanied by Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury.

The Greensboro Chapter of the Greensboro College Alumae Association will meet Tuesday, January 27, at 3:45 p. m. in the east drawing room at the college. Mrs. Charles O. Eastman will preside in the place of Mrs. Wallace Taylor. Mrs. Roy Smith has charge of the program, and Mrs. Marvin Bennett will speak on the national defense program. Plans are being made for the alumnae to do Red Cross work at the college, either making bandages or knitting every Tuesday. Mrs. J. W. Finch will report on the children's play, "Rip Van Winkle," which the Greensboro College Players under the direction of Miss Charlotte Searles will give February 20.

WE ARE AT WAR

In this time of war the church will be tempted to divert its efforts to the promotion of the war. To this temptation the church must not yield. The church must be the church in time of war, just as in time of peace. The chief message of the church is the gospel of Christ, a gospel of salvation, of faith, of courage, of the final triumph of God's plan. The church, even in war time, should be one place where the people will find a light of hope and peace amid the darkness of war and confusion; a place where the comfort of the gospel may be brought to sorrowing and fearing souls, where the star of hope is permitted to shine with a brightness and inspiration that will give people a faith in God and in the ultimate triumph of righteousness that they will have courage to overcome in the conflicts of life. As the church of the Nazarene we must be everlastingly at our task—we must all go out for the saving of sinners, the reclamation of backsliders and the entire sanctification of believers. . . .

We are at war. We regret it, but we face it with courage and in unity. We will support our nation to the utmost of our ability. We will keep the church a lighthouse to shed abroad the gospel light and bring people to Christ. We will by the grace of God live in spiritual victory, keep our hearts pure and our spirits untarnished by hatred and bitterness. We will love our enemies while we fight their evil and godless way of life.—Editorial in Herald of Holiness.

F. S. LOVE CHERISHES EXCELLENCE

In the horse and buggy days the itinerant Methodist preachers were counted good judges of horse flesh, and most every one of them owned a good horse. In these last days, Rev. F. S. Love always has a good car. Rev. A. J. Walton and this editor made the recent round with him to the missionary institutes. It was a real delight to go in such a car and to have such a fellow traveler as A. J. Walton, who has been much about the world at home and abroad and can recount with interest his many experiences. He has never yet forgotten that he is a Virginian, but this does not detract from him in the least as he goes hither and yon in his missionary journeys. In fact he is much of a Tar Heel in spirit and temper. We hope he will come this way often.

LAYMAN'S DAY

Attention is directed to February 22 as the date suggested for Layman's Day to be preceded or followed by Layman's Week. This is a fine opportunity for all of our laymen to become fully acquainted with the splendid program of the Board of Lay Activities. General observance is requested.

Clare Purcell.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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CHANGE IN ADDRESS

The following request has come to us from Mrs. Walter Lee Lanier, secretary of student work and Scarritt representative of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference:

"For the benefit of all the student secretaries and those societies sending gifts for Scarritt Associate memberships, please announce on the woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate that my address is Thomasville, N. C., instead of Cullowhee, N. C." Mrs. Walter Lee Lanier.

EXECUTIVE MEETING AT SUNNY ACRES

The executive meeting of the officers and district secretaries of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference, will be held at Sunny Acres, near Lewisville, January 21-23. The first session will be on Wednesday, evening, January 21, and Thursday, the 22nd, morning, afternoon and evening services will be held, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president, presiding. Each one attending is asked to bring her copy of the "First Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension," as this will be used in the first evening program. A full attendance of officers and district secretaries is urged, as matters of important business will be discussed.

PROGRAM SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE

We are in receipt of a full and interesting program of the Southeastern Missionary Council to be held in Nashvile, Tenn., Janary 27-30. This meeting will be a joint meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, with the co-operation of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation of the national Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Joint meetings are scheduled to be held at the War Memorial Auditorium; woman's meetings at McKendree Methodist church and general meetings at the First Presbyterian church. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president, will preside over the meetings, which will meet each morning and afternoon for discussions, reports and business of interest to the woman's society. All sessions are open to the public, and since this is the first meeting of its kind in united Methodism a very large attendance is anticipated. A large number of prominent and outstanding speakers, both men and women, of Methodism are on the program, which will be of unusual interest every session of the four days.

A PRAYER CALENDAR

We are indebted to Mrs. C. N. Clark, our conference vice president and leader of spiritual life groups, for a copy of "A Prayer Calendar" with goals, for use in spiritual life groups for definite prayer and promotion through the church organization.

General objectives: (1) Keeping the quiet time daily; (2) use of Upper Room and other devotional helps; (3) prayer and fellowship groups; (4) co-operation with Christian social relations in services in institutions, army camps, defense projects, settlements, etc.; (5) definite prayer for work and workers at home and abroad; (6) plan for conference spiritual life meeting in connection with annual meeting; (7) provision of a devotional library; (8) plans for morning watch at annual meeting; (9) promotion of stewardship and personal evangelism; (10) establishment of family altars; (11) enlistment in practice of the prayer minute at 6 o'clock each day; (12) spirit of worship in church services.

First quarter, January: Distribution of World Federation Prayer Card; plans for pledge service of W. S. C. S.; active participation in universal week of prayer for the churches.

February: World day of prayer and race relations Sunday.

March-April: Co-operation with pastor in special Lenten services (cottage prayer meetings, church visitation, etc.; fellowship of prayer and other Lenten reading.

Second quarter-third quarter—

May: May Day luncheons.

June: Letters to graduates: local graduates and graduates in home mission institutions.

July-August: Summer assemblies, institutes, etc.

September: Fall spiritual life meetings and retreats.

Fourth quarter—

October: Co-operation with pastor in observance of World Communion Sunday. The observance of the week of prayer and self-denial.

November: Prayer and work for peace and world brotherhood, Armistice Day), Thanksgiving service.

December: Plan for Bible study; pray definitely for divine guidance on the selection of officers for the coming year; deepen the spiritual tone in Christian activities; pray for the successful closing of the year's work; participate in watch night services.

The following letter from Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, under date of December 27, written from New York, will be of interest to the women of the W. N. C. conference who know and value the services of Miss Kelly in her adopted land. Our best wishes are with her as she returns to the country where she has served during the years since 1935.

Dear Friends:

Doubtless many of you are thinking that by this time I have crossed the ocean and am fast finding my way up through the continent of Africa toward the Belgian Congo. That would probably have been true had we sailed in November, but four different times the date was postponed. I was told that the reason for this was the ship came into port with an epidemic of smallpox, but evidently everything has been put in "ship-shape" for we are really sailing today. After the war broke out the government had difficulty in deciding whether or not it would be safe for us to sail, but finally gave permission for a part of the group to go—Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Lewis, Dr. and Mrs. Alex J. Reid, Mr. Tudor Roberts and myself. Even in November the government could not issue passports for children. For this reason Mrs. Maw, who has a small baby, was remaining at home. After the United States became a part of the world choatic condition the board felt it unwise for Mr. Maw to leave Mrs. Maw, so he too is remaining here. Mrs. Arze Maude Smith, a new missionary, was not permitted by the governemnt to go.

I hasten to add that we who are going are doing so absolutely voluntarily. Our respective board secretaries have made it very clear to us that if we felt the sea too dangerous to sail, we were perfectly free to remain at home, and that our decision to do so would be respected just as highly by them as if it were to go. I felt that as long as the door was open to me, I could not close it, so decided to go on. The others to whom I have talked about it feel exactly the same way. We tre going, feeling definitely the leading of our Father's hand, and therefore going happily. I feel that our people need us at a time like this more than any other time. And it seems to me that our very going or staying would increase or decrease the strength of the message which has been committed to us to carry to them.

My furlough has afforded me many rich experiences. Among them have been those of being with many of you in your churches and with some of you in your homes. Having been among you I have even a greater sense of the oneness of our task in taking the abundant life to the Atetela people. I hope that we all may pray earnestly together that we may become more and more effective in our service to our fine African people. I hope that all of you have had a most joyous Christmas, and that the new year will be filled with happiness for you. With my very best wishes to each of you, I am, Sincerely, Lorena Kelly.

A NEW WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

A new organization is reported by Mrs. Lillie Mooney at Mitchell's Grove church, Guilford circuit, Greensboro district, of the Woman's Society of Christian Service with the following officers: President, Mrs. Lillie Mooney; vice president, Mrs. Callie Billings; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Rose Mooney. Addres of all officers, High Point, N. C., Route 4.

Let whoso desireth that his friends be glad and his foes confounded endeavor to abandon his faults.—Plato.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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HOW FAITH GROWS

The more faith grows, the more it is directed not toward things, not even worthy things, but toward Christ. The more faith grows, it does not say, "Give me," it says, "Make me." The more faith grows, it does not strive nor cry, it makes the communion of the soul with God its first quest, whether gifts, like health, follow or whether they be withheld.—Leslie D. Weatherhead.

PRAY THAT IT MAY HAPPEN

On January 8 when the official board of the North Carolina Woman's Christian Temperance Union was in session in First Methodist church, Rockingham, a resolution petitioning Governor Broughton to order the immediate closing of all county ABC stores for the duration of the war was unanimously adopted. Section 4 (j) of the ABC Act authorizes the State Board of Alcohol Control to close any county liquor store "when ever, in the opinion of the said board, the operation of any county liquor store shall be inimical to the morals or welfare of the community in which it is operated, or for such cause or causes as may appear to state board sufficient to warrent closing." The county ABC stores, at any time an obnoxious evil, is more than ever so. Oh, that the women of the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. would take up this battle cry of freedom with the women of the North Carolina W. C. T. U., and oh, that we might with our expressions of protest and our prayers bring this thing to pass. Incidentally, anyone interested in obtaining a copy of the resolutions sent Governor Broughton by the official board of the N. C. W. C. T. U. may do so by writing the editor of this page.

NEWS FROM STUDENT CENTER

Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, conference worker at the Methodist Student Center, East Carolina Teachers' College, has sent your editor a very interesting mimeographed bulletin published by the Methodist Student Association at E. C. T. C. The many activities described in the bulletin are another proof of the variad and most worth while activities of the M. S. A. and of Miss Tittsworth's influential leadership in these Christian activities. Recently a group designated "The Administrative Council" has been organized among the Methodist students at E. C. T. C. The council consists of the dormitory heads and circle captains. Each circle captain is in charge of a group of Methodist students and it is his or her duty to inform his group of important happenings of the church and to help them in any way to become more active members. The M. S. A. is clothing a girl at the Methodist Orphanage and sent her a pair of skates as a Christmas gift. The members of the M. S. A. visit the county home and conduct religious services and other programs. The bulletin further enlightens us that the students have formed a plan of service for the entire year and instead of having a Christmas social they donated the money which would have been used for that purpose to a needy family in Greenville. Representatives of M. S. A. attended the Methodist national conference which was held at the University of Illinois, in Urbana, Ill., on December 29-January 2, 1942, the interdenominational conference held at United church, Raleigh, on December 5-7, and other M. S. A. delegates will attend the Methodist state conference at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, on February 6-8. Thanks to Miss Tittsworth for sharing the interesting bulletin from which a partial list of activities is being shared with our N. C. conference woman's page readers. And more power to her and to the members of the M. S. A. for their efforts to keep Christ alive in their college life.

A MOMENTOUS MEETING

Because of these critical times it is of utmost importance that Christians adjust their thinking in terms of the present world situation and the program of their church in the light of present events; to experience new ideals and convictions concerning the gospel message and our duty in its application to all men in every nation. It is most significant then that on January 27-30 in Nashville, Tenn., a meeting of the Southeastern Missionary Council will be held. This council is a joint meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church. The directing committee of the council is composed of Dr. H. P. Meyers, Danville, Va., chairman of the Jurisdictional Board of Missions and Church Extension; Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president of the Jurisdictional W. S. C. S.; Mrs. V. F. Devinny, New York, executive secretary of the joint division of education and cultivation, Woman's Section; Dr. Elmer T. Clark, New York, editorial secretary of the joint division of education and cultivation, General Section. Among other of the large and brilliant array of leaders who will lead discussions and deliver addresses will be: Dr. E. Stanley Jones, world wide Christian and missionary to India; Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor of the Chicago Christian Advocate; Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president Woman's Division of Christian Service; Mrs. J. W. Mills, vice president Woman's Division of Christian Service; Mrs. Otis Moore, an executive secretary department of work in foreign fields; Dr. A. W. Wasson, associate secretary division of foreign missions; Dr. Harry Denman, secretary commission on evangelism; Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University, Shanghai, China; Mrs. J. W. Perry, president former Woman's Missionary Council; Bishops Paul B. Kern, Clare Purcell, Raymond J. Wade, Francis McConnell, Charles C. Selecman, A. Frank Smith, W. C. Martin, W. W. Peele, U. V. W. Darlington, J. L. Decell, W. T. Watkins, Hoyt M. Doubs, Dr. W. G. Cram, executive secretary joint division of education and cultivation, Board of Missions and Church Extension; Dr. W. F. Quillian, secretary of field promotion Board of Missions and Church Extension.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE

A note from Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, states: "As the final reports of 1941 are being written up, I lift the following from the report of Northampton zone, Mrs. W. P. Stephenson, leader: Four zone meetings were held, all 16 societies were represented at two of the meetings, and one society had every member and three visitors present at one meeting. There has not been a late report to the district secretary during the year. All annual reports were on time also. Every society is reporting doing C. S. R. and L. C. A. work. Every society observed the week of prayer. Seven of the societies achieved the efficiency aim. Two adults were made life members by the zone. Two societies in the zone gave three baby life memberships." "The above remarks have a two fold purpose," continues Mrs. Johnson, "first, to do honor to Northampton zone women; second, to challenge others to press forward and be more painstaking in the 'little things' of life."

A FRUITFUL GUILD

That the 206 members of the seven circles of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street church experienced a fruitful year in 1941 was evidenced by the reports which were given at the general meeting in December. Beginning the year with a budget of $1150, the members paid $1287.70, including $810 to the treaurer of the W. S. C. S. for missions; $100 to W. S. C. S. as aid to the appropriation made by them for sponsoring the Wake County Hygiene Clinic, $83.70 week of prayer offering and other items. Among the varied activities in the department of C. S. R. and L. C. A. in addition to the Mental Hygiene Clinic project were: clothing several children at the Methodist Orphanage ;aid to needy preachers and other needy folk; $1250 donated to Soldiers' Town Home, Fayetteville; $25 for balance due on Louisburg College bond; World Outlook subscriptions to Saint Luke's Home and the Olivia Raney Library; cooperated with Red Cross in sewing and knitting for Great Britain; sponsored a scholarship in Brazil and a Bible woman in China. The Guild held two jurisdictional mission study classes and one Bible study class, under the direction of Miss Daisy Bailey Waitte. General officers of the Edenton Street W. S. G. are: President, Mrs. A. W. Hoffman; vice president, Mrs. Milton Howell; recording secretary, Mrs. Myrtle K. Banks; corresponding secretary, Miss Dillie Dixon; treasurer, Miss Sudie Owen.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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A MONETARY VIEWPOINT

A friend of the Children's Home, one of who contributes liberally to its work, recently suggested the advisability of cutting down the intake of boys and girls into our enterprise. He reminded his hearer of the fact that our endowment income continues to decrease and that the end of this decrease is not in sight. In the face of this situation it was suggested that it would be a matter of propriety to undertake only such welfare work as our financial ability would warrant. Such would naturally be the viewpoint of a man who is accustomed to balancing accounts. Ours is a business enterprise as well as a welfare undertaking.

A WELFARE VIEWPOINT

In time of stress, certainly in time of war, there is more need for a child welfare enterprise than in time of normal conditions. The calls upon our own enterprise are now just as insistant as they have ever been and doubtless will grow more insistant as the hardships and deprivations of war fall upon us. It would seem that while we have a keen eye for our business integrity there must also be a willingness to bank upon the loyalty of our people and the faithfulness of their purpose to provide for children who definitely need their help. We confidently believe that as our endowment income decrease the contributions from our living friends will increase. However, our faith in this respect will have to have constant encouragement.

OUR BOOKS ARE AUDITED

During the past several weeks we have had the benefit of careful research work into our business transactions during the past calendar year. The certified accountants who have had charge of auditing our books have gone through much detail work of checking on our business. At this writing we do not have all the facts resulting from this investigation, but we do know enough to state to our friends that the business part of our enterprise is in good shape and that we still operate out of the red.

ONE LEG GONE

Last summer a young woman with three children whose husband suffered such an injury in an automobile accident as to cause serious mental derangement, necessitating continued sanatarium care, came to the Children's Home with her three young children, seven, five and one year of age. She stated that she had been waiting for a visit from a Children's Home representative for quite awhile. But not having received such, she had come with her children and a plea for their admittance into the Children's Home, stating that she herself had been raised in an orphanage and would like for her children to have such an opportunity while she secured work sufficient to be in position to help the Children's Home provide for her children. The young woman was encouraged to return home, pending the time her youngest child grew a little older. An ADC grant amounting to $40 a month was secured. The young mother added to this income by visiting among the neighbors selling lotions and beautifying commodities. The little seven-year-old boy went to school and one day received an injury to his leg which, in the course of time, grew worse, eventuating in an amputation just above the knee. The mother thinks that if her little boy had been privileged to live at the Children's Home any injury he may have received would have been carefully provided for without loss of limb or loss of health. The young mother is not bitter nor complaining. But the boy has only one leg.



Answering the country's call

PLACING THE PIPES

For several months we have been investigating ways and means of securing six-inch cast iron pipe for a better water supply and a better fire safeguard for Children's Home buildings and family. First we had to learn from where the pipe could be secured, then the best prices that were available and next to get such priority rating as would enable shipment. We last week received three car loads of pipe and the heavy material has been placed along the area where the ditch will be dug and the water will be piped. At present only a four-inch main comes in on our grounds. It is not adequate. But the new pipe will soon be placed.

DOUGLAS IS BACK

Douglas, a harum scarum sort of a boy, was accepted into the Children's Home years ago through juvenile court commitment. There seemed to be no one to whom our agency might look in case of need, so the juvenile court assumed legal responsibility for the lad. In the run of time Douglas developed a severe case of osteomyelitis. Good Dr. George Holmes, the son of the late Dr. Parker Holmes, performed the delicate operation and now Douglas moves about in a rolling chair, wishfully longing for the time when he can stand on his legs and run about, an expectancy that will soon be realized.

TO THE MARINES

The picture this week is that of Don Welborn, a vivacious youth who graduated from the Children's Home and Reynolds' high school last June. Since that time Don has been enrolled at High Point College. During the Christmas vacation he visited a marine station and became so much interested in what was going on there that he decided to answer the call of his country and has recently enlisted. He is now a bona fide freshman marine. Don is the sort of a boy that never sees any trouble. Trouble may overtake him but he never sees it ahead of time. His face always carries a smile. Don is one of a large number of our family now serving the interests of our great country.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

The music from the ten per cent apportionment bell is just as sweet as ever. There is not as much of it but the enjoyment is just as greatly appreciated. Sometimes when enjoyment gets scarcer that which is available is all the more appreciated. The following charges have "rung the bell" during the past week, meaning that they have paid their Children's Home apportionment in full for the present conference year. Kindly note them and their pastors and join us in grateful thanks:

Glencoe, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. A. D. Shelton.

Kadesh and St. Peters, Belwood circuit, Rev. J. M. Morgan.

Montmorenci, Candler circuit, Rev. C. W. Bates.

Sulphur Springs, Shelby circuit, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

Mitchell's Chapel, Yadkinville circuit, Rev. W. J. Huneycutt.

BASKET BALL BOUNCES

These are basket ball times with our boys and girls. Our various teams are practicing and playing and winning and losing some games. They are having a big time bouncing and throwing the ball around, trying to do something the opposing team is trying to keep them from doing. Basket ball is a great game. It develops the body and cultivates the mind. To date our varsity boys and girls have each won six games and lost one, while the reserves have won all their games except one and the midgets are yet to lose a game. The various teams play from eight to ten games each week.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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PERSON STREET — The second Sunday in this month was a bitter cold day, and the Person Street congregation was unusually large for such uncomforable weather. Rev. R. G. Dawson, the new pastor of Person Street Methodist church, has made a fine impression on his membership. Without doubt he is one of our best equipped young men, and an exceptionally good preacher. Indications are that the new church project will get under way at an early date. I was happy to meet my friends at the Person Street Methodist church on the above mentioned day.

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WRONG CONCLUSION—It is easy for our friends, who see our beautiful campus, nice cottages and lovely children, to jump to the conclusion that the Methodist Orphanage is well-to-do. In fact, as I have gone over the conference some friends have expressed such an opinion to me. From many sources I hear that we are in a good financial condition. I wish the Orphanage had unlimited resources, but such is not the case. Our endowment is limited and yielded only $7,700 last year. In the light of this statement, it is readily seen that we have only limited resources to fall back on. The fact that so many think the Orphanage is well-to-do is proving a serious handicap to us in meeting our operating expenses.

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HOME—I was down the street in Raleigh one day last week and met one of my own senior boys. I asked him where he was going, and his reply was "I am going home," meaning the Methodist Orphanage. It made me very happy to realize that our boys and girls look upon our Methodist Orphanage as a home, and not just an institution. Ever since the Orphanage was established—more than forty years ago—the superintendents, matrons and teachers have done everything with their power to make the Methodist Orphanage a real home. I think I can truthfully say, without boasting, that we have succeeded in creating and maintaining a home-like atmosphere. The fact that every boy or girl who has been a member of our family never loses an opportunity to come back to visit us, is some proof that we at the Orphanage are a large family and not an institution.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION — Our limited endowment fund has been built up largely through legacies. The Orphanage feels deeply grateful to the friends who have remembered us in their wills. Their memory will ever be cherished by the Methodist Orphanage. They rest from their labors, but live on in the lives of the boys and girls who are being trained for useful citizenship in the Methodist Orphanage. If our pastors and other leaders of our conference would suggest to our friends of means the idea of writing the Methodist Orphanage in their wills, great results would follow. The Orphanage has a friend who suggested to his friend to write the Methodist Orphanage in his will, and he did so. As a result of the friend's influence, $5,000 has been added to our endowment fund. The Orphanage has scores of friends who would remember the home in their wills if their attention were directed toward the Methodist Orphanage.

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"GO FORWARD"—This divine command came to the children of Israel when the Red Sea confronted them and the enemy was pressing hard on them from the rear. In obedience to this command they went forward to safety. The church that hesitates and turns back in the face of difficulties is sure to meet with disaster, but the church that moves forward at the command of its divine Leader in the face of difficulties and danger, is sure of the protection and guidance of its Leader. The North Carolina conference has a mission to fulfill in reference to its orphan children. The church always experiences triumph over trying situations when she moves forward with conquering faith. It is then that difficulties fade away like the mist before the rising sun. Our great church has assumed the responsibility of providing for the necessities of its orphan children. The responsibility of ministering to their physical, mental and spiritual needs is one of its greatest privileges. During the new conference year our churches and church schools need to hear a voice from above "that they go forward" and provide adequate support for the children they have obligated themselves to care for. The North Carolina conference will not be disobedience to the heavenly vision that came to Rev. J. W. Jenkins, and other leaders of that day, when they were divinely inspired to establish the Methodist Orphanage.

JUST A SUNDAY PREACHER

The slow Scotch laborer responded to calls for help one dark night, and found the minister had fallen in a pit and was unable to climb out. Before the deliberate fellow could even begin to help the clergyman, he was belabored and exhorted to hurry.

"Weel, weel, ye needna kick up sic a noise. You'll na be needed afore Sawbath, an' this is only Wednesday nicht."—Christian Union Herald.

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THE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Attention, ministers, superintendents, young adults!

Who are young adults? The term "young adult" is applied to those individuals who are too old for the Methodist Youth Fellowship and too young for the adult Bible class. Although no definite age limits are intended those 24 to 35 may be considered young adults. Yet, interests and maturity rather than age are the determining factors. For instance, those under 24 who are married or working for themselves may have more in common with young adults than with youth and there are those over 35 whose interests and activities are still young adult.

Why a Special Young Adult Emphasis?

1. Our fine young people are constantly graduating from the Methodist Youth Fellowship and, in many cases, find no group in the church school to which to turn.

2. Result is that we are losing key prospective leaders and supporters of the church every year.

3. Young adults are home builders —it is tremendously important that they build Christian homes.

4. Young adults are struggling to get started in the economic and political world. Will the church help them be Christian?

5. Young adults are probably the most notable group in our church. Will we keep in touch with them?

6. The Christian idealism taught our youth is now meeting the cold facts of daily existence. Will they continue to persevere as Christians?

7. Many young adults, due to work or small children, must be absent from Sunday services. Does the church care enough to go to them?

8. Here is an immediate source of young, strong, intelligent leadership for every phase of church work. Is the church to meet their needs, challenge their loyalties, and train them in the true art of churchmanship?

9. Can the church afford not to have a special young adult emphasis?

Church-Wide Young Adult Emphasis

In December, 1940, a representative group of young adults met in Nashville to consider these matters. After careful study recommendations were made regarding young adult work in the conference, district, and local church. Then, in November, 1941, another meeting of representative young adults was held. They selected officers for the National Young Adult Fellowship.

Young Adult Emphasis in the Conference

Following the church-wide emphasis there was a conference young adult summer camp at Camp Carlyle, June, 1941. Young adults from every district came together to form the Conference Young Adult Fellowship and to elect officers indicated below. Plans are now under way for another such summer camp.

Young Adult Emphasis in the District

After several meetings of the conference officers it was decided to name, in co-operation with the district superintendents, certain ministers as district directors. Notice the name and address of your district director below. On January 5, 1942, there was a meeting of the conference officers and the district directors to make further plans for the young adult emphasis in the various districts.

Your director can help in promoting the emphasis in your district in some of the following ways:

Studying the needs.

Having young adult literature on hand.

Talking about young adult work at various meetings.

Discussing the situations with the ministers.

Helping set up sub-district young adult fellowships where desired.

Correspondence with young adult leaders.

Meeting with young adults in local churches, upon invitation.

Helping secure delegates to the Young Adult Summer Camp.

Our sincere appreciations are expressed to these directors who serve as volunteer resource persons equipped to help local churches develop their young adult emphasis. Call on them.

Young Adult Emphasis in the Local Church

This is our major concern—developing strong, Christian young adults in every church. Ministers, superintendents, and other workers with young adults will want to consider the following:

How many young adults are now being reached by the church and church school?

How many more should be reached?

How can you do it?

Do we have a Young Adult Fellowship in our church?

Is there a Sunday school class (s) for young adults?

Is there a Sunday evening fellowship hour for them?

Are we reaching those who cannot attend church or church school through the home department or the nursery department?

Are we training young adults for places of leadership in every phase of church work?

What contribution is now being made by the young adults to our church?

Are we giving special attention to needs of young adults (especially young married women whose husbands have been called away from home) incident to the present dislocation of society in the interest of our war effort?

How could their service be enlarged?

Resource Persons for the Young Adult Fellowship—Conference Officers

President, Zeb E. Barnhardt, 112 S. Main St., Winston-Salem.

Vice president, Mrs. Wilson Nesbitt, Denton.

Secretary, Miss Hulda Whiteley, Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point.

Treasurer, Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas.

Dean summer assembly, Charles P. Bowles, Wadesboro.

Director adult work, Earl D. C. Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury.

District Directors

Asheville, E. O. Peeler, Biltmore.

Charlotte, C. P. Bowles, Wadesboro.

Elkin, H. H. Wood, West Jefferson.

Gastonia, J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.

Greensboro, Rollin P. Gibbs, Route 1, Liberty.

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Resource Materials for Young Adult Fellowship—Free Leaflets

(Order by number from Box 828, Salisbury, or from Service Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.)

400-B Adults in the Small Church.

401-B The Adult Division of the Local Church.

402-B The Young Adult Fellowship.

403-B Adult Classes—Why?

404-B The Adult Home Department.

414-B World Service and Adult Classes.

415-B Reaching Adults.

418-B A Ten-Point Program of Evangelism for Adults.

429-B Learning for Life School.

431-B Elective Studies for Adults.

432-B Elective Courses for Adults (Reprinted from the Adult Student).

Booklets

(Order from Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.)

460-H Adults at Work in the Small Church, 15c.

461-H The Work of the Adult Division, 20c.

462-H Young Adults in Action in the Church, 15c.

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Periodical Literature

The Adult Student is the official periodical for young adults. Order with regular church school literature. It has Sunday school lessons, contributed articles, fellowship services, special

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JANUARY
IS
PLEDGE MONTH
TO THE
METHODIST YOUTH FUND
IN THE
NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

WHAT THE METHODIST YOUTH FUND IS

The offering of the Youth of the Methodist Church to the World Mission of the Christian Religion over and above their offering to local church causes.

This offering replaces the former gifts of the Girls' Missionary Societies, the World Comradeship Fund, and the Young People's Mission Special.

THE PLEDGE

Each youth group in the conference is expected to make a pledge to this Fund. We hope each young person will make an individual pledge to his group pledge. January is Pledge Month.

The pledge should be made on a monthly basis, and the Pledge Year will run to August 1.

After this first pledge, pledges will be made at the Youth Assemblies or in the month of July.

PAYMENT OF PLEDGE

Each group should pay its pledge each month as far as possible.

There should be a Methodist Youth Fund Treasurer for each group making a pledge.

Each month (or each quarter if it seems better) the Treasurer should divide the money on hand into two equal parts and—

Give one-half to the Treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the local church marked "Methodist Youth Fund."

Send one-half to Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, N. C., marked "Methodist Youth Fund."

The reason for this fifty-fifty division of the Fund is that before unification the offerings of the Girls' Societies were equal to the combined offerings of the World Comradeship Fund and the Young People's Mission Special.

The Missionary Education of Youth is now a responsibility of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and the Board of Education. These organizations in the local church should work together in this important phase of the church's program.

Further Information concerning the Methodist Youth Fund may be secured

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Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 25

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Temptation of Jesus

Matt. 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13

At no time is alert and concentrated thinking more important than just after a great religious experience, and just before the beginning of a great enterprise. At his baptism a supreme religious experience had come to Jesus and he was now on the verge of the greatest enterprise of all time. So he was driven by the Spirit into the grim and rocky Bad Lands near the Jordan where he would be utterly undisturbed. Those forty days represent the most prolonged season of concentrated thinking that mortal ever endured.

But at the end of this long period of concentration a fierce physical reaction set in. All at once he was dizzy with hunger. And the thought came to him, If thou art the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. The suggestion seemed utterly harmless and innocent. God had commissioned him to a great task, but he was liable to die there of hunger; why not use God's power to save himself? But if he commanded the stones to be made bread he would not say to the masses of his fellowmen, Follow me. As the writer stood on the deck of a steamer that was docking at Shanghai, and looked out on the crowds of waiting coolies, eager at that time to help unload the ship for eight cents a day, he exclaimed to himself, How could Jesus have been a Saviour for these coolies if he had used his supernatural power to save himself from the hunger that haunts them?

Every one of us who uses some special gift of God to raise himself above the privations and problems which confront the mass of his fellow mortals is in some measure yielding to this temptation.

At first sight the Scripture by which Jesus warded off the temptation to turn the stones into bread, does not seem to apply. Of course man shall not live by bread alone, but just then he was starving for bread. But Jesus had pondered that old Scripture in the light of its context (Deuteronomy 8:3) and understood it to mean, When for the time being bread is denied it is always a sign that we are to look to sources of refreshment that we have been neglecting. Let God serve us in his own order, and let us make sure that we are receiving gratefully that which is within our reach, knowing that what is beyond our reach will be supplied in due time.

The temptation to cast himself down from the pinnacle of the temple, trusting to the promise that the angels would bear him up in their hands, is one to which very religious men are especially liable. The man, for instance, who says, God is my physician, and who refuses to avail himself of those revelations of God which have been made through modern scientific medicine, is yielding to this same rash fanaticism. The angels will not bear a man up when he neglects a good stairway.

After this on some mountain peak of the imagination our Lord, conscious of his power and genius, felt sure that he could unseat the profligate wretch who was ruling the Roman world, and bring in a reign of justice. But of course he would have to raise a great army, do a lot of killing, and compromise his principles in other ways, in order to enlist support from various elements in the empire. In a word, like the modern dictators, he must adopt the principle, The end justifies the means. But our Lord knew that the means determines the end, and he resolved to seek power only by utter submission to the will of God. And so he said to this dazzling and specious dream, Get thee behind me, Satan!

Jesus was much greater than the writer of Deuteronomy whose words he used as a sword to fight the tempter. Why then did he have recourse to them? Because he was too dizzy and weak to think, and he declined to open questions in hours of weakness that had been settled by the experience of the ages. Automatically his years of meditation on the Scriptures brought to his mind like a windshield wiper, the truths that cleared the way. Blessed is the man who faces the predicaments of life with a mind enriched with the time-tested and hoary wisdom of the ages. Yea, thrice blessed is the man who when he is too tired and troubled to think, can say, It is written.

THE CHURCH'S OPPORTUNITY IN ADULT EDUCATION

A long looked for resource for workers with men and women in the church is the new book, The Church's Opportunity in Adult Education by Edward P. Westphal. The author reviews briefly the development of education of adults abroad and in this country. Objectives are considered. Religious growth in interpreted. The need for and nature of adult education, how to plan, how to organize, and what to expect in leaders is considered in succeeding chapters.

The resource material in the appendices will be of interest to all teachers, presidents, and officers in the adult division, district and conference adult workers, and adult leaders. Planning conferences might well consider some of the objectives on Christian family life and parenthood, social relationships and group life, and the statement of adult objectives in appendices I, II, and 111. The bibliography is excellent. A careful selection has been made of books and magazine articles dealing with adult life in the church and community.

The book is a good resource for study groups in which there are persons from several denominations. Written as a textbook for the Second Series course, "The Church's Opportunity in Adult Education," the book is valuable.



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PADDY BEAR'S NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

There was company at Paddy Bear's home. Auntie Bear and her son, Fuzzy, had come to spend Christmas and New Year's Day with Paddy Bear and his folks in the blue-black cave in the heart of the woods.

Every day, while Mama Bear and Auntie Bear "visited" with each other in the cave, Paddy Bear would take Fuzzy out to play. Fuzzy was bigger than Paddy Bear, and his play was often rough. When they rolled and tumbled around, he would bump into Paddy and hurt him badly. Paddy Bear, though tried, did not mind, and because Fuzzy was his guest, he always would let him choose what to play next.

That is why, on New Year's Day, when Fuzzy said, "Oh, I know what let's do—let's make New Year's Resolutions!" Paddy Bear answered, "All right," although he didn't know what a New Year's resolution was.

He was afraid Fuzzy might make fun of him if he asked about it, but he knew Mama Bear wouldn't tease.

"Wait a minute before we start," he told Fuzzy. "I want to go ask Mama something."

Then he ran into the kitchen of the blue-black cave, where Mama Bear was making bread.

"Mama," he asked, all out of breath from running, "how do you make a New Year's resolution?"

"Why," said Mama Bear, "if, on New Year's Day, you make up your mind to do something all the rest of the year that will make you a better little bear, or will help make some one else happy, you call that a New Year's resolution."

Paddy Bear thought for a minute or two; then he ran back to his cousin.

"All right," he called. "I know what my New Year's resolution is going to be."

"What is it?" asked Fuzzy.

"Every day I am going to go down to the spring to get the water, so that Mama Bear won't have so much work to do."

"Humph!" said Fuzzy. "I don't think that's much of a resolution."

"But I am going to do it without grumbling," said Paddy. "That's part of the resolution."

"Well, I can make one a lot better than that!" said Fuzzy. "I'm going to exercise every day until I'm so strong that I can push the big rock in front of my house right down the hill!"

"My," said Paddy Bear, "that is a big resolution." He felt ashamed he hadn't been able to think up something big like that. Just bringing up the water every day seemed like such a little thing to do.

But just the same, every morning, after Fuzzy Bear and his mother had gone home, Paddy would go down to the spring with his two buckets, fill them with water, and carry them back to Mama Bear. At first they seemed very, very heavy. He had to stop two or three times, going up the hill, to rest. After awhile, though, he could carry them all the way without stopping. You see, although he didn't know it, carrying that water was very good exercise, and he was growing stronger every day.

He would often think of Fuzzy Bear. "My, I wonder if he's grown strong enough yet to push that rock down the hill! I certainly would enjoy watching him do it.

Finally, Mama Bear and Paddy started out to visit Auntie Bear. Paddy could hardly wait until dinner was over and he and Fuzzy could go out to play.

"How's your New Year's resolution?" he asked right away. "Can you push that rock down the hill yet?"

Fuzzy Bear looked sheepish. "I didn't practice more than a day or two," he said. "It was too much work. I guess I could push it, though, if I tried."

He went over to the big rock, and began to push and tug at it, but he couldn't move it even a teency-weency bit. At last he fell back, puffing and grunting.

"It is not such a big rock, though," said Paddy Bear. "I believe I'll try it myself."

So he began pulling and tugging. And, would you believe it? Carrying that water up the hill every day for months had made his arms so strong that pretty soon—puff, pull! push—that rock began to roll down the hill!"

"My, but you are strong!" cried Fuzzy, and Mama Bear and Auntie Bear, who had come out to watch, began to clap their paws.

"You see, it was a good New Year's resolution after all," said Mama Bear. "You've not only been helping me; you've been helping yourself, too."

"And you kept your resolution," Auntie Bear added. "It wouldn't have made any difference how good it was, if you handn't kept on working over it after you had made it."

"Can you make resolutions any time but New Year's Day?" asked Fuzzy. "Because I want to make one right now just like Paddy Bear's, and I am going to keep it just as he did, too."—Child Life.

DANGER AHEAD!

Oh, little rabbit in the snow,
Do be careful where you go!
When you travel, choose the night,
And make your little paws step light!

Down in the woods there is a snare,
Half hidden by some bushes there.
Oh, little fellow, stay away,
Don't travel in that woods today!

Oh, pull your soft grey furry coat
Close, close around your little throat;
And when the wind is sharp and raw
Lie snug and warm beneath the straw!

And if you see a man with gun
Out in the fields, oh, little one,
Lie still, oh still, beneath the grass,
And let the hunter safely pass.

When dogs with noses to the ground
Come open-mouthed, and sniff around,
Don't sit and stare, my little one,
For now's the time to run, run, run!

—Mary Frost.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Young Douglas had reached the age of seven when he was promoted to the dignity of having a room to himself. His fond parents had furnished it with great care and showed it to him with no little pride and satisfaction.

Douglas viewed in silence.

"Now, son," said his father, "this furniture is of the best. It will last you a lifetime."

Still Douglas kept silent.

"Don't you like it, Douglas?"

"Oh, yes, I like it. But how do I know my wife will like it?"—Christian Science Monitor.

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It was just after nightfall. Helen and her elder sister were gazing at the stars.

"You know, Helen," said her sister, "they're not just lights. They're worlds like ours."

"Well," said Helen, after digesting the information for some seconds, "I shouldn't like to have to live on one. It would be so horrid when it twinkled. I don't like being bounced."—Ex.

* * *

Mary was spending the afternoon looking at some Bible pictures in her Christmas gift-book. Presently she remarked, "It says, 'Lot was told to take his wife and children and flee,' but I can't find the flea anywhere."—Methodist Times.

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A little Indian lad had just been in school a few days when he said to the teacher:

"I would like your school better if you would have more of those recesses."—Indiana News.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Long Memorial, 11 25
February
Trinity, 11 1

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 2 23
Perquimans, Epworth, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. 24
Roper, 11 25
Edenton, night 25
February
Moyock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Roberdell, Cordova, 11 25
West End, 3 25
Laurinburg, 7:30 25

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 25
February
Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30.. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Northampton, 11 25
Rich Square, 7:30 25
Wilson, 11 1
Elm City, Mt. Zion, 3 1
Tarboro, 7:30 1
Farmville, 11 8
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 8
Rosemary, 11 15
Roanoke Rapids, 3 15
Marvin, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 22
Clark Street, 7:30 22
March
Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City..15
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Church School Institute & Youth RRally, Weldon, 4:30 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29
April
Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
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WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Shallott, Camp, 11 25
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 3:30 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 7 25
February
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 1
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 7:30 Bethany 1
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 8
St. Paul, Regan's, 3 8
Elizabeth, Perdie's, 11 15
Bladen, Center, 3 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 15
Maysville, Pollocksville, 11 22
Swansboro, Bethlehem, 3 22
Jacksonville, Vanona, 7:30 22
March
Wilmington, Epworth, 11 1
Faircon-Kenansville, Wesley's, 3 1
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29
April
Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26
May
Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FIRST ROUND

January
Swannanoa, Bethesda, 11 25
Leicester-Bell, Western Chapel, 3 25
Black Mountain, night 25
February
Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Etowah, English Chapel, 11 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January
Ansonville, Cedar Hill, 11 25
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 25
Indian Trail-Stallings, Stallings, 7:30 25
February
New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 1
Zoar, 3 1
Big Springs, 7:30 1
Morven, Pleasant Hill, 11 8
Peachland, Mt. Moriah, 3 8
Chadwick, 7:30 8
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 11
First Church, Charlotte, 11 15
Pineville, Marvin, 3 15
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 22
Polkton, Polkton, 7:30 22
March
Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Mocres, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22

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Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April

Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January

Elkin, 11 25
Jonesville, night 25

February

Dobson, 11 1
Bryant Memorial, Pine Hill, 3 1
Mocksville, 11 8
Davie, 3 8
Cooleemee, night 8
Farmington, 11 15
Mocksville Ct., 3 15
Advance, night 15
Ararat, Maple Grove 22
East Bend, night 22

March

Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1
Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January

Rhyne Heights, 11 26
Crouse, Landers Chapel, 3 25
West End, Gastonia, 7:30 25

February

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:45 1
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, 11 1
Dallas, Dallas, 7:30 1
Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11 7
Cherryville, 11 8
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Concord-El Bethel, Concord, 7:30 8
Mount Holly, 11 15
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 15
Vale, Palm Tree, 11 22
South Fork, 3 22
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 22

March

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January

Leaksville, 11 25
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, 7:30 25

February

Mt. Pleasant, 11 1
Lee's Chapel, 7:30 1

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Linville Falls, Concord, 11 1
Check-up Meeeting, Marion, 3 1
Old Fort, 11 8
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 8
Dedication, Henrietta, 11 15
Dedication, Pleasant Grove, 3 15
Marion Mills, East Marion, night 15
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 22
Valdese, Valdese, night 22

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

January

Stony Point, 11 25
Troutman, night 25

February

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 1
Olin, Fairmont, 2:30 1
Mooresville, Broad St., 11 8
Davidson-Fairview-Williamson's, 2:30 8
Maiden, 11 15
Hickory, Westview, night 15
Lenoir, First, 11 22
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 22
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, night 22

March

Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Bail's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26
District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 9 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

January

Thomasville, Community, 11 25
Thomasville Ct., 3 25
Walkertown, Love's, 7:30 25

February

Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1
Thomasville, Main St., 11 15
North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3 15
Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes, 7:30 15
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7

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McDANIEL—After a lingering illness for a number of years Mrs. Louisa McDaniel passed away at the home of a daughter in Greensboro, being 79 years old. She united with Gray's Chapel Methodist church while young and remained a member of this church as long as she lived. She was a good mother, a kind friend and a sincere Christian. Three daughters and four sons survive, one of the daughters being Mrs. Harris Fields of Climax, with whom she made her home part of the time. The funeral and burial were at Gray's Chapel, the pastor being assisted by a minister of the Pilgrim Holiness church. H. L. Isley.

GARRETT—The passing of Mr. Eli Garrett removed from Shiloh church one of its oldest and most loyal members. He had reached the age of 80 years. It was his custom to attend church regularly. This he did just as long as he was able to do so, even when he had to use a cane and be helped in and out of the church door. When his church, Shiloh, recently built the beautiful class rooms, he gave liberally toward their erection. His faithful companion, two sons and five daughters survive. The writer conducted the funeral at Shiloh, near Julian, and burial was made in the church cemetery. H. L. Isley.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the stewards of the Methodist church, Windsor charge, wish to give expression to our loss in the death of Moses Braxton Gillam, long a member of our board. We found him faithful to every trust committed to him, giving generously both of his time and means to advance the interests of his Master. We shall greatly miss his devotion and inspiration in our work, and shall cherish his memory with love and appreciation. Therefore be it resolved:

First, We extend to his family our deepest sympathy in their great loss, and assure them of our abiding interest and love.

Second, We request that this resolution be filed in our quarterly conference records, and that the conference secretary be directed to send a copy to the family of the deceased, and that the secretary be further directed to furnish copies to the Bertie Ledger-Advance, and the North Carolina Christian Advocate with request they publish same.

J. A. Pritchett, Chm.
T. A. Smithwick, Sec.

A TRIBUTE

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Raeford Methodist church, pay loving tribute to the memory of our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, who was called home to heaven January 2, 1942.

She was one of the organizers, corresponding secretary and treasurer for 36 years. Words fail us as we think how we shall miss her. She was faithful to all the relationships of life, ministering to those around her with loving sympathy. Her life stands as a challenge to us, to her children and grandchildren to live up to her high ideals.

It can be truly said of her "To know her was to love her." In her face there was the reflection of a soul that was full of the peace of God and good will to every one. Her life was beautiful because she thought much upon the beauty of God. She was a devoted mother, a true friend and one of the noblest of God's saints.

She united with the church early in life and continued to be one of its most devoted and useful members until the day of her death. Faithful in attendance, generous in giving to its causes, loyal to the principles of which it stood, she threw herself wholeheartedly into all its work. Her well fought fight is ended and she has entered into the presence of her Lord, but the influence of her life will continue to be left on earth for good, and all who knew her will today rise up with her husband and children to call her blessed.

We desire to extend to her family the deepest sympathy of our society in the loss of one so greatly beloved by all whose privilege it was to know her as a true and loyal friend.

Mrs. J. C. Thomas,
Mrs. Jesse Gibson,
Mrs. M. R. Morris,
Mrs. G. W. Brown.
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Moses Braxton Gillam, born March 10, 1877, a son of Moses Gillam and Mary Frances Gray, died December 6, 1941, having reached the age of 64 years;

And whereas, he was a member of the Windsor Methodist church and for a quarter of a century had been superintendent of the Windsor Methodist church school;

And whereas, he was also a member of the board of stewards of said church for many years and for a long time had served as chairman of said board;

And whereas, as a lawyer, as a banker, and as a public spirited citizen of this county, he rendered much valuable public service to his county, his community and this church;

And whereas, it is the desire of the official board of this church, the entire membership of this church and the church school to express sympathy to his family and to join with them in their bereavement;

Now, therefore, be it resolved:

First, That the board of stewards of Windsor Methodist church, the entire membership of Windsor Methodist church, and the Windsor Methodist church school, hereby expresses deepest sympathy and sorrow in the death and loss of one of its most valuable and active members. We realize that the vacancy caused by his death will be hard to fill, and he will be long remembered for his valuable service and untiring devotion to this church and church school in all of its activities.

Second, That we hereby extend to his widow and family our deepest sympathy and join with them in their sorrow and bereavement at his passing.

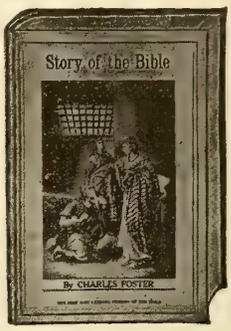
Third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the first quarterly conference held at the Windsor Methodist church January 4, 1942, a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Windsor Methodist church school, a copy be furnished to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication ,and a copy furnished to the family of Brother Moses Braxton Gillam.

Adopted by unanimous rising vote. This 4th day of January, 1942.

J. B. Gillam, Jr.
J. A. Pritchett,
T. E. Alston.
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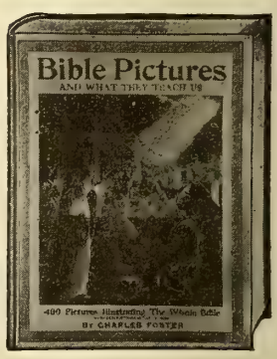
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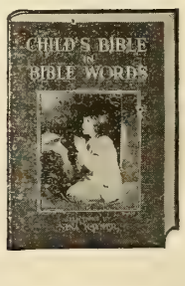
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The Evangel of the New Birth

By E. K. McLARTY
Chairman Committee on Evangelism

One doesn't need colored glasses in these days to see through a glass darkly. The spectacle of men, women and children fleeing to holes in the earth to protect themselves from the fury of their fellowmen is incredible. The nations seem to be racing with each other in the destruction of life and property. Destruction rains from the heavens above and the earth beneath and the waters under the earth. This age might well go down in history as the age of destruction.

Yet this age, black as it is, is no worse than the age in which Jesus lived. No nation or individual could be guilty of any greater crime than the crucifixion of Jesus. But out of the blackness of his day Jesus looked forward confidently, hopefully, even enthusiastically, to the coming of the kingdom of God and the glorious rule of God over the hearts of men by his paternal love. He depicted that kingdom and taught his disciples to pray for its coming. We may debate to our hearts' content the different aspects of the kingdom but one thing is above debate, and that is the condition of entrance into the kingdom. "Repent and believe the gospel," he said. "Ye must be born again," "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." There is no other way. See how quickly he brought Nicodemus to the necessity of the new birth. Could he possibly have been more emphatic on this point?

Modernism and humanism had no use for the new birth. In truth they had little use for God. They believed in salvation by natural processes, by science and education. But this world conflict has given a blackout to salvation by science. No one dares to say at the present time that the world is getting better and better every day in every way, not even a parrot. It was a silly illusion from the first. Now its advocates are in despair.

Nor will the kingdom of Jesus ever come by force. Yet men are wrecking the nations in a vain effort to do that very thing.

The eyes of the world are upon changes on the outside. They must be directed to the need for changes on the inside. Great changes will come on the outside after they have been made on the inside. Peace for all time is an idle dream apart from a change in human nature. Any new order that is worth while will come through new men. If out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, etc., then it is time to make a new heart. "Men do not gather grapes from thorns." An evil tree cannot bring forth good fruit. First make the tree good and the fruit will be good. Things within must be reversed; light replaces darkness, sight for blindness, life for death, the power of God for the power of Satan. The children of the devil are not to be expected to act like the children of God.

I am pleading for a new emphasis on the Evangel of the New Birth. It has not been eliminated from our creed but has it the place in our preaching and teaching that it should have in these dark times? I would be a confirmed pessimist if it were not for the Evangel of the New Birth.

BISHOP W. W. PEELE SAYS: "MAINTAIN THE SPIRITUAL GLOW"

These days demand the revamping of our schedules. War always throws things out of joint. This war is no exception. The restrictions on the sale of automobiles, the scarcity of rubber and gas, the increasing need for some of the things of daily use for defense and war purposes demand that readjustments be made. But while we conserve and revamp let us make sure that there shall be no let up in our efforts to carry forward the work of the church. Nothing is more essential than the religious life of a people.

It may be that in our adjustments we can find more time for prayer, meditation, reading of good books, systematic study, and more careful preparation for the church services. In time of activism we take too little time for meditation on the things of God. How necessary that we watch the controlling motives of our lives! Look well to the hidden springs. Give thought to quality so that a celestial glory will glow in everything that is done. Practice the presence of God. Establish a quiet hour. Find somewhere a holy of holies. Let not details crowd out devotions.

Let us pray for one another. Let us strengthen the fellowship. May we seek actively the presence of God as we undertake the terrifying job of interpreting the will of God to a troubled world. While schedules may have to be adjusted, let us make certain that the spiritual glow will be maintained.

BREVARD COLLEGE DAY SUNDAY, FEB. 15

By action of the Western North Carolina conference, Sunday, February 15, or as near thereto as possible, was fixed as a time to present an appeal for Brevard College.

Ten thousand dollars is needed as a maintenance fund for the self-help program at Brevard College. We have a chance now to do something worth while for this institution. Let all of our people make a generous response.

Clare Purcell.

KIRKPATRICK TALKS ABOUT ED KIRK

Ed Kirk has a way of going the second mile in a lot of things—among them getting subscribers for the Advocate. Some days ago a goodwoman who serves the public and Uncle Sam by working in the postoffice in Cliffside hailed one of his stewards with this: "What kind of preacher is this new one? He has more Advocates coming to this office than Charlotte Observers."

C. S. Kirkpatrick.

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Louie D. Newton in writing of the passing of Georgia's foremost woman says: "Martha Berry is waiting at the gates of heaven."

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It appears that Tom Jimison has been stirring among the putrefactions he found in the state hospital located at Morganton. And the more he stirs the worse it smells. As usual with rotten politics, the political smell is about the most disagreeable of any.

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Dr. Mildred McAfee, president of Wellesley College, pays her respects to prejudice in the following terms: "Prejudice is a social habit, not a social law. To men and women of good will the world is too full of jobs to be done, of purposes to be accomplished to excuse the perpetuation of bad habits."

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A mid-western farmer has said that to call hogs effectively two qualifications are necessary. First, the caller must have volume enough to make the hogs hear him. Second, he must have appeal enough in his voice to make the hogs think he has something they want. What more does any man need to make him an effective public speaker? In other words, a hog-caller and an orator are akin.

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Watch the man who claims a superior brand of piety and at the same time has much to say about it. True piety does not "lift up its voice in the streets." Like the stars of heaven it shines on in silence and beauty. The stars of the skies fire no cannon to attract attention. There is no need of it. Back in the "gay nineties" there was a great fad among the noisy religionists to carry their Bibles under their arms when on the way to church and frequently when not attending religious services. Dr. Paul J. Carraway, a distinguished Methodist preacher of that generation said, so many rascals were carrying Bibles about with them that he was ashamed to carry his.

Most Americans are opposed to war but just now they are determined to make the best of this war as they do of other bad things. This, however, does not argue that we should rely on the destructive agencies of earth rather than on the constructive. Our business as Christians is to destroy the works of the devil. Then we can set ourselves to rebuild a better world.

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The death of Judge Clarkson, associate justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, removes a citizen long prominent in the affairs of the state. He kept in close touch with the common people. His friends were multitudinous and the moral health of North Carolina a matter that ever commanded his best services. He was a life long enemy of the liquor traffic and regarded it one of the great curses of the human family. It was once said of his distinguished father that a mountain of gold could not have bought him if a question of honor and honesty was involved. The same may have been said of his son, Heriot. The going of such a man leaves a vacancy not easily filled in all that makes for high character, good citizenship and the welfare of his day and generation.

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In the first world war soldiers from the Dominions of the British Empire made a marvelous record, notably the Canadians and the Australians. Not much has been said this time of the soldiers furnished by the Dominions. Canada does not even have the selective draft, though at present this is being discussed. Evidently the British Empire is in need of soldiers. Churchill's disclosure of the situation in North Africa with the hard pressed English against overwhelming numbers of the enemy is significant. Does this mean that America is relied upon by England to furnish the men and the resources made possible by the lease and lend bill to press the war on all continents and on the seven seas? Well may the heart of this Republic be burdened as never before.

Save the Soul of America

SOME would make the Christian church an adjunct of the present national war machine. By them every element and agency of the nation would be turned over without let or hindrance to the one end of winning this war. This is being followed at present so far as material forces and resources go. The present plans for four million men in the armed forces and one hundred and fourteen billions of money tells the tale. But then this Republic is certainly more than vast material resources. It has a soul. The one and only force that remains to save its soul is the Christian church whose work is spiritual.

We have been much rejoiced that the effort to take over the church as a part—as an adjunct of the vast war machine of the first world war—has not been manifest in this war. No local church, so far as we know, has been used as an agency for selling victory bonds and as a place for enlisting soldiers. Few pulpits have been desecrated by war sermons and the crying of crusades for a "holy war." The effort far and wide has been to exalt the spiritual and to make pre-eminent everywhere the church of God as a spiritual force in the land.

Just now the one urgent mission of the church is to bring men to God and to conserve the spiritual vigor of the soul of this Republic. The people who find their way into the pews of our churches are eager to be refreshed and strengthened for the trying ordeals of life. A secular atmosphere and a worldly minded preacher fails to meet the situation. Burdened men and distressed mothers are anxious for a message from God and eager for the consolation that the pure gospel has to offer. Are we all going to hold the church to its spiritual functions and make it the one factor and force to save the soul of America? The church must keep clear the vision of God and embody the Prince of Peace.

Saving for Defense

IN the midst of all this talk about saving for defense why has nothing been done about the most wasteful business of this country—the liquor business as we have it at this time. Why not take the rubber worn out on beer trucks and make bombing planes to fight the nation's battles? And this is only one little item. Old John Barleycorn is no patriot. On the contrary, he is enemy No. 1 who seeks to destroy everything that is good. The experts say that $4,000,000,000 is diverted annually for alcoholic drinks. Why not turn these billions into the federal treasury to carry on this present war when we are battling for the freedom of mankind?

In the first world war General Pershing, commander of A. E. F., said: "Banish the entire liquor industry from the United States; close every saloon, every brewery; and the nation will suddenly find itself amazed at the efficiency and startled at the increase in its labor supply."

What reply does President Roosevelt make to the question raised by General Pershing? What reply has Governor Broughton to make to the W. C. T. U.? Would the governor do the thing these women request, if he had the power? This second question is the one to which the people would be glad to have an answer.

Why Surrender to Liquor?

CONGRESSMAN CLARE HOFFMAN of Michigan said to the House of Representatives: "I hope we take away the tires and the tubes and the automobiles and the chewing gum and the cigarettes and the beer and the whiskey and a thousand other things we do not need, and use the savings for guns and ammunition and all the things the soldiers need." "Not the whiskey," came a voice from the floor. To which Mr. Hoffman replied: "Yes; the whiskey. Why let some drink themselves drunk while others die?"

The present surrender to the demon alcohol in America is the appalling situation that threatens the welfare of this Republic. Every soldier camp is left to suffer from the greed and waste of the liquor traffic in its hellish work. Even here in North Carolina there is a strange indifference to this present local situation. What matters it if the soldier boys drink to drunkenness so it but adds to the profits of the liquor trade, which boasts defiantly that the present supply is sufficient to last for five years! Why not convert this into commercial alcohol and stop the present waste of grain?

Dr. Jacob Simpson Peyton in a recent comment from Washington writes:

> One of the most noticeable and unaccountable changes registered in Washington is the contrast of the public attitude toward the production of intoxicants now with that of the beginning of the first world war. Months ago Secretary Harold S. Ickes worked himself into a dither over rationing gasoline, and Federal Price Administrator Leon Henderson already has placed a ban on tires, and

on new automobiles effective February 1, and such a hullaballoo has been raised about saving aluminum and waste paper that quite naturally one would expect the government, if it is in earnest and consistent about conservation, to crack down on the breweries and the distilleries.

Newspaper Institute

EDITOR R. E. PRICE of The Rutherford County News, in writing of the recent newspaper institute of the North Carolina Press Association which is held each year in Chapel Hill, with an annual dinner Friday evening of the institute at Duke University, gives the following paragraph to the Duke dinner:

"Friday night at Duke University was a real highlight of the institute. Those Duke folks know how to entertain and make one feel at home. They gave an excellent program which featured an address by Hamilton Owens, editor of the Baltimore Sun. Owens is a deep thinker. His paper was not for the new deal spending, etc., but it is behind the foreign policy of the Roosevelt administration and is doing its part to help win the war."

Let us add that if the popularity of these Duke dinners continue to increase it will become necessary to hold the dinner in the big double dining room where the alumni dinners are held at commencement. The newspaper folks have overflowed the biggest banquet room on the second floor of the Duke union where admission has been by tickets.

To us this press dinner at Duke is the most delightful that we are permitted to attend anywhere.

What Comes of Writing Poetry for the Press

THE following story may serve as a warning to those children of men who follow the inner whisperings of the muses and then to make a matter worse persist in sending for publication such attempts at rhyming:

An angry man dashed into the editor's office. "Look here," he cried, "I wrote a poem about my little son, and began the verse with the words:

" 'My son, my pigmy counterpart.' "

"Yes?" replied the editor.

The poet pointed to the poem in the paper. "Read that," he stormed, "and see what your fool of a compositor has done!"

The editor read:

"My son, my pig, my counterpart."

A North Carolina Paper for North Carolinians

THE North Carolina Christian Advocate is first and last and all the time a servant of the people of North Carolina, particularly the Methodists of the Old North State. It is yours and do not fail to use what belongs to you. When you have ideas of public interest and value write them out in as good form as possible and send them for publication in this Advocate.

There is always room for the insertion of short contributions without delay. Longer articles generally require more time. A contribution that requires a page or more, unless of unusual merit and timeliness, is forced to bide its time. And some lengthy contributions are of such permanent value that they can wait without hurt to anybody. This we have to do sometimes when our limited space is overcrowded. Whether writing church news, or discussing public questions, keep in mind that "brevity is the soul of wit" and also the soul of wisdom and multiplies the number of readers. Write so that you will be sure to get your contribution in the next issue of the paper, and this will prove more satisfactory to you and also to us. And there is nothing that pleases us more than to do satisfactory work for our patrons.

Send us the news and we will do our best to make the Advocate what North Carolinians have a right to expect in their church paper.

Looking in Several Directions

THERE is the forward look which predominates in youth. There is the backward look which is characteristic of old age. There is the upward look which indicates an interest in things that are high and holy, just as the downward look implies an interest in the low and sensual. Furthermore, we speak of inspection or the inward look which concerns itself with the inner character.

The man or woman who can keep a due balance between all these is generally called level headed or sensible. To place an undue emphasis on any one of these is a mental infirmity, and like Paul said of his afflictions, he generally glories in such an infirmity.

Fortunate indeed is he who is able to preserve a proper balance and does not give himself unduly to retrospection, inspection or some other sort of spection.

People and Things

Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis, Tenn., thinks that a prevalent disease in church life is "spiritual diabetes." His idea is that this disease comes from too much sugar in preaching.

Perhaps our friends will be interested to know that Mr. Stamper is able to be out again, after having been confined to the home since conference.—Mrs. G. A. Stamper.

This Sunday afternoon (February 1) service of the union revival at Bethlehem church, Alamance county will be broadcast over WBBB at 2 o'clock. Rev. Gypsy Simon Smith, preacher. The revival in progress February 1-15.

We hope from time to time to send you more subscribers from Lee's Chapel. However that may be, the Advocate will be given consideration in our church. We also have plans under way to improve our church building, improve the grounds and build a parsonage. Our budget has been kept fairly well up to date thus far this year.—J. J. Powell, Pastor.

The First Methodist church, Siler City, Rev. C. B. Culbreth, pastor, expects to make a notable occasion of the men's banquet Friday night, January 30. The men's Sunday school class has provided the banquet free for all. Guest speakers are Dr. W. K. Greene, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw and Rev. W. V. McRae. All such should insure a most profitable occasion.

Our people at Spencer Memorial are very loyal and appreciative. Considerable improvements have been made on the parsonage already; plans are now being made to provide more adequate room for the pupils in our church school; attendance at prayer meeting, church school and preaching services is good, and our budget is more than balanced for the first quarter of the conference year.—C. E. Murray.

We enjoyed the privilege of worshipping last Sunday morning with the congregation at West Durham. A well filled house and a well attended service of music and responsive reading contributed to the hour of worship. Brother W. L. Clegg, pastor, gave an excellent sermon on the theme, "The Glory of the Defeated." It was well wrought out and effectively presented to an attentive and thoughtful congregation in which were not a few with a sense of defeat in life.

The death of J. W. House removes from us a good man and useful citizen. On January 7, 1942, J. W. House, age 83, departed this life. Over a period of years he had suffered from a heart ailment and his passing was not unexpected. He had been a devoted member of Eden (former M. P.) church a number of years and supported the church with his time and means whenever an opportunity presented itself. He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, formerly Miss Mamie Pittman, a daughter, Miss Blanche Hardee, and a son, Dansey Hardee, all of Enfield.

Before a congregation which completely filled the redecorated and modernized auditorium of Central Methodist church Sunday morning, Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte pointed to Jesus as the light which still shines in a blacked out world. The occasion of Bishop Purcell's visit to Albemarle was the re-opening of the church auditorium after several months had been spent in making it more attractive. At 9 o'clock Sunday morning the pastor, Dr. R. Dwight Ware, conducted a communion service, assisted by Rev. G. N. Dulin and Rev. J. E. Yountz, using for the first time the communion service presented to the church by Mrs. John S. Efird, in memory of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Milton.—Stanly News and Press.

Rev. A. C. Waggoner and his North Wilkesboro congregation are at the head of the column this week with nine new subscribers and $18 to pay for the same. This does not include renewals. That is a fine congregation at North Wilkesboro and they have a pastor who knows how to inspire his people to do bigger and better deeds.

We need, perhaps as never before, to realize that our people must be called back to prayer and a dependence upon the spiritual rather than the material things of life. Sorrows, calamities and inconveniences will be coming to our people, and unless they are well grounded upon the spiritual verities it will be tragic for them. Let's work and pray this year as never before.—Bulletin of Wilmington District.



Brevard College students who attended the recent National Student Conference in Urbana, Illinois. Front row—left to right, Corinna Puett, Dallas; Helen Hampton, Murphy; Alice Amon, Charlotte. Second row—Leo Nance, Whiteville; Clyde Collins, Troutman; Ray Swink, Linwood.

The National Association of Biblical Instructors has elected to its presidency Professor Edgar Sheffield Brightman, the Borden Parker Bowne professor of philosophy of Boston University. Dr. Brightman who is a member of the New England conference has written a dozen books in his field, has filled endowed lectureships at Harvard, Lowell Institute, Boston, Duke University, University of Michigan, is a member of numerous learned societies, and is of special service to his church as a member of the University Senate.

The traditional Maiden pounding for the pastor of the Maiden charge took place in a surprise move from the nooks and secret places of the Maiden church. The pastor and his family were pounded from all sides for the period of about 15 minutes until we were left spellbound, too excited for words. Anyway we passed through it and it certainly left a substantial feeling and hearts full of love for a people who could be so generous. Also a hot water heating system has been installed in the Maiden church at a cost of $1600, and we are well within $100 having it paid for. One hundred new Methodist hymnals have been purchased for the Maiden church and we have a substantial amount on hand toward another 100. A new gas stove has been placed in the parsonage and repairs and additions to both parsonage and garage. The former pastor, Rev. J. G. Winkler, left a fine spirit among the people and we anticipate a most successful year.—J. Clyde Auman, P.C.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE CLARKSON DIES IN CHARLOTTE

Heriot Clarkson, 78, since 1928 an associate justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, died January 27, 1942, at the home of his son, Francis O. Clarkson, in Charlotte after a short illness that developed since his arrival in Charlotte with Mrs. Clarkson from their summer home at Little Switzerland.

Heart trouble was the cause of death. He had been exerting himself somewhat too strenuously during the last few days, but he had not considered himself ill nor had members of his family until Tuesday morning of this week.

The funeral was held at St. Peter's Episcopal church, which he joined December 11, 1881.

Surviving near relatives are the widow, before her marriage on December 10, 1889, Miss Mary Lloyd Osborne of Charlotte, three sons and a daughter, Francis O. Clarkson and Edwin O. Clarkson of Charlotte, Rev. Thomas Simmons Clarkson of Tupelo, Miss., and Mrs. John Garland Pollard of Washington, D. C. Another son, Heriot Clarkson, Jr., died in early manhood.

Judge Clarkson had lived a full and useful life, climaxed by a service of nearly 19 years on the Supreme Court. In that exalted position he never lost sight of the humanities, and through the maze of difficult and technical questions he was ever able to glimpse the meritorious and deserving aspects of each case.

He previously served with distinction as state solicitor of his judicial district, and in many other important capacities he rendered notable service to his country and state. In the early days he was a leader in the cause of good roads and had a very large part in shaping the road program in this state. Judge Clarkson was the outstanding leader of the state in the cause of temperance and prohibition.

Heriot Clarkson was born in Richland county, S. C., August 21, 1863. In 1872 his family moved to Columbia and a year later his father, who was in the railroad service, brought the family to Charlotte.

That year young Clarkson attended the Male Academy taught by his uncle, Walter B. Clarkson, and from October, 1873, until 1880 he was a student in the Carolina Military Institute operated by Col. J. P. Thomas. In June of that year he entered the law office of Jones and Johnson as a sub-clerk and two years later was made head clerk. In January, 1884, young Clarkson entered the University of North Carolina's law school, from which he graduated as the first in his class the following October. Two days after his graduation he was admitted to the bar and on October 11 he began his practice in Charlotte.

In 1887 he was a member of the board of aldermen and vice mayor of Charlotte, and one of his achievements this year was the codification of the city ordinances. The following year he formed a partnership with Charles A. Duls, which continued until Mr. Duls was made a judge of the superior court.

In 1904 he was chairman of the Anti-Saloon League in Charlotte and under his leadership the saloon was voted out of Charlotte on July 5 that year. The next year Governor Aycock appointed him solicitor of the twelfth judicial district, composed of Mecklenburg, Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland, and Cabarrus counties. He was later elected to this office and re-elected until his retirement in 1911.

The state was carried by the prohibition forces in 1908 under his leadership as president of the Anti-Saloon League by a majority of 44,196. He drafted the bill and helped obtain its passage through the General Assembly and was subsequently chairman of the committee that drew and sponsored the famous Turlington act that was passed in 1923 and made North Carolina laws conform to national prohibition laws.

As leader of the Good Roads Association, as promoter of Little Switzerland and other constructive enterprises Judge Clarkson rendered a great service.

One of the most prized events of Justice Clarkson's long and active life was the celebration at the Charlotte hotel of the golden wedding anniversary of his and Mrs. Clarkson's marriage on December 10, 1889. Hundreds of their friends, including persons of much prominence in the life of the state and nation, attended the happy anniversary event, held in the Charlotte hotel.

REV. AND MRS. W. T. ALBRIGHT IN SERIOUS AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Rev. W. T. Albright, pastor of the North Davidson charge, and Mrs. Albright, on the morning of January 15 when traveling the highway from Greensboro to Winston-Salem was hit just west of the Guilford College station by an automobile from a side road with serious results. Mrs. Albright suffered a broken ankle, a number of bruises, severe shock, and is still in the hospital. Rev. Mr. Albright received a cut on the head, bruises, and was knocked unconscious. The crash into his car caused it to stop without the unconscious driver's aid. Both Mr. and Mrs. Albright were carried in an ambulance to the Piedmont hospital, Greensboro, where they received treatment and where Mrs. Albright will be forced to remain for several weeks.

The damage to the car amounted to $450 and fortunately was covered with insurance. It was practically a new car. The man who ran into the Albright car, we are informed, had no insurance.

Brother Albright after a ten days stay in the hospital has been with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Shelly Caviness, in Greensboro. He hopes to fill his appointments next Sunday.

A TRIBUTE TO ONE GREATLY BELOVED

The death of Mrs. Frances Page Wilder of Aberdeen on Christmas morning ushered a rare and beautiful Christian into the presence of God, and left her family and hosts of friends sorely bereaved. Her devoted service to her church, to the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and to the community, made her going away an irreparable loss.

She was a wonderful example of a Christian mother, a true church woman, and citizen, as well as a friend and helper to all who needed her.

She daily lived the teachings of the Master in a manner few rarely attain. No one could fail to feel the power of her calm, gentle, unassuming, yet strong personality. Those who loved her cannot but feel that her presence will linger with us to bless and inspire and guide us through the years.

The missionary women of the entire district wish to express their deep sympathy to her family, sister and associates in the Page Memorial church of Aberdeen.

"She walked with God, and was not, for God took her."

Committee: Mrs. P. L. Johnson, Mrs. C. B. Culbreth,
Mrs. W. H. Brown, Mrs. H. E. Bowman.

ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN WELL UNDER WAY

A few have reached their quota, many have made a start, and the general outlook is propitious. Rev. A. C. Waggoner of North Wilkesboro in remitting $18 adds: "No trouble at all. Just a few minutes of explanation. This makes our board of stewards 100 per cent."

Later we will give a report up to date. How many will have their quota in this coming first report?

CENTENNIAL OF METHODISM WANTED

Anyone who has "The Centennial of Methodism" by L. S. Burkhead (1876) will please write this office and the price of the copy.

Can the Rural Church Live?

By A. J. WALTON

Do you think the rural church can live? It is easy to say, "Surely it will." But why are you sure? Just because the little meeting house has become a landmark in our land is not sufficient proof. Other landmarks have disappeared, and this is an age of disappearing landmarks.

Our land was sown broadcast with the little white meeting house by a freedom-loving people, seeking to express the desire to worship God in freedom. Freedom became a commonplace. Few seemed to realize freedom's cost or the price a people must pay to keep the love of freedom alive. Few, too, seemed aware that freedom depends upon appreciation of human worth, and that human worth has never escaped selfish class preferment unless the Fatherhood of God was held supreme. The church began to die when our people began indifferently to revere God and think more of human comfort than sacrificial service, more of contented vespers than reveille matins that challenge to vigorous evangelism, more of peaceful meditation than public witnessing for Christ.

There followed a sad record of closed and closing rural churches. Go travel across our fair land—land of an ever increasing population. View the closed churches and the struggling churches barely able to stay open. There are the altars where our fathers knelt in repentance, and arose to testify to the saving power of a living God. There they communed with God and cemented human friendships in forgiving love; there they welcomed their children into the fellowship of Christ, and bade adieu to mortal remains of saints departed to be with the Lord.

Today their children's children have ceased to revere the God of the little white church and it is closed or weakly struggling for existence. Hundreds of these churches have been turned into farm homes, barns, or sadder still, they stand empty with broken windows, battered doors and rotting roof and floor. No longer do the altars call to humble repentance or hallowed communion —men are self-sufficient.

Once the rural church molded the moral and ethical standard of a people and our whole national life felt that leaven. Business, politics, government, and the press knew and respected the power of that leavening influence. Today, they are, to say the least, indifferent, if not cynical. Speak of religion as a power to be reckoned with and you are dubbed "old fashioned," queer, fanatic, or a reformer. Be persistent and you are a "blue nose" or a "crank." Hosts of farmers, laborers and leaders who still hold church membership are careful never to mention religion among their business associates. The leaven —the salt, is rapidly losing its savor.

You say, "What pessimism!" and, "That is not the whole picture." True, this is pessimism—pessimism born of a terrible heartache and fear. True, it is not all the picture. Thank God it is not. There are thousands of rural churches still open and seeking to minister to the spiritual needs of man. Then, why the pessimsm? Because rural churches are still closing. Some should merge with others and thus close their doors, but a study of those closing will place but few in this class. Churches are still closing in the midst of an ample opportunity. The disease that destroys the human spirit and destroys the desire for a place to worship God and practice Christian fellowship has not been cured.

Can the rural church continue to live despite the disease? Will the disease grow to an epidemic?

The rural church cannot live unless the people want it to live. They will not want it to live unless they come to love God with joyous zeal and abandon. It all roots back in the human heart. The church cannot make man want to love and desire God. No amount of scolding, teaching or pleading can compel him to desire God above all else. Man must humble his self-sufficient will and meekly submit to the will and love of God or there is no way out—no way to maintain the Christian religion, no way to create a dominant demand for a place of worship and fellowship.

What can the church do about it? Notice I did not ask, "What can the rural church do about it?" It must do its part—it must lead out in the enterprise and be persistent, but the task is one for the whole church; city, town and rural church will fall or rise together. If either fails all must fall eventually.

The Church Can

The church can challenge every leader and worker to vigorously lead an attack against the sins and selfishness which cause today's indifference to God. The best defense is an attack. Too long we've been polite or fearful in the face of corroding sins and selfishness in the lives of our friends and those whom the church should inspire to righteousness. We will be Christian and courteous in the attack, but these virtues sometimes send the Christ-like on a hard-fisted cleansing of the temple—the holy places of God.

The church can also call every Christian to witness for Christ before a sin-tortured world. Christians will cringe at the call. No soul can know how difficult it is to be a witness until that soul honestly witnesses to loved ones, intimate acquaintances, and friends where the witness should be given. But witness we must, and that not as a professional task. It must be the earnest and determined testimony of every redeemed soul to those who can be reached either personally or through the enlisted services of another.

Again the church can challenge every professing Christian to live a life that is holy and righteous and which makes one's testimony acceptable to men. What a difficult and complicated task! We are the church, and we are to challenge each other to such Christ-likeness. How are we to challenge and make sure the challenge is effectual? The method is simple, but to practice it helpfully will demand all our human strength, plus a human surrender to God that will make his power to offset our weakness.

The method is that we shall purpose to do what we believe God wants done, seek opportunity to witness to the goodness and love of God, testify to our own salva-

tion, study God's word diligently, and commune with God and those who seek to know and do his will.

If we pursue this method we will practice such love, patience, forgiveness, and self-control that those who know not God will be made aware that our lives are different. Then it is up to us to convince them of the reason for the difference.

Persistent pursuit of this method of life will strike the disease which closes churches at the seat of the trouble. The tide will be turned, and, once again, the church of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, will sweep through our land a conquering force.

Do we want this to happen? Will we do what each knows must be done to insure that it will happen? This is not pessimism. It is a call to you—to you for a personal response.

A GOOD MOTHER GONE

My dear mother went to church in heaven last Sunday, January 25, leaving her earthly home at five in the morning. She was a good woman. She was a noble woman. If she entertained a selfish thought I never knew it. She was an ideal neighbor. In His name she was always ready to bear the burdens of those less fortunate. No night was too long or too lonely for her to keep vigil by the bedside of a suffering friend. No disappointments, no reverses of any kind could weaken her faith in the God she loved and worshipped. Hers was a practical religion which readily made itself felt when duty called. And I never knew more genuine appreciation than she showed when a kindness had been done for her. She frequently loaned; she seldom borrowed. She always repaid in Christian measure.

My mother loved her family and her friends. She loved her community and her church. She greatly loved and respected her pastors. She was proud of her preacher son and of her other sons and daughters. Since the passing of my father, Andrew Jackson Hobbs, in 1934, she had been lonely, but without telling it too often to others. Born Rhodema Newland Copeland, June 19, 1868, she was 63 years of age. The burden of the years had never caused her to grow old. She leaves three sons and three daughters: Graham C. Hobbs, Corapeake; E. Truitt Hobbs, Norfolk, Va.; A. J. Hobbs, Durham; Mrs. Allie H. Alexander, Clinton; Mrs. Clarence R. Myers, Hampton, Va., and Mrs. Lester J. Hyland, Chicago.

Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. T. J. Whitehead, from Parkers church in Gates county, and we laid her to rest in the church cemetery.

A. J. Hobbs.

GASTONIA DISTRICT MINISTERS' WIVES MEET

Twelve new members were welcomed into the Gastonia District Ministers' Wives group at their meeting January 19 in Cherryville. The twenty-three pastors' wives enjoyed the hours of fellowship and during the discussion period it was discovered that all parsonages have running water except one which is planning to build; and eleven parsonages have been improved since our last meeting, including two new parsonages at Concord and Lawndale. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. E. M. Jones; vice president, Mrs. G. B. Clemmer; recording secretary, Mrs. C. D. Brown; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. F. R. Love. Following separate meetings the ministers joined their wives to enjoy a bountiful lunch served by the Cherryville women. Mrs. R. M. Hauss,

Secretary Pro Tem.

LAYMAN'S LEAGUE ASSEMBLES IN MOCKSVILLE

The lay members of the Methodist church in the Elkin district met in the Methodist church in Mocksville on Sunday afternoon, January 25, for the purpose of organizing into a Layman's League. The meeting was well attended by representative groups from throughout the district which is composed of Ashe, Alleghany, Watauga, Surry, Wilkes, Yadkin, and Davie counties.

A feeling of inspiration and hope pervaded the meeting from the singing of the stirring opening hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers" until the close.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of the North Wilkesboro church, who used as his topic the timely thought of steadfastness in building as represented by Nehemiah in the building of the walls of Jerusalem.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs, the district superintendent, expressed pleasure at the interest manifested by the large delegation.

The special feature of the afternoon was the excellent presentation of a number of fine musical numbers by a quartet from Greensboro College. The quartet was composed of Misses Margaret Morrison, Alice Pierce, Mary Warrener, and Helen Owenby, with Miss Ellen Troy Woodson as accompanist.

The presiding officer, B. C. Brock, associate lay leader of the district, presented Rev. R. M. Hardee, pastor of the church, who welcomed the visiting laymen and introduced the speaker for the afternoon, Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College. Dr. Gobbel has worked assidiously in helping promote an organized membership in the church.

Dr. A. W. Plyler presented the N. C. Christian Advocate. He cited the successful year which has just passed as an indication of the growing consciousness of the people of the church paper as a medium of their spiritual growth. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, a beloved preacher, retired and living in Mocksville, presented the cause of Brevard College, calling attention to the need of the college and reminding that February 15 was Brevard Sunday.

Brief remarks were made by F. J. McDuffie of North Wilkesboro, P. J. Johnson and R. S. Proctor of Mocksville, and L. F. Amburn, Elkin, associate lay leader of the district.

During the brief business session organization was effected by the election of a district president, B. C. Brock of Davie, and an executive committee with a member from each county: R. S. Proctor, Davie; J. F. Rhodes, Ashe; Mrs. F. Inskeep, Alleghany; Dr. J. D. Rankin, Watauga; Fred H. Hobson, Yadkin; Clifton Leary, Surry; A. B. Snipes, Wilkes.

The meeting was closed with the benediction by Rev. H. C. Sprinkle. B. C. Brock, Asso. Lay Leader.

METHODISTS TO ERECT BUILDING AT WEST MARION

Arrangements are approved for construction of a new church by the Methodists of West Marion. Plans have been drawn by the Duke endowment and work will start the last of this week or the first of next on the $4,000 building. Rev. F. R. Barber is the pastor.

The new structure will be the third erected on the present site. The church was organized between 1865 and 1870 about three miles beyond the present house of worship. The new building provides for a main auditorium seating from 200 to 250 people with six Sunday school rooms and kitchen in the basement. Two of the basement rooms can be converted for recreation use for special occasions. Dimensions for the brick veneer structure will be 50 feet deep by 28 feet wide. The West Marion church is operating on a pay-as-you-go basis. The new building can be added to at the rear if and when larger quarters are needed. The church now has over 100 members.

PARK STREET, BELMONT

The work is going very nicely here. The people are lovely to work with, very co-operative and open for suggestions from their pastor.

The Sunday school is in a healthy, growing condition, both in membership and giving. The fourth Sunday program is now a reality in the church with all departments co-operating. The special Christmas offering for World Service was $81. The Children's Home has already been paid $204 The salary will show a large increase at the next conference and all other claims accordingly. All claims are paid to date. More than $400 has been paid on the church debt. There is marked spiritual growth among the members.

For all this we give God the glory. Pray for us.

John Wyatt, Pastor.

Rethinking the Need and the Nature of Adult Evangelism

By S. A. MAXWELL

Part I

If the church of the nineteenth century forgot the child let not the church of the twentieth century neglect the adult. Do we still have any message for the adult masses? "When we no longer have the evangel, we ought to be honest enough to stop talking about evangelism. Evangelism without the evangel is a body without a soul; it is a corpse. The recovery of the evangel is the condition to the recovery of evangelism, and the recovery of the evangel is the recovery of that which created the New Testament—the Son of God suffering, dying, rising again, for the redemption of a sinful world," declares Edwin Lewis. So evangelism is then the primary work of the church in every age and in every land, and as such may fairly claim first place in the thought of its leaders and in the affection of its people. The task of the preacher in evangelism is to take the ageless truths and the ancient passion of the good news of God in Christ and set them in the very midst of the thought life of the day, shorn of all accidental and obsolete accumulations. The evangelism of Jesus produces a seeing eye, a hearing ear, an attentive heart, and a sense of yearing which translates the whole energy of life into creative and remedial social action. Christian evangelism is represented by love and brotherhood. It was by the utterance of these two words that Christianity broke up the old empire of paganism, and created a new society and a new world order. Everything waits for the pulpit to speak. The first business of the preacher is to proclaim the evangel of Christ. He exists for the purpose of making real to men the purpose of God for the salvation of the world. It is never a simple or light task. Remember always that the evangel is Christ—the stupendous mystery of God on earth, the amazing paradox of God dying yet alive, the unfathomable wonder of men delivered from sin and seized for immortality. It is never an easy thing in which the amazing mercy of God makes up in some amazing manner for the unmerciful emptiness of the preacher. An effective evangelism for adults recognizes the magnitude of its terms, and always has a basis in profound thought. It is not a collection of platitudes in scriptural accent put together without much labor, and amply illustrated by more or less relevant anecdotes of a sentimental and saddening nature. The preacher has a gospel to proclaim. He has an appeal to make to the intelligence. He reaches men's hearts and wills through their minds, and he must choose between a language moulded by the best thought of the times and saturated with its noblest spirit, and a speech that is replellant through its barbaric crudity. No permanent, vigorous, intelligent adult evangelism can be built up unless the facts and forces of the religious life can be interpreted in the accredited thought of the day. This the preacher must accept as his primary task.

The living church is a church to which are added continually those who are being born from above; and the epochs of religious power have been the epochs of successful adult evangelism. The great movements and campaigns among adults have wrought large results. What a tragedy if we restrict the method and reduce the evangel. The history of religion in America indicates that the fruitage of the great revival of 1857 created valuable agencies and released unmeasurable redemptive forces. It inaugurated the great evangelistic movements under D. L. Moody, and his successors; it gave us such nation-wide youth movements as the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the Christian Endeavor, and the Student Volunteer Movement; it brought into existence summer conferences, Bible institutes, and Bible colleges; it inspired many kinds of social reform agencies; it was the happy mother of scores of gospel hymn writers and composers, whose inspirational spiritual songs have blessed the churches in this and other lands for more than 80 years; it crystalized the American Sunday School Movement, and gave us the International Uniform Sunday School Lessons. Yes, the fire that fell from God in '57 gave us scores of evangelical preachers—men of superlative spiritual power; and scores of pioneer missionary organizations. The revival of '57 lighted tens of thousands of family altar fires, and preserved the nation from the corruption that seriously threatened it during the period that followed our Civil War. And still other fruits of the American revival could be recorded. In rethinking the worth of the revival may we remember that all of these are the children, the direct product of, mass evangelism. There is an amazing similarity between the social and moral and economic conditions of 1857 and 1942—our day! At least there is the possibility that we have discarded the only method and adulterated the only message which can save men and regenerate human society. Let us then intelligently rethink adult evangelism for our day.

Great revivals are the result of a full evangel proclaimed to adult masses. Such evangelism touches every phase and institution of human society and always exalts some cardinal truth, often some neglected or perverted truth. The Lutheran revival followed the proclamation that "the just shall live by faith"; the Wesleyan revival sprang from the quickening gospel of "the witness of the Spirit"; the revival under Jonathan Edwards was wrought by his and his colleagues' preaching "the sovereignty of God," a deliverance which rolled back the rising tide of American infidelity; followed then the great revival led by Charles G. Finney proclaiming "God's wrath against sin"; and, after a generation, the work of D. L. Moody with his messages of "God's infinite love"; and finally the great city-wide crusades led by W. A. Sunday with "their miracles of personal salvation" and deep currents of social reform and sobriety. Behold what a tragic difference! The deliverance of the church today lacks the single and commanding message; it sees society and men only from points and angles; it deals with pieces of the truth instead of the whole mastering evangel; it putters much about making the programs child-centered and youth-appealing but seems to neglect the mighty evangel capable of remaking adults. The task of Christian evangelism can never be adequately met just through the kindergarten or from the playhouse or even from the half hour Sunday morning Sunday school session. It can ever be confined just to statistics dealing with the number of babies baptized out of our own church families. Let all of these be as important as they may be, yet an evangelism for adults is something in addition to nurture and recreation and instruction. In the Christian evangel all of these are significant parts of an infinitely more significant whole. For this very reason we must probe until we disturb and arouse the church to the crown of her restricted effort. Let us observe sinning by syndicate on an international scale perpetrated by the unregenerate mind. In our type of evil society. It is not sufficient to give just a light moral and religious guidance to children and youth and expect them to endure in righteousness in a world so filled with moral and social lunacy. They must be led to experience and appreciate the wonderful significance of the regenerating fellowship with Christ. Not what man is by nature, but what he can become through grace, is Christianity's enduring message to childhood, youth, and the adult. No greater calamity has ever come upon the church than this quarter of a cen-

tury of neglecting adult evangelism; no greater blow has ever been given our social order; what a fatal retreat; what a strange departure from the New Testament example! Indeed "the cross is to be taken up and borne: not to be turned into words, or made a theme of philosophical speculations." Without such adult evangelism everything else is insipid, cold, motionless, always lacking dynamic. With mass evangelism for adults Wesley faced the sordiness and brutality of English society as a whole. With mass evangelism for adults Edwards confronted the unbelief engendered by the influence of Thomas Paine and his followers. With mass evangelism for adults Moody smote on the calloused conscience of a whole generation that had learned to harden itself with bitter cynicism. But the church seems not to feel the social nature of the anti-religious spirit and hence no voice calls it to a crusade in evangelism. It is very busy with nurture, education, activities, and programs, but her effort is reaching almost none except the children and youth of parents who are already members of the church. Are we becoming a restricted fraternity? Have we lost our message and passion for the masses and for a generation? Are we seeking only results in children and youth? Are we satisfied with limited educational and social benefits, or do we need a program of adult evangelism that will again arouse the indifferent and convert the hostile to the things of the Spirit? If so it must not be a mild or mechanical program. The prophets entreat, but they thunder as well; they invite, but they command with a shout and a summons. John the Baptist calls men to the Lamb of God but he also rebukes a generation whom he calls vipers. Jesus weeps over Jerusalem; but you can hear a whole chapter of woes and warnings. Indeed a relentless moral authority beats through all the New Testament. We do not find Simon Peter cooing men at Pentecost; instead he issues a scathing rebuke and warns them to repent. Saint John is not for nothing called the Divine, and there is a strain of compassion that runs like music through all he writes; but he has a sharp and revealing and accusing discrimination. The soft hesitant, over-courteous, modern preaching has no warrant in the New Testament and no recommendation in redemptive results. Surely our gospel is not a side issue for a woman's occupation or only a protective moral education for children and youth. By our neglects and false emphases we have made our gospel, oftentimes, too small; we have made it an isolated experience for the mystic or just a mild story hour in the kindergarten, but not the energy of an empire destined to become the kingdom of God on earth. If not perishing with we are certainly floundering around with little partialities. We have chattered about the simplicity of the gospel, when the subject of it and the process of it is the biggest business God himself could find to do. A new note needs to be sounded, must be sounded for adult evangelism, by the leaders who actually operate the machinery of Methodism. For more than a quarter of a century we have been neglectful and indifferent and in come cases very hostile to adult evangelism. We entered an educational venture to rush in the kingdom through the cradle and the kindergarten, supplemented by supervised playhouses for our youth. Religious instruction, planned activities, and guided recreation were harbingers for a new world. We overlooked the adult and neglected or abandoned our gospel for the reclamation of character. Character in our society has declined far faster than such a program could build it. During this time, and let us confess it candidly, we have been more or less unconsciously paring our conception of Christian character, shrinking our standards of Christian conduct, dwarfing our measurements of Christian experience, explaining away the rugged requirements of repentance and the new birth, until there has been little to shock and grip men in our appeal. In this era of tension the appeal of the church to manhood has been too anemic, too juvenile. In our adult evangelism we must remember that men are won by a command and a task; a summons to big business for their souls. The church has lost far too many adults because of an all absorbing emphasis on amusing their children. The adult life will be captured only by strength and surrender only to a superior force. Men grow impatient of the fragmentary and the superficial in our programs. Men grow up! They are ready to give ear now as always in the past to an evangelism for winning a world and capturing a generation and seizing a society for the kingdom of God.

The tragic luxury of the closed mind toward adult evangelism has all but paralyzed the missionary program and destroyed all zeal for social reforms initiated by the church. Under the deadening influence of naturalism and humanism and economic materialism and a false educational philosophy, substituted for the evangel of personal redemption, we face a moral blackout and a long spiritual winter. Among the writers in religious education it is startling that "the idea of surrender to a superhuman Redeemer cannot be found as a primary element in any of the more influential books of the twentieth-century theory of religious education." This is not a reduction of the evangel but its total destruction! The folly of substituting human sufficiency for divine redemption! The church must be awakened to the peril of the closed heart. To redeem the church itself once again to the gospel of salvation we must tackle the task of adult evangelism. This evangelism must be purifying to the church, volcanic in remaking the adult mind and than it will create a constructive upheaval in both the church and society. Let us cultivate childhood and youth, let us develop growing persons, let us minister to every social need, but let us not overlook the fact that sinful men may repent, may be born from above, may become new creations in Christ Jesus instantaneously, completely and resolutely. Here is the thrill of adult evangelism: It faces men with the challenge to remake their lives; it calls for a remedial decision; it elicits a redemptive response; it stimulates a creative act of faith; it guides in corrective habits; it impels a controlling, purifying passion; it begets a mastering sentiment; it formulates a constructive purpose; it masters men by a service enlistment that means endless advancement; it introduces men directly to a personal Saviour so that his measureless love and matchless service constrains them to endless gratitude and praise. No aspect of life is reserved or unreached or unredeemed by it. So we need a new kind of crisis in Methodism; not a debt crisis; not even a statistical crisis or a legislative crisis, but a spiritual crisis that will inaugurate a new epoch. As in the Irish revival it must come from above, for then "vast energies hitherto slumbering are awakened, and new forces burst forth into being; its tide rolls in from an unseen continent, and moves with gathering momentum which nothing can resist; it brings an awakening in the individual and in the church, of a deep sense of sin; it brings a wonderful outburst of redemptive joy, showing itself in new songs and jubilant hearts."

TRIBUTE TO CHILDREN OF DURHAM SPASTIC CLINIC

When little Bobbie was asked by his father if he would like to send a dime to help crippled children he promptly replied, "No." But when Rev. R. W. Bradshaw took his small son for a walk by the children's Spastic Clinic and explained to him that these boys and girls who were having so much difficulty in the use of their hands and legs were crippled like those who would benefit from the dimes that were given on the President's birthday he exclaimed, "Oh, daddy, let's send them all the money in my World Bank!"

This is the feeling that inevitably comes to a sympathetic heart that comes in touch with the children of the Durham Spastic Clinic. It has been my privilege for several months to serve as counselor to Miss Polly Cozart and Catherine Bobbitt, who conduct Sunday school at the clinic. I have worked with classes of normal boys and girls of all ages and have taught adults, young and old, but I have never taught a more responsive group than these little cripples. They are radiantly happy in their worship and I believe they feel the Presence in their hearts as they sing, pray or listen to the lesson story.

They always greet us on Sunday morning with joy and never fail to thank us for coming, and each time I feel that I am the debtor to these little ones rather than they to me; for I have more fully realized while working with them the power of God to give joy in affliction that the world can neither give nor take away. Mrs. C. L. Read.

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF STEWARDS FOR ELKIN DISTRICT ORGANIZED LAST SUNDAY

Methodist stewards, other laymen and pastors of the Elkin district met at 2 o'clock last Sunday afternoon in the Mocksville Methodist church to discuss questions of interest to the people of the district and to organize a Stewards Council. B. C. Brock of Mocksville presided and was ably assisted by Rev. A. C. Gibbs, the superintendent of the Elkin district.

The devotional services were conducted by Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church. Rev. R. M. Hardee, pastor of the Mocksville church, extended words of welcome and made himself valuable in many respects. Incidentally, this young pastor is starting of the new year admirably and the people are delighted with their new pastor. That big church is well filled every Sunday, all finances are paid up to date and progress is the watchword. Keep your eye on Mocksville. That is a fine congregation. The people are among the very best in North Carolina Methodism, and good luck overtook them when Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle decided to make Mocksville their home when they retired from active work.

This is as good a place as any to express a word of appreciation for the services of the quartette of young ladies from Greensboro College who provided the music for the occasion. The big congregation was charmed with the presence of these students and delighted with their singing.

The principal address of the afternoon was delivered by Dr. L. L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College. "Work" was the subject of his address. He emphasized among other things the sixteen objectives that Bishop Purcell has set for North Carolina Methodism this year.

Rev. A. W. Plyler spoke briefly about the work of the religious press as an ally of the pulpit. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, president of the board of trustees of Brevard College, upon request of Rev. A .C. Gibbs, spoke timely words concerning the offering for Brevard College February 15 or as near thereto as will be convenient.

The new Council of Stewards was organized as follows: B. C. Brock, chairman; J. B. Snipes of Wilkes county; Davie county, R. S. Proctor; Surry, Clifton Leary; Yadkin, Fred B. Hobson; Ashe, J. F. Rhodes; Alleghany, Mrs. J. L. Inskeep; Watauga, Dr. J. D. Rankin.

Before adjournment several laymen from the floor spoke in appreciation of the occasion and of the apparent good results to accrue from this well attended and interesting afternoon meeting which had been devoted to the work of the district.

INSPIRING MISSIONARY INSTITUTE AT KINSTON

An inspiring and deeply spiritual missionary institute was held at Queen Street church, Kinston, Wednesday, January 12, with a representative attendance from the 33 charges of the district. Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, was in charge and conducted the devotions.

The main address was brought by Dr. A. J. Walton, representing the General Board of Missions. Miss Ruth Wheaton, youth worker, spoke about the youth work of the local church. Rev. F. S. Love, conference missionary secretary, represented the conference board of missions; Rev. R. W. Bradshaw represented the board of education; Dr. M. T. Plyler spoke for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Rev. Leon Russell, district missionary secretary, urged the pastors to organize schools of missions in their churches during the winter and use for the basis of their study Dr. Garber's recent book, "The Methodist Meeting House." Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and Mrs. Gertie Matthews, secretary of woman's work in the New Bern district, appeared on the program.

Lunch was served by the ladies of Queen Street church.

After the noon hour Mrs. Matthews met with the women to discuss the woman's work, and Rev. J. A. Russell met with the men. Organization of the four areas of the district was discussed. C. W. Robbins.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

A Student Red Cross Center was opened on the college campus Monday afternoon, January 26, in the basement of Hudson dormitory, where several packages of gauze rolls and swabs of fluffs resulted from the first afternoon of student participation.

Sponsored by the college International Relations Club, headed by Miss Elizabeth Hendrick, Charlotte, club president, and Mr. E. O. Watson, club adviser, the center is to be opened every week day afternoon for all students and alumnae who can spare an hour to help make bandages.

At 6 p. m. Monday evening, January 26, the International Relations Club was hostess at a dinner party in the college dining room honoring Miss Mary Ellen Blackmon, head of the history department at Greensboro senior high school, Mr. and Mrs. Eliot Watson, Senorita de Mora, Dr. Madeline Stinson, and Miss Grace Hinchcliff. Following the after-dinner coffee in the Lucy Robertson parlor, Miss Blackmon addressed the group on "Pan-Americanism."

The Greensboro charter of the College Alumnae Association met Tuesday afternoon, January 27, in the east parlor of the college with Mrs. Charles Eatman presiding, in the absence of the president, Mrs. Wallace Taylor. Mrs. Marvin Bennett spoke on the "Civilian Defense Program," after which the meeting progressed to the campus Red Cross Center, where the alumnae made bandages for the remainder of the afternoon.

Miss Margaret Ivey Foard of Lenoir, senior B.M. in Music Education, was presented by the Greensboro College of Music in her senior piano recital Wednesday afternoon, January 28, at 4:30 in Odell auditorium.

Ushers for Miss Foard's recital were Misses Annie Davidson, Mooresville; Margaret McGlammery, Lenoir; Frances Kelly, Mt. Holly; and Jannella Kirk, Cliffside.

Miss Foard, a voice student, contralto, of Walter Vassar, and a member of the Greensboro College Glee Club for four years, will present her senior voice recital May 1 in Odell auditorium.

Speaking under the sponsorship of the Jewish Chautauqua Society, Cincinnati, Rabbi Leonard J. Rothstein of Harrisonburg, Va., will discuss "Jewish Contributions to Civilization" at the chapel exercises of Greensboro College on Thursday, January 29.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the religious education department, will leave for Nashville, Tenn., Saturday, January 31, to teach a course in the Christian Workers Training School for Ministers on "Training for Church Membership."

Dr. Smith has also been recently elected to the faculty of the board of education leadership school to be held in August at Lake Junaluska. He will teach a course on "The Director of Religious Education and His Work."

Dr. Smith heads the committee on "Course of Study and Teachers" for the movement now in progress in Greensboro to arrange for teaching Bible in the public schools.

WORLD MISSIONARY CONVOCATION

By Sarah Elizabeth Evans

From December 6 and 10, 1942, home and foreign missionary forces will unite to sponsor a world missionary convocation in Cleveland, Ohio, dedicated to the following purpose: "To establish confidence in the unique power of Christianity to create a world order in harmony with God's purpose for the human family; to link American missionary forces at home and abroad with similar forces in every country of the world for the creation of a new order; and to chart a new path and inspire the American church to a more rigorous and sacrificial commitment than ever before to this indispensable mission."

Decision to hold the convocation was made in Trenton, N. J., on January 12 at a joint session which closed the annual meeting of the Home Missions Council of North America and opened that of the Foreign Missions conference.

METHODIST STUDENTS' CONFERENCE AT CHAPEL HILL

Richard T. Baker of New York City will be the guest speaker at the North Carolina Methodist Student Conference meeting in Chapel Hill, February 6-8. Mr. Baker is a member of the staff of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, and is assistant editor of the World Outlook.

Although a young man, Mr. Baker has traveled once around the world and twice to Europe. In 1937 and 1938 he visited 32 foreign countries on the terms of a Pulitzer fellowship awarded by Columbia University. He holds a mas-



Richard T. Baker

ter's degree from the Columbia University graduate school of journalism. His travels took him from Japan throughout the Orient to Africa, the middle east and Europe.

In 1939 he was a member of the American delegation to the World Conference of Christian Youth held in Amsterdam, Holland.

Mr. Baker is a native of Iowa, a graduate of Cornell College there, and has been employed on several journals of the Methodist Church, including the Christian Advocate, the Epworth Herald, and he has also been a contributor to the Christian Century, Christian Herald and numerous other denominational papers. He is the author of a book on youth and the world Christian community—The Seed and the Soil, and a member of the editorial board of Intercollegian, the journal of college Christian associations.

When the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church chose two youth delegates to sit in the Uniting Conference at Kansas City in May, 1939, for the purpose of bringing together the three major branches of American Methodism, Mr. Baker was one of the two. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

The conference program follows:

Friday, February 6

2:30-5:30. Registration and room assignments.
7:30-8:00. Worship period. Dr. Harold A. Ehrensperger.
8:00-9:30. Address and forum. Richard T. Baker, "The Time of Our Lives."
9:30. Fellowship hour.

Saturday, February 7

9:00-9:30. Worship period. Dr. Ehrensperger.
9:30-11:00. Address and forum. Richard Baker, "The Light of Our Lives."
11:15-12:30. Methodist Student Movement hour.
2:00-2:15. Worship period. Dr. Ehrensperger.
2:15-3:30. Address and forum. Richard Baker, "Our Program."
3:30-4:00. Business meeting and election of officers.
7:30. Banquet.
9:00. Fellowship hour.

Sunday, February 8

9:30-10:00. Installation of officers. Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw.
10:00-10:40. Communion service. Chapel Hill Methodist church. Dr. J. M. Culbreth.
11:00. Conference sermon. Richard Baker, "The Communion."

The conference theme is "The Student in Christian World Reconstruction."

MISS JESSIE ORMOND WEDS MINETREE PYNE

Miss Jessie Katrina Ormond and James Minetree Pyne were married Saturday afternoon at 4 in Duke Memorial Methodist church. The father of the bride, Dr. Jesse Marvin Ormond, was the officiating minister, assisted by Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor of the church.

A program of organ music given by Mrs. Ernest Theiss included "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring," by Bach; "Air for G String," by Bach; "Ich Liebe Dich," Grieg; "Romance," Sibelius, "Liebestraum," by Liszt, was played during the ceremony. A beautiful background was created by use of traditional green and white floral arrangement.

The pretty brunette bride was given in marriage by her brother, Rev. John Kern Ormond of Oriental.

Bride's attendants were Miss Elizabeth Eskridge Ormond, sister of the bride as maid of honor, and Mrs. Clarence Harper Cobb, sister of the bridegroom, as matron of honor.

George Clinton Pyne, father of the bridegroom, was his best man. Ushers included George Clinton Pyne, Jr., brother of the bridegroom, Clarence Harper Cobb, brother-in-law of the bridegroom; Rev. Elliott Wannamaker Hardin, Graniteville, S. C., brother-in-law of the bride; Perry Augustus Sloan of Durham; Robert Martin Cox, Winston-Salem; Frederick Alexander Blount, Chapel Hill.

A reception for the families and out-of-town guests followed the service, and was held at the home of the bride's parents, 110 Pinecrest Road.

After a short wedding trip the couple will be at home at No. 11 Vance Apartments on Dacian avenue.

The bride attended the Durham city schools and was graduated last June from Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

The bridegroom attended the city schools and was graduated from the University of North Carolina. He is now with the mortgage and loan department of the Durham Realty and Insurance Company.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Dean Luther Raymond Taff, head of the English department of Louisburg College and dean of men, was the guest of honor at a faculty dinner last Thursday evening. Mr. Taff, an alumnus of the University of North Carolina, last week gave up his position on the college faculty for an undetermined leave of absence to enter the United States Army. He had been head of the English department for the past four years and dean of men during the current year, and was highly regarded in his capacity of teacher as well as in that of dean. He was presented a watch as a farewell gift from his fellow faculty members at the dinner.

James E. Byerly, head of the college music department, has been appointed dean of men in Mr. Taff's absence.

The honor roll call for the first semester has been released by the registrar's office and is given below.

Martha Ann Strowd, Virginia Spivey, Sarah Davis, Gene Thompson, Juanita Cannon, Roy Bailey, Edward F. Smith, Christine Shearin, Connie Rhodes, Annie Sue Barrett, Riley Rowe, Lily Hancock, Mrs. Margaret Harriss, Ruth Braswell.

The honorable mention list is as follows: Ira Helms, McNeill Ipock, Beatrice Lewis, Sara Hux, Horton Corwin, Ruby Gray Massenburg, Eleanor Phillips, Grace Whitehurst, Kate Davis, Dan McFarland, Sally Weaver, Esther Roberson, Jack Cox, Carl Tucker, Troy Barrett, Haywood Stroud, Audrey Caudle, Reginald Styron, Dougles Pace, Sarah Ingram, Kathryn Jones.

The International Relations Club elected officers for the second semester of this year as follows: Dan McFarland, Salisbury, re-elected president; Troy Barrett, Fayetteville, vice president; secretary-treasurer, Martha Ann Strowd, Louisburg; Jean McKinnon, Mount Gilead, business manager.

FEDERAL USE TAX ON PLEASURE BOATS

A Federal Use Tax is imposed on pleasure boats propelled by machinery, sail or both, effective on and after February 1, 1942. The tax varies with the overall length of the boat beginning with $5 per annum for boats sixteen feet in overall length to a maximum of $200 for a boat over 200 feet in length. Tax attaches when boat is first used. Tax does not apply to boats used by the United States, a State, or a political subdivision thereof. Payment of the tax will be evidenced by stamps which may be procured from the Collector of Internal Revenue, Greensboro, N. C. Application Form 732 can be obtained from the Collector on request.

C. H. Robertson,
Collector of Internal Revenue.

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A DREAM

"There is an enticing dream—the dream of wise freedom made contagious;
The dream of nations in love with each other, without a thought of hatred or danger;
And who will lead the way? The good and wise must lead.
Let the people love and they will lead;
Let the people love and theirs is the power." —Writer unknown.

JOINT UNIVERSITIES LIBRARY

A recent issue of the Scarritt College Voice carries on its front page cover an attractive cut of the new Joint Universities Library. This library recently dedicated marks the inauguration of a new movement in library service, and will serve three neighboring insitutions of higher learning in Nashville: George Peabody College for Teachers, Scarritt College and Vanderbilt University. The Christian Advocate of January 8, 1942, gives the following information with reference to the library: "Erected on a plot of ground connecting the three schools, the new library is designed to house 550,000 volumes and is so planned that the capacity can be increased to 1,000,000. The building and its endowment together represent an investment of approximately $2,000,000, one-helf of which came as a grant from the General Education Board, a substantial sum from the Carnegie Corporation, and the remainder from more than 5,000 friends of the three institutions. The Joint University Library Buildnig incorporates many outstanding features such as air-conditioning, fluorescent lighting, accoustically treated ceilings, an entire wing where newspapers, periodicals and manuscripts may be preserved on films.

"A hall of religion contains material relating to the field of religion and kindred subjects; a treasure room for rare books, valuable documents, etc., a graduate study room equipped with working spaces for graduate students and faculty study research, and rooms for use by classes requiring library materials for recitation and discussion."

PASSING OF DEVOTED MEMBERS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Susanna Wesley Byrd Bible Class of St. Paul's church, Randleman, held a most impressive memorial service a few days ago honoring two of their devoted and most active members who passed away during 1941, Mrs. Pearl Pope and Mrs. Amanda Allred Sumner, both women of steadfast integrity, unshaken loyalty and true sincerity to their Saviour, church and community. Beautiful tributes of appreciation were read by friends who had been associated with them in their consecrated Christian service. They will be greatly missed and memories of their beautiful, consistent lives of devotion and unselfish service will live long with those of St. Paul church associated with them.

CHEERING NEWS FROM WOMAN'S SOCIETY

The following report of activities of Mills River Chapel in the Asheville district comes to us from Mrs. S. E. Greenwood, one of the outstanding and loyal workers in the Woman's Society of Christian Service in that church. Mrs. Greenwood says: "We have quite a number of interested former pastors who with their faithful wives, will be glad to know, I am sure, that the missionary society (formerly called) of Mills River Chapel is still alive. In fact, it is the very best it has been and our monthly meetings are eagerly looked forward to. We consider our program committee one of the best in this whole countryside and we have no more dull meetings.

"Our attendance is good and every woman of our church makes a contribution some time during the year. At our December meeting we were able to report our pledge ($5.00) overpaid. We ordered 15 copies of The Upper Room, six of which are to be sent to our local boys who are in camp. For all that we have accomplished we are most grateful, but that which thrills our hearts is the fact that our prayers and fondest hopes are now a reality, and we have 25 young women organized as a circle and they are busy about their Master's business. They are supplying clothes and shoes for four needy school children; they send cards, flowers and necessities to the sick and to one of our splendid girls who has been in a sanitarium for months, they recently sent a 'box of cheer,' as they termed it. Each member furnished a gift attractively wrapped with, a dated streamer attached and hanging on the outside. One gift a day was drawn out and as the patient expressed it in her letter of thanks, 'it was like having a birthday for almost a month.' At Christmas the circle members took 18 trays of fruits to the aged and shut-ins, but perhaps an outstanding feature of their activitties was the sponsoring of a pageant at the Mills River Chapel, which would have done credit to a much larger organization from a much larger church.

"Three denominations are represented in this circle and to them loving, helpful services makes a much stronger appeal than other things not so worth while. We are grateful to Him who has helped us to accomplish as much as we have, but we are not satisfied and, 'Forgetting those things that are behind, we press forward toward the prize of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus.' "

MUST OVERSEAS RELIEF STOP?

By Bishop Herbert Welch

No. Civilian victims of war can still be helped. American entry into the war still leaves open a great many avenues of service for the established church relief agencies. In a number of cases the emergency has intensified the need. The eight church relief agencies affiliated with the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief are all able to carry on their programs. The program of most of these agencies is now hindered chiefly by lack of funds. Urgent appeals are continually coming from centers of suffering abroad.

As to China, we transfer our base of operations from Shanghai to Chungking. From that city relief work can be carried on in at least 11 porvinces of free China, including the border regions where fighting is taking place, and where the need is very great. Continuance of help for sufferers in parts of China occupied by Japanese troops is not certain, but may still be possible.

Aid from Christian families and workers, for prisoners and refugees in various parts of Europe still goes on, and the International Missionary Council is doing its utmost to see that needed help for the "orphaned missionaries" shall still reach them.

Many Christian refugees already settled in this country are comewhat unsettled in their occupations because of the declaration of war. All are in a state of excitement and extra care is required to help them.

The Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief extends assurance to all who are anxious to help those who are suffering acutely because of the war. The church representatives abroad need our immediate and hearty support. With this they can extend the atmosphere of confidence and maintain the faith and the livelihood of many thousands who are in the most abject misery. The declaration of war has not stopped the relief program. Church people can continue to give their money in good confidence that it will bring a ministry of mercy and help to untold numbers of men and women and children who have nowhere else to look for the bare necessities of life.

WESLEYAN COLLEGE HONORS FORMER STUDENT

From Macon, Georgia, comes the following item of news that will be of interest to our readers in the W. N. C. conference:

"Lazar Raditz's portrait of Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, great woman of China and former student at Wesleyan College, is to become the permanent possession of the school. The China Emergency Relief committee offered it for $1500 and the students, alumnae and friends of the school raised about $2000 for it."

It was told to a certain sage that a certain person had acquired great wealth. He said: "Has he acquired the days in which to spend it?"—Gabirol.

Whatever makes men good Christians makes them good citizens.—Webster.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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UNCHANGING THINGS

Emphasizing the fact that there are yet some unchanging things in a changing world, Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent, speaking at the Raleigh district missionary institute on January 20, said: "We ought to see that we face an unfinished task in the world. We must do our best to see to it that the Gospel of our Lord will still go on out over the world. Instead of saying that the job is finished, it is simply to emphasize the need in the world. God has given to the church an effective agency for dealing with the needs of the world. Is it in our hands an effective agency? This is God's chosen channel and where God's chosen channel is there everlastingly flows the power of God, and the power of God is equal to meet the needs of the day. Not until Kagawa has turned his back upon his faith has the gospel failed in Japan, and what the gospel has done for Kagawa it does for other folk. God has provided the implementation for us to be agents in his hands. Are we fitted for that implementation which God has provided for us to be his agents? There are some things that will not change. May we pray hat this implementation that God has provided we may follow through in our tasks."

PREPARING FOR CONFERENCE

Plans are going forward to make the second annual meeting of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, which will convene at Edenton Street Methodist church on March 10-12, a happy and profitable occasion. The extent of the success of the members of the Edenton Street society in the matter of entertainment will depend in a large measure upon the co-operation of all local societies. Soon letters will be mailed to the president of each society in the conference. The information requested in the letters should be sent immediately to Mrs. A. Wray White, 127 N. McDowell Street, Raleigh, N. C. It is necessary that the registration committee have the names of the delegates from each society, the delegate from each Wesleyan Service Guild and name of zone leaders who expect to attend, the other desired information and one dollar for each delegate and zone leader, at a very early date. The committee will heartily appreciate full co-operation in the matter.

DELEGATES TO COUNCIL

This week the first annual meeting of the Southeastern Missionary Council, which is a joint meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and the W. S. C. S. of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, is in session in Nashville, Tenn. Delegates for the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. are: Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary; Mrs. R. C. Gary, secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. S. S. Holt, recording secretary; Mrs. B. F. Boone, secretary missionary education and service, and Mrs. A. M. Gates, former conference president and present chairman of the conference committee on missionary personnel. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extenison of the Methodist Church, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, former conference president, and others from the N. C. conference are attending. Mrs. Hillman is president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Woman's Society of Christian Service.

TRIBUTE TO MISSIONARIES

The attitude of the more or less irreligious layman toward the missionary is likely to reflect his resentment against persons who are professional proselyters. Why should not the heathen be permitted to keep their own religions? In my youth I was prejudiced against missionaries and would-be missionaries, most of the later of whom seemed to my prejudiced eye to have an excess of piety and a deficiency of personality. As an anthropologist I have completely reversed my judgment of missionaries. These men and women have contributed more to our knowledge of peoples of the world than have the entire ruck of professional travelers and explorers. They may have done more than the anthorpologists themselves. Missionaries are men and women of character and they tell the truth. Harvard University has a steady clientele of missionaries who are research associates in anthorpology, doing splendid investigation as a side line of their regular duties. I am for missionaries.—Prof. Ernest A. Hooten, Harvard University.

EFFICIENCY AIM AND GOALS

For the convenience and for more practical use the new efficiency aims are printed on a poster. These posters should be displayed at every meeting of the W. S. C. S. that the members should thus be reminded of the goals toward which to work during 1942. With these efficiency aims in mind, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary, has set some goals for that district which are pertinent and timely. These goals include: An organization in every church, every woman in the church a member; a deepening of the spiritual life by giving more, working more, praying more; a 100 percent reporting each quarter; an increase in subscriptions and in reading The Methodist Woman and World Outlook; three study classes in each society; an increase in baby specials, especially in giving baby life memberships; increase in adult life memberships; all societies observing the week of prayer. "May we," said she, "face our responsibilities wholeheartedly, knowing that God is with us."

GLEANINGS FROM MISS WHEATON

Miss Ruth Wheaton, field worker of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, has attended the seven district missionary institutes in the N. C. conference recently. At the morning sessions Miss Wheaton addresses the joint assemblage of ministers, laymen and lay women upon the subject of the new plan of missionary education of Methodist youth. At the afternon sessions the men and women held separate sessions and Miss Wheaton held a most informative forum hour with the women. Some gleanings from her statements at the Raleigh district meeting will be a source of help to those who will read and consider them. Said she: "The purpose of the W. S. C. S. is to unite all the women in the church in Christian service. If we are to unite all the women of the church we must strengthen our monthly meetings. We must do everything possible to get the women out to the monthly meetings. . . Never take a name from the roll of the W. S. C. S. until every effort has been exhausted to interest that woman. Cultivate all new members until they are so much a part of the W. S. C. S. that they will never backslide. Try to fit each woman to her talents. . . . The secretary of literature and publications should be a member of the program committee. . . . The membership committee has a great part in seeing to it that all absent members are contacted by card, telephone or visits. . . . The fellowship committee functions as a welcoming committee. We have to win so many women first to the society, then we have to win them to the program of the work of the kingdom. . . . Spiritual life is the very foundation of our work. It is by His spirit that we carry on. . . . Every society should elect an alert woman to the office of secretary of literature and publication; one who isn't afraid to make her voice heard. . . . It takes $10,000 coming into the office of the treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service to carry on the work of the kingdom."

A MISSIONARY WRITES

Marama, Nigeria, West Africa. Dear Mission Board: The church at Marama wishes to give two pounds to relief of Chinese Christians. This is more money than any individual Christian here has. With wages for labor at five cents a day here, and counting $4 a day labor there, I figure it is comparable to an $800 gift in America. We are studying Acts in prayer meeting. In chapter 11:27-30 it tells of the famine in Judea and the sending of help by the brethren at Antioch. The gift came out of this study.—World Christian Facts.

If you have a thing in mind, it is not long before you have it in hand.—John Burroughs.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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BUILDING A PROGRAM

As president of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes, the editor of this page has given a good deal of time during the past several months to the building of a program for the twenty-fourth annual conference of this association, to be held at Dallas, Texas, February 3 and 4. The program will feature a plenary session of the representatives of all the philanthropic institutions sponsored by the Methodist Church and in addition will provide for group meetings of those interested in the sections of the association. Representatives from hospitals will have a full day for discussing their work, as will representatives from homes for children and homes for the aged. More limited time will be given to discussion for workers from homes for business girls and young men.

METHODIST PHILANTHROPIES

There is a wide scope of Methodist philanthropy, but Methodist philanthropies are usually thought of in terms of those institutions that give a great deal of free service to those most needing it. These institutions are usually regarded in terms of hospitals and homes. The last General Conference set up a general board for sponsoring this type of Methodist activity. Working under the sponsorship of this board are 79 hospitals, 51 homes for children, 45 homes for the aged and 23 homes for business girls and young men.

CHURCH SPONSORSHIP

It appears that in the northern area of our church sponsorship of Methodist philanthropic instiutions is not as definitely tied to the denomination as in our southern area. Many of the hospitals and some of the homes have only a nominal Methodist connection, usually meaning that a majority of the governing trustees must belong to the Methodist Church. In a number of instances the institutional services rendered are partially guaranteed by Community Chest contributions. All the institutions this scribe knows about in the southern area of our church definitely belong to the church, that is, certain segments of the church usually known as conferences. Most of these institutions are supervised by boards of trustees who hold the property in trust for the church, but are incorporated to transact business in their own name.

CHILDREN'S HOME PLAN

The Children's Home is definitely the property of the Western North Carolina conference, but it is directed by a board of trustees, incorporated to do business without having to appeal to an unwieldly annual conference for matters of business concern. The institution is incorporated and thus has the usual rights accruing to a corporation. The trustees of this corporation can never dispose of the property without the consent of the Western North Carolina conference in official session.

OWNERSHIP FOR SERVICE

The value of owning anything is the service connected with it. It would not be much joy to our Methodist people to own the Children's Home with all its material assets if it were not rendering a decided service to a lot of children. At present our Children's Home enrolls more children than any other child caring institution in the entire church and is rendering a type of service that is regarded as second to none. This has been made possible without any undue financial hardship on our people, thanks to material help that has accumulated from individuals who have appreciated the work of the Home in the past and what it proposes to continue to do in the future.

A MATTER OF METHOD

Herewith is presented a picture of some of our girls. This picture has been presented before but it is worth repeating. It is a group of girls who live in the Gary building, where our older girls live while completing their training and education. It is evident that the reason for permitting a picture on this page is to get the readers of the Advocate to pay some attention to the page.

FIVE STALWARTS

We have two annual graduating exercises in our high school certification. The big one comes in June, but there is another one in late January called the mid-term graduation. Those students who fall behind for one reason or another are not compelled to remain in school an entire year because of not being ready to graduate at the end of the fourth high school year. Sometimes we recommend to a youngster who will graduate too young to use his capabilities in a fine way to stretch out his courses over four and a half or five years, selecting such additional vocational courses as will serve him mighty well. At the mid-term graduation exercises, held last week, five of our fine young men received their diplomas as follows: Harold Beane, James Bush, Jesse Dodgen, Thad Frye and Julian Gibson. James will join Uncle Sam's marines, Jesse and Thad will go into the textile work, Harold will enter the furniture making business and Julian will help us direct our young boys in their vocational work.

PHYSICALLY FIT

A large number of our boys have gone through the processes necessary to recruiting our country's army, naval and air forces. In not a single instance has one of them been turned down because of physical unfitness. Some of our boys haven't as much sense as they ought to have, but they have a physical set up that passes the most careful examination.

MORE SOUND THAN SENSE

It is related that recently a group of our girls in one of their evening family meetings was discussing the topic of gossip. One dear sister seemed not to have caught the import of what was being discussed, for in the short prayer service that followed she prayed: "Lord, help our ministers to spread the gossip throughout the land."

THE LEARNING PROCESS

Some months ago E. R. Bucher, a prominent Duke Power Company official and a member of our board of trustees, introduced this scribe to the purchasing agent of the Duke Power Company at Charlotte with the statement, "Meet one of the best purchasing agents in the country." Whereupon the Duke official replied, "I have been buying for the Duke Power Company for thirty years and I yet don't know how to buy." About the best way to learn is to admit there is need for knowing.

CANNING HOUSE

Mr. Binkley and his wood shop boys are using the good weather now prevailing for buiding our new canning house. More room is needed for preserving our vegetables for winter use. Thousands of gallons of canned vegetables are preserved each summer.



A good group of girls have much to do with making a good home

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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DESERVED RECOGNITION — On the 19th of this month Prof. J. O. Sanderson, principal of the Methodist Orphanage school for the past ten years, was unanimously elected superintendent of the city schools of Raleigh. Professor Sanderson was reared in the Methodist Orphanage, and by reason of his sterling character and academic training, has achieved a name worthy of the highest commendation. He made the Methodist Orphanage an ideal principal,and we are loath to give him up. I am reproducing on the Orphanage page in this week's Advocate a history of his life as published in the News and Observer the day after he was elected. I am sure that the hosts of friends of the Methodist Orphanage will read with deep interest what the News and Observer had to say about this outstanding school man.

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SANDERSON APPOINTED HEAD OF RALEIGH SCHOOLS

Jesse O. Sanderson has been named by an unanimous vote of the Raleigh school committee to fill the unexpired term of Claude F. Gaddy as superindent of Raleigh schools.

Sanderson has served for the past ten years as principal of Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh. His appointment to the post of city superintendent came on his 41st birthday.

The job as city superintendent will pay Sanderson a salary of $4,000 annaully. The unexpired term of Gaddy runs out on June 30, 1943.

Members of the school committee endorsing Sanderson's appointment were Mayor Graham H. Andrews, ex-officio member; Dr. V. M. Hicks, Dr. A. C. Campbell, Mrs. O. F. McCrary, and LeRoy Martin. Absent from the meeting were Mrs. W. B. Aycock who is ill and A. K. Pearce who is out of town.

Sanderson comes to his new job with the highest recommendations. During his regime at the Methodist Orphanage, its high school and elementary school were given an accredited status by the state. For the past four years the orphanage high school has been a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the highest regional crediting agency for this section. Great strides have been made in the enlargement of the orphanage library facilities and vocational training.

He is credited with the establishment of a policy of placing all orphanage graduates in jobs before they were allowed to leave school. In addition to his work as principal, he found time to coach the baseball teams which consistently have ranked among the best in the state.

Sanderson was born in Wayne county January 19, 1901, the son of the late Julius and Mollie Sanderson. His parents died when he was young, and he entered the Methodist Orphanage when he was 10 years old. At the orphanage he made a fine scholastic and athletic record and entered Trinity Colleft (now Duke) in 1920.

College Athlete

While at the college he was an outstanding campus leader. He starred as a pitcher on the varsity baseball team for three years—he pitched a no-hit victory against Davidson and his teammates carried him off the field on their shoulders. He captained the team in 1924. During his senior year he was a member of the Tombs, highest honorary society on the campus, and business manager of the Chronicle, campus weekly. He is a member of Delta Tau Delta, social fraterniay.

He was graduated with a degree in education in 1924, and that fall entered George Washington University law school. He returned to North Carolina in 1925 when he took a job as teacher of English at Nashville high school. He later served as principal of the school for three years. He served as pricipal of Mebane high school for a year and from 1930 through 1932 he was principal of Robbinsville school in Graham county.

Sanderson came to Raleigh as principal of the Methodist Orphanage in 1932. He was the oldest high school principal, in point of service, in the Raleigh school system.

He was married in 1927 to the former Miss Nan Lockhart Russell of Durham. They have two children, Jesse Ormond, 13, and Nancy Emilyn, 9. Sanderson is a past president of the Lions Club of Raleigh, a member of the Duke Alumni Council, president of the North Carolina Orphanage Association, president of the Wake County Duke alumni chapter. He is a member of the Hayes Barton Methodist church.

Sanderson has completed his residence work for a master's degree from Duke University, lacking only his written thesis which he hopes to complete soon.

Mayor Andrews, in congratulating Sanderson on his appointment, said: "Jesse, we are delighted to have you as our new superintendent of schools. I hope your old pitching arm is in good shape, for we want you to pitch in now."

Sanderson's successor at the orphanage has not been selected. Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the orphanage, said that the appointment would be made as soon as possible.

Mr. Barnes was high in his praise of Sanderson. "Naturally I think that this is a splendid appointment." He said: "Jesse Sanderson is a wonderful school man—he's level-headed, he has poise. In addition to his being a good principal, he's a good business man. I think it is an ideal selection.

"Of course it will mean a tremendous loss for the orphanage. He has

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THE CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Miss Mary Skinner to Meet With Our Workers

During the week of January 31-February 5, Miss Mary Skinner, director of children's work for the General Board of Education, Nashville, Tenn., will be in several of our districts. Following is the schedule for these meetings:

Charlotte district — First church, Charlotte, 7:30 p. m. Saturday, Jan. 31.

Gastonia district—Main Street, Gastonia, 2:30 p. m. Sunday, Feb. 1.

Winston-Salem district —Centenary, Winston-Salem, 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, Feb. 3.

High Point district—Wesley Memorial, High Point, Wednesday, Feb. 4, time to be announced.

Salisbury district—First church, Albemarle, 2:00 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 5.

First church, China Grove, 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 5.

Greensboro district—West Market Street, Greensboro, 3:15 p. m. Friday, Feb. 6.

It is hoped that every church within reach of one of these meetings will have a good representation of parents and children's workers present. We hope that every pastor will plan to attend. There will be fellowship, age group meetings to plan for missionary education, classes in church membership, evangelism, etc.

Important materials will be available, some free and some for sale. All pastors and children's workers will want to take advantage of these meetings, planned to be both practical and inspirational.

Church Membership for Children

All our churches will be particularly interested now in planning for classes in church membership for junior children. There are available three booklets which will be especially helpful for pastors, parents, and for the children themselves:

For pastors: Children and Church Membership, 10 cents.

For parents: My Child Joins the Church, 5 cents.

For junior children: When You Join the Church, 5 cents.

These will be on sale at all the meetings mentioned above. Or order from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

The New Yearbook—"Toward Better Teaching"

All superintendents of children's divisions will need the Yearbook, Vol. V. It will be helpful for teachers and directors of vacation schools. Those who have used the Yearbook in other years will be eager to have the new copy. Others will enjoy its help as they plan for children in the church.

Priced 10 cents. Yearbooks will be on sale at the meetings mentioned above. Or order from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

Missionary Education

It is hoped that teachers of juniors and primaries will give special attention to the missionary education of their boys and girls.

In Group Graded Schools:

The new plan provides that during January those using group graded materials have had lessons with a missionary emphasis all during the month. The subject of this study has been "Children in America." The teacher's helps have appeared in Child Guidance for Christian Living for January. Pupils' materials are The Primary Class and Junior Quarterly.

Closely Graded Church School Courses:

The specific missionary units in these courses are:

Course II, Part 3: "From Sea to Shining Sea"; 6 sessions.

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Course V, Part I: "Working with God to Make the World a Better Place"; 4 sessions.

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In Memoriam

SHAVER—Isaac Cowan Shaver was born December 19, 1863, and departed this life January 14, 1942. In early life he gave his life to Christ and joined Zion Methodist church, of which he remained a faithful member until God called him to his reward.

He was married to Mary Elizabeth Hartman May 18, 1888, who preceded him in death August 12, 1913. To this union two daughters and four sons were born: Mrs. J. D. Pyatt of Leicester, Mrs. J. N. Wise of Gastonia, Rev. I. Leroy Shaver of Caldwell, Idaho, Mr. Clyde Shaver of Los Angeles, Cal., Mr. Clarence Shaver of Asheville, Mr. Ernest Shaver of Greensboro.

Mr. Shaver was again married, this time to Mary Jane McManus, July 22, 1914.

He is survived by his wife, six children, one brother, Abraham Shaver, and one sister, Mrs. Minnie E. Parker; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild, and a host of relatives and friends. Lester S. Furr, Pastor.

MATTHEWS—Pleasant Royster Matthews has passed to his reward. He was born July 4, 1901, the son of the late J. Frank Matthews and Virginia Stimpson Matthews. He was born in Yadkin county and spent his life in this county. Mr. Mattheys professed faith in Christ early in life, and he remained a faithful and loyal member of the Prospect Methodist church. During his Christian life he has held most of the offices of the church. He married Miss Mamie Smitherman November 26, 1936, who survives him. Also survive him are three brothers: Grover and Everett Matthews of East Bend and Robert of Winston-Salem; one half-sister, Miss Erline Matthews of Winston-Salem, and one half-brother, Troy Raymond Matthews of Camp Eglien, Florida.

Pleas will be missed by the church, community and everyone who knew him. We will not say he is dead—he is just away for a short time.

G. A. Hovis.

PERRY—Mrs. George Bascom Perry, age 87, quietly slipped away to her heavenly Father after a protracted illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. D. Blackburn, in Rocky Mount January 13, 1942.

Mrs. Perry was the widow of the late Rev. George Bascom Perry, a well known and beloved minister of the North Carolina conference. For 42 years they served the Methodist people with the zeal and faith that so characterized their lives of Christian service. She had spent the larger part of the last 17 years in Selma, having moved with her daughter to Rocky Mount about six months ago.

Mrs. Perry was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pugh of Chatham county. Her father was a captain in the Confederate Army and served with honor. She carried the same courage and convictions into the making of a parsonage home for her family.

Funeral service was held at the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church in Selma, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, by her pastor, O. L. Hathaway, assisted by Rev. E. L. Hillman, pastor of the First Methodist church in Rocky Mount, Rev. H .I. Glass, superintendent of the Raleigh district, and Rev. O. W. Dowd, pastor Divine Street Methodist church in Dunn. Her body was laid to rest beside the body of her husband in Oakland Heights cemetery in Smithfield.

There were six daughters who mourned her going home, Mrs. Mozelle Allen of Durham, Mrs. A. L. Davis and Mrs. Jennie Moore of Burlington, Mrs. D. R. Mauney, Sr., of Cherryville, Mrs. Charles Highsmith of Dunn, and Mrs. R. D. Blackburn of Rocky Mount, and one sister, Mrs. John Bright of Route 4, Sanford.

Mrs. Perry was a devout Christian servant, a godly mother, and a consecrated member of the Christian fellowship. She has earned her rest from the labor of this world. And she has heard the Master say, Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Centenary Methodist church of Garland charge, pay tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Florence Ennis Ward, wife of Mr. W. P. Ward, who preceded her to the grave six years ago. She was a daughter of Robert and Catherine Ennis of Kerr.

Mrs. Ward was stricken at a meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service on December 9, 1941, and was called home to heaven December 22, 1941. She was laid to rest in the Ward cemetery near her home at Harrell's Store. The funeral services were conducted by a former pastor, Rev. R. G. Dawson, assisted by her present pastor, Rev. Mr. Warren, and Rev. Leonidas Johnson.

She was one of our most faithful and consecrated members and was always interested in every activity of the society as long as her life permitted. Possessing a sweet, gentle, loving manner, her winsome personality endeared her to all. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in the death of Mrs. Ward not only our society but the church and community have lost a most exemplary Christian character.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved children and relatives and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the children of the deceased and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be placed on the minutes of the society.

Mrs. Sidney Cromartie,
Mrs. Luther Johnson,
Mrs. George Kennedy.
Committee.

A TRIBUTE

As members of Bethel Sunday school, we wish to pay tribute to our beloved fellow worker and former Sunday school superintendent, Mr. John Archie Cobb.

Mr. Cobb was born in Caswell county, October 15, 1864, and died November 19, 1941. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Lemuel King, a step-daughter, Mrs. John Ragland, and two stepsons, Ernest and Jamie Howard.

Mr. Cobb was faithful to his church and community. He taught in the Sunday school and served as superintendent for 30 years.

His character exemplified patience, honesty and the other Christian virtues. His life has been an inspiration to many, and in his death the community has suffered a great loss.

As representatives of Bethel Sunday school, we wish to express to the bereaved loved ones our deepest sympathy and love.

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Sunday School Lesson

FEBRUARY 1

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By Rollin H. Walker

Jesus Calls four Disciples

Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11

Isaiah said of the coming Messiah, He shall not judge after the sight of his eyes (Isaiah 11:3. In choosing his leading lieutenants Jesus certainly fulfilled this prophecy, for who in all the world, save Jesus, would have seen in bare-legged fishermen like Peter, Andrew, James and John, the materials for the exalted function to which he was calling them?

He found these men when they were busy at their bread winning task. He seems to have had a fondness for busy men. (Matthew 8:9. Compare Judges 6:11; 1 Kings 10:19-21).

We note also that they had previously found one another: the two pairs of brothers were partners. Their finding of one another was the preliminary step toward being found of Jesus. Close friendships among aspiring souls are stepping-stones to great accomplishments.

Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men, said Jesus. I will promote you from fishes to folks.

Jesus at once nicknamed at least one of them, perhaps Andrew also. Simon he called Peter, that is "a rock," in anticipation of the hardening of his impulsive character into stability (John 1:42). And James and John he called "sons of thunder." As their mother felt it necessary to take the lead in asking first place for her sons, we infer that they were a bit shrinking and timid. Hence Jesus called them sons of thunder, as a prophecy that at the end they would be anything but timid and hesitant in proclaiming his message.

What did the invitation to follow Jesus involve? 1. It involved a great adventure. It meant leaving their security to cast in their lot with a penniless rabbi, and one who was proclaiming the kingdom of God. They well knew that any mention of a kingdom other than that of Caesar was dangerous, as dangerous as it would be today to talk about founding a republic in Berlin or Tokyo. Indeed it is always risky to be an out and out follower of Jesus. The character of this adventure is different with every man. With one it is to resign a paying job and go to school. With another it is to lose a position rather than palm off inferior goods on the public. With another it is to take a brave stand against some godless social custom. Always it is an adventure; that is part of what the gospel means when it says we are saved by faith.

2. It was also a call to a great ambition. Indeed it was the ambition that nerved them for the adventure. At first this ambition, while primarily noble and pure, was mixed with alloy. They were hoping for first places in a temporal kingdom. Jesus did not discourage their ambition. He would not have said, "Fling away ambition; by that sin fell the angels." He sought rather to heighten their ambition by making it unselfish. To be great in my kingdom, said he, is to render yourself indispensable by being the burden-bearer and servant of all.

3. But to follow Jesus was a call to a great friendship. These four obscure men were actually called to be the intimate friends of the most wonderful person that ever lived. Jesus never called any man to be his disciple without asking him to be his friend (Jon 15:14).

4. But this call to a friendship was also a call to an absolute devotion. The kingdom of heaven is, in a sense, a totalitarian state. Except a man hate his father and mother, his wife and children, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. But strangely enough, this absolute commitment is at once followed by a new and wonderful sense of freedom, because Jesus calls a man to live according to the laws of his own being, and he never puts upon him a straitjacket. Give me thine heart, he says, and express your devotion in ways that are natural to you and demanded by the circumstances (Galatians 5:1). Jesus is the only leader who represses nothing in a man that is normal, and calls out everything that is good.

5. To follow Jesus is to follow the greatest lover that ever lived and hence progressively to be transfigured with love for God and men (2 Corinthians 3:18). In time the apostles became positive geniuses in loving, and in that respect, in spite of our limitations, we also may become notable geniuses.

How little these four fishermen dreamed of the blessings that would come to them when they forsook all to follow Jesus!

FOR THE WINTER OF OUR SOULS

By Maude White Hardie

Give beauty for the winter of our souls
O God, we pray. A spirit-landscape bleak
Enfolds us; we, who stood upon spring knolls
But yesterday, sure that we heard thee speak;
We, who breathed deep through days of summer sun
When growth seemed nature's law, and men were fed,
And light and darkness scorned to merge as one;
We, who faced autumn's wind without a chill,
Believing harvest worthy of its price,
Though birds gathered for flight on bronzing hill,
And deep dry leaves rustled their sacrifice.
O thou, who waits till trees are bare
To send snow's covering of white
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It was Christmas eve! The calendar said so. Nature realized it and had on her gown of dazzling, royal ermine. The happy faces of belated shoppers testified to it. A peep into thousands of homes with their decorations and waiting Christmas trees would have proved it!

But if you had peeped inth the home of David Williams, you never in the world would have guessed it was Christmas eve. There were no decorations here, no happy faces, not even a cheery looking fire. Hovering over the scant coals was the mother and three children; while the fourth child, the youngest, a boy of five years, was nestling up in the arms of the father, who was just now recovering from a prolonged and serious illness. "Daddy" the little fellow was saying, "Won't tomorrow be Christmas?" "Yes," answered the father and winced. "Daddy'—said the wistful little voice, "then why won't Santa Claus come tonight?"

The sick man's hand trembled a little as he reached down and took the little hand in his and he had to wait until he could trust his voice not to tremble before he answered:

"Well, little man, you see daddy has been sick so long; and poor mama has had to work so hard to buy clothes and medicine and coal and . . ." "But daddy," argued the little philospher, "that's the reason he ought to be so good to us. And, daddy, I wrote him all that, and I asked him to bring me a coat and some shoes and some candy and—oh! lots of things. And I wrote him not to think we lived in the nice little house way up on the corner where we used to, but to keep on acoming till he got to the littlest house on the street; and I told him I would be looking for him. O, I think he'll come."

The mother could stand it no longer. She went out to the little kitchen, lest her tears should cause the husband's cup of sorrow to overflow.

While they were partaking of the scant evening meal, something most unusual happened.

"Oh!" said the little boy, "it's Santa coming now!" A loud knock at the door was answered by all four children at once. A door swung back, but the stranger did not look like Santa Claus, though he had a white beard and the kindest of faces. "Excuse me," said he, "I am looking for the house of David Williams. Can you tell me where he lives?"

Something in the voice and manner of the stranger seemed familiar, and quickly the sick man answered, "You are already in the house of David Williams. I am he."

The stranger stood motionless a few moments, and then with hands outstretched he said, "O David, I am your elder brother, Eb. Oh! I am so glad I found you tonight"—

It would be a long, long story to tell you all that was said there that Christmas night, for the brothers had not met in twenty years. In the meantime one had grown rich, the other had grown poor, indeed. The poor man had a family and nothing else. The rich man had everything else, but no family; and now, as he was growing older, his heart yearned for the old home, and for the ones left behind and forgotten since he went out West to hunt for gold. His quest had been most successful, but not satisfying; and now he had found after long searching the only living member of his family. He wanted a home with them and love—and he would supply the rest. With eager sympathy he learned of the misfortune of the family and his big generous heart bounded with joy as he realized he could supply each need and desire.

Often the little boy went to the window and looked out. Uncle Eb. noticed this and said, "Never mind, little man, you shall have a ride in that car tomorrow." But the little boy said, Oh, I was just looking again to see if Santa Claus was coming. Papa said he wouldn't come, but I believe he will." Need I tell you that Santa Claus came that night? Next morning when the four children got up—hardly daring to hope—they found more—much more than they had ever asked for or ever dreamed of. Never had there been such a Christmas in the home—Selected.

IN THIS WAR TORN WORLD

Dear God, hear this my prayer,
To please let peace reign everywhere;
In this war torn world.

Let love and fellowship rule us when
Hate and greed seems to govern man.
In this war torn world.

Let peace be known all over the world
And the Christian banner be unfurled.
In this war torn world.

Teach us the way to follow thee
The Christian way that we may see
In this war torn world. Amen.

Pamela Cherry, age 10.

Teacher—Johnny, what are the seasons?

Johnny—You mean in the United States?

Teacher—Yes, of course.

Johnny — Baseball and football. — Michigan Farmer.

SLIGHTLY MIXED

A great professor, right from some college, was to address a meeeting of teachers. He had a splendid address all prepared and was all ready to put it over in a way that would fatten his average as a famous orator and make it possible for him to charge more for his lectures. Unfortunately, in the front seat there was one of those very modern young girl teachers, and this girl so distracted the poor professor that he almost forgot where he was or what he came for. According to a local paper this is the way the thing went:

"My friends, the schoolwork is the bullhouse of civilization." Here he paused a moment for the applause that this brilliant and novel statement generally brought forth. But there was none. So he went on: "I mean—ah—that the bullhouse is the schoolwork of civ——"

At this point a smile began to spread around the room. This added to his embarrassment—but he was to be paid for his address and so he made another jab at it. "The scholbull is the housework——"

By this time the smile had broken into a laugh. Even teachers can laugh —when they're somewhere else than in school. "The bullschool——"

He was getting wild. So were his hearers. The pretty girl in the front seat added to his confusion—instead of acting as his inspiration as he had expected. He mopped the perspiration from his beetling brow, gritted his teeth and made a fresh start. "The schoolhouse, my friends——"

A sigh of relief went up—for the audience really sympathized with the poor devil. He seemed to have regained his coolness, for he gazed suavely around the sea of upturned, interested faces and with an air of triumph he struck an atttitude, thrust his hand into his coat, like Napoleon at somewhere, and continued—"is the woolbark——"

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Trinity, 11 1
West Burlington, 11 8
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 7:30 8
Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Front Street, 7:30 15
Branson, 7 18
Alamance, Sapling Ridge, 10:30 21
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 11 22
Orange, Chestnut Ridge, 3 22
Eno, 7:30 22
West Durham, 7:30 23
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 25

March

Leasburg, Salem, 11 1
Milton, Semora, 7 1
Duke Memorial, 7:30 3
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 7

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Moyock-Pilmoor, Pilmoor, 11 1
Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Hemp, 11 1
Hemp Ct., Smyrna, 3 1
Carthage, 7 1
Person Ct., Calvary, 11 8
Stedman, Bethabara, 3 8
Johnson Memorial, 7 8
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground, 11 15
Parkton, Hope Mills, 7 15
Caledonia, Johns, 11 22
Red Springs, 4 22
Raeford, 7 22

March

Laurel Hill, Sneeds Grove, 11 1
Pinebluff, Beaver Dam, 3 1
Hay Street, 7 1
Maxton, 11 8
Rowland, Purvis, 3 8
Hamlet, 7 8
Gibson, 11 15
Roberdel, 7 15
Troy, 11 22
Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
District Conference at Sanford, 10 to 4 23
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3 26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Marshallburg, Summerfield, 11 15
Straits-Harker's Island, 7 15
Beaufort, 11 22
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 22
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30 22

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Benson, Benson, 11 1
Selma, 7:30 1
Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30 .. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Wilson, 11 1
Elm City, Mt. Zion, 3 1
Tarboro, 7:30 1
Farmville, 11 8
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 8
Rosemary, 11 15
Roanoke Rapids, 3 15
Marvin, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 22
Clark Street, 7:30 22

March

Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City .. 15
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Church School Institute & Youth RRally, Weldon, 4:30 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April

Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ... 17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Wilmington, Trinity, 11 1
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 7:30 Bethany 1
Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 8
St. Paul, Regan's, 3 8
Elizabeth, Perdie's, 11 15
Bladen, Center, 3 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 15
Maysville, Pollocksville, 11 22
Swansboro, Bethlehem, 3 22
Jacksonville, Vanona, 7:30 22

March

Wilmington, Epworth, 11 1
Faison-Kenansville, Wesley's, 3 1
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May

Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

February

Acton, Asbury, 11 1
Leicester-Grace, Dix Creek, 3 1
Oakley, night 1
Bald Creek, Borin Chapel, 11 8
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windom, 3 8
Burnsville, Burnsville, night 8
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 15
Etowah, English Chapel (1st and 2nd), 3 15
Candler, Snow Hill, night 15
Brevard, 11 22
Rosman, Selica, 3 22
Hendersonville, night 22

March

Asbury Memorial, 11 1
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, 3 1
Saluda, night 1
Biltmore, 11 8
Fairview, Tweeds Chapel, 3 8
Tryon, night 8
Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

New Hope-Bethel, Bethel, 11 1
Zoar, 3 1
Big Springs, 7:30 1
Morven, Pleasant Hill, 11 8
Peachland, Mt. Moriah, 3 8
Chadwick, 7:30 8
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 11
First Church, Charlotte, 11 15
Pineville, Marvin, 3 15
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 22
Polkton, Polkton, 7:30 22

March

Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Dobson, 11 1
Bryant Memorial, Pine Hill, 3 1
Mocksville, 11 8
Davie, 3 8
Cooleemee, night 8
Farmington, 11 15
Mocksville Ct., 3 15
Advance, night 15
Ararat, Maple Grove 22
East Bend, night 22

March

Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1
Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:45 1
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, 11 1
Dallas, Dallas, 7:30 1
Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11 7
Cherryville, 11 8
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Concord-El Bethel, Concord, 7:30 8
Mount Holly, 11 15
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 15
Vale, Palm Tree, 11 22

South Fork, 3 22
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 22

March

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Mt. Pleasant, 11 1
Ai, 3 1
Lee's Chapel, 7:30 1
West Market, 11 8
Guilford, Groome's, 7:30 8
Midway, Burnett's, 3 8
Ruffin, 11 15
Haw River, Brown Summit, 7:30 15
Gibsonville, 11 18
Reidsville Ct., 11 21
Centenary, 11 22
Glenwood, 7:30 22
Bessemer, 7:30 25

March

Oak Ridge, 11 1
Stokesdale, 3 1
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 1
College Place, 7:30 4
Pleasant Garden, 11 8
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 8
Proximity, 7:30 11
Spray, 11 15
Stoneville, 3 15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Danbury, 11 22
St. Pauls, 11 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Pleasant Grove, 11 15
Oak View, 7:30 15
Archdale, 7:30 18
Ward Street, 7:30 19
Highland, 11 22
Randolph-Gray's Chapel-Bethel, 3 22
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 23
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
South Davidson, Alleghany, 2 28
Shiloh, Reeds, 7:30 28

March

Linwood, Linwood, 11 1
Denton First, Denton, 7:30 1
First Church, High Point, 7:30 3
Main Street, 7:30 4
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 5
Why Not, Pisgah, 7:30 6
Randleman Ct., 2 7
Seagrove, Seagrove, 7:30 7
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 8
Randleman-Union-Naomi, 7:30 8
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 9
Lebanon, 7:30 11
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30 15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30 15
Asheboro First, 7:30 18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Linville Falls, Concord, 11 1
Check-up Meeeting, Marion, 3 1
Old Fort, 11 8
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 8
Dedication, Henrietta, 11 15
Dedication, Pleasant Grove, 3 15
Marion Mills, East Marion, night 15
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 22
Valdese, Valdese, night 22

March

Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 1
Broad River, Tanners Grove, 3 1
Training School, Henrietta, night 1
Avery, Mt. Zion, 11 8
Elk Park, Elk Park, 3 8
Spruce Pine, 11 15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 15
Marion, First, night 15
Glen Alpine, night 15
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordton, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 1
Olin, Fairmont, 2:30 1
Mooresville, Broad St., 11 8
Davidson-Fairview-Williamson's, 2:30 8
Maiden, 11 15
Hickory, Westview, night 15
Lenoir, First, 11 22
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 22
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, night 22

March

Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Rural Hall, 11 1
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 1
Winston-Salem, First, 7:30 1
Thomasville, Main St., 11 15
North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3 15
Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes, 7:30 15
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7

METHODIST ORPHANAGE
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done a truly constructive piece of work here, and he's highly regarded not only by his teaching associates but also by the students. He is modest and has both courage and determination. I have known him since he was a child and I have watched his progress."

Rev. Mr. Barnes told of his announcing the appointment to the orphanage students. The reaction of the students was spontaneous and enthusiastic, he said, and the applause was almost deafening.

"Jesse is one of the finest young men I know," Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, observed. "I am confident that his appointment will be satisfactory. He is a worthy successor to Claude F. Gaddy who has done a fine job."

Randolph Benton, Wake county superintendent of schools, said: "Naturally I am delighted over Sanderson's election. We will be closely allied in matters of financial support for the schools."

BURIED ALIVE

A few months ago I traveled from Reading to London. At an intermediate station two soldiers' wives, each with a baby, got into our compartment. One baby was a boy, the other a laughing little girl about a year old. The women talked of their men with cheerfulness, tinged with anxiety, and then the babies "took over" and gurgled and prattled to one anohter in baby language. Everybody was amused and even fascinated. Men dropped their newspapers to look and listen. Then came a lull, and the mother of the baby girl related this wonderful story.

"We have been three times bombed out of our house. The first two times were had enough—all windows smashed and ceilings down; but we got out without a scratch. The third one, though, nearly did for us! A bomb struck the next-door house, fortunately empty—a direct hit; and our house seemed to heave right up, and then came an awful crash, and we were buried in a mass of rubbish. I was knocked nearly senseless, dazed and bruised all over. My first thought was for my baby. I could see nothing—all lights gone, and the middle of the night.

"The rescue squad were soon shouting and working with their shovels and flash-lights. 'My baby! my baby!' I screamed. The men were splendid. They said afterwards I was splendid too—a real brick; but I told them that was all blarney, for any mother would think of her children first and last. I dragged and tore at the beams and rubble with my bare hands, and all the time I kept praying 'O God, do help me!' Suddenly one of the men stepped on baby's hand with his hobnailed boot and left a nasty scar."

She held out the tiny dimpled hand for us to see the ugly mark. Then this brave little mother burst into laughter and everybody laughed with her as she added:

"Then a funny thing happened. Baby's cot was close to the cupboard where I had a few jars of jam that I made last autumn, and she was there in her cot, plastered with raspberry and black currant jam from head to foot!"

One of the passengers could not help the comment, "There she was sweeter than ever before!" And more than one in that little company said under his breath, "Thanks be to God for such a mother!"—Rev. J. Anderson Wright, in Methodist Recorder.

TALL SAFETY

"When I was once in danger from a lion," said the missionary explorer, "I tried sitting down and staring at him, as I had no weapons."

"How did it work?" asked his friend.

"Perfectly. The lion didn't even offer to touch me."

"Strange! How did you account for it?"

"Well, sometimes I'v thought it was because I sat on the top branch of a very tall tree."—Christian Index.

Steel that loses its temper is worthless—so with a man.



A TOOL . . . For Building a New World



by James McGiffin

Director, Conference Council of Methodist Youth, Southern California-Arizona Conference.

EVERY builder must have his tools—good tools designed for his task, up-to-date, made by the finest craftsmen and fashioned from the choicest materials—and available wherever his work may be.

Methodist youth are builders—builders of the future of this nation.

As a Conference Director of Young People's Work—or, to continue the analogy, as a foreman of a great force of Methodist workers who are engaged in erecting the stucture of tomorrow's world, it is my concern that each worker shall have a tool adequate to his task.

Highroad is that tool!

We want our youth to build toward the highest and best as taught by Jesus and exemplified in his life. Secular publications do not give our youth Christ's approach to life. Every article, poem, and story in *Highroad* is written to illustrate some aspect of Christian living, and the inspiration of its pages will kindle the fires of enthusiasm for building a more Christlike world.

WHAT HIGHROAD CAN DO

But while *Highroad* should be in the hands of every Methodist young person for his own personal reading and for the nurture of his own growth in Christian living, it is an absolutely indispensable tool for every young person who occupies a position of leadership in the Methodist Youth Fellowship. A Methodist youth leader without his *Highroad* would be no better equipped to do his work than a carpenter without his hammer.

Let us be specific for a moment and see what this magazine can *do*. It will give the Chairman of the Commission on Worship and Evangelism fine poetry around which to build meaningful worship services. It will also provide him with a wealth of featured articles, editorials, and pictures to enrich the regular program material.

It would seem unnecessary to mention such a large and obvious part of *Highroad's* contents as the three sets of discussion materials. But there they are—complete, timely, pertinent to the problems of youth, prepared by experts, based on careful research, and planned so fully that the most inexperienced beginner can lead a worth-while meeting.

The two million Methodist youth constitute an active "youth movement." *Highroad* contains a regular page called "Youth Action," by Harvey Seifert, Secretary of National Conference of Methodist Youth, to help local church leaders keep in touch with their national representatives. So here is another page for every young person to put on his list of "must read" items.

The fiction, while it is interesting and wholesome reading, also has a practical value to the program planner. Did you ever try using a story to start a discussion?

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But there is a better way for you to learn about *Highroad* than for me to tell you about it. May I invite *you* to sit down with a copy of the magazine and examine each one of its splendid and usable pages.

Methodist youth are singing, "We Would Be Building." *Highroad* is a tool for these young people who hope to "build a new world." Do the young people of your church have their tools?

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New Life Begins With the Personal Touch

EVANGELICAL theology can be lived and preached and sung. It roots itself in experience and works itself out in personal relationships. In the golden days of camp meeting glories in America, the old circuit rider had preached one of his great evangelical sermons; this was followed by prayers and songs and shoutings. The waves of religious fervor rolled out over the multitudes until "Uncle Joe," the good old colored man who kept the camp, joined in the general rejoicing. Whereupon the old preacher cried aloud, "That's right, Uncle Joe, when you get to heaven you will be just as white as any of us." This added to the exultation, as the old colored brother shouted, "Bres de Lord, I feels de white a-comin' now."

This plain man in the forests of America of simple faith in God was dreadfully conscious of God as a power in his own life. He had come into fellowship with Abraham building his altar under the stars, and with Jacob having naught but a stone for a pillow as the angels ran up and down the ladder of the skies. Moses walking with unsandaled feet as the bush flamed and burned on the desert horizon, or Isaiah awed amid the glories of the temple, were not more sure of God. To him God was a presence, God was a power, God was an experience.

Experience brings us to the core of personality and has to do with the whole field of personal relationships. This is the very essence of our Christianity. Dogmas and creeds gain a place whenever men begin to think about religion; forms of worship develop whenever religious life externalizes itself; and institutions take shape with the years; but these are not the inner core of religious life. Place and time and externals count for little. It is not in this mountain or in that. The living fountain within counts. Though marred and broken was the life touched by the weary Messenger who sat on the curb of the wayside well, she knew the potency of the personal touch, and went away saying, "He told me all that ever I did." For her the past lived again; her soul was stirred to its deepest depths. With this personal touch a new life begins.—M. T. P.

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TEN RULES FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING IN A WORLD AT WAR

By Ralph Ward, Jr.

1. Do not let the war become an excuse for neglecting and ignoring life's normal responsibilities and duties.

2. Take time for counsel and give place to reason before following through on decisions made when the emotions are aroused.

3. Make light of your own sacrifices while being ready to acknowledge the greater sacrifices of others.

4. Maintain a sense of humor.

5. Let there be no hate of persons in anything you think, or say, or do.

6. Do not impute selfish motives to those who differ with you in what they conceive to be their compelling duty in this time of war.

7. Hold fast to regular habits of prayer and worship, which renew the soul, strengthen the mind, and keep one morally fit.

8. Learn to surmount fears with faith, to conquer rumors with reason, and to overcome personal grief through sharing the grief of others.

9. Forget not that you are an ambassador for Christ and thereby especially sent to live for peace and universal brotherhood.

10. Set no god above God the Father of all, who is suffering with burdened humanity and co-operating with man in his struggle for permanent peace.—Selected..

LET US HAVE CLARKSON CLUBS

The death of Heriot Clarkson, for 19 years associate justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, causes a vacancy in the ranks of the dry forces of North Carolina. Can there be any better way to honor his memory than to organize "Clarkson Clubs" in every town in our state and a representative club in every county?

The dry forces need to get together and select good men for the General Assembly—men who are pledged to allow voters of our fair state to deal a knockout blow to the ABC stores and the wine and beer shops. But we must get busy at once. The primaries will be on in May. Let preachers and consecrated laymen get together and start a battle for victory. What town will be the first to organize?

A. C. Sherrill.

BISHOP WARD AND NINE MISSIONARIES INTERNED

Bishop Ralph A. Ward, head of the Methodist Church in Shanghai, China, and nine Methodist missionaries who were in Wuhu, China, when hostilties broke out between the United States government and Japan, have been interned in the compound of the Wuhu General Hospital overlooking the Yangtze river, according to a cablegram received January 22 by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, from Dr. Chester B. Rappe, missionary and superintendent in Chungking, West China. From earlier dispatches it had been assumed by the board that Bishop Ward and his associates had escaped from Japanese controlled Wuhu into Free China when the war began, but this was erroneous.

A CREED FOR "FREE MEN"

Dr. William Adams Brown in his latest book with the above title opens up a new highway for the Christian forces of the world. He believes in the dynamic power of the Christian ethic sufficiently to transform a war torn world. It is found in the democratic ideal whenever and wherever applied. Such leaders as Washington, Lincoln and Lee have shown the spirit of a real democracy that can vitalize human society throughout the world. It is a most worth while book and it can be obtained from the Board of Missions and Church Extension free—150 Fifth Ave., New York.

O. I. Hinson.

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Now we are told that the dads must get in camp and help fight this war. True, the government is going to help care for the kiddies and other dependents. This doubtless will become a necessity, for war always takes the best and rakes the nation clean. Mars does not discriminate. The selective draft expects to discriminate in the distribution of man power to see that the best men are used where they are most needed.

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Two outstanding lecturers at Emory "Ministers' Week" made never-to-be-forgotten contributions to the program. Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, delivered the Quillian Lectures on the general theme, "Christianity and the Religion of China." Dr. Yang's amiable personality and his exceptional command of the English language, combined with his depth of scholarship, held the undivided attention of his great audiences. Beginning with a marvelous exposition on the spiritual heritage of the Chinese people, Dr. Yang climaxed his series of lectures with the fifth which was entitled, "Christianity, the Living Faith in Life Eternal."—News Item.

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The church and the coming peace is enlisting much thought and no little discussion. "How Shall the Christian Church Prepare for the New World Order" is a series of articles from notable men running in The Christian Century. Dr. Bradford S. Abernethy of the Federal Council conducted forums each day at the ministers' conference of Emory University on the theme, "The Church and the Coming Peace." These and many other efforts across the land indicate the present stir in the churches. In the first world war the cry was to "win"; in this, the stress apart from the war lords is to win the peace. The other peace left the seeds of this present harvest of world proportions. We would be saved from another such.

Born in Ohio in 1846 and died in North Carolina in 1942 are the limits of the earthly sojourn of Dr. S. K. Sphar. Much of his life was spent in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania, but the past two decades passed largely in Greensboro, North Carolina. Such men as he are not limited to any one time and place or measured by local associations. Large of body and great of soul Dr. Sphar won in any and every environment. His mental and physical vigor even in his ninety-sixth year were remarkable. He could drive his car and back into the curb on a crowded street with wonderful facility and then sit down to the table and eat with the relish of a sixteen-year-old. His good cheer and friendly ways, along with all the rest of his many virtues, were a genuine inspiration to all who esteem physical vigor and greatness of soul down to the sunset of life. How such noble souls do cheer the world by making easier belief in human goodness!

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Some of the congressmen from farming sections are taking a vigorous stand to keep men on the farms. They know the local shortages of labor because of shifts of workers to defense areas where big wages are paid and also heavy recruiting demands for army and navy made on farm boys. This leaves the farmers in great distress. They also know that men who once leave the farm rarely ever return. During the depression when the cities were crowded with men on the relief rolls few went to the farms though there was work and a living there. In these days as we are more and more in need of food and raw material for the armed forces and the hungry millions, draft boards should realize that it is easier to get men in the armies than to keep men on the farms. But it is still more difficult in a national shortage to secure sufficient labor to provide raw material and the needed food for citizens and armed forces. Remember, the farmers are ever the essential producers in every time of war and of peace.

The Vanguard Has Landed

LAST week American soldiers reached Ireland. Churchill told the House of Commons that this is but the vanguard of an American army that is to follow. All of which makes us vividly aware of what happened less than twenty-five years ago. We sent 2,000,000 boys "over there" to save democracy and to make secure the peace of the world. But all these dreams came to naught. Now we are set to build in 1942 and in 1943 sufficient ships to transport two million or more of our boys to make secure the freedoms of the nations. Then the British ships did most of the transfer of armies; at present we are told this must be done in American craft now in the building—both as to soldiers and supplies.

The first war, to the disappointment of us Americans, ended with sowing the seeds for this present world harvest. Just now the most far-sighted and patriotic men are much concerned about the peace that is to follow this present carnage. No one can see what this end will be and how well the nations will be prepared to affect a just and lasting peace. Most of us felt sure that with the signing of the Armistice of 1918 a new age was at the dawn and a new world was in the making. Instead, selfishness and greed bore rule and material things held sway. Then followed the financial collapse of 1929 and the attendant spiritual decay.

This time we are told that millions of men trained in the might of war and billions of material resources scattered to the world-wide battle fronts will win the victory and make sure the eight freedoms for the democracies of the world. As we go forth to crush the dictator nations arrayed against us, are we powerful enough, wise enough and good enough to be saved from the sore disappointment that followed 1918? The might of the sword and the power of the bombing plane count on the field of carnage, but far more potential in the final conquests of earth are the naked soul of man and the spirit of God. Not by might nor by power but by my spirit, says the Almighty who sits upon the throne of the universe.

During the other war we were told that the church failed to save us from its death and suffering. Now we hear the query, "Why does God not stop this war?" Really, the church failed to save us following the first war, or else this war had not been. The burning issue at present is, will the church be able to speak the master word in the peace that follows this war? This is the big issue before the American people. What will be the dominant note sounded by the Christian church at the peace table? Is the Christian church going to make itself so potential and regnant in the life of America these war days and so enthrone the Prince of Peace in the hearts of the people while the war lords lead on to death and slaughter as to keep God on the throne? If so, the church will be dominantly Christian in every pulpit and in every pew.

"Like Apples of Gold in Pictures of Silver"

IN Proverbs the twenty-fifth chapter and the eleventh verse we read: "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Words that answer this description in our judgment were spoken recently by Senator James J. Davis of Pennsylvania. Listen to the senator's timely utterance:

"When the bombers have ceased their errands of death and time has come for the representatives of the warring nations to meet around the conference table, there will be but one book which will hold their common respect and confidence. That book will not be 'Mein Kampf.' It will not be a volume of Shakespeare. It will not be the Encyclopedia Britannica or Webster's dictionary. That book will be the Bible—a common bond of council and inspiration among all men. For no book has so established a place for itself in all lands, among all peoples, read in all languages and used by the common people of every race and tongue."

Walking As We Practice It

IF the present shortage of rubber should persist through the years that are immediately ahead, walking might become a distressingly practical question. But at present it is primarily academic, but nevertheless interesting to most people who are not compelled to walk.

Perhaps the greatest joy centers about the first triumphant excursion that the baby makes from chair to parent, or from parent to parent. Walking has its real triumph in the nursery. But there are a few walkers who walk for pleasure or to have something to brag about. These, however, constitute a very

small minority of the human race. Primitive men walked, but as soon as they got something to ride they rode from choice.

Comparatively few will say: "Give me the clear blue sky overhead, and the green turf beneath my feet, a winding road before me, and a three hours' march to dinner . . . I laugh, I run, I leap, I sing for joy."

The American Institute of Public Opinion has conducted a survey of pedestrianism and estimates 30,000,000 Americans walk no more than they can help. Apart from inexorable compulsions, the report of the cross-section interrogated recorded 25 per cent who walk one mile or less a day; 15 per cent who walk 2 miles; 6 per cent who walk 3 miles; 3 per cent who walk 4 miles; and a sturdy 8 per cent who do 5 miles or more.

God's Work Goes On

MAN'S destructive efforts in war make much noise, create great confusion and set all the news agencies to telling the story of destruction wrought. Not so are God's quiet agencies in the work of the universe and his persistent efforts to rebuild on the ruins wrought. The forces that swing the world, that produce the harvests for man and beast, and the agencies to promote the coming of the kingdom. These are silent in their long process.

During this war many of the missionaries have come home and some good people would turn the energies of the church to the work of promoting the efforts of war as though God had ceased his long, quiet work of construction.

Just now there are more missionaries at work in Free China than ever before and the cause of God goes quietly on. Even in the Malay Peninsula and in all the Far East the work continues. At present here in the homeland it is clearly evident that God is moving in the heart of his devoted people. Noise and commotion on this planet attracts far more attention than do the spheres as they shine and as they sing. So is it with the loud clamors in times of war. Human commotion leads us to forget that God is on his throne and the divine processes continue in their spiritual conquests as well as in all those we know as the forces of nature. Nearly 100,000 Methodists are in the territory now in Japanese hands. Too many of these know the warm heart to sink into spiritual death and decay.

"One of Thomasville's Most Famous Sons"

CHARITY AND CHILDREN in last week's issue contains an editorial paragraph that deserves special attention, because it pays tribute to "one of Thomasville's most famous sons" whose body was brought to his home town for burial.

Here is the story as given by Charity and Children:

"On Sunday, January 18, one of Thomasville's most famous sons was buried. Rev. Frank Paxton Twine, for thirteen years pastor of the First (Negro) Baptist church of Brooklyn, was brought home to be buried. His father, who was a highly educated Presbyterian preacher, has been dead for some years, but his mother lives here and he was brought here for burial. Not only was he pastor of the great Brooklyn church, but for the past three years he has been president of the Baptist ministers conference of Greater New York. He was an honor to his race, to his church and to his state and town. The funeral in Thomasville followed one in his own church in Brooklyn and one in New York City. Hundreds were turned away in Thomasville because the church was not large enough for the great throng that would do honor to him."

The War After This One

A MAN the other day was talking in all seriousness about the next war. Some considered such absurd in the midst of the present war. All of which leads us to stress over and over again the coming peace. For if we do not have confidence in the peace to come after this war our resistance to our enemies may not be strong enough to win. Why spend millions of lives and billions of treasure if it is only to win an unjust and futile peace such as was that of Versailles.

We keep insisting that the church hold to the spiritual foundations and avoid any semblance of making this a "holy war." No such thing exists save those that are fought in the realm of the spirit. Then in the words of St. Paul, "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." To defend war is not the function of the church of Christ.

People and Things

Born to Rev. and Mrs. L. V. Harris in Columbus County hospital on January 13, a daughter, Elizabeth Carol Harris; weight 7 3-4 pounds. Mother and daughter well and happy.

Who is strong enough and brave enough to go on as Christ went—treading underfoot the golden crown of gain and reaching out after the thorny crown of sacrifice.—From a Church Bulletin (D.H.S.)

Layman's Day to be observed. Dr. W. K. Greene to be speaker, Shiloh church, Burlington circuit, February 15, 11 a. m. (Daylight Saving Time). Rev. Gypsy Smith will preach in the afternoon.—Rev. M. C. Ellerbe.

Mr. Samuel Ludrick Summers and Mary Jane Chrismon were married December 24, 1878. Mrs. Summers is a member of Shiloh Methodist church, Alamance county. A record of 63 years of married life; less than a week of separation from each other. Such a record teaches the Burlington circuit that divorce can be avoided.—M. C. Ellerbe.

"My pastor is a clown," declared a common sense business man. What a tragedy it is for a man to be a "court fool" rather than to be his Lord's ambassador. Of every true minister of the gospel it should be said, "His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him that nature might stand up and say to all the world, 'This was a man.'"

I consider the value of the church paper in the work of the church during the past century second only to the work of the preacher himself and the officers of the church where the paper has circulated. I feel it is impossible for real effectual religion and a deep interest in the church to come to its best in these days without a regular visit from some good church weekly or monthly in the home.—Dr. Joseph A. Vance.

The ministers' wives of northern Alamance county (about 25 persons) had a fellowship dinner in the economics room of Altamahaw-Ossipee school building on Monday evening of this week. The honored guest was Rev. Gypsy Simon Smith. Mr. Smith is attracting attention with his wit, humor, songs and messages. Methodist ministers are given a hearty welcome. The attendance increases and permanent results are anticipated. Services to continue through February 15—Bethlehem Christian church in northern Alamance county.

Pastor Martin Niemoller was 50 years old last week and it was the fifth year out of his 50 years that he has spent in a concentration camp. The British Broadcasting Company celebrated his birthday and the fifth anniversary of his imprisonment by broadcasting his New Year's sermon in 1937, in which sermon he lamented "the forces of evil who despotically govern us." One of his fellow Germans, Dr. Thomas Mann, now a citizen of the United States, paid Niemoller this tribute last week: "Here is a man who went his way to the cross with full awareness of the terror of the way." Selah.—Christian Index.

No curtailment in the number of summer institutes and assemblies for Methodist youth across the country this year was the decision made at Columbus, Ohio, this week by more than 200 delegates at the nation-wide meeting of the Methodist Institute Council. It was the consensus of opinion among the deans, managers, counsels and faculty members of institutes and assemblies in 39 states which are attended by nearly 600,000 young people, that there is sure to be a decrease in the number of registrations in the senior high schools and college age groups, but that they expect an increase in enrollments from the younger groups of from 12 to 16 years of age.

Mrs. Nannie Smith Bostic, widow of the late S. E. Bostic, died at her home on Park avenue, Greensboro, last Saturday, age 81. She had been in failing health nearly a year. She leaves two sons, Percy Bostic, Raleigh and T. C. Bostic, Greensboro; four daughters, Mrs. T. A. Winslow, Greensboro, R. 2, Misses Sallie, Jessie and Helen Bostic, Greensboro; also a brother, Rev. L. L. Smith, retired, Hickory. She moved to Greensboro some 12 years ago with her family from the vicinity of Randleman. She was a life long Methodist and was faithful to her church and her family. The funeral service was held at Centenary church by her pastor, Dr. G. R. Combs, and Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, a former pastor. She was buried in Randolph county near her old home.

Fourteen conscientious objectors have volunteered for relief work in China and will be sent to Rangoon as soon as transportation is available, the National Service Board for Religious Objectors announced today. Selected from volunteers in 25 civilian public service camps, they will be given an intensive training course while waiting completion of transportation arrangements. The unit will be under the direction of the Brethren Service Committee of Elgin, Ill. All men selected have agreed to serve for a minimum of two years from the date of sailing. Men selected are from camps at Relay, Maryland; Glendora, California; Colorado Springs, Colorado; Lagro, Indiana; Royalston, Massachusetts; Ashburnham, Massachusetts; Kane, Pennsylvania; Manistee, Michigan; Denison, Iowa; Marion, North Carolina; Cascade Locks, Oregon. These men include Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, Brethren, Mennonites and Quakers.

While the ministers and laymen of the district were holding their first check-up meeting, the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Winston-Salem district met in the dining room of Centenary church in Winston-Salem Friday night, January 23, with Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., presiding. Devotions were in charge of the vice president, Mrs. W. A. Barber of Kernersville; Mrs. A. P. Ratledge of Walkertown sang "O Young and Fearless Prophet." During the business session Mrs. C. C. Weaver, A. A. Kyles, J. H. Brendall and W .M. Smith were named as a committee to make plans for a picnic for the ministers and their families in the district. It was decided to hold our next meeting at Mt. Tabor church during the district conference lunch hour. Delicious refreshments were served by the officers of the association to 23 members and three visitors, after which the group adjourned to Memorial auditorium of Centenary church to hear an address by Dr. C. K. Vliet.—Mrs. Chas. D. White, Secretary.

There is no one thing that brings us more joy and pleasure than that of attending a real live, spiritual conference, similar to the one held in Raleigh on Tuesday of last week at Edenton Street Methodist church, with District Superintendent H. I. Glass in the chair. This was a full day for Methodism and missions, being a joint meeting with the Woman's Society of Christian Service with a large attendance of interested workers. Special ministers and speakers with impressive and inspiring messages were a delight. Miss Ruth Wheaton, a most enthusiastic field worker, told in a most gracious manner the value of educating our Methodist youth. The editor of our North Carolina Christian Advocate brought the conference a most powerful appeal for our defense and to the Almighty to save us from the curse of whiskey and war. A most pleasant luncheon added much to the joy of the day. Delightful fellowship with friends and co-workers permeated with good will brought to a close a conference of unusual interest.—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

FOUR-SCORE AND FOUR YEARS OF SPLENDID LIVING

This caption is a brief epitome of the life of "Frank Weaver" of Asheville, N. C., as his white friends everywhere in love and warm appreciation called him. His colored friends with no less esteem and a bit more dignity called him "Mr. Frank." Anyhow this was true during the eight years that we spent as an itinerant Methodist preacher in and around Asheville. And in such terms are marks of a nobility that excels the "blood of a hundred earls."

Frank belonged to the family of Weavers whose forebears helped lay the foundations of civilization in that mountain country. And they were a sterling group into whose blood went the strength of the mountains. The family tradition is that Frank was a fine baby and all who knew him can testify that he was a fine boy and a fine man who measured up to the traditions and expectations of his family heritage. He was a devoted churchman and through all the years of his long life rendered effective and joyous service in the kingdom of God.

George L. Hackney, a long time and devoted friend of Mr. Weaver, writes us: "Frank died in his sleep. When they went to call him to breakfast on Sunday morning, January 18, they found him dead. The doctor said he had been dead perhaps four hours." It is supposed that a heart attack caused his death.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mary Cornelia Weaver; a daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Harris of Asheville; two sons, Frank Weaver, Jr., of Asheville and William F. Weaver of the Charleston Navy Yard; two grandsons, Lawrence and Mae Harris; a granddaughter, Ann Weaver, and a half-sister, Mrs. Leon Sloan of Franklin.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Thomas Richner, concert pianist of New York City, appeared in concert last Thursday morning, January 28, as one of the features of the Louisburg College concert series. He presented a program of representative works, with the main stress on the compositions of Bach, Mozart, and Chopin. In the playing of these works in varying moods, he displayed real mastery of his chosen instrument and a measure of expression rarely heard in so young an artist.

Under the auspices of the college English department, a number of students presented at the chapel hour last Friday a program, "Voices of the Poets."

A fashion show was presented in the auditorium of the college last Friday afternoon under the auspices of the home economics department, of which Mrs. I. D. Moon is head. The various styles in dresses, together with the latest trends from the cosmopolitan areas in styles and cut, were modeled by students. Of particular interest was the showing of "economy" dresses, made of cotton fabrics that will help our country's defense effort.

Two members of the Louisburg College International Relations Club attended a state-wide conference of college youth held in Chapel Hill last Friday and Saturday. The general end of the conference was to plan for post-war reconstruction. Several speakers of note were on the program, outstanding of whom was Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

BISHOP WATKINS TO SPEAK

Bishop William T. Watkins of Columbia, S. C., will speak at the meeting of the Men's Fellowship Club on Thursday evening, February 12. This is the second of the special series of meetings planned by the program committee to emphasize the history and work of Methodism. Bishop Watkins will discuss the organization of the Methodist Church as it is today. All men of the church are invited to be present. Supper will be served at seven o'clock in the dining room.—Bulletin First Church, Charlotte.

PEACOCK BIBLE CLASS, WESLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH, HIGH POINT, TO SPONSOR "WINGS OVER JORDAN" CHOIR

The Peacock Bible class of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, will give people of High Point and vicinity an opportunity to hear the celebrated Glenn T. Settle colored "Wings Over Jordan" choir on Monday evening, February 16, at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium. This choir is one of the nation's best loved and most regularly heard group of spiritual singers, being heard on the air each Sunday morning over a nation-wide hookup. The choir is now making a tour throughout the Southern states and every one that can hear these singers in person should do so.

CHINA GROVE METHODIST CHURCH NAMED BENEFICIARY IN AN ESTATE

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor of First church in China Grove, reports that his church has recently concluded one of the most successful schools of missions held in that church. The four circles of the woman's society sponsored each one night's study and assisted the pastor in teaching the course. The use of Garber's book, "The Methodist Meeting House," met with an enthusiastic response from the membership.

The month of January was devoted to an emphasis upon missions in all phases of the church's program. Mr. Weldon used as the general theme of his sermons during the month, "The Church in a Hostile World." During February he is preaching a series of sermons on the Book of Revelation.

The China Grove church has been named as a beneficiary in the estate of the late C. G. Sechler of China Grove, the full value of the bequest having not yet been determined.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE SPENDS ABOVE $50,000

The executive committee, following the instruction of the board of trustees, Monday of this week let the contract to restore the Main building following the fire last year. This means an expenditure of more than $50,000, which will contribute much to the appearance and the value of this building that has become a landmark.

The work is to be done by August. College activities have proceeded much as usual this year, but the improvement made will add much to the college for the coming year. All are to be congratulated.

BISHOP HUGHES AT HAY STREET

February 22-27 Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes will preach at a union meeting for Fayetteville Ministerial Association. Services to be held in Hay Street Methodist church at 10:15 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend this city-wide revival.

R. E. Brown.

MYERS PARK CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, TO BROADCAST REGULARLY

Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, has made arrangements to broadcast its 11 o'clock worship service and sermon every Sunday morning over "North Carolina's newest and most modern station," WAYS. This station is located on the dial at 610 and has 1000 watt power. Dr. Embree H. Blackard, the pastor of Myers Park church, broadcast the first sermon over the new station last Sunday morning.

AN APPRECIATION OF FRANK MILLER WEAVER

We, the stewards of Central Methodist church, Asheville, North Carolina, desire to pay tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Frank Miller Weaver, who was called to his heavenly inheritance on Sunday, January 18, 1942. He was born on December 1, 1858. Our loss is indeed great. He was so friendly, accommodating and an inspiration to us all. He was a natural leader and it was a pleasure and delight to follow his leadership. The church never called him to any duty he did not faithfully perform. He gave generously of his time and means to advance the cause of the church he loved so well. We shall greatly miss him.

As a citizen of his community few men in western North Carolina have been more active and dependable. He was never in politics, as a candidate for office, but his wise counsel was constantly in demand. He was a man of clear vision and sound judgment. He was very active in civic affairs. For half a century he was connected with every civic effort advanced by any reliable organization. For four years he was president of the chamber of commerce. During the first world war he was food administrator for western North Carolina under the state leadership of the late Frank Page. He was also chairman of the local defense board. He was active in all government drives for the sale of bonds and in the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. drives.

But Frank Weaver's real enjoyment came from the work he was able to do for his church which he loved with a steady, continuous devotion. He was a steward of Central church for almost 60 years without a break. Several times he was chairman of the board. He was superintendent of the church school for 25 consecutive years. He was a delegate innumerable times to district and annual conferences. Four times the Western North Carolina conference sent him as a lay delegate to the General Confer ence. He was a trustee of Weaver College for many years and a trustee of Trinity College and Duke University for 25 years. During the Centenary drive he was campaign manager for the Ashevile district and conducted such a vigorous campaign that few districts in the connection made a better report. He attended the Centenary celebration in Columbus, Ohio. Surely a great man in Israel has fallen. His place in our church and community will be hard to fill.

We desire to extend to his family the deepest sympathy of our board of stewards in their loss. We request that this paper be filed in our permanent records and that the secretary be directed to send copies to the family and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Geo. L. Hackney,
T. C. Smith,
L. B. Rogers.

NEWS FROM PILOT MOUNTAIN

Since our coming to this charge after conference many things have happened worth mentioning in the Advocate, but the sermon of Dr. C. K. Vliet of New York on January 25 is the climax so far. He is truly a great preacher and was a blessing to our people.

On the Sunday night before Dr. Weaver preached for us and held our first quarterly conference. At this time our pledge for World Service was doubled by most of the churches, and an excellent financial report was given for the year so far.

During the short time we have lived here we have found a fine spirit of co-operation throughout the charge and attendance at the services has been good. A new Sunday school has been organized at Whitakers church which has not had a school for several years. A young men's class has been organized at Pilot Mountain, which is being well attended. Also a senior youth fellowship has been organized here.

The pastor has a study class as to meaning of church membership and Christian living at the parsonage each Monday night, to which the young people and any parents who will come are invited. Also he is teaching the Bible in the Pilot Mountain and the Shoals high schools, and feels that this is a wonderful opportunity for leading boys and girls to know and love Christ and his teachings.

Prayer meeting is held every Wednesday night in Pilot Mountain, and every Thursday night in one of the country churches. Thirteen have joined the church since conference. There are 11 new subscribers to the Advocate. New song books have been bought for all except one of the churches on the charge.

The ladies in Pilot Mountain have redecorated two rooms in the parsonage, making them very attractive and much more comfortable. Plans are under way to remodel the church building here this year.

While we feel that some progress has been made during the last three months, we have not even begun to touch the surface of what needs to be done here.

R. Odell Brown.

EMORY UNIVERSITY RAISES $8,500,000

By John L. Sandlin

Emory University, Atlanta, and neighboring Agnes Scott College (Presbyterian) have just completed one of the most remarkable financial campaigns ever held in the South or in any other part of the country. These two institutions have been co-operating for a number of years with Georgia School of Technology, Columbia Theological Seminary, the University of Georgia and Atlanta Art Association in a movement known as the University Center for the Southeast.

Since the co-operative undertaking began with Agnes Scott and Emory, and because they had worked out plans for mutual assistance, the General Education Board of New York in January, 1939, offered to contribute $2,500,000 if Emory and Agnes Scott would raise together $5,000,000 additional. This was quite a huge undertaking for the two relatively small institutions, but plans were laid very carefully. Alumni of the schools were heartily enlisted, as well as the Atlanta, Georgia, and wider constituencies.

In spite of all difficulties, friends of all denominations were loyal and interested in the campaign. In the Atlanta drive alone there were enlisted 1,300 men and women on the various teams.

When the final count was made on December 31, the result was a total subscription of $10,027,000. In addition to the $2,500,000 pledged by the General Education Board, six other foundations contributed $2,890,000. The remainder of $4,637,000 was subscribed by more than 7,000 individuals whose gifts ranged from 10 cents to $1,000,000.

While large sums were designated for hospital improvement and for medical service which could not be counted in the original proposal of the General Education Board, yet the subscriptions which would properly be counted against the offer of the board amounted to $5,693,000, of which approximately two-thirds already has been collected in cash.

Since Emory University has the responsibility for the entire graduate school as well as for professional schools in medicine, law, theology, library science and other departments, some $8,500,000 of the campaign funds will go to that institution. The Agnes Scott part will amount to somewhat more than $2,500,000, of which one-third will be for endowment and the remainder may be used for additional buildings.

While this particular campaign was waged by Agnes Scott and Emory University, the other institutions in the University Center plan have also received substantial gifts during this period. Columbia Seminary has secured more than $200,000. A bequest made to the Atlanta Art Association is estimated at approximately $700,000. The University of Georgia has received through bequests or gifts perhaps $800,000; and Georgia School of Technology has received more than $100,000.

METHODIST STUDENTS CONFERENCE AT CHAPEL HILL, FEBRUARY 6-8

Mr. Harold A. Ehrensperger will direct the worship periods at the North Carolina Methodist Student conference which meets this week-end in Chapel Hill. As editorial secretary of the department of student work of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, he will represent the board at the conference. Many students will recognize him as editor of "Motive," the national Methodist student magazine.



Mr. Ehrensperger is the author of numerous pageants, articles and pamphlets on drama, and is the editor of Plays to Live By, Plays for These Times, Plays for the Changing World, and Three Plays on Peace. His Dramatic Calendar for Churches is the most completely annotated listing of plays for churches ever compiled.

He has been head of the Division of Plays and Pageants of The Methodist Church, the only department of this nature in existence. He is a recognized authority on drama as it is related to religion and the church, has been to Europe several times to study the drama, and has lectured throughout the country before forums, clubs, and educational institutions. He was the official lecturer for Drama Day at the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago.

Student officers in charge of the conference are: President, H. A. Scott, Jr., Duke University; vice presidents, Helen Butner, East Carolina Teachers' College; Margaret Tucker, Woman's College, University of North Carolina; Delbert Byrum, High Point College, Duke University; B. C. Moss, West Carolina Teachers' College; secretary-treasurer, W. H. Lewis, University of North Carolina; reporter, Charles McAdams, State College.

Mr. Robert W. Bradshaw and Mr. Carl H. King, representing the boards of education of the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conferences, serve in an advisory capacity. Mr. Bradshaw is dean of the student conference this year.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

Rev. Walter Towner, Nashville, director of youth department, Board of Education of the Methodist Church, will be speaker for Greensboro College's religious emphasis week this year to be held February 15-20, sponsored by the college Y. W. C. A., headed by President Lorene Weaver, Asheville. Beginning with Sunday night service at 6:15 and continuing each night thereafter at 6:45 in Odell auditorium, Mr. Towner will discuss problems of friendship, vocations and personal religion, based around the general theme, "Reaching Toward the Highest." Students and faculty will have the opportunity to enter into informal discussions with Mr. Towner each afternoon.

Speaking under the sponsorship of the Jewish Chautauqua Society, Cincinnati, Rabbi Leonard J. Rothstein of Harrisonburg, Va., discussed "Jewish Contributions to Civilization" at the chapel exercises on Thursday, January 29.

Greensboro College orchestra, directed by Mark Hoffman, will present the first of its two annual concerts Sunday, February 8, at 4 p. m. in Odell Memorial auditorium. The college orchestra, which is composed of college students and faculty and musicians from Greensboro music circles, has presented spring concerts under Mr. Hoffman's direction for the past eight years.

Washington Irving's famous tale of Rip Van Winkle's twenty year nap will be presented by the G. C. Players at matinee performances on February 27 on the stage of the Children's theatre in Winston-Salem and in Odell auditorium in Greensboro on February 28. Directed by Miss Charlotte Searles, instructor in speech at Greensboro College, Miss Katherine Hill of New Bern will play the part of "Rip," with Miss Mary Elizabeth Kearney of Franklinton playing Dame Van Winkle in Greensboro, and Miss Ceil Harvin in the same role in the Winston-Salem performance.

Miss Mary Skinner of Nashville, Tenn., director of the children's work of the Methodist Church, will visit the G. C. campus Friday, February 6. Miss Skinner will speak to Dr. Raymond A. Smith's religion class studying the educational work of the church.

The North Carolina Methodist conference planning committee for young people's activities met January 31 at the college to further plans for their summer assemblies at Louisburg College, and to discuss the general work of Methodist Youth Fellowship. Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, Greensboro College junior, president of the North Carolina Young People's conference, was in charge of the meeting.

Twenty-five Greensboro College students will represent the college at the N. C. Methodist Student conference to be held at Chapel Hill this week-end. "The Student in Christian World Reconstruction" will be the theme of the conference. Dr. Harold Ehrensperger will lead the devotionals, and Richard T. Baker of New York City, well known writer and assistant editor of the World Outlook, will be the guest speaker. Conference officers are: H. A. Scott of Duke, president, W. H. Lewis of University of N. C., secretary-treasurer, and Rev. R. W. Bradshaw of Durham, conference dean.

DR. S. K. SPHAR

The following brief tribute was presented to the Greensboro Ministerial Association by L. B. Hayes and adopted by standing a moment in silent remembrance:

"We are conscious today of the enrichment that has come to our lives and honor to our calling by the powerful and prolonged life of Dr. S. K. Sphar, distinguished citizen, humble Christian and good minister of Jesus Christ.

"In a world where death is a common commodity it took the pale horse and rider 96 years to catch up with and overcome the body of this mighty soul. Dr. Sphar was a man of cosmopolitan mind, catholic love and sustained zeal.

"After leading his own chosen denomination, the former M. P. Church, in its realm of service, he became a champion of Methodist union and lived to see the consummation of that crusade. Unlike others who fell in the front line before the victory and saw it only with the eye of faith, Dr. Sphar lived to see the fruition of his hope and his face would light up with particular joy as he talked of the reunited Methodist family in America and around the world.

"Having retired several years ago he remained pastor emeritus of Grace church, and like the sunset after a full, perfect day fades slowly in the west lighting the cloud fringes with a nimbus of glory, so waned the light of his earthly life.

"Therefore today, the day of his funeral, we record our appreciation of his great example, our grief at his departure, and our happiness in coronation in that eternal city that hath foundations whose maker and builder is God."

Excerpts from Message of the President of the English Conference

The world is at war on an unprecedented scale. While we look and hope for things as we should like them to be, we have also to look at things as they are. Problems are not solved by ignoring them.

That war is a terrible evil needs no argument. We are all agreed on that. The horrors of war are beyond description. But to many of us there is something worse, and that would be for us to be under the yoke of the oppressor, and our children trained up in doctrines which we abhor. The only glorifications of war in recent days have come, not from our national leaders, not from our allies, but from other sources. And the brave though unsuccessful attempts to avoid war and preserve peace ought not to be forgotten.

The position of our Methodist Church in the present conflict now raging can be, and ought to be, clearly stated. At the conference of 1936 which met at Newcastle-on-Tyne, there was grave concern at the perils to world peace resulting from the growing disregard of international obligations, and the world-wide increase in armaments and their destructive power. That conference then appointed a committee fully representative of different points of view to meet and examine the situation. In due time the commitment. It began in real fellowship and ended in the same. It did not, and could not, come to a united agreement on the issues involved, and especially on the question of individual participation in war. The statements therefore were presented to the conference of 1937 which were received and (with slight alterations) adopted. The point that is of great interest is that the conference declared that the Methodist Church upheld liberty of conscience to all her sons and daughters in whatever direction loyalty to inward conviction might carry them. So far as opportunity has permitted this has been carried out.

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Thousands upon thousands of our young people are now engaged in this gigantic struggle, and are scattered abroad over the world. Some few are engaged in farm and forestry work. Methodism has a ministry to all. Our Methodist people have also, often in collaboration with the other churches, played a great part in caring for the necessities of those who are far away from home, and are continuing so to do. We are proud of them, and have reason to be so. Especially have the women of Methodism risen to the occasion. All honor to them!

There are, alas, homes that are desolate and hearts that are broken. Many there are who will miss the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still. To them, and to those who are anxious and troubled in spirit, we extend our deepest sympathy and pray that the God of all comfort will comfort them in all their tribulation.

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And what of the future? When the battle is over—and please God that it may be soon—when the last shot has been fired, and the last bayonet sheathed, and when peace is declared, what then?

The real war will not be over. A great fight will still have to be fought. The war will not really be over until the principles of the Christian faith triumph over anti-Christian principles wherever they are to be found. The weapons of this warfare will not be carnal, but it will be a gigantic struggle for all that. As St. Paul says, "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." In this struggle Methodism must and ought to take a great place. There will be need of a united front in this warfare, and our church must more than ever be the church militant in order that it may be the church triumphant, heralding in the only kingdom that shall have no end.

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This leads me to another matter vitally affecting the life and effectiveness of our beloved church. It is the Methodist union.

As is well known, there was on this question considerable division of opinion. But since union has been an accomplished fact there has been a oneness of aim and of heart, and I think it will be agreed that many of those who were in opposition have honestly sought to make union all that it ought to be. At first there was naturally some strangeness due to newness; but the brotherhood of the ministry has been wonderfully consolidated, and so has that of the laity. We have now got to know each other, both ministers and laymen together. There is unity in conference and synod.

But there is not yet the unity there ought to be in many of our circuits. I do not mean that there is any ill-feeling; there is not. I do mean that there is not the readiness to amalgamate and co-operate that there should be. Real progress I know has been made, but there is still too much overlapping. Now if overlapping was something of a scandal before union, it is more so with union. There are still circuits that are continuing to work under old constitutions instead of under the authorized and agreed constitution. We have still three places of worship in small towns and villages where there ought only to be one, with all the overhead charges involved thereby.

I know the pull of tradition and have some sympathy with those who feel it. But tradition should be viewed in the light of the larger interests of the kingdom of God. So long as unneeded churches are kept in being there is a danger of younger people coming under the influence of tradition and so rendering more difficult the task of rearrangement and reconstruction. A time such as this in which we are living ought surely to be the time for Methodism to put its house in order, not for the sake of Methodism, but for the work it is called upon to do.

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One work Methodism has been called upon to do is to engage in a great forward movement. Our church is not alone in this, for other churches are moving in that direction. In Scotland there has just been held a great

"Week of Witness." It has proceeded on the lines of an intensification of spiritual life within the church, of the application of Christian principles to the life of the nation, and a recognition of the world-wide scope of the Christian evangel, with its "good news to all people." These are the aims of our forward movement and it is not born out of due time.

Definite programs have not been laid down, and herein is wisdom. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." Already the forward movement has been the means in some places of waking up churches to a real sense of vocation. With a wakened sight will come the recognition of larger opportunities. And if the dominant motive be the constraining love of Christ we shall not only carry on, but we shall carry through. "In due season ye shall reap if ye faint not." It was after picturing a truly tragic time that should come, with calamity following on calamity, that our Lord said: "When these things shall come to pass, look up and lift up your heads; your redemption draweth nigh."

Praying that the blessing of God that maketh rich and addeth no sorrow may be upon us all during this year now at its dawn, I am, Heartily yours,

Walter H. Armstrong.

NEWS FROM CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

The Charlotte district has accomplished several outstanding things since annual conference. Eighteen of the 37 charges have increased the salaries of their pastors. Twenty-six charges have taken an increase over last year on World Service. The district has accepted about 88 per cent of the askings on World Service, and present indications are that it will over pay its acceptances.

Over a period of many years a Christian workers' training school has been held at the First Methodist church, Charlotte, with outstanding achievements. On February 22-27 another will be held. All the Methodist churches of Mecklenburg area will be afforded the best in Christian education training.

Several churches have reported items of unusual interest: Myers Park church, Charlotte, has very recently purchased a new parsonage, located at 1527 Queens Road, two blocks removed from this church, which is valued at $20,000. It is one of the best in the entire conference. Very recently Rev. Sherrell B. Biggers has been appointed as director of religious education for this church. He has begun very fruitful activity. Dr. E. H. Blackard, the new and magnetic pastor of this church, broadcasts each Sunday over Charlotte's new radio station WAYS, 610 kilocycles.

Rev. Mitchell Faulkner, now pastor of the Prospect charge and beginning his first year as a member of the conference, is doing great work. He and his people are remodeling their church and are adding additional Sunday school rooms.

Rev. J. R. Warren, pastor of Indian Trail, and his people are completing their church. He is accomplishing a great and most worthy task.

Hickory Grove charge has recently bought a new piano for their auditorium and have plans under way for redecorating the interior of their already beautiful church. Rev. R. L. Young is pastor.

The Bethel-New Hope charge has recently recovered its parsonage. The pastor, Rev. T. G. Highfill, and his people continue to press the work of the kingdom.

The Dilworth Methodist church, Rev. Howard P. Powell, pastor, has installed and used for the first time December 21, a Schulmerich Carillonic Bells unit. The bells are 25 in number. The bell music undergoes a process of electronic amplification which broadcasts this music to be heard in the Dilworth community.

The Hawthorne Lane church, Rev. Edgar H. Nease, pastor, has paid the debt on their educational building and will dedicate it on April 12. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the dedicatory sermon.

The Thrift Methodist church, Rev. John H. Carper, pastor, has paid the debt on the new church and will dedicate it on March 29. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the dedicatory sermon.

John H. Carper,
Reporter Charlotte District.

(P. S.—Ministers of the Charlotte district, please send your news items to John H. Carper, Box 335, Paw Creek, N. C.)

REV. JOHN LAWSON TEAGUE

Rev. John Lawson Teague was born March 1, 1860, in Haywood county, North Carolina, a son of the late James Wilson Teague and Martha Adeline Kirkpatrick Teague; departed this life January 17, 1942, his age being 81 years, 10 months and 16 days.

On October 1, 1888, Mr. Teague was married to Miss Mary Summers Conwell, a granddaughter of Bishop Joshua Soule. To this union were born five children: W. C. Teague, Miss Florence Teague, John Teague, Mrs. Martha Wigginton, and Perry J. Teague. After Mrs. Teague's death he was married to Miss Ellen Duke Moss of Greensboro, Ky., on April 12, 1905.

Mr. Teague was converted at the age of 18, licensed to preach at Ferguson's Camp Ground in Haywood county, North Carolina, on August 30, 1880, admitted on trial into the Holston conference at Bristol, Tenn., in 1884, and was ordained local deacon at the time of admission by Bishop Keener and received into full connection at Knoxville, Tenn., in October, 1886. Mr. Teague received his education at Emory and Vanderbilt universities.

Brother Teague served Methodism in three conferences: The Holston, Tennessee, and the Western North Carolina, receiving his appointments for a period of 31 active years, spending two years as supernumerary, after which he was superannuated. During this period of superannuation he served as pastor of Clyde and Junaluska (assistant pastor) for a part of one year, and served as pastor of the Highlands charge for one year. Since then his activities have been confined to the work of the Sunday school, though he preached occasionally.

Mr. Teague received appointments from the Holston conference to the Rossville Mission 1884, Hendersonville 1885 and the Sweetwater circuit 1888. In the Tennessee conference to the Sanderville 1889, Manchester and Tullahma 1890, Alex Green circuit 1891, Castalin Springs circuit 1892-94, Bethpage 1895-96, Pleasant View and Ashland City 1897-99, Montgomery circuit 1900-03, Southside circuit 1904-05, Sango circuit 1907, and Smyrna circuit 1908-10. And in the Western North Carolina conference to the Macon circuit 1911-14, Webster 1915-17, Black Mountain 1918-19, supernumerary 1920-21, and superannuated 1922-1942.

Mr. Teague is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ellen Moss Teague; three sons, W. C. Teague, John Teague, and Perry J. Teague, and two daughters, Miss Florence Teague nad Mrs. Martha Wigginton; three sisters, Mrs. Addie Teague Wells, Mrs. Mattie B. Johnson, and Mrs. Laura Teague Herren. Also surviving are four sisters, who for many years have lived as daughters in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Teague. They are: Mrs. Veo Burrell Cabe, Mrs. Eula Burrell Cabe, Mrs. Hazel Burrell DuFour, and Miss Lois Burrell.

Funeral services were held at the Union church on the Macon circuit, where Mr. Teague attended as long as health would permit, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday, January 18. Officiating were Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent of the Waynesville district, Rev. J. C. Swaim, pastor of the Union church and the Macon circuit, and Rev. Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church. Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Green were in charge of the music. Active pallbearers were Ned, Wilbur, Elmon, and Woodrow Teague, Charles A. Rogers and Tom Stiles.

J. C. Swaim.

A SON'S APPRECIATION OF HIS MOTHER

H. C. Waldrop, publisher of The Times, New Bern, N. C., kindly sends us a beautiful appreciation of his mother to be published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and with it is the following explanatory note:

"I enclosed herewith something I wrote about my mother who was a life time Methodist. Several people have suggested that it ought to be placed in the Advocate.

"No doubt there are men on your staff who were acquainted with Dr. J. G. Waldrop of Hendersonville and his wife, my mother. Papa died many years ago (1913) and mother lived until last August.

"Of their 11 children, ten are living now, eight of them being North Carolina residents. None of us have left our church despite the fact that some of us married into other denominations."

Mr. Waldrop's note awakens many fond recollections in the mind of this editor. When serving as presiding elder of the Asheville district it was our privilege to be a frequent guest in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Waldrop in Hendersonville. All the children were at home in those days and what an interesting and delightful family it was. Dr. Waldrop was a leading steward and Sunday school superintendent, and every member of the household from the oldest to the youngest was devoted to the church. Mrs. Waldrop was justly proud of those fine sons and daughters who merited mother's partiality.

And she was worthy of all that her son says about his mother in the appreciation that follows:

An Appreciation

The pall of death came to our family last Wednesday night week when our mother passed away. When the years of our living are added up it means that she had been our mother 504 years, and what a mother.

She was faithful unto death, her love was fervent, her life purposeful. Her belief in the eleven of us, steadfast, undaunted.

Many happy memories linger with us as we contemplate the years that have gone. Her inexhaustible patience, her unwavering trust, her fortitude, her unswerving fidelity. An affection and love which found kinship with the eternal.

How beautiful was the old home place with its green grassy lawn, the yard shaded by silver maple trees, from whose limbs the season's boughs hung like weeping willows as her body lay in state.

The old home place and property adjoining stand as a monument to her thrift and industry, for she was bereft of her husband, our father, when she was 49 and five children under age, had not completed their education. Her zeal and fealty bridged the chasm of her loneliness as she merged her duty with our destiny and triumphantly became the head of the house.

Her love throughout these 28 years since our father died has sent its tentacles of affection to our separate homes and firesides. She had maintained the house whose every room is hallowed by recollections of days come and gone, forever.

As we were bound to her by natal ties, so now do we find ourselves tethered by the bonds of infinity. May her labor in His vineyard find in us a harvest.

H. C. Waldrop.

WESLEY FOUNDATION AT W. C. U. N. C.

The Wesley Foundation at Woman's College, U. N. C., has just completed its first semester, with 700 Methodist students as its "parish." In an effort to reach as many as possible of these girls, 50 girls served on the three councils. Margaret Tucker of Ahoskie heads the Wesley Foundation Council as president, with Martha Medford of Canton and Jean Von Canon of West End as vice presidents. Reba Young of Rosehill is secretary, Emileigh Maxwell of Pink Hill is treasurer. Serving as chairman of the junior council is Grace Haynes of Salisbury, with Ruth Turner of Waynesville as secretary. Each member of the junior council serves as assistant to one of the officers on Wesley Foundation Council.

As its special project this year the Wesley Foundation has been working each week with pre-school children, and has organized two girls' clubs in an underprivileged area near the campus. Every Thursday afternoon has taken to this area Helen Little of Claremont, who headed the service project this semester. Elaine Hope of Scranton, Penn., will supervise the project next semester, and a number of other girls who have assisted them. Fourteen of these preschool children were invited to a Christmas party, at which "Santa" made his appearance with a warm sweater, a toy, and candy for each—provided by contributions of Methodist students for this purpose. The older girls in the club, directed by Wesley Players, presented a simple Christmas pageant for the community.

The first few weeks of school were devoted to the 235 new students. A party was given at College Place church for all these the first week of school; later a series of "cocoas" helped bring them together in "Freshman families" to get better acquainted. In November a Frenshman Council of 20 girls was organized, Betty Jean Bales of High Point serving as chairman and Margaret Jeffreys of Mt. Airy as secretary. At their semi-annual meetings excellent discussions on "Careers for Women" and "Should Women Continue in Careers After Marriage?" were led by Dorothy Meekins of Manteo, Martha Lea Davis of Badin, Helen Hoover of Lenoir, and Iva Campbell of Leaksville.

Four representatives of the Wesley Foundation attended the National Methodist Student Conference at Urbana, Ill., during the Christmas holidays: Mary Moling Kirkman of Pleasant Garden, Dorothy Holden of Greensboro, Anna Fake of Fayetteville, and Miss Louise Panigot, the Wesley Foundation director, who served as state quota chairman for the conference and arranged for a special bus to carry many of the North Carolna delegation to this conference. There were a total of 36 delegates from the state of North Carolina.

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS PROGRAMS AT BREVARD COLLEGE

There is constant emphasis on Christian living at Brevard College, but at suitable intervals special attention is devoted to the place of religion in the lives of college students. Last year Dr. Howard P. Powell of Charlotte and Rev. Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove led the different programs of this nature. Rev. Charles P. Bowles of Wadesboro was on the campus three days the second week in January. The messages of all these ministers were particularly applicable to the needs of young people at the present time. At a later date in the spring semester there will be another minister on the campus for the same kind of service.

A large percent of the students at Brevard College are already members of some branch of the Christian church. About 60 percent are Methodists, 20 percent Baptists, and the remainder distributed among several different denominations. Primary emphasis is placed on loyalty to the church in general and special attention is devoted to the program of Christian service of each denomination. The authorities of the college believe that it is the business of the institution to present to each student the claims of Jesus Christ and give an opportunity for definite commitments to the Christian way of life.

Western N. C. Conference Treasurer's Report

Below is report of payments on World Service and Conference Benevolences (first column), and General Administration Fund (second column), up to February 1. January fourth Sunday offerings not included. Grand total World Service and Conference Benevolences, regular payments $18,651.77; fourth Sunday $7,054.80; total $25,706.57. An increase of nearly 65 per cent over same period last year.

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

Asheville District

Acton	$ 52.00	$ 3.75
Asheville: Asbury Mem.	27.93	
Biltmore	17.21	
Central	103.68	
Haywod Street	80.00	
Hillside Merrimon Av.	65.26	1.17
Oakley	12.00	
Asheville Ct.	23.80	
Black Mountain	6.02	
Candler	12.50	
E. Flat Rock	43.78	
Etowah	5.70	
Fairview	12.56	
Fletcher	65.48	10.00
Hendersonville	12.56	
Hot Springs	13.79	
Ivy	4.88	
Leicester-Grace	7.10	
Marshall	9.08	
Micaville-Tipton Hill	14.99	
Mills River	14.97	
Pisgah	9.00	
Saluda	1.30	
Swannanoa	48.74	
Tryon	13.49	
Weaverville	32.37	
Totals	710.19	14.92

Charlotte District

Ansonville	28.51	
Charlotte: Belmont Pk.	120.84	
Brevard St.	200.00	
Calvary	74.54	
Central Ave.	8.97	
Dilworth	583.40	
Duncan Mem.	10.00	
First	1185.22	10.16
Hawthorne Lane	78.93	
Myers Park	826.00	37.50
Spencer Memo.	40.52	
Wesley Heights	115.00	
Derita	10.00	
Hickory Grove	29.27	
Homestead-Pleas. Grove	165.00	
Huntersville	30.57	
Indian Trail-Stallings	44.01	
Lilesville	30.00	
Marshville	10.00	
Matthews	15.47	
Monroe: Central	424.95	4.68
Peachland	33.00	
Pineville	64.25	
Thrift-Moores	39.55	
Wadesboro	417.52	
Waxhaw	2.00	
Weddington	6.20	
Totals	4593.62	52.34

Elkin District

Advance	20.40	
Davie	6.00	
Dobson	9.05	
Elkin	52.99	
Farmington	10.33	
Green Valley	5.00	
Millers Creek	37.50	4.00
Mocksville	116.33	
Mocksville Ct.	12.37	
St. Paul	2.65	
Wilkesboro	10.15	
Totals	282.77	4.00

Gastonia District

Belmont: Main St.	10.56	
Park Street	146.65	
Belwood	47.25	
Bessemer City	35.00	
Boger City	43.10	2.40
Cherryville	158.25	
Cherryville Ct.	1.00	
Concord-El Bethel	8.00	
Crouse	7.15	
Dallas	39.40	
Ebenezer	28.05	
Fallston	39.23	
Gastonia: Bradley Mem.	138.04	
East End	23.18	
Main Street	880.00	27.00
Maylo-Smyre	101.00	
Trinity	74.90	1.34
West End	14.10	
Grace	62.35	
Lincoln Ct.	7.15	
Lincolnton: First	18.23	18.00
Lowell	27.09	
Lowesville	25.53	
Polkville	46.81	
Shelby: Central	87.76	
Lafayette St.	107.74	
West Shelby	5.57	
Shelby Ct.	13.05	
South Fork	2.65	
Stanley	21.62	
Totals	2220.41	48.74

Greensboro District

Draper	25.00	
Flat Rock	82.25	
Gibsonville	30.00	
Greensboro: Bessemer	19.47	
Bethel-Battleground	30.06	
Carraway Mem.	67.34	
Centenary	50.15	
College Place	50.65	
Glenwood	25.50	
Newlyn St.	25'00	
Proximity	75.00	
West End	13.32	
West Market St.	64.37	
Guilford	25.00	
Haw River	71.35	
Jamestown-Oakdale	58.75	
Leaksville	18.01	
Madison	64.00	
Moriah	1.00	
Mt. Pleasant Ct.	110.25	1.95
Mitchells-Vickery	50.00	
Pleasant Garden	21.94	
Reidsville: Lindsay St.	16.95	
Main Street	31.65	
Reidsville Ct.	35.06	
Ruffin	.86	
Sandy Ridge	39.17	
Spray	17.43	
Stokesdale	19.13	
Stoneville-Boulevard	2.90	
Summerfield	5.50	
Totals	1146.95	1.95

High Point District

Archdale	49.98	2.31
Asheboro: Central	17.43	
First	56.54	
Asheboro Ct.	10.62	2.00
Denton: Central	71.59	8.75
Farmer	18.67	10.00
Greer's Chapel	53.11	
High Point: Calvary	75.00	
First	31.24	
Highland	25.00	4.04
Lebanon	35.00	
Oak View	30.00	
Main St.	104.08	
Ward St.	28.25	
Welch Mem.	44.42	
Wesley Mem.	3563.40	82.50
Liberty: First	11.37	
Liberty Ct.	25.42	
Mt. Vernon	2.35	
Pleasant Grove	87.50	7.77
Ramseur-Franklinville	140.00	6.60
Randleman-Union	52.56	
Randleman Ct.	25.56	1.16
Randlph-Grays Chapel	44.51	8.00
Richland	15.19	
Shiloh	103.74	
South Davidson	6.00	
Trinity	16.70	
Totals	4745.23	133.13

Marion District

Bostic	27.18	
Cliffside-Avondale	80.00	
Connelly Springs	72.82	12.00
Marion: Cross Mill	40.00	4.50
First	11.14	
Marion Mills	62.50	
Marion Ct.	8.90	
McDowell Ct.	12.00	
Mill Spring	4.97	
Morganton: First	523.20	22.00
North Forest	60.00	1.75
Old Fort	31.00	
Pleasant Grove	26.14	
Rutherford College	29.56	
Rutherfordton	221.37	
Spindale	112.50	
Spruce Pine	13.17	
Sunshine	3.00	
Table Rock	25.00	7.00
Totals	1364.45	47.25

Salisbury District

Albemarle: Central	35.01	
First St.	24.55	
Main St.	60.00	
Tabernacle	25.00	
Albemarle Ct.	44.00	
Badin-New London	105.00	
Bethel-Boger	36.18	
China Grove	30.69	
Concord: Ann St.	24.04	
Central	78.44	
Epworth	50.00	
Forest Hill	543.64	12.50
Harmony	11.41	3.00
Kerr St.	18.00	
Roberta	14.50	
Rocky Ridge	13.27	
Westford	13.46	
Friendship	15.39	
Gold Hill	11.29	
Granite Quarry	13.44	
Kannapolis: Bethpage	21.24	
Jackson Park	22.87	
Mt. Mitchell	40.10	
North Kannapolis	35.00	
Trinity	69.94	
Landis	44.53	
Midland	7.33	8.00
Mt. Olivet	20.97	
Norwood	90.00	
Pfeiffer	80.63	
Salisbury: First	59.84	
Park Ave.	39.15	
Spencer: Central	48.15	
Stanfield	8.00	
Woodleaf	9.34	
Totals	1764.40	23.50

Statesville District

Balls Creek	3.00	
Catawba	22.94	
Cool Springs	15.90	
Elmwood	2.77	
Grace-Rhodhiss	7.54	1.54
Granite Falls	52.00	
Harmony	16.64	
Hickory: Bethel	34.42	2.25
First	189.00	7.25
West View	24.71	
Hudson	15.00	
Lenoir: First	471.00	8.00
Lenoir Ct.	19.46	
Maiden	44.00	2.00
Mooresville: Broad St.	12.05	
Central	124.00	
Jones Mem.	5.46	
Mooresville Ct.	13.41	
Mt. Zion	300.00	
Newton	73.00	
North Newton	50.00	
Olin	1.25	
Shepherds	46.50	4.40
Broad St.	355.00	7.50
Race St.	45.81	
Stony Point	36.64	
Taylorsville	22.00	
Troutman	2.88	
Union Grove-Zion	10.44	
Whitnel	2.00	
Totals	2018.82	32.94

Waynesville District

Andrews	20.00	
Beaver Dam	8.76	
Bethel	9.84	

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference will meet in Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point, March 11-13. The first session will be held Wednesday afternoon, March 11, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. Each society is entitled to ONE DELEGATE only. In addition if the Wesleyan Service Guild is organized in your church, your church is entitled to send ONE Wesleyan Service Guild delegate. Please elect your delegate at the February meeting.

We are planning a most interesting, instructive and inspirational meeting. Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, Miss Daisy Davies of Atlanta, and several of our missionaries and other speakers are expected to be with us at this meeting.

Please be much in prayer for the meeting. Ask your spiritual life chairman to have prayer services for the success of this meeting.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Conf. Pres.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES TO ANNUAL MEETING

In keeping with the annual custom each delegate is asked to pay one dollar when she registers at the church in High Point. This will entitle her to tickets for the lunches on Thursday and Friday, March 12 and 13.

KAGAWA LEADS EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

During October and November since his return to Japan from the United States, Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, the empire's outstanding Christian leader, has been holding a series of evangelistic services at Tokyo, Southern Japan and Formosa. Thousands of people are attending these meetings and hundreds are signing cards registering their purpose to accept the Christian way of life. Numbers of young peaple have also signed cards indicating their desire to dedicate their lives to some form of direct Christian service. These decision cards are being given to the local Christian churches for follow-up. —World Outlook for January, 1942.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, SUNNY ACRES, JAN. 21-23

The officers and district secretaries of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of our conference met at Sunny Acres on Wednesday, January 21, for a two days' executive meeting and with two exceptions the entire number was in attendance, and the meeting proved to be one of interest.

The first session on Wednesday evening opened with a hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," and a responsive reading led by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who also made a report of a recent meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension in New York, which she attended. Through the pleas from different fields presented by Mrs. Weaver, we were brought to see the need of more extensive world service, and were urged to "put the spirit within the wheel" and realize that "from prayer we progress to service." Several matters of business filled the hour which was closed with a most helpful devotion by Mrs. C. N. Clark, who had for her theme, "Never Be Anxious."

Thursday morning after an inspiring devotional by Mrs. Weaver taken from Cushman's Prayer Book, and a report of visits to different board meetings during the year and promotion work done in the societies of the conference, the vice president, Mrs. C. N. Clark, gave an encouraging report of her work and stressed the "Minute of Prayer" at 6 p. m. each day. Other reports were those of the conference secretary, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, who gave a cheering report of increase in organizations and members and announced that seven districts, Charlotte, Gastonia, Greensboro, High Point, Statesville and Waynesville, are 100 per cent in having a society in every pastoral charge. (Congratulations to these seven district secretaries.—Ed.) The treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, gave an interesting report showing that the division had overpaid and pledges amounting to $60,000 were pledged for 1942. Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary of missionary education and service, Mrs. R. M. Andrews of the C. S. R. department, Mrs. W. F. Redding, secretary W. S. Guild, revealed through their reports progress in their departments. The report of student work by Mrs. Walter Lanier showed that 700 names of students going to college had been sent to her, and she had forwarded the information to the secretary of student work in the church nearest the colleges.

Thursday afternoon was opened with devotional by Mrs. A. L. Thompson on the theme, "Our Life in His." Reports of the secretaries of the districts followed and a general discussion was entered into on several matters of interest. Other reports from conference officers were given by Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary of young women and girls' work; Mrs. George Hoyle, secretary of children's work, and Mrs. J. W. Harbison, secretary of supplies, all of which showed a spirit of co-operation in these various departments, with progress having been made during the past year. The report of Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, secretary of literature and publications, who could not be present, was read by the secretary and was encouraging in its work. Goals were set for 1942 for the World Outlook at 3250 subscriptions during 1942, and The Methodist Woman at 2900. Thursday evening after impressive worship service by Mrs. E. A. Lamb, who had for her topic, "When I Gave My Life to Christ," several matters of business were discussed, including our obligations to the two Bethlehem Houses and the giving of scholarships or "study grants" to students at Pfeiffer and Sue Bennett colleges. Following the reading of the report of the by-laws committee by the secretary, the meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Weaver, and in grateful appreciation to the hostesses Miss Hyda Heard and Miss Anna Ogburn for their generous hospitality this meeting goes into the record as a most interesting helpful and enjoyable occasion.

A PRAYER IN TIME OF WAR

By Oscar T. Olson

O God, our Father in whose will is our peace, help us this day to unite our hearts in fellowship with all thy seeking and suffering children as we worship thee. Look upon humanity whose redemption thou didst desire, now broken and bleeding under the awful scourge of war; and bless with wisdom and courage all who venture to follow thy searching light of truth and righteousness. Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who in all our afflictions art afflicted, look in tender compassion upon all who are suffering in this time of strife and warfare of nations. Mercifully hear our prayer, thou who canst bring good out of evil and makest even the wrath of man to turn to thy praise; that we may be brought to a lasting peace built upon jstice and good will; and grant that the nations of men may be united in a fellowship of mutual understanding and helpfulness, for the promotion of thy glory and the redemption of all mankind, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

NEW ORGANIZATION AT SANDY RIDGE

Mrs. R. G. Rives, secretary of the Greensboro district, reports a new Woman's Society of Christian Service at Sandy Ridge on the Greensboro district with the following officers: President, Mrs. T. G. Williams; vice president, Miss Alice Vernon; recording secretary, Miss Ruth Hall; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John A. Dodson; treasurer, Miss Laura Ellington; secretary missionary education and service, Miss Pearl Johnson; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. Lincoln Brown; spiritual life leader, Mrs. Irvin Sheppard. Address of all officers is Sandy Ridge, N. C. Our best wishes are extended to this new group of workers.

3600 MISSIONARIES SERVING IN CHINA

The January issue of the World Outlook carries the following item:

"It is estimated that there are about 3600 Christian missionaries of all nationalities serving in China today in all forms of service—educational, evangelic and medical chiefly. In pre-war days there were about 4800 missionaries in service. The calling home of many European nationals and the evacuation of women from some sections account for the decrease in totals. In 'free' China (West China) there are more missionaries today than heretofore because of their removal from ocsupied territory."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

"WHEN THOU PRAYEST"

When thou prayest, rather let thy heart be without words than thy words without heart. Prayer will make a man cease from sin or sin will entice a man to cease from prayer. Pray often, for prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God and a scourge to Satan.—John Bunyan.

FOR WHAT SHALL WE PRAY?

No Christian can or will deny the mighty power of prayer and because of this great power of prayer no W. S. C S. should neglect the privileges of an effective spiritual life group. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary of spiritual life groups, has sent to each local secretary a copy of A Prayer Calendar and some added timely and needful suggestions for prayer. Incidentally, the Prayer Calendar is also published on page 23 of the February issue of The Methodist Woman. We commend the use of this list for your daily devotionals. Miss Lamb's added list includes: Prayer that the Holy Spirit shall have right of way in all plans for and in every session of our conference at Edenton Street, Raleigh, March 10-12; for our officers; for all delegates; for our guests; for every person helping to make conference effective. Let us pray for World Day of Prayer, February 20, and attend, if possible. Pray for our Commission on Evangelism.

Also in the February issue of The Methodist Woman we are reminded that the foreign staff of our Board of Missions and Church Extension is asking for the prayers of the members of theW. S. C. S. during February that we may maintain a wholly Christian attitude towards the people of nations at war with us, whether here or in their own country. The home staff asks the members to pray for Negro children and especially for the children and leaders in Bethlehem centers. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."—James 5:16.

EULINE SMITH WRITES

One of the most widely known and beloved of our missionaries from the N. C. conference is Miss Euline Smith, a former resident of Hamlet and, until forced to return to America for a time, a missionary to Korea. Miss Smith is now working at the Bethlehem Center in Charlotte. A recent letter from her will be of intense interest to her many friends and acquaintances throughout the N. C. conference. Miss Smith writes: "Since I cannot return to the field of my choice at this time, it is good to be doing Negro work in my home state. Ruby Berkley, who is head resident, and I arrived February 3, 1941. A building had been bought and was partly furnished but no work had been started. During the first month we tried to get things straight and looked over the situation. Our first group work was to open kindergarten on March 3 with ten children. The enrollment has steadily increased until we have 31—we cannot accommodate more—and a waiting list. I had never expected to teach kindergarten, but here I am. It is a question whether they or I have learned more during this year. They like to sing, and sing well at times. They also have a rythm band. In one short year we have had four sets of twins in kindergarten and another set in the first grade club group. Some of their names, such as Jeanetta and Jeanette, Mary Gladys and Galdys Mary, are interesting. Instead of writing of the various center activities, I'll mention only those with which I am most closely connected. We have weekly club meetings for different age groups after school hours. Wanting to keep in touch with those children who were in kindergarten in the spring and entered school in the fall, I organized a club for first grade children. We play games, have hand work, sing and have stories. They are my most regular attendants. Another group of girls, ages nine to eleven, became so large that it now meets in two sections. In addition to the things mentioned above they like to cook. One of them had a ticket to the fair and while standing on the corner waiting for the bus began thinking of her club meeting and decided not to go to the fair. She said her mind hurt her, but said she thought I would call it conscience. A short time before I had asked her to read an article on conscience. One afternoon a week is given to playground work with girls. The mothers of the kindergarten children have a monthly meeting. The garden club will start meeting as soon as it is possible to work outside. A certain amount of visiting has to be done. We have four full time workers in the center and the program includes activities for boys and girls as well as adults. As has been true of other mission work I have known, there is much to be done and I am glad to be here 'for the duration.' "

INFORMATION NEEDED

It is most imperative that certain information concerning the delegates to the annual meeting to be held at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, on March 10-12, be obtained by the local conference committees at an early date. The earlier this information is received the more affective work the committees shall be able to accomplish. Names of delegates, one dollar for luncheons, whether or not each delegate will be driving her car or will be with someone with a car, and other information as stated in the letter sent to all local presidents recently, should be returned immediately to Mrs. A. Wray White, 127 N. McDowell Street, Raleigh, N. C.

REPORTING DELINQUENCY

Since your editor is able to give facts and figures of reporting in only one department of work, namely, literature and publications, they should serve as a reminder and a rebuke to all local officers who failed to report to their respective conference officers last quarter and throughout the year 1941. The fourth quarter reports in literature and publications reveal that of the 498 societies in the N. C. conference, only 319 mailed reports. That is a deplorable and inexcusable situation and our aim this year should be to see to it that this condition does not exist in 1942. A total number of 2163 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and 2085 to World Outlook have been reported . Durham district is leading In the number of societies reporting eigh district running a close second. In the numberof societies reporting Rocky Mount district is leading with 65; Durham second with 56, and the other districts following with Raleigh 44; Elizabeth City 43; Wilmington 41; Fayetteville 39; New Bern 31. To those secretaries who have reported regularly and on time in all the departments of work, the respective conference officers are most grateful. To those who have failed and to all new societies we beseech you to mail a report each quarter in 1942 to your respective conference officer by April 1, July 1, October 1 and by January 1, 1943.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

The W. S. C. S. of Plank Chapel church entertained in a novel new year's party recently. The affair was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Smith and the entertainment was developed around the theme "Time." Each member brought a "date," in most instances her husband; therefore it proved to be an almost entirely family group of 60 or more who attended. Mrs. J. S. Rowland, Mrs. Thad Woodlief, Mrs. Marvin Brown, Mrs. D. L. Fuller composed the committee in charge of arrangements for the party. Novelty games were played and riddles were answered. Following the most delightful program the hostess served plum pudding with whipped cream topped with a cherry, with coffee. Special new year's greeting cards were attached to a stuffed date on each plate. Those on the women's plates were a date for the next meeting of the society. As a final cheery note, the entire group gathered around the piano where the hostess led them in singing an original new year's greeting to the tune of "Jingle Bells," and other old time songs. As the party ended, young Buxton Bobbitt, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, woke from his nap and was there like the veritable baby new year to smile and coo a final happy new year greeting.

The greatest affair in life is the creation of character, and this can be accomplished as well in a cottage as in a palace.—Ian Maclaren.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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GOING AWAY

These lines are being dictated under pressure. This scribe is going away. He expects to be away for a week in making the trip to Dallas, Texas, where he will direct the annual meeting of the National Assoociation of Methodist Hospitals and Homes. There is a mixed mental reaction relative to going away. He will be away from some annoyances. There will be no decisions to make relative to the ongoing of the place. There will be no complaints to hear and no misdemeanors to evaluate. But there is always a regret connected with a separation from the family, even for a week. We not only have a large family, but a fine family, a lovable family. We like to live with one another and are glad that any separation is of short duration.

THE GOLDEN STUDY PERIOD

The mid-term examinations are over. So is Christmas. January has passed. In comes February. During the latter part of the winter, if contagious diseases stay away, our boys and girls will do better in their school work than at any other time of the year. The nights are long, the habits are regular and purposes clear. We are now in the midst of the year's golden study period.

SUFFICIENT FOOD

We have recently had a meeting with all our dietitians. It may be recalled that about half of our children eat in the central dining room and the other half have their meals in their cottages. We have the semi-cottage plan here. The first buildings centered around a central dining room. The new buildings have their own kitchens and dining rooms. So our eating arrangements are scattered around some. In the conference with our dietitians food evaluations were made. It was decided that we would not cut down on our food but that we would cut down on any waste that might creep in. It was found that every child has a quart of milk per day, with some to spare. We have plenty of collards and tender greens. The sweet potatoes have kept well. We have to buy our Irish potatoes. We have sufficient meat, though we do not go very strongly on hog meat. Our food is plain but it is wholesome and, so far, plentiful.

CUTTING CLOTHING COST

We are cutting down on clothing, even if we can't cut very much on the cost. A limited amount of clothing for our boys and girls now costs as much as a more plentiful supply did a few months ago. The fact that our high school boys and girls attend the city high school and that a great majority of them attend church over town causes a supply and quality of clothing that are in excess of what would be necessary for home use. We are encouraging our youngsters to take better care of their clothing. I suppose this is true in every family. It certainly is true in ours. Encouragement is the first step. Direction is the second. We haven't yet determined what the third is .

FOOD PRODUCTION

The boys have the canning house enclosed. It will facilitate the preserving of our surplus vegetables next summer. We are arranging to have a surplus and we want to take care of it. The land is carefully prepared, fertilizer is in stock and plans are made for planting on a large scale. The boys like to talk about the big crops they expect to raise.



Men come from boys

BOYS AND BOYS

The picture herewith presented is that of a group of boys who were beginning their efforts at basketball some years ago. They are still going along with their efforts, not only in basketball but in growing a life. Our records indicate that we have 241 boys at the Children's Home, some 40 more than the number of girls enrolled. Another building, which we hope will be supplied in the run of time from the Wrenn estate, will enable us to even up our intake so as to have about the same number of girls as boys. Some of our cottages for boys are entirely too full.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

The ten per cent apportionment bell reports that it is shivering from lack of exercise. It would like to warm itself up a bit. Its ringing would warm our hearts a whole lot. If you want to push over the bell so that the clapper may sound forth pleasing tones of good deeds well done, send in your Children's Home quota. The following have done so since last report, for which the bell pealed forth our cordial thanks:

Bailey and Cornatzer, Advance circuit, Rev. P. L. Smith.

Salem, Morganton circuit, Rev. F. W. Dowd Bangle.

Tabernacle, West Forsyth circuit, Rev. A. Burgess.

New Mt. Tabor, Friendship circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.

Long Pine, New Hope-Bethel circuit, Rev. T. G. Highfill.

THE SECOND MILE

First church, Lexington, has arranged to pay its entire 21 per cent to the Children's Home. In addition to the amount carried in the church budget six adult church school classes have underwritten $271, each of these classes having taken a child for sponsorship as a special objective. In writing of this matter J. F. Spruill, church school superintendent, states: "I only had to mention the matter of the Children's Home quota to our classes. They would have subscribed twice the amount had it been necessary. As you know, the Children's Home has always been close to the heart of our church school. I will thank you to assign a child to each of the following classes: Men's Bible Class, C. H. Forcum, president; John Wesley Bible Class, Dale Leonard, president; Susanna Wesley Bible Class, Mrs. Baxter Leonard, president; The Spruill Co-Ed Class, Miss Margaret Leonard, president; Loyal Worker's Bible Class, Mrs. John Craver, president; and the Young Woman's Wesley Bible Class, Mrs. R. S. Thomas, president."

MISS APPALACHIAN

A letter from Austin E. South, clerk of superior court of Watauga county, says: "Last week the college here in Boone held the election among the student body for the superlatives in the college. Miss Dorothy Griffith won out as 'Miss Appalachian.' As she is one of the girls from the Children's Home, I congratulate you on the fine record she has made while here in Boone for I know that you and your organization had a lot to do in making this fine young lady. I know that she will make good out in the world in her chosen field of work."

In speaking of this matter, Dr. J. D. Rankin, dean of the college, says: "This honor can come to but one student her and is supposed to go to the young woman who represents most fully the spirit of young womanhood of Appalachian State Teachers College."

THEY PLAY AND PLAY

We have a lot of basketball games. Three teams of boys and two of girls have their regular scheduled games, meaning that eight to ten match games are being played each week. A great majority of the games are being won. At present the varsity boys and the varsity girls are leading the South Piedmont Conference, neither having so far been defeated in the conference. Basketball is a great game for youngsters. It is not a luxury with us but an apparent necessity.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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WILMINGTON—Last week I spent two days in Wilmington on official business. I had two or three interviews with Rev. C. D. Barclift, pastor of Fifth Avenue Methodist church. Brother Barclift was very co-operative and rendered me valuable service, which I appreciate very much. It is highly gratifying to know that Brother Barclift is having such a successful pastorate in the city by the sea. He is devoted to the Methodist Orphanage and never grows weary working for its success.

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MARCH OF DIMES—Fifty of our boys and girls took an active part last week in the March of Dimes for the prevention and cure of infantile paralysis. Every year our boys and girls participate in this worthy campaign. Since so much is done for our youngsters they are happy to do something in return for such favors. It may be of interest to our Methodist constituency to know that we have never had a case of infantile paralysis in the Methodist Orphanage. Our children are being taught that they should become interested in all community affairs, which develops good citizenship. I am happy to state that the children of the Methodist Orphanage won the trophy in this year's March of Dimes.

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ORPHANAGE MINISTERS— Every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock Rev. James H. Overton, associate pastor of Edenton Street Methodist church, preaches to our small boys and girls. All of our high school students attend the 11 o'clock service at Edenton Street. We are happy to have Brother Overton, who is so well qualified to bring helpful and inspiring messages to our young people. He is one of our best equipped young men, and is devoted to the children and workers of our school. Our high school boys and girls are very fond of Dr. Glenn, and enjoy his messages every Sunday. We are very fortunate in having two such outstanding ministers as pastors of the Methodist Orphanage.

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GROUND BREAKING—Last week the congregation of Person Street Methodist church in Raleigh broke ground for a new church. A very interesting program was arranged for the occasion. Rev. R. G. Dawson and the building committee are to be congratulated upon their achievement. Rev. H. I. Glass, the Raleigh district superintendent, made the principal address on that auspicious occasion. Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street church, opened the services with prayer. Mayor Graham Andrews was present and represented the city. Practically all the Methodist preachers of the city were present and a large congregation from the Person Street church. It is confidently expected that the educational unit will be completed by early summer. At present the congregation is worshipping in the auditorium of the Murphy public school, which is located near the site of the new church. We wish the Person Street friends great success in their undertaking.

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BIG OCCASION—On the last Tuesday night in January the public school teachers in the city of Raleigh held their quarterly meeting in the Vann auditorium on the Methodist Orphanage campus. Immediately following the meeting the teachers, numbering approximately 200, assembled in the large dining room at the Orphanage for a buffet supper. The meal was paid for by the teachers. The Methodist Orphanage glee club sang several selections complimentary to the teachers. We were very happy to have had the teachers of Raleigh with us, as it was the last occasion of this kind before Professor Sanderson assumed the superintendency of the schools in Raleigh. Through the years we have endeavored to keep our teachers and children in touch with the teachers and students in the city schools. There is a most friendly and intimate relation existing between the Methodist Orphanage and the other city schools, and the people of Raleigh in general. It was a distinct privilege to have had the teachers with us for their meeting and buffet supper.

POLITICS IN ARKANSAS

Some political situations that often seem unexplainable are explained in the light of the following episode:

Two Arkansas farmers had been at "outs" for twenty years. One of them drove over to the line fence one day where he accosted his old enemy neighbor with a husky, "Mawnin' Jeff."

"What you speakin' to me for, after these twenty years?" asked his surprised but suspicious enemy.

"I'm jest here to tell you that I'm runnin' for Congress an' I don't want you nor none of yours a votin' for me."

"Now lookee here," said neighbor Jeff. "Me an' my kin's been votin' the Democratic ticket since grandpappy came to these hills and if you don't want us a votin' for you, you jest git off the ticket."—Religious Telescope.

NO SPIRITUAL BLACKOUT

By Ernest C. Durham

Blackouts may come through all our land
Ere ends this warring strife,
But there's a light that always shines
For man's inner life.

The Star of Bethlehem shines on
With e'er increasing light,
And in some distant future time
There'll be no black war night.

Charter House School
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RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8

The second Sunday in February (February 8, 1942) is designated by the Methodist Church as Race Relations Sunday. The objectives of this observance as outlined in the Methodist Discipline are: (1) The education of the church in regard to better race relations and (2) a presentation of the interests of the schools and colleges fostered by the Methodist Church for the education of Negro youth. There are 15 institutions officially related to the Methodist Church for the education of Negroes and these institutions have rendered invaluable service to the race, the church, and the nation. Offerings made on Race Relations Sunday are used for the promotion of these educational institutions for Negroes and for the religious education of Negro children, youth, and adults. Offerings in the North Carolina conference for this cause should be sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Treasurer, Oxford, N. C.

Materials for use in the observance of Race Relations Sunday have been sent to each pastor from our General Board of Education in Nashville, Tenn. If further infomation and materials are desired they may be secured by writing to Dr. M. S. Davage, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. There was a satisfactory observance of the day in our conference last year, but we hope to have a more widespread observance this year.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

A new type of training program was carried out this week at Bethel, and it seemed to offer such fine possibilities that we are describing it in detail for the benefit of any other church groups which might be interested.

The pastor, Rev. J. G. Phillips, had made rather careful plans for the series of meetings and sent a copy of the program to the executive secretary several days in advance so that preparation could be made for each group meeting included in the program. Local promotion had been provided that enlisted the support of all the officials who were concerned with the project. As a matter of fact, this "Forward March" in the Sunday school had been made one of the four "prayer Aims" of the congregation at the beginning of the new year.

The schedule of meetings as outlined in the church bulletin was as follows:

Sunday, 6:30 p. m. Methodist Youth Fellowship supper followed by discussion of total Methodist Youth Program.

7:30 p.m. Evening worship with emphasis in the sermon on the general program of Christian education.

Monday, 10 a. m. Meeting of workers to begin a home department for the Sunday school.

2:00 p. m. Meeting of Youth Council at the high school.

7:30 p. m. Meeting of the Board of Education.

Tuesday, 10 a. m. Meeting of workers in nursery department.

3:30 p. m. Meeting of workers in children's division.

7:30 p. m. Meeting of workers' council.

The Board of Education considered every item of its responsibility at its Monday night session, and made definite plans for certain expanded phases of the Christian education program. The chief value of this meeting was an increased sense of responsibility on the part of the board for its large place in the church program. The general superintendent and division superintendents, all of whom were present for this meeting, are: F. L. Andrews, general superintendent; Mrs. J. L. Gurganus, superintendent of children's division; Mrs. A. M. McWhorter, superintendent of youth division; and J. L. Gurganus, superintendent of adult division.

Mrs. J. W. Rook and Mrs. Lucius Ward met the pastor to consider the matter of nursery "home members" and agreed to serve as nursery home visvisitors. They made plans for securing the names of persons for whom they are responsible and also plans for materials they will use.

The children's division workers had a lengthy session devoted to problems of their local Sunday school work and also the problem of boys and girls not in any Sunday school. There was a very evident concern for all boys and girls in the community who had no religious instruction, and steps were taken to enlist these in some school.

The closing session was a meeting of the workers' council, which served as a fitting climax to the two days of intensive effort with the smaller groups.

In reporting the meeting the pastor used the descriptive expression, "Conservations on Christian Education," which we rather like. It is indicative of the informal method used to get at specific problems and talk them over in such a way as to come to some definite solutions. Three things stood out in the success of this venture:

Definite objectives set up before the meeting.

Careful planning and preparation for the meeting.

Specific, tangible results growing out of the meeting.

The pastor in his planning with the executive secretary suggested the following emphases to be stressed in the course of the meetings:

1. Development of a home department.

2. Setting-up of a nursery department.

3. "Youth work thrown into high-gear."

4. Increase in attendance and enrollment.

5. Development of a Sunday school worship program for youth and adults.

Every meeting planned proved to be a success from the standpoint of attendance, of interest, and of results.

At the meeting to consider the home department Mrs. J. P. Hooker; Mrs. M. M. Edmundson, and Miss Olive Jones agreed to take responsibility for developing this phase of the work. Plans were made to study the church roll to find the list of prospective home members and to secure material for them.

At the youth council meeting, under the leadership of Mary Ayers, president, Gretchen Staton, vice president, and Marjorie Minton, secretary, plans were made for the development of the Methodist Youth Fellowship in every phase of activity. Commission chairmen were selected as follows:

Worship and Evangelism, Edna Ruth Bowers.

World Friendship, Marian Burton.

Community Service, Sallie Joe Gurganus.

Recreation, Roy Ward.

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GASTON COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL

The nineteenth annual training school for Gaston county Methodism will be held at Main Street church, Gastonia, beginning at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, February 15, and continuing each evening through Thursday. With Claude H. Moser and Dr. C. H. Pugh as host pastor and superintendent, and Brother E. M. Jones as district superintendent, plans are being completed for the school. For a number of years Mr. J. R. Dellinger and Miss Evelyn Dellinger have handled the finances and texts most efficiently, and they are assuming these responsibilities again this year.

Board of Managers and Enrollment Chairmen

All general superintendents are designated as members of the board of managers and as enrollment chairmen from their respective churches. Each superintendent will please assume responsibility for advance enrollment or designate some other person for this work. All enrollment cards should be mailed to Miss Evelyn Dellinger, Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, on Monday, February 9, or handed to her not later than Saturday, February 14.

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Pastors and Participating Churches

With an excellent course on Christian Evangelism taught by Dean H. B. Trimble of Emory University to challenge the interest of our ministers, all indications are that every church in the county will be well represented. Pastors of participating churches are:

J. B. McLarty, Main Street, Belmont.
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Other Methodist ministers from outside Gaston county and pastors from other denominations are also invited to attend this class with Dean Trimble.

Courses and Instructors

Courses and instructors for the school are:

Teaching Children in the Church School, Miss Elizabeth Oliver.

Senior and Young People's Work, Wilson O. Weldon.

The Church Working with Adults, Earl D. C. Brewer.

Christian Evangelism, Dr. H. B. Trimble.

The Superintendent and His Task, Carl H. King.

Intermediate Work, Mrs. E. H. Saville.

CATAWBA COUNTY TRAINING CONFERENCE

Members of the Catawba sub-district organization of the Methodist Youth Fellowship attended the training conference held at First church, Newton, January 25-28. Courses on Senior and Young People's Plans and Recreation were taught by M. Teague Hipps and Earl D. C. Brewer.

Rockingham County Epworth Training Conference

With Robert Stamey giving Worship and Evangelism and J. Elwood Carroll giving The Old Testament in the Life of Today, the young people and many of their adult leaders met for four nights of study, inspiration and fellowship at Lindsey Street church, Reidsville, January 25-28. E. Lester Ballard served as dean of the school.

WORKERS' CONFERENCE, FIRST CHURCH, HICKORY

It was the privilege of the executive secretary and of the director of children's work to meet with Brother W. A. Rollins and members of his workers' conference on Wednesday evening, Januray 28, to discuss evangelism and plans of the church school between now and Easter. Approximately 75 people were in attendance. All indications are that the church school is moving along in a fine way at First church, Hickory.

CORRECTION

The word notable should be mobile in the following statement from the January 22 Christian education page: "5. Young adults are probably the most notable group in our church. Will we keep in touch with them?"

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Sunday School Lesson

FEBRUARY 8

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By Rollin H. Walker

A Busy Sabbath Day in Capernaum

Mark 1:21-34; Luke 4:31-41

When Jesus preached in the synagogue in Capernaum the people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them with authority, and not as the scribes. His teaching was not "scholarly." That is to say, he did not bolster up his statements by constant quotations from the rabbinical authorities, but his words came with such appealing force, and fitted so perfectly into the crying need of men's souls that they knew they were from God.

When some huge wild beast is prowling about, and the dogs of the neighborhood scent him, they all begin to bark with excitement and terror. And so the dynamic power of Jesus' personality caused the insane to scream with fright. What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Nazarene? said the demoniac in the synagogue. Art thou come to destroy us?

That is the first reaction of every disordered mind and every guilty conscience in the presence of the Christ, or of any one filled with the spirit of Christ. I know thee, who thou art, says the lunatic, the holy One of God. He was echoing the feeling of many others in the synagogue, but they repressed their emotions, while he gave vent to them.

We are not required to accept the first century diagnosis of insanity as final authority. Jesus did not come to impart modern scientific medical knowledge. He came to bring an atmosphere in which such knowledge could develop, and to proclaim the power and love of God to heal. We today know that medical attention to the endocrine glands often relieves insanity, and that the high temperature produced by an injection of malarial germs will tend to kill off the germs of paresis. And such new knowledge has given rise to the rash assumption that the cause of insanity is purely physical. But there are many kinds of mental disorder of which it can be said that this kind goeth not out by shots in the arm. And medical authorities are today stressing the therapeutic value of Christian teaching and of faith and sympathy of nurses and friends.

In addition to this one violent case there can be no doubt that from the synagogue that day not a few who, while they would not be classed as insane, were nevertheless distinctly morbid. They also went home in a much healthier mood. Many men and women in our church audiences have an incipient neurosis of fear, and one of the chief services of the authoritative and joyous preaching of the gospel, and of the hearty singing of the hymns, is to bring relief to such sufferers.

Jesus went home with Peter after the service. His wife's mother was sick of one of the fevers that infested the shores of the sea of Galilee before modern sanitation. But Jesus took her by the hand, and the fever left her, and she arose and ministered unto them. Perhaps this good woman had been troubled and anxious because Peter had left his business to follow the penniless Nazarene, but how fortunate it was for her that Peter had obeyed his conscience!

During the afternoon the news of the healing of the demoniac and of Peter's wife's mother spread all over the town, and in the evening Jesus held a reception. But how different it was from the formal and exclusive affairs that are often staged when a dignitary visits the town! A multitude of the sick surrounded the house as soon as the sun went down. They did not come earlier because the absurd Sabbath scruples that the scribes had taught them forbade the healing of the sick on the Sabbath.

We can only imagine the draft that was made upon Jesus' vitality as he healed the sick and restored the insane. We know from his own statement (Luke 8:45) that when he healed virtue went out of him. And when at a late hour the crowd left he doubtless threw himself down to sleep utterly exhausted. But how many people had a quiet rest that night who had not slept normally, or allowed their loved ones to sleep for many months! But in spite of the fact that he had been kept up to a late hour Jesus rose a great while before day and went out into the solitudes for prayer. He knew that communion with God would bring him physical vitality and also the guidance he needed at this crisis of his popularity.

MY CHURCH

Have you ever thought of the church as My Church, or the church school as My School? It is a particular place you have elected to serve Christ and show him to the world. The only glimpse someone will have of the Master is the one you will give to him. It is the place where the church family makes a united stand for the things that are right and beautiful and true. The success of that program depends upon each individual and the measure in which he is willing to reflect the Christ life in his own.

I once heard a man ask a friend to visit the church. He said "Come to my church. We have a fine church school, a fine precaher, and a fine choir. I think you would like it there" I was impressed with the pride he felt in his church and the cordial interest he manifested in his friend. My church! What am I doing for my church? I am proud of my church, perhaps. Is my church proud of me?—Carrie Abbott Guio.

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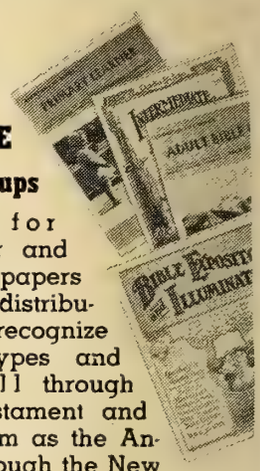
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Children's Storyland



PATSY

By Lucy Dayton Phillips

Another dog story. But this one is truly, true, if ever a story was.

It was a December day, when all the world was white, yet the gay singing of the little river nearby was not silenced by the ice floes that often did hush its song.

I, then a boy of twelve, was sent on a message to a neighbor who lived a little above us, and I went along the riverside, whistling my best, and not thinking of the cold.

I had gone only a little way, however, when I saw my chum's dog, Patsy, rushing toward me and barking.

He was always an ugly cur, but now he looked so strange and wild, I was half afraid of him. But I knew dogs don't go mad in winter-time and something Paul told me about Patsy a few days before occurred to me.

"He is that ugly that I'm ashamed of him, yet I've not seen a dog that can beat him for sense an' loving a fellow. I believe he'd give his life for mine any day; but he's jus' born little an' no 'count, you see."

"What's wrong, Patsy?" I asked, as he came closer to me, lifting his big eyes to mine. He would have told me if he could. As it was, I read in the pathetic, ugly face something like this:

"Oh, do please hurry! It's your chum that needs you so, and unless help comes soon—"

He fairly dragged me to the river's edge, to a deep clear pool under a willow tree, with a bark that sounded like a human cry for joy.

And now I knew why. I saw a curly head just above the pool—a white, pitiful face—my chum, Paul Gray, and Patsy's master.

The boy had slipped on the snow-covered bank and had fallen in—up to the neck, upheld from the bottom only by his hold on a slender willow branch.

He was two years younger than I, and was a slim, little fellow, yet even his light weight made the branch bend, so his hands were so stiff and cold, too, that he knew he couldn't cling to it much longer.

It was a lonely, silent sort of a place. Nobody was likely to pass that way. There was only Patsy to send for help. And so the little dog had done his best.

I dug a hole as fast as I could for each foot, so that I would not slip, as Paul had done; then I reached down and gave the poor boy both hands, and he was out in a jiffy, safe and sound on the bank beside me. And, oh, how he hugged us both—Patsy first!

Do you wonder?

And I never heard Paul say that dog was ugly again. Somehow, the little cur's face took on a look of real beauty to us both.

You see, it's not the way a dog looks, but how he acts, and down in our boyish hearts we thought Patsy a real hero.

"He ought to be given a medal."

"He wouldn't take it for beauty, I know," said Paul, fondly, "but it's his heart that counts."

Isn't this true of boys, too? Don't their actions speak louder than words or looks?—The Child's Gem.

ON OUR STREET

By Fanny Crosby Hamlet

Peggy had new roller skates,
The first ones on our street;
And Peggy flitted up and down
On twinkling, flying feet.

Her playmates begged to try her skates,
But Peggy shook her head;
"They're mine. I want to keep them nice."
Piggy Peggy.

Someone gave Polly roller skates,
A half-worn, battered pair;
And Polly's cup was brimming o'er,
And how she loved to share!

Her dearest chum, the boys next door,
Lame Jack and shy Marie,
All tried those skates, and oh, their joy
Was beautiful to see.
Jolly Polly!

Peggy still has roller skates,
Polly now has none;
But Peggy's are such lonely toys
While Polly's skates had fun.

Peggy has two shining skates
She never, never lends;
But Polly has a shining face,
And oh, so many friends!
—In Seeking the Beautiful in God's World.

WALNUT CAKE

It was warm and bright in Aunt Grace's kitchen. The canary sang merrily from his cage in the window, and there was a cheerful atmosphere everywhere.

Uncle Justin sat reading the weekly Clarion.

"I think I'll make Alice Ann a walnut cake this morning," said Aunt Grace suddenly. "She always sets such store by it, and it won't be a bit of trouble. Justin, you get to work and crack some walnuts, and I'll run out to the barn and see it there are eggs enough."

Uncle Justin folded up his paper.

"All right, Grace," he called good-naturedly.

He was silent a moment.

"I wish Alice Ann would come back," he added reflectively. "We've got this big farmhouse, plenty to eat and warm clothes to wear, and there's no sense in her wearing her life out in a city store. But what can we do about it?"

"Nothing, I'm afraid, Justin. We'll try not to worry about it too much. I'll go now and see if I can gather some eggs."

There were eggs enough, and in the bright, warm farmhouse kitchen a wonderful walnut cake was prepared and baked.

When Aunt Grace took it out of the oven her face beamed.

"It couldn't be better," she said happily. "We'll send it off this afternoon."

Alice Ann came up the stairs wearily. Her room was on the second floor, and she dreaded entering it. She wished many times that she had never come to the city, but she had a great deal of pride and she didn't like to go back when she had not succeeded.

Poor little Alice Ann's lips quivered.

She couldn't earn enough to even keep her in clothes, and she was growing thin now from the lack of nourishing food. What would Aunt Grace and Uncle Justin think of her meager shelf wits its store of tea, crackers and canned soup?

She opened the door and went in.

On her little table was a box, and she lifted it. Could it be from home? Yes, there was her name ,and there was Aunt Grace's name also.

She hurriedly untied the strings that held it. And then she took from it the wonderful walnut cake. There was a pound of butter there, too, and a loaf of homemade bread.

And as she stood and looked at all this plenty, Alice Ann felt a wave of distaste rush over her. Distaste for the little hall bedroom, for crowded city streets, for unfamilar faces and much loneliness.

The walnut cake brought back the old, sunny kitchen, the smell of violets in spring, the fragrance of freshly baked bread, and more than all else, the kind, affectionate faces.

She was going back.

She would stay only long enough to have a little party in her room for a few of the girls she knew. And then back to peace and plenty, sunshine and love.

Alice Ann looked at the walnut cake almost solemnly. And then right there and then she made up a happy little rhyme concerning it:

Isn't it strange that a walnut cake,
That my precious, blessed Aunt Grace did bake,
Would bring back reminders of things I lack
It's strange, but oh, joy, I'm going back!

—Girlhood Days.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

West Burlington, 11 8
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven, 7:30 8
Burlington Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Front Street, 7:30 15
Branson, 7 18
Alamance, Sapling Ridge, 10:30 21
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 11 22
Orange, Chestnut Ridge, 3 22
Eno, 7:30 22
West Durham, 7:30 23
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 25

March

Leasburg, Salem, 11 1
Milton, Semora, 7 1
Duke Memorial, 7:30 3
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 7
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 8
Brooksdale, Brookland, 3 8
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 8
Chapel Hill, 7:30 12
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 15
Pittsboro, Chatham, 3 15
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 15
Calvary, 7:30 18
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11 22
Graham, 7:30 22
Carr, 7:30 25
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 29
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 29

April

Davis Street, 7:30 1
Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11..19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Kitty Hawk, 11 8
South Camden, Wesleys, night 8
Gatesville, 11 15

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Person Ct., Calvary, 11 8
Stedman, Bethabara, 3 8
Johnson Memorial, 7 8
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground, 11 15
Parkton, Hope Mills, 7 15
Caledonia, Johns, 11 22
Red Springs, 4 22
Raeford, 7 22

March

Laurel Hill, Sneeds Grove, 11 1
Pinebluff, Beaver Dam, 3 1
Hay Street, 7 1
Maxton, 11 8
Rowland, Purvis, 3 8
Hamlet, 7 8
Gibson, 11 15
Roberdel, 7 15
Troy, 11 22
Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
District Conference at Sanford, 10 to 4 23
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3.....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Marshallburg, Summerfield, 11 15
Straits-Harker's Island, 7 15
Beaufort, 11 22
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 22
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30 22

March

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 1
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 1
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 1
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 2
Oriental, Arapahoe, 11 8
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 15
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 3 15
Pamlico, Bayboro, 7:30 15
Mt. Olive Ct., Rones, 11 21
Seven Springs, 11 22
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 22
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29

April

Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Grifton, Sharon, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

February

Henderson, First Church, 11 8
Henderson-City Road-White Mem., City Road, 7:30.. 8
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15
Stem, Stem, 7:30 15
Clayton, Horne Memorial, 7:30 18
Smithfield, 11 22

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Farmville, 11 8
McKendree, Pinetops, 7:30 8
Rosemary, 11 15
Roanoke Rapids, 3 15
Marvin, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 22
Clark Street, 7:30 22

March

Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City..15
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Church School Institute & Youth RRally, Weldon, 4:30 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Lumberton, Chestnut Street, 11 8
St. Paul, Regan's, 3 8
Elizabeth, Perdie's, 11 15
Bladen, Center, 3 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 15
Maysville, Pollocksville, 11 22
Swansboro, Bethlehem, 3 22
Jacksonville, Vanona, 7:30 22

March

Wilmington, Epworth, 11 1
Falkon-Kenansville, Wesley's, 3 1
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

February

Bald Creek, Borin Chapel, 11 8
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windom, 3 8
Burnsville, Burnsville, night 8
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 15
Etowah, English Chapel (1st and 2nd), 3 15
Candler, Snow Hill, night 15
Brevard, 11 22
Rosman, Selica, 3 22
Hendersonville, night 22

March

Asbury Memorial, 11 1
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, 3 1
Saluda, night 1
Biltmore, 11 8
Fairview, Tweeds Chapel, 3 8
Tryon, night 8
Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May

Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Morven, Pleasant Hill, 11 8
Peachland, Mt. Moriah, 3 8
Chadwick, 7:30 8
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 11
First Church, Charlotte, 11 15
Pineville, Marvin, 3 15
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 22
Polkton, Polkton, 7:30 22

March

Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Mocksville, 11 8
Davie, 3 8
Cooleemee, night 8
Farmington, 11 15
Mocksville Ct., 3 15
Advance, night 15
Ararat, Maple Grove 22
East Bend, night 22

March

Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1

Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Lowesville, Snow Hill, 11 7
Cherryville, 11 8
Cherryville Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Concord-Ebenezer, Concord, 7:30 8
Mount Holly, 11 15
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 15
Vale, Palm Tree, 11 22
South Fork, 3 22
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 22

March

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Mayle-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

West Market, 11 8
Guilford, Groome's, 7:30 8
Midway, Burnett's, 3 8
Ruffin, 11 15
Haw River, Brown Summit, 7:30 15
Gibsonville, 11 18
Reidsville Ct., 11 21
Centenary, 11 22
Glenwood, 7:30 22
Bessemer, 7:30 25

March

Oak Ridge, 11 1
Stokesdale, 3 1
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 1
College Place, 7:30 4
Pleasant Garden, 11 8
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 8
Proximity, 7:30 11
Spray, 11 15
Stoneville, 3 15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Danbury, 11 22
St. Pauls, 11 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Pleasant Grove, 11 15
Oak View, 7:30 15
Archdale, 7:30 18
Ward Street, 7:30 19
Highland, 11 22
Randolph-Gray's Chapel-Bethel, 3 22
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 23
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
South Davidson, Alleghany, 2 28
Shiloh, Reeds, 7:30 28

March

Linwood, Linwood, 11 1
Denton First, Denton, 7:30 1
First Church, High Point, 7:30 3
Main Street, 7:30 4
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 5
Why Not, Pisgah, 7:30 6
Randleman Ct., 2 7
Seagrove, Seagrove, 7:30 7
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 8
Randleman-Union-Naomi, 7:30 8
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 9
Lebanon, 7:30 11
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30 15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30 15
Asheboro First, 7:30 18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

April

Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Old Fort, 11 8
Old Fort Ct., Bethlehem, 3 8
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 8
Dedication, Henrietta, 11 15
Dedication, Pleasant Grove, 3 15
Marion Mills, East Marion, night 15
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 22
Valdese, Valdese, night 22

March

Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 1
Broad River, Tanners Grove, 3 1
Training School, Henrietta, night 1
Avery, Mt. Zion, 11 8
Elk Park, Elk Park, 3 8
Spruce Pine, 11 15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 15
Marion, First, night 15
Glen Alpine, night 15
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Mooresville, Broad St., 11 8
Davidson-Fairview-Williamson's, 2:30 8
Maiden, 11 15
Hickory, Westview, night 15
Lenoir, First, 11 22
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 22
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, night 22

March

Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Bryson City, 11 1
Bird Town, 3 1
Whittier, 7:30 1
Murphy, 11 8
Shooting Creek, 3 8
Andrews, 7:30 8
Highland, Cashiers, 11 15
Clenville, 2:30 15
Cullowhee (young people) 15
Morning Star, 11 22
Canton, Central, 7:30 22

March

Armon Plains, 11 1
Pigeon Valley, Longs Chapel, 7:30 1
Bethel, 11 8
Inman, 3 8
Meadow Grove, 7:30 8
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 11 15
Laurel Hill, 3 15
Junaluska, 7:30 15
Franklin, 11 22
Sylva, 7:30 22

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Thomasville, Main St., 11 15
North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3 15
Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes, 7:30 15
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7

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12:12 AM Lv	Edenton	Ar.	2:15 PM
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2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar	12:15 PM
3 07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
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4:52 PM Lv	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
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In Memoriam

WALKER—Mrs. Knox Patton Walker went to her eternal home October 13, 1941. Surviving are her husband, J. L. Walker, two daughters, Mrs. C. G. Medford, Mrs. Hugh Leatherwood of Lake Junaluska, one son, Ben P. Walker of Waynesville, and six grandchildren. She joined the church in early youth and was ever loyal to her Master. She was a loving companion and a devoted mother and grandmother. We will never cease to miss her, but heaven is sweeter because she waits for us there.

Mrs. C. G. Medford.

YARBOROUGH — After a short illness Miss Mary Susan Yarborough passed away at the home of G. W. Davis, near Yanceyville, where she had made her home for the last several months. She was the daughter of Augustus and Ann Yarborough. She would have been 76 years of age on her next birthday. The funeral service was held at New Hope Methodist church, where for so many years she had been an interested and faithful member.. The community, the church and her relatives have lost a true Christian friend.

Floyd M. Patterson.

COX—Mrs. Sidney L. Cox passed away December 24, 1941. Warren's Chapel Methodist church has lost one of its most faithful members and the community one of its most devoted leaders. "Miss Sid" as she was affectionately called was an outstanding layman of the Methodist church. At the death of her husband she was appointed to fill his place as steward, which office she so ably filled until the time of her death. She was born in Beaufort county in 1882, the daughter of the late William Stilley and Adelaide Hodges. In 1906 she was married to W. R. Cox of Beaufort county. Surviving are four daughters, two grandchildren, two sisters and one brother. To her bereaved family we extend our sympathy. Miss Sid will be greatly missed in her church and community, and the memory of her shall linger long and the inspiration of her life will mean much to all of us in the years to come.

Bessie L. Adams.

KENNEDY — Mrs. Sallie Newby Kennedy, 69, wife of B. E. Kennedy, died at her home, Thomasville, Rt. 1, Saturday afternoon, January 17, shortly before 5 o'clock. She had been in declining health for the past two years and in a serious condition for the past five years.

Mrs. Kennedy was a devout member of Pleasant Grove Methodist church, in whose varied activities she had participated for about 45 years.

She was born in Davidson county September 9, 1872, a daughter of the late Henry B. and Della Newby. Surviving are the husband, to whom she was married December 25, 1890; five sons, Fred, Ralph, Robert and Wallace Kennedy, all of Thomasville, Rt. 1, and B. C. Kennedy of Burlington. Five daughters, Mrs. Homer Veach, Mrs. Shelly Murphy, Mrs. Joe Murphy, Mrs. Willie Sink, and Mrs. Quentin Veach, all of Thomasville, Rt. 1. She also has four brothers and three sisters living, as follows: J. C. Newby, High Point; W. H. Newby, Thomasville, Rt. 1; Edward Newby, Rushville, Ind.; Robert Newby, Danville, Va.; Mrs. Nannie Willie, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. J. Rose Peck of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. J. E. Cecil, Thomasville, Rt. 1. There are 22 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Kennedy was one of the best known residents of her community, and also one of the most beloved members of her church. Our prayers and our sympathy to all the bereaved.

The funeral was held at Pleasant Grove church on Monday afternoon, January 19, 3 p. m., by the writer, and Dr. S. W. Taylor, superintendent of the High Point district, and burial followed in the church cemetery.

C. E. Ridge, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Bethany church, Belvidere, wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful and honored members, Mrs. Lizzie Felton Jolliff, who passed into the everlasting kingdom of our Saviour on November 20, 1941.

Her life was one of loyal service; she did what she could for the advancement of God's kingdom and the missionary cause. Her beautiful Christian character, her devotion to her church, her family and friends, have been a benediction to us, and we thank God for her life and our association with her. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service extend to the members of the family our sincere sympathy, and commending them to the consolation of the Christian hope, we bid them rest in the knowledge that she has entered into the reward which awaits the faithful.

Second, That we remember her for her loyal service and that we emulate her faith and life.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and one placed in the records of the society.

Members of the W. S. C. S.
of Bethany Church.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On the morning of October 30, 1941, when the soul of Mrs. Emma Brigman passed on to be with God who gave it, our society and church lost one of its most loyal members. We, the members of the society do therefore resolve:

First, That her beautiful life of service and faithfulness will be an inspiration to the members to do greater things for the kingdom of God.

Second, That we wish to express our sympathy to her family, assure them of our love and prayers; and may the God whom she served so faithfully comfort them as he alone can.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy be sent to the family and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. E. F. Kearns,
Mras. Arthur Barker,
Mrs. J. S. Furr.

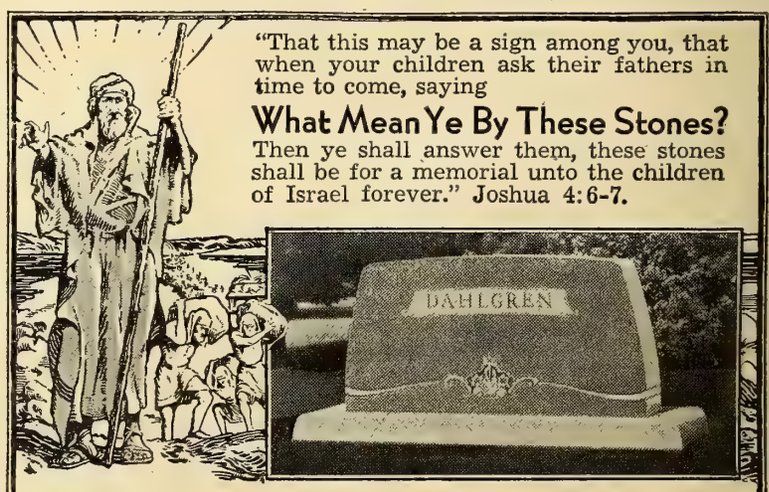
A TRIBUTE

Our church and community was greatly saddened when the news came to us that our beloved friend, Miss Mary Wilk had passed away on December 7, 1941. She was a consistent church member and Sunday school teacher in Bethesda church many years. Her loyalty and devotion to her church was beautiful. She was greatly loved and admired by all who knew her, her life being an example and inspiration to the many boys and girls who came under her influence both in the school room and every day life.

To the friends and family we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy.

Be it resolved that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be filed with the minutes of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mrs. N. M. Harrison,
Mrs. J. T. Aycock.



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The Battle For Democracy

IT WILL DO US NO GOOD to win the battle for democracy on a foreign field if we lose it at home. It will avail us naught if we win the battle for democracy with our factories, our navy, and our air force if we lose it in our schools. For in our schools are thirty million youth who are the tomorrow of America and the hope of democracy.

During World War I, we paid dearly for the neglect of our schools which was so flagrant that thousands of schools were closed for want of teachers. We are starting upon the same path again and much damage is already done. It is time to face the issue and to rally the people behind our schools.

Shall we spend less for schools when Britain in her extreme peril is spending more, when Russia is spending more, when Germany is spending more? Read the account of German education in Gregor Ziemer's "Education for Death" (Oxford Press) and you will see that Hitler has more faith in his type of education than we have in ours.

Wars today are not fought by soldiers alone. They are fought by whole peoples. They are not fought by one generation alone, but demand sustained strength generation after generation.

We not only neglected the schools during the last war. We neglected them afterward. In 1920 the National Education Association led the way for five-point legislation to remove illiteracy, Americanize aliens, strengthen physical education, improve teacher preparation, and equalize educational opportunity through federal aid. Had that legislation passed, the story of draft rejections today might be different. It did almost pass, but was kept from doing so by the same forces that today clamor for reduced school expenditures.

The longtime battle for democracy is in the schools. It is a battle that every citizen who cares for democracy must help to fight. Teachers will be first to see the tragic need, because they are close to the children daily. Like a father who sees a mother taken from his children, the teacher can see the gap left when a fellow teacher is taken from the schools. But teachers cannot stem this tide. The most they can do is to call attention to its far-reaching import. It is a citizens' battle.

Let us have committees of citizens, board members, and teachers to study the problem in each community. Let press, forum, pulpit, and radio give the people the facts and **then let the people face the facts. Let school budgets be increased to meet the need.** Next to food—SCHOOL. That is the slogan if we wish to be strong for war and peace. Let's put children first and take the long look.

—Joy Elmer Morgan, Editor, *Journal of N. E. A.*

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Have a care, Methodism, lest in the revel of patriotism we become remiss in the higher patriotism, namely, preaching Jesus.

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In the comparatively recent past when we as a people were at peace with the world in the effort to build a greater and greater nation, the Congress made such largely increased appropriations that this was known as the "Billion Dollar Congress." Now in this time of war we talk of a hundred billions as the inevitable. Such is the difference of peace and war, of constructive efforts and efforts of destruction.

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Were the world willing to spend as much for peace as for war then war would cease. Had America spent ten billions of dollars to feed the starving nations by a lease-lend bill for food when we had so much food that we had to kill pigs and limit the products of the fields the present world situation would now be far different We could have won treaties by the friends we made that would have been far more effective than the elements of force and far less costly. Peace has her victories far more effective than war.

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It is the soul of the world that gives it its form, force and action. It is the soul of a nation that gives it power, endurance, permanence. It is the soul of a community that gives its permission, and capability to live, or dooms it to decay and death. It is the soul of man that determines his worth, his career, and his destiny. Whence these souls, but from a power above them? The business of the preacher is to build souls; the soul of the world, the soul of the nation, the soul of the cmmunity, the soul of the church, the soul of man and woman. That is his task. He is to be the herald of truth; faith in God, faith in man, faith in the past, faith in the future, faith in the present. He is the messenger of light, truth and hope. He has God to give him understandding, wisdom, and power, and ever lead him on.—Bishop John M. Moore.

Just now in this Republic where are the active, the vigilant, the brave in the high places of honor and responsibility? Such men, said Patrick Henry, are "Invincible by any force that the enemy may send against us." These brave words were uttered when we numbered only three million people. Now we boast of our prestige as a world power with its billions to compas the circle of the earth; then it was a few patriots ready to die for their firesides and their own shores. Such were an invincible defense in the land that would be free.

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Want of alertness at Pearl Harbor, carelessness on the Normandy, greed on the part of Congress and fan-dancing for civic defense, we are told account for the humiliation that has overtaken the American people. At any rate, the debacle at Pearl Harbor, the blackened hulk of the queen of the seas, the pride of France, in the harbor at New York, the pension scandal at Washington, and the frivolous, limping efforts at civic defense are most humiliating to all who cherish a pride in this land for which our fathers died.

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Dr. C. K. Bell, bishop of Chichester, has appealed to the British people to share their scanty stores with the people of Greece, Belgium and Poland. This leads the Christian Century to inquire: "Why starve your friends to hurt your enemies? The question will not down. According to an Associated Press dispatch from Berne, Switzerland, 'famine conditions in Greece are so acute that 2,000 persons died in Athens alone in a single day' recently. "Bread sells for $15 a loaf. People on the streets are like skeletons and on every corner people are lying down.' If that is what is happening among people who are able to reach the streets, what must be the fate of those who are too weak to leave their homes? The situation in Greece is being duplicated elsewhere. Recent hunger riots among housewives in unoccupied France reveal a mounting agony."

Alike and Yet Unlike

MORE and more is being written about the the similarities found in the world war and this present world conflict. These comparisons usually have to do with the military features and certain plans of campaigns at home and abroad. Certainly there is much in common. But there is also a wide difference. Especially true is this here in America as to the full enlistment of the Christian church and also as to the character of the coming peace.

1. In World War I the effort was to make the Christian church an adjunct or organic part of the entire military set-up of the nation. Ministers were enlisted in war work, church houses were used for military purposes and pulpits became platforms for war propaganda. This nation then at war with many was made to include the Christian church.

Such is not true this time. The church has been held to its spiritual mission, and the peaceful functions of the gospel have been exalted by the ministers. They have striven to see that even the church building remains truly a house of prayer. Few of these men have been guilty of disgracing their ministry by preaching war sermons of ill will and hate.

Just before we got into this war some of the English were finding fault with the preachers of America—especially with the Methodist preachers—for keeping America out of the war. As is well known England had been working to get us in for more than two years. Now since we are an organic part of the world conflict, the ministers as citizens are loyal but as ministers of Jesus Christ they are careful not to dishonor the Christian church—which is the body of Christ.

2. Unusually serious thought is being given to the peace that is to be. In World War I the one and only cry was, "Win the war." No thought was given to that which was to follow the Armstice. We know now how futile that was, though the same plea resounds across the land just now. What is the use unless something better than that which followed the "war that was to end war?"

We would do well to ponder well a letter written by Dr. Charles A. Bagley, professor of French at Dartmouth College, to the youth of America, as quoted in the Charlotte Observer:

"I fought that (world) war in the hope that it would not have to be fought by the next generation. I took a chance on helping to build a better world. It did not turn out as I hoped, but that is not my fault. We soldiers did a good job in spite of our hurried training. We gave you a chance to grow up in a free country, and we gave our government leaders a chance to work for a more democratic world. But some of our congressmen were too ignorant and others too obstinate to take advantage of this opportunity. They defeated all plans whereby the United States might have helped to avoid the present catastrophe. We might help to win this second war only to see our politicians try to do the same thing over again. But at least this generation can hope to profit from the experience of our failure."

Shall We Pension Our Congressmen?

THE healthy reaction against the efforts of certain designing men at Washington to pension congressmen should be welcomed by all high souled, honest, patriotic men. We are glad to see that Senator J. W. Bailey has taken a strong stand against it. Some of these representatives of the people are ready to send the boys by the millions into the war and to vote billions of the people's money to be scattered among the nations and over the seas. Now they are ready to feather their own nests by voting pensions for themselves.

Doubtless something can be said in justification of this course. These men know full well that the shameful waste of war and all that goes into this present military set-up is a reckless spending of hard earned money, so they persuade themselves that a pittance should come their way. But what pray tell can we hope for the future of a democracy placed in the hands of such "representatives of the people?" Were a few of these heroic patriots to resign and enter the armed service we would be willing to pension them as veterans wounded on the fir- the lines rather than such they are showing themselves to be in Washington.

Rural Church Hope of Democracy

LAST Sunday morning Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott, past moderator of the Orange Presbytery, told the congregation of the Little River Presbyterian church that "Democracy—our way of life—will survive only if the rural church survives."

"The Democracies will hold or fall, depending on the moral training given its young peo-

ple by the rural church," Scott declared. He insisted that the country church has made little progress in the past 25 years in comparison with schools, the road program and improved living conditions in rural areas.

To save democracy billions of money and millions of men are arrayed against those who would deprive the people of our American way of life. Military might may be sufficient to dethrone certain war lords who threaten the world but we would do well to rely on other agencies to save our democracy.

The country church, the country school, and the country home, by keeping alive principles of fairness, justice, and equality of opportunity in the hearts of youth can do much to make secure our way of life. In the past, our democracy was fashioned largely among the country people, out from whom have come in all walks of life men and women to lead in building the nation. Strong leadership in the midst of our country peoples is the hope of our democracy.

Uncertainty Dogs Our Steps

LAST week Walter Lippmann in his well known column contended that President Roosevelt ought to be clearer in his press conferences so as to save from much of the present confusion. He contends that the President and the heads of the departments in Washington have sufficient knowledge of the situation to save the people from the present confusion were they to explain.

The statement made by Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce, before the House banking committee in which he said we are receiving almost the entire rubber output of the Dutch East Indies led to much confusion. He is reported to have expressed the belief that "we'll have enough to get along if we are careful."

In war time nations seem to adopt the doctrine of Bismarck, "People are like children, in order to rule them you must befool them." In war we go even farther than that. False propaganda, outright lying and withholding of facts are counted essential in the war game. So the plea of "military secrets" even in this democracy keeps the people in ignorance and lands them in ultimate confusion. Such is the complaint of interested and anxious Americans these days as they listen for messages from the far off ends of the earth. Evidently all is not well with the reverses being suffered on land and sea.

Exalt Your Church

IN no other such hour should the church be made to count mightily as in this. The church is needed to hold the American people true to spiritual reality. Might and physical force are the all sufficient remedy for the ills of the world in the estimate of many, notwithstanding the old and tried doctrine of the supremacy of spirit over might and power in this spiritual universe.

Again, a vigorous and spiritual church in every community is needed to make truly effective the morals of a people. Leaders who flame and burn with moral indignation against the immoralities and loose living of a people can put fresh courage into the pale and anemic in every crusade for better living. War debases and brutalizes a people. Its exaltation of false propaganda, lies and death could not do otherwise. Only the glorious gospel of one "who spake as never man spake" can give relief in such a time. The church furnishes the salt and the comfort that gives real relief.

Then, too, the Christian church alone can furnish for us the needed consolations as the casualty list lengthens and the shadows deepen over the homes of the people. As the war goes on the boys will fall one by one, so this need will increase. Nothing else will take its place. The empty patriotic palaver about the glory of death on the field of blood is not sufficient to heal the hurt of a mother's heart. The trumped up glory of ambitious war lords willing for others to wade through slaughter will not disperse the dense darkness that gathers over the cabins and the cottages of the plain people who have to fight most of the battles of earth. Only the Comforter that the church has to offer can whisper peace and give consolation. We certainly will do well to exalt the church in every countryside and on every city street.

War always takes the best first. That which renders indignant in these days both men and women who strive for a better world is the present refusal to put the screws on enemy No. 1. Alcohol goes scot free. It has been suggested that the "parasites" get out of Washington. Alas! Old John Barleycorn is the worst parasite in Washington, yea, even in this broad land, but no draft board can touch him. All forms of force and every compulsion have a place but "war time prohibition" of the liquor evil. Why not get the chief "parasite" of them all?

People and Things

The first Bethlehem Center was opened in 1912 in an abandoned beer saloon, with a mother's club, a sewing class, a kindergarten, and a playground.

Three members of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church have recently celebrated their seventy-fifth birthdays.

The Charlotte News this week announces a new book by Dr. G. Ray Jordan to appear soon. This book is entitled "Look at the Stars," and is published by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press.

We have small envelopes with appropriate printing on one side for convenience of those who would care to use them in our Advocate campaign. All who request a mailing list and some of these envelopes for their use will be supplied at once.

The statement has been widely circulated in the press that ministers are exempt from tire restrictions, but this is a mistake. It was announced this week that this is being considered and final announcement will be made at an early date.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of Washington, D. C., passed the three-quarters of a century mark on December 7, Following closely after him are Bishop John L. Nuelsen of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Bishop John M. Moore of Dallas, Texas, who were seventy-five on January 19 and January 27, respectively.

Three decades ago the women of The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, began a new field of service in the Southland, and the Bethlehem Center movement was launched. During the years the growth has been steady, the purpose sure, and the results far-reaching. Bethlehem Community Center in Augusta is the oldest of these projects and will celebrate its thirtieth anniversary in 1942.

Harold Sprout, professor at Princeton, declared that the most important single pre-war question would be how to get along with Russia. He said: "Failure to do so will be the most dangerous thing that can be imagined. And what are we going to do with 80,000,000 Germans, 70,000,000 Japanese and 50,000,000 Italians? Any peace that doesn't let these people earn a living—and I don't pretend to know how—will merely be the prelude to another war."

A radiogram received by the Board of Missions and Church Extension announces the safe arrival in Port Ellizabeth, South Africa, of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Lewis, returning to do medical work at Tunda; Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Reid and Miss Lorena Kelly, returning to the Congo; and Tudor Roberts, going for his first period of service to Umtali, Rhodesia. Mr. Roberts is the son of Rev. and Mrs. George A. Roberts, missionaries in Rhodesia. The group sailed from New York, aboard the City of New York, on December 28.

Have already sold 50 study books by Dr. Garber and expect to begin the study courses soon. We have a great people here and they really make the heart of the preacher glad by doing things in a fine way. Their responses to my suggestions as pastor are most encouraging. Incidentally, we accepted more this year on benevolences and finances are in fine shape. At the first quarterly conference, December 7, three weeks after conference, Pleasant Green church paid more than one-fourth of the entire budget for the year. We have sent in 18 new and renewal subscriptions to the Advocate to date.—S. J. Starnes.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

The Peacock Bible class of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, will bring to the people of High Point and vicinity the celebrated Glenn T. Settle "Wings Over Jordan" colored choir on Monday evening, February 16, at 8 p. m. in the high school auditorium. This celebrated choir is the nation's best loved and most regularly heard group of spiritual singers, broadcasting each Sunday at 10:30 a. m. over a nation-wide hook-up.

Our treasurer reports all current obligations of our church—Children's Home 10 per cent, World Service, bishop's salary, etc.—are paid in full for the first quarter, and that in additon $350 has been put in building and loan stock as voted by the board of stewards. This $350 is to go toward our Christian education building. We cannot say that we have balanced our budget, however, because there is still $100 in unpaid pledges for the first quarter to be raised.—Bessemer Church Bulletin.

We are having a great time at First Street, Albemarle, preaching to growing congregations of fine people twice each Sunday. Things are moving in a fine way. We are now investing in bonds and stamps, by which we are accumulating a building fund for building an educational unit to our church. The plan was launched by the board of Christian education and council in joint meeting—they put up the first $50. Since then several $100 bonds have been pledged and many stamps bought. The official board of the church has endorsed the movement and is back of it 100 per cent. Our people are working enthusiastically at the job. The people at First Street do things instead of talking about them. When things should be done, they are done and they are paid for. All matters of finance move here.—G. N. Dulin.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

The following Louisburg students attended the annual North Carolina Methodist Student Movement Conference held this past week-end at Chapel Hill: Ethel Caviness, Mildred Faulkner, Helen Matthews, Hattie Belle Gaddy, Anna Catharine Barnett, Ira L. Helms, Riley Rowe, Beatrice Lewis, Sally Francis Weaver, Inez Gaines, and Troy Barrett. Harold Hancock, head of the history department of the college, accompanied the group.

Phi Theta Kappa, national honorary scholarship fraternity, recently elected the following persons members of the Louisburg College chapter; Gamma Upsilon: Martha Ann Strowd, Louisburg; Sue Margaret Harris, Oxford; Ira Helms, Scotland Neck; MeNeil Ipock, New Bern; Sara Hux, Halifax; Horton Corwin, Ahoskie; Eleanor Phillips, Trenton; Grace Whitehurst, Conetoe; Dan McFarland, Salisbury; Troy Barrett, Fayetteville; Haywood Stroud, Pink Hill; and Douglas Pace, Zebulon.

The Louisburg College chapter of Alpha Pi Epsilon, national honorary secretarial fraternity, elected the following to membership; Peggy Brooks, Roxboro; Juanita Cannon, Boliva; Audrey Caudle, Henderson, Kate Davis, Macon; Inez Gaines, Sanford; Lily Hancock, Richmond, Va.; Sarah Ingram, Louisburg; Kathryn Jones, Dunn; Janie Ray Manning, Tarboro; Ruby Gray Massenburg, Louisburg; Esther Robeson, Williamston; Christine Shearin, Enfield; Reginald Styron, Davis; Battie Vanddiford, Ayden; and Sallie Frances Weaver, Sanford.

HEARTENING WIRE AS WE GO TO PRESS

Brevard College students and faculty have contributed more than $100 on Brevard College Day offering; churches in Brevard have goal of $500; reports from all over conference territory indicate wonderful response and magnificent offering next Sunday. E. J. Coltrane.

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CHECK-UP MEETING, HIGH POINT DISTRICT

The first check-up meeting of the High Point district was held at Archdale Church, Thursday, February 5, as scheduled. A spiritual enriching period was observed from 10:30 to 12, with "The Evangelistic Passion," as the theme for meditation. Three speakers emphasized different phases of the theme. Rev. O. L. Brown spoke upon "The Evangelistic Passion—A Scriptural Imperative;" Rev. C. E. Rozzelle talked about "Evangelism in Action;" Rev. T. E. Strickland emphasized "Evangelism as the Life-Stream of the Church." The opening devotion was in charge of Rev. G. E. White, pastor of the Archdale Church. After a very helpful morning session the women of the church served lunch in their attractive church hut, after which the meeting reassembled to hear reports of pastors and to consider other matters to be brought to the attention of the group. Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, Director of Children's Work of the District, spoke in the interest of that cause, emphasizing especially Vacation Bible Schools. Various favorable comments followed by the pastors. Mr. Thomas H. Sprinkle and Rev. Paul Hardin spoke in the interest of the Brevard College Maintenance Fund. Two churches had already made their payments to this worthy cause. It is expected that our full suggested amount of $868.00 will be raised. Mr. W. B. McEwen, Lay Leader of the District, spoke in the interest of Laymen's Day, and other matters concerning lay activities. The reports of pastors followed, with reports in, and all pastors present except four, three of whom were kept away because of sickness. These reports indicated becoming zeal on the part of pastors and people, and most gratifying results in those things that can be tabulated. Additions to church rolls for the quarter total 112—25 on profession of faith, and 87 by transfer. New and renewal subscriptions have been received as follows: N. C. Advocate, 93½ new, and 5 renewals; General Advocate, 14; World Outlook, 17; Methodist Woman, 8; Pastor's Journal, 1; Total subscription, 138½. The total amount to bring the district up to date for the quarter, including the basal 10% for Children's Home and the supplemental per cent, is $22,651. The pastors reported, $23,732, or a plus of $1,081. On salary for pastors, 23 charges are up to date, with only small arrears on the 12 remaining charges. The W. S. Budget is paid up to date, and more, on 15 charges. One charge has paid 34% and another 63%. The Children's Home is up to date on 17 charges, with 2 charges paying in full for the year, and another 38% for the year. District Work has received amount due for quarter by 15 charges, with a charges paying one-half due for year, and 2 charges paying in full for year. One charge has paid on church debt, $380; another, $700; another, $1,245; and another, $4,000.

This check-up gave full assurance that the year is getting off to a good start. We were pleased to have The Ministers' Wives Association with us on this occasion, and laymen from different charges. The Archdale church was a gracious host. We are grateful to them for taking such good care of the meeting.—S. W. Taylor.

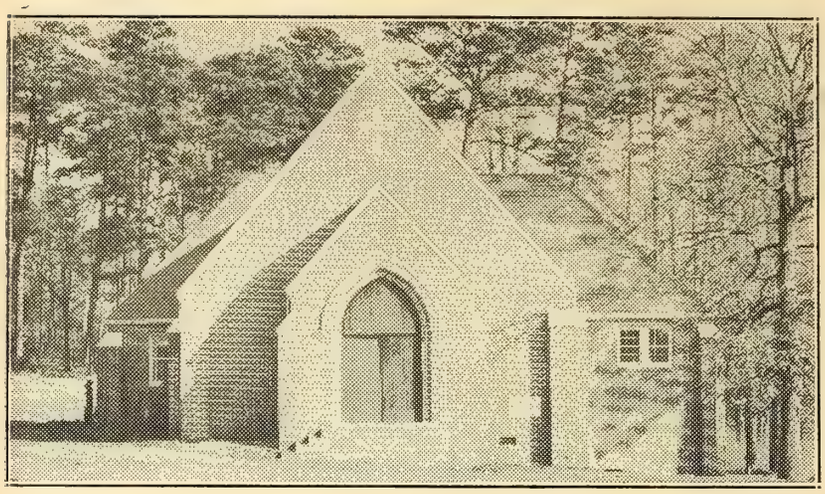
A SPECIAL MEETING FOR ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

There will be a joint session of all the Quarterly Conferences of Rockingham County held in Main Street Church, Reidsville, next Sunday at 3:00 P. M., February 15th. The inspirational part of the program will include 3 or 4 five-minute talks on the Church Program.

J. W. Fowler will present "getting ready for Easter." E. K. McLarty will report on the Nashville Council meeting. Byron Shankle will insist that we "Back Up Brevard College," and Elwood Carroll wll speak in behalf of our Benevolences with special reference to the 4th Sunday offering. E. L. Ballard will present some special music. Also we will expect a word of welcome, devotional scripture and prayer by Pastor R. L. Owenby.—L. B. Hayes.

OF INTEREST TO PASTORS

We are in the process of assigning the Duke Divinity students to rural churches for service next summer. There are sixty-eight of these men this year, an increase of five over last year. In the interest of the churches to be served and the student assistants, all the men should be assigned to charges in which there are definite and constructive programs. We hope to have everyone assigned by March 1st. —J. M. Ormond.





Bishop Clare Purcell

New Henrietta Methodist Church to be Dedicated February 15

On February 15, exactly a year after the fifty-four year old Methodist church at Henrietta was totally destroyed by fire, Bishop Purcell will dedicate a completely new church building. That which seemed an irreparable loss to the people of this community was only the forerunner of a determined effort by the people of this fifty member congregation to have a church. Without going out of the bounds of the towns of Henrietta and Caroleen for assistance, today there stands in the town of Henrietta a modern church plant, completely equipped and paid for, valued at $12,000.00. This new church has been in use since the first of September, 1941. Rev. Malcolm Reese, pastor of the Henrietta-Caroleen charge, and builder of the church, will be in charge of the service. Rev. Charles S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent of the Marion district, will also participate in the service.

Through the courtesy of the Henrietta Mills, a new location, adjacent to the parsonage, on the north side of U. S. highway No. 221-A, was transferred by deed for the old lot on which the original church stood. The building is surrounded by stately oaks and pines. The structure is of brick veneer, English design, and has stained glass memorial windows. An educational building with seven class rooms connects with the auditoruim, which has a seating capacity of 250. The building was designed by W. L. Cooper, architect and draftsman for the Henrietta Mills Co., and the builder was E. D. Searcy of Forest City.

Church History

The history of the Henrietta Methodist church dates back to 1887—the same year in which the Henrietta Mill was erected. The church was organized by the Rev. Landrum L. Smith, a local preacher of Cleveland county. The late S. B. Tanner and J. B. Ivey of Charlotte were instrumental in the beginning of the church. In 1888 it was a part of the Forest City circuit. In 1889 the Henrietta circuit was formed by the grouping of the Henrietta church, Oak Grove and Goode's chapel. For some years this set up was unchanged, but later the Henrietta church became a station and remained so until 1898, when under the pastorship of the Rev. J. A. Bowles, the Caroleen church was organized. Since that time these two towns have constituted a charge with the exception of a period during which time the Alexander Mills church was a part of the charge. At the annual Conference of 1940 in High Point the Alexander Mills church was placed with Pleasant Grove church and the former Methodist Protestant church of Caroleen was placed with the Henrietta-Caroleen churches of the former Methodist Episcopal church, South, thereby becoming once again a three-point charge.

Following is a list of the ministers who have served this church. D. A. Watkins, T. J. Rogers, A. G. Gantt, Samuel Stamey, H. T. Hoover, N. R. Richardson, J. A. Bowles, H. H. Jordan, Z. Paris, S. T. Barber, J. P. Rodgers, L. P. Bogle, J. F. Armstrong, J. C. Harmon, J. C. Postelle, J. B. Tabor, J. P. Hornbuckle, F. H. Price, A. W. Lynch, M. W. Heckard, Elzie Myers, A. Burgess, and Malcolmn Reese.



Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick
District Superintendent



Rev. M. C. Reese

WORK BEGINS ON REBUILDING OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Workmen in charge of rebuilding Main building of Greensboro College started reconstruction activities this week when they began demolishing the rotunda of the college's central building. This familiar circular landmark which was partially destroyed by fire in early September is to be replaced by a columned rectangular facade of colonial architecture, three stories high, about 50 feet wide. Plans for the first floor provide a spacious student social center. Second and third floors will contain eight dormitory rooms each, a total of 16 rooms with capacity to accommodate 32 students. A slate roof on the new building will correspond with material used on the remainder of Main building.

The Jack Hunter Construction Company of Greensboro was awarded by college trustees the rebuilding contract, and plans to complete the building on or before August 1.

February 15-20 will be observed as the annual religious emphasis week at the college, with Rev. Walter Towner, director of youth department, board of education of Nashville, Tenn., as chief speaker, discussing "Reaching Toward the Highest." Mr. Towner will spend the entire week upon the campus as a guest of the student body, and particularly of the Y. W. C. A. He will conduct evening devotional sessions each night at 6:45 in Odell auditorium, speak at all chapel programs, hold personal conferences with students, and lead discussion groups sponsored by the Collegian, college newspaper, staff and the day student club.

Members of the junior class voted the superlative students in the class of 1943 were elected this week. Miss Susan Borden, Wilson, was chosen most popular; Miss Frances Mennin, Bethol, most attractive; Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, most intellectual; Miss Wilma Wall, Thomasville, best all round; Miss Lamar Spencer, Carthage, most athletic; and Miss Margaret Skinner, New Bern, most original.

Dr. Paul M. Ginnings, dean of instruction, took a group of college students to Lenoir high school February 8 to participate in a special college day program. From the school of music were Misses Margaret Foard, Lenoir; Hilda Somers, Burlington; Margaret Ross, Burlington, singing, and Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, at the piano. From the speech and dramatic arts department was Miss Katherine Hill, New Bern, reading.

President Luther L. Gobbel attended a meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools at the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel in Atlanta, Ga., this week. President Gobbel also spoke to the Leaksville-Spray alumnae chapter of the Greensboro College graduates Wednesday night in the Leaksville Methodist church.

A meeting of racial relations board will be held in the drawing room Thursday afternoon at 2:30, with either Dr. L. L. Gobbel or Dr. Raymond A. Smith presiding.

Miss Susanna Wimbish of Greensboro was elected to reign as Queen of May at the college's annual spring festivity to be held May 9 on the front campus. Misses Peggy Brown, Asheville, and Octavia Temple, Kinston, were chosen by the senior class as senior attendants for the queen's court. Miss Frances Manning, Bethel, was named by the junior class as maid of honor, with Misses Isabel Gibbs, Statesville, and Ceil Harvin, Manning, S. C., as other junior attendants. Representing the sophomore class will be Misses Hilda Thompson, Hallsboro, and Jane Moore, Greensboro. Misses Margaret Bizzel, Charlotte, and Mary Lou Somers of Burlington, were chosen as freshmen attendants.

WHY NOT RE-DISTILL THE LIQUOR STORAGE?

American housewives are feeling their first war shortage these days. When they ask the grocer for two pounds of sugar, perhaps they'll get it and perhaps they won't. Explanations are confusing. Sugar supplies seem plentiful, with far more available from the Caribbean than will be lost from the Philippines and Hawaii. But enormous additional quantities are needed, it is said, to make the sort of high test alcohol which is used in manufacturing smokeless powder. It takes sixty gallons of ethyl alcohol to produce the powder which is used up in a single shot from one of the navy's 16-inch guns! Faced by this contention that sugar must be rationed in order to keep the army and navy in action, the sugar-hunting American housewife naturally is making no public protest. But privately she is asking whether this particular deprivation of a basic food commodity has been necessary. There are reasons for believing that it might have been avoided, There are reasons for believing that it might have been avoided, or that it might now be ended. According to the "Christian Science Monitor" officers of the Alcohol Tax Unit of the government state that it would be perfectly feasible to take the hard liquor which the distillers have in storage (most of its advertised as 100 proof in alcoholic content) and re-distill it for use in making munitions. The distillers claim to have enough liquor thus stored away to supply the entire nation at present consumption rates for five years. That should mean, according to such figures as are available, somewhere in the neighborhood of 2,375,000,000 gallons of hard liquor. Why should American homes be deprived of sugar while this immense stock of spirits is on hand, capable of producing far more alcohol than even our present gigantic munitions plans require?

—"The Christian Century."

WILL CONGRESS SHAME THE NATION?

This present Congress is not noted for disinterested and patriotic service. It has voted uncounted billions asked by the President for prosecuting the war. It has given the President all the personal power he has asked and it has applauded loudly the Roosevelt and Churchill speeches, but these men have not personally shown the necessity of sacrifices.

The Senate and House have extended the benefits of the Federal Civil Service Retirement system to all members of Congress. Such is unprecedented. Frank Kent in his well known column which appears in many papers from day to day has this to say:

To those purely selfish acts must be coupled the larger facts that in the face of unmistakable inflation perils Congress has fiddled and fooled with the vital price-control law for six months; that it has weakly and wickedly yielded to pressure from the farm lobby; that it utterly lacked the force to enact anti-strike legislation; that it cravenly dodged the wage-regulation issue; that the House recently passed, under lobby pressure, two fantastically extravagant veteran pension proposals and a Senate committee is now considering them.

When all this is added up it makes a pretty discreditable chapter in our legislative history. The spirit which the President and others are trying to inculcate in the American people is not being exhibited in the American Congress. Neither the breast-beating speeches about the irresistible might of the United States, nor the enthusiastic demand that every individual contribute his all to the winning of the war, disguises the fact that Congress is not doing its job well. It is exihibiting neither bigness nor intelligence. It votes loudly and enthusiastically for the war billions and then gives an exhibition of petty politics and personal smallness wholly incompatible with its patriotic professions.

It is time for Congress to examine itself and change its attitude. It is time for the people to let Congress know that super-heated oratory and huge appropriations do not excuse the small, selfish and supine business which have marked this session. In or out of Congress, no one will contend that the record is a good one. The thing that seems needed to make it utterly bad is the scuttling of the Byrd committee report and the sidetracking of the reductions in normal governmental expenditures urged also by the President and the Secretary of the Treasury and vitally necessary to national security. Already there is a senatorial group, among whom are some of our most oratorical and vociferous professional patriots, who are preparing to do just that—if they can.

THE FRIENDLY CHURCH

By Leonard Ives

"The Friendly Church" is a sign that I often pass in a certain town. I wonder about that sign; does it mean that all the rest of the churches in town are unfriendly? I wonder if putting out a sign like that really makes a church a place of fellowship for all.

The church in its beginning was a friendship; Jesus said, "I have called you friends." I believe a church that is the living body of Christ must be friendly. Some churches try to put on the friendliness from the outside in. Think of hostesses to welcome newcomers, of lines in church bulletins saying, "Strangers, worship with us and you will no longer be strangers." Ushers have made it part of their task to welcome all, and many have done it well.

True friendliness is something that cannot be put on, for it must come from a spirit from within personality. It is in the very atmosphere when a congregation worships in spirit and in truth. It is possible to be greeted by a faultless technique at the hour of worship and yet to feel a chill on the heart. At times, it seems as though the service was almost too perfect, and yet it lacks the warmth of reality. Something is wrong with the church when a man says, "There is more friendliness in the street of the city than there is in the church," or when one says, "I get more friendship in my lodge than I do in my church." There is something wrong either with the individual or with the church; it could be the individual's lack of devotion to make the church what it ought to be by his own Christ-touched consecration.

It may be that in a church of few members we see best the friendliness of Christ. I know of a little church with only a score of members, but it is a benediction to worship there. One man rings the bell, another fixes the fire, a Christian mother plays the organ. When the pastor leads in prayer, he can feel an atmosphere of oneness in holy fellowship. In summer, as voices are stilled, the ripple of the Black River or the song of birds is heard. In winter the pastor never fears being stuck in the snowbanks, for the friendly congregation will see that he reaches home. The sorrows of one are the sorrows of all, and thus sadness is divided; the joys of one are the joys of all, and thus happiness is multiplied. Every newcomer is noticed, and strangers testify that they can sense the atmosphere of friendship, and still no sign stands outside telling of this friendliness. Yet in a church of few members there may be a coldness that comes when four different people will not speak to each other. There is a coldness that sends a chill down the spine of any preacher or any newcomer.

Then there is the church where every newcomer is considered an outsider. It will take patience and time for him to win a place in such a fellowship, and by the time he succeeds he may have lost heart. There is great value in some plan of registering the names of strangers and guests so that a real welcome may follow their attendance at church. I know of persons who attend three or four times and are lost because in that time the church has not made a personal contact. This registration is of great value to the pastor and laymen who are interested in visitation of prospects for the church.

A preacher cannot preach without pastoral calling. I do not believe it is a choice of head or feet; it must be both. As a boy, I would look around a corner and say, "Mother, is the preacher gone?" but yet it meant a great deal to know the friendly man of God had called at our door. Pastoral calling takes one's strength and it is hard work, but there is no substitute in helping to make the church a friendly place. The preacher must know the problems of his people; there may be a boy in service somewhere—the pastor should know and write to him.—Zions Herald.

SOUTHESATERN JURISDICTIONAL MEETING AT NASHVILLE

The second annual meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church was held in Nashville, Tenn., on January 27th. All officers of the board were present, Dr. H. P. Myers, the president, presiding. Seventy-five members of the board attended the board and council sessions, every conference in the Jurisdiction being represented. All the bishops of the Jurisdiction were present except two, and took part in the meetings. Bishop Dobbs was too ill to attend, and Bishop Arthur Moore was engaged in evangelistic services in Roanoke, Va.

The report of the standing committee on Findings indicates the character of the discussions, and reveals a trend toward a greater emphasis upon the importance of Jurisdictional functions.

The Jurisdictional Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was held on the same day. For three days following these two separate meetings, the Jurisdictional Board and the Jurisdictional Society jointly sponsored a missionary conference with a program that was informative and inspiring throughout.

A detailed report would require too much space in your paper, and could not convey the profound impressions that were made by the addresses and discussions under the inspiration of the worshipful atmosphere of the conference. The first joint session was held on Tuesday night in War Memorial auditorium, where all the joint meetings were held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each day. Bishop Paul B. Kern welcomed the Council at this first public meeting in a most appropriate address; and Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer and Dr. R. L. Smith delivered addresses on assigned topics. Thursday night was devoted to addresses on Youth and Missions. Kempton Jones of Salisbury, N. C., president National Methodist Youth Fellowship, spoke on the subject of "Methodist Youth Mobilized for Missions." Dr. George A. Buttrick, of New York, spoke on "Youth and the Missionary Challenge."

Two addresses delivered before the General Section were ordered published in the church press. One was by Dr. Harry Denman on "Evangelism"; and the other was by Bishop Purcell on "The Jurisdiction in the Methodist Church."

Several addresses made by Dr. Y .C. Yang were of peculiar interest at this particular time, because of Dr. Yang's familiarity with conditions in China and Japan, and his impressive personality.

The close of the Council came in a real climax, as Dr. E. Stanley Jones spoke to a great, expectant audience. Arriving by plane in a rain storm, he was greeted by the audience which rose when he was presented and then settled to receive his ringing challenge to "A Forward Movement in Foreign Missions."

S. O. Cantey, Secretary Jurisdiction Board.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

On February 2-3 at Sunny Acres, near Lewisville, a planning session of the Western North Carolina Conference Council on Christian Education was held, presided over by Rev. Carl H. King, Executive Secretary, and attended by the Bishop, District Superintendents, Executive Committee of the Board of Education, Town and Country Commission, and representatives from the schools and colleges. Significant decisions were reached and plans were made for gains in all phases of Christian Education.

Bishop Clare Purcell conducted the opening devotional period on Monday afternoon, participated in the discussions, and delivered the concluding address of the Conference on Tuesday. Miss Elizabeth Oliver reported on Children's Work in the Conference, after which Miss Mary Skinner of Nashville, Tenn., director of Children's Work of the Methodist Church, spoke interestingly concerning the work of teaching children in the church. Rev. E. D. C. Brewer outlined the program with adults and stressed achievements in rural churches. Mrs. John F. Kirk spoke concerning the youth program and gave emphasis to the Methodist Youth Fund.

At a meeting of the Town and Country Commission, presided over by Rev. W. A. Kale of Kannapolis, Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke Universty outlined some notable emphasis which the Commission could promote in the interest of rural churches. The Commission voted to conduct a series of meetings for Town and Country preachers during the week of May 4-8, with Dr. A. J. Walton of New York as leader, using the theme, "The Church's Program In a World at War." The meetings are scheduled as follows: May 4—Waynesville, for Waynesville and Asheville Districts; May 5—Marion, for Marion District; May 6—Winston-Salem, for Winston-Salem, Greensboro and High Point Districts; May 7—North Wilkesboro, for Elkin District; May 8—Charlotte, for Charlotte, Salisbury, Statesville and Gastonia Districts. The Commission elected the following Officers: Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., of Lexington, Chairman; Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald of Charlotte, Vice-Chairman; Rev. E. D. C. Brewer of Charlotte, Secretary-Treasurer; Steering Committee: Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Greensboro; Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Marion; Rev. D. B. Mullis, Walkertown; Guy O. Bagwell, Charlotte; and Bishop Clare Purcell, exofficio.

Rev.E. O. Cole, Conference Treasurer, reported that there was approximately an increase of 65 per cent in collections for World Service during the first quarter over the same period of last year.

On Tuesday morning the program was devoted to the Methodist School and Colleges. The discussions were presided over by Dr. L. L. Gobbell, President, Greensboro College, and addresses were made by Dr. H. W. McPherson, Executive Secretary of Educational Institutions, and Dr. John O. Gross, Secretary of Department of Schools and Colleges of the General Board of Education. A representative from every Methodist college in North Carolina was present at this session: Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Brevard College; Dr. David Jones, Bennett College; Dr. W. S. Sharp, Pfeiffer College; Dr. J. M. Ormond, Duke University; Dr. G. I. Humphreys, High Point College; Dr. W. S. Patton, Louisburg College; Dr. L. L. Gobbel, Greensboro College. Rev. Robert Bradshaw, Executive Secretary of Board of Education, North Carolina Conference, was a visitor at the session.

In addition to those mentioned above the following were in attendance: Rev. M. T. Smathers, Rev. G. T. Bond, Rev. A. C. Gibbs, Rev. E. M. Jones, Rev. L. B. Hayes, Rev. S. W. Taylor, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Rev. C. N. Clark, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, Rev. C. C. Weaver, District Superintendent; Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald, Rev. D. B. Mullis, Rev. R. C. Goforth, Rev. L. B. Abernethy, Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., and Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Rev. Claude H. Hoser, Rev. Jesse G. Wilkinson, Rev. Garland R. Stafford, Rev. E. H. Nease, Rev. N. M. Harrison, Paul F. Evans, Jesse Burton, Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, Miss Lorene Weaver, Mrs. J. H. Melzer, Mrs. O. D. Nelson, and Rev. A. W. Plyler.

Wilson O. Weldon.

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS AT WOFFORD

It was a real religious revival. Dr. King Vivion, McKendree church, Nashville, Tenn., was the evangelist. He came with a mighty message from another world. Many Wofford boys were led into a richer religious experience, and led to launch out into the deep.

Dr. Vivion's use of pause and silence in his preaching was the most powerful and effective we ever witnessed. He preached a living Presence, and a living practice of religion—a Spirit-born sense of God as our Father and of prayer as the most powerful experience of man on earth when he will not hold, hide, or harbor the least sin in his heart, but washes his soul clean of all evil by true and earnest repentance. His prayer is real.

He preached holiness without using the word. He preached the Kingdom of heaven on earth as the only hope of our war-torn, sin-ruined world. He preached the Kingdom as coming when man mindfully, heart-fully, will-fully realizes God is his Father, and love leads him to an absolute obedience that brings the Kingdom within —and without.

This prophet of God is a most human man; but such a divine-human man that he has one evident passion: to get all God's children to feel and realize in the depths of their heart that God is their Father, and to live and die to fulfill the Father's will.

Spartanburg, S. C. —O. P. Ader.

THE MARION DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETING

The Minister and Lay Members met at the First Church of Marion, Sunday, February 1st, and had the first Checkup Meeting that has been held in the Marion District at the end of the first quarter. The meeting was well attended by Pastors and Charge Lay Leaders throughout the District.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. Frank Smathers of Rutherfordton. Mr. E. L. Walker, District Lay Leader, presided and called for reports from each Charge. The reports were very gratifying and at least 90% of the Charges in the District have balanced their budgets during the first quarter.

Our District Superintendent, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, spoke on Brevard College Day and Mr. Crawford James of Marion also made a talk in regard to the necessity of the college being continued. Mr. James stated that the college was as essential to our Conference as our benevolences and that the College was a great help to many boys and girls of Western North Carolina. Rev. J. H. Barnhardt discussed the need for taking a Special Easter Offering in order to keep our finances up to date. A short talk on Evangelism was made by Rev. Fletcher Nelson.

It was inspiring to hear of the good work that the various Charges are doing. The writer feels that when we hold our District Conference in May, the Marion District will be able to report a successful half-year, both spiritually and financially.

The General Board of Lay Activities has designated Sunday, February 22nd, for the observance of Laymen's Day. It is hoped that each pulpit can be filled by an able Layman on that day and that some program of this type is carried out by each church in the District. Laymen's Week should be observed the week immediately preceding or following Laymen's Day. For that purpose it was suggested that some definite book on mission be studied, or "The Methodist Church" by Schofield, which was recommended by the Board of Lay Activities.—E. L. Walker.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA METHODIST STUDENT CONFERENCE

Considering the place and task of the student in Christian world reconstruction, approximately 220 students from more than 20 colleges spent the past week-end in Chapel Hill at the largest Methodist Student Conference yet held in North Carolina.

Under the leadership of Richard T. Baker, assistant editor of the World Outlook, they discussed the present situation of the world, the faith that God must stand central in our lives as we face that situation, and some ways of putting that faith to work in bringing about a more just and abundant life for all mankind.

An invitation from Duke Memorial Church in Durham to entertain the conference next year was accepted. The officers for the North Carolina Methodist Student Movement for the coming year were chosen as follows:

President, William Gatling, Duke University; Vice-Presidents, Johnnie Faye Barnes, East Carolina Teachers College; Julian Ransome, Pembroke College; Kenneth Crouse, High Point College; Gilreath Adams, Brevard College; Secretary-Treasurer, Mary Moling Kirkman, Woman's College, U. N. C.; Reporter, Edith Fore, University of North Carolina.

A TRIBUTE TO AN EMINENT CHRISTIAN WORKER AND HOME BUILDER

Mrs. Jessie McWhorter Banks passed away Wednesday afternoon, February 4, 1942, at her home in Lakeland, Florida. Hardly any other could have been called from life on earth in the circle of women's activities of the former Southern Methodist Church, the intelligence of whose death would have carried wider sorrow to the noble women of Southern Methodism than has hers. It is a sorrow of the best, on either side of the separating seas. Yet, those who have known her more intimately in the Missionary Council, annual Conference Missionary activities, have doubtless been most distinctly impressed by the peculiar combination of Grace and Power which was in her. Every fiber of her being—physical, mental and spiritual—came in to contribute to the intensity and efficiency and influence of her work and utterances. Her noble traits of character brought women in vast numbers to follow her, to trust and love her.

And yet, with all her fine leadership capacity, she was gentle and kind in all of life's relationships. Tender as the soft and sunny meadow in summer was her spirit. Mrs. Banks was for years one of the distinguished leaders and capable workers in the Woman's Missionary Society, having served as president of her own Florida Conference Society. She was honored by her co-workers by having been chosen secretary of the Home department, Woman's Council, of the former Southern Methodist church. She was a member of several General conferences.

She was preceded to her Heavenly Home by her husband, a successful banker and operator of a Florida orange grove. Mr. Banks was, also, a great Methodist layman, having served as a delegate to his own annual Conference and was several times a member of the General conference.

Mrs. Banks was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Abbot Milton McWhorter. She was born December 18, 1866, in Gaylesville, Alabama; on Friday, February 6, she was laid to rest at her former home in Gadsden, Alabama. Survivors are: a brother, Rev. Euclid McWhorter, 507 Tilden Street, Raleigh, an honored member of the N. C. conference; a daughter, Mrs. Edwin Goodhue of Gadsden, Alabama; and four sons, Messrs. Nathaniel, Thomas, Horhome heaven on earth.

A beautiful and useful life has come to the close of its earthly pilgrimage, but I sincerely believe that this tribute today is truly in honor of a noble, Christian woman, who looks larger when she is dead than when she was alive. The reason is obvious: death is a great revealer. It turns out some lights. But, in shutting off some lights, others are turned on. Sweet spirited and kind, she had no enemies, but a multitude of friends. She was a genuine Christian; her faith never waivered. She was, also, a great home builder. She was the type of mother who made a home heaven on eart.

To all whom she touched, her life was a benediction and her memory will keep her sons and daughter and all others who knew her in the way that leads Home.

Raleigh, N. C. —John C. Glenn.

THE PORTRAIT OF JESUS

In the gallery of human souls there is one pre-eminent figure. It has been the study of all artists, of all thinkers. From the most opposite sides of the building men have seen it, approached it, centered round it. It has been studied by the lover of beauty; it has been lauded by the lover of the commonplace. It has been examined in the interest of philosophy; it has been scrutinized in the interest of childlike simplicity. It has been admired as the embodiment of a creed; it has been eulogized as the negation of all creeds. It has drawn the eyes of the mystic who wants to soar above the world; it has attracted the gaze of the practical who find the world a home. Wise men have sought it in the pursuit of science; shepherds have sought it in the guiding of their flocks; Herod has sought it in the policy of self-interest. Every avenue of the mind has been at some time a road to the Portrait of Jesus.

Son of Man, before whose Portrait I stand today, thou art still unique, alone. Thou art never so unique, thou art never so alone, as where others touch thee. Thou hast in thy possession treasures that once belonged to wise men of the East and wise men of the West; but in the sunlight where thou standest they have become new. I used to say, "I have seen this gold, this frankincense, and this myrrh, before." So I have; but in thy presence the gold is more glittering, the myrrh more precious, the frankincense more fragrant. Others have stood on the same mount with thee; but thou alone hast caught the glory.—George Matheson, in Religious Telescope.

THE BATTLE NOT TO THE STRONG ALONE, BUT TO THE VIGILANT, THE ACTIVE, THE BRAVE

"They tell us, Sir, that we are weak—unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. But when shall we be stronger? Will it be next week or the next year? Will it be when we are totally disarmed and when a British guard shall be stationed in every house?

"Shall we gather strength by irresolution and inaction? Shall we acquire the means of effectual resistance by lying supinely on our backs and hugging the delusive phantom of hope, until our enemies shall have bound us hand and foot? Sir, we are not weak, if we make a proper use of those means which the God of nature has placed in our power.

"Besides, Sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God, who presides over the destinies of nations, and who will raise up friends to fight our battles for us. The battle, Sir, is not to the strong; it is to the vigilant, the active, the brave. Besides, Sir, we have no election. If we were base enough to desire it, it is now too late to retire from the contest. There is no retreat but in submission and slavery. Our chains are forged!

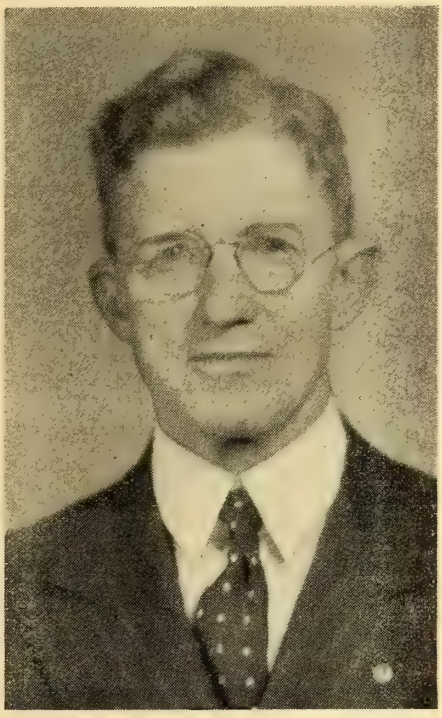
"Why stand we here idle? What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God."—Patrick Henry.

MISS HOLLAND GOES TO MAIN STREET, REIDSVILLE

Miss Amy Holland of Mount Holly, has taken up her work as director of Religious Education at Main Street Methodist Church, Reidsville, after two and a half years as assistant to the pastor at Myers Park Methodist Church, Charlotte. Miss Holland is a graduate of Greensboro College, where she had special training in religious education, and was highly successful in directing the educational activities of the Myers Park Church in association with Dr. Richard L. Ownbey, who is now the pastor of the Main Street Church. This is the first time in the long and honorable history of the Main Street Church that a special worker has been employed there, and the pastor and the congregation are highly pleased in securing the services of Miss Holland.

REV. J. O. ERVIN STILL HUSTLES

The eight churches covering certain portions of Randolph and Montgomery counties lying along and on both sides of the Uwharrie and up against the western side of the North Carolina conference were reported paid in full to date at the check-up meeting at Archdale on February 5. This means, of course, for the first quarter).



Rev. J. O. Ervin

The pastor had the pleasure last year of holding all his own meetings and also four meetings for the brethren, Randolph, Forsyth and Nash counties. He hopes to do fully as much this year and more.

Now if my estimate is correct, I have sent in 18 subscriptions to the Advocate since you last made a record of reports on that score. (You may tell the nice ladies that Miss Ruby Davis, Troy, N. C., Ophir Route, is one of mine that I failed to report to them).

GETTING OUT OF THE RUTS

The simile of a rut is an old one. It belongs to the days of the horse and buggy and dirt roads. In these days, few can remember how difficult it was to get the wheels out of the rut once they were deeply sunk therein. Even though we live in days of concrete highways and smooth-running automobiles, it is still a weakness of human nature to settle down into a normal deadness of routine. Many people and roganizations can be found who worship schedules and time-tables. We need to realize that we have just as good a right to set precedents as had our fathers.

Whatever we do, let us keep out of the ruts. There are things we should do because it is wise for us to do them. It is not necessary for us to do them this year because we did them last year. The world in which we live is changing so fast that precedents are being broken day by day. The genius of being a Christian is our adaptability. In this year 1942, we shall undoubtedly have to face unprecedented conditions. We shall not be able to meet them if we are held in the ruts of the past. We must keep our heads up, our minds alert, our wills strong, our vision clear, our faith unsullied if we would find ourselves individually or corporately ready for that which is before us.

We heard some one say recently, "This world is never going to be again the world it was." Well, we do not know that the world has ever been static. At least, the events that are piling upon us keep life alert and interesting. Even tragedy, with all its pain and suffering, has the compelling power to draw us away from our follies and superficialities. Let your soul be free. Let not your hearts be cramped. Let not organization and conventions spend their time studying how they may move in the ruts of the past. We are all being called to live and to sacrifice for the future, whatever that future may be. God make us pliable to his holy will, that he may be able to perform through us whatever he wishes done.—The Watchman-Examiner.

A FAMOUS FARMER'S SHRINE

By Rev. J. A. Earl

Among the richly-tinted hills of Ohio county, West Virginia, stands the celebrated Short Creek church, a famous farmer's shrine, organized 156 years ago. Members used to carry their guns to worship to protect them from the Indians. John Spahr, who raised the first crop of corn in Ohio county, and lived to be 115 years old, and Major John McColloch, the first sheriff, and other prominent pioneer farmers, built this historic Methodist church in 1807. It was dedicated by Bishop William McKendree, who gave 480 acres of land to McKendree College. Bishop Francis Asbury, a blacksmith who became the greatest builder of the American church, preached here, sometimes to about a "thousand souls."

After Pastor Jacob Young knocked out the heads of liquor casks among 50 tents and 40 wagons during the camp meeting in 1810, 50 people applied for church membership. When Pastor George Brown's fine saddle horse died during his Christmas sermon in 1820, the congregation presented him with another excellent one at the close of the service. Joseph Cheuverent preached in Indian moccasins.

Many spirtual shepherds of the church have become distinguished. Thomas Scott, after his marriage, left the ministry (which paid only $128 annually) to become the first chief justice of Ohio. Thornton Fleming received the praise of President Washington for his services in the Whiskey Rebellion. L. L. Hamline, later a bishop, gave $50,000 to Hamline University and another school.

Today the membership numbers about 125. All but two of the men are farmers or do rural work. J. A. Earl, pastor from 1835 to 1940, had studied agriculture and theology and taught Bible and religion to 250 boys and girls each week in the public schools. Enrollment in the home department of the Sunday school became as large as the Sunday school attendance.

City people say this open-country church three miles from a village, offers more in recreation, social life, Christian education and effective preaching than the majority of city churches. 156 years of unselfish service have enshrined this famous old farmer's church in the hearts of multitudes throughout the country.

WHERE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION BEGAN

We must never forget that the Star of Bethlehem shone on a world that was dominated by militaristic, pagan, totalitarian empire. The Manger Babe was born in the home of a conquered race ground beneath the heel of the oppressor, eagerly awaiting the coming of a leader who would deliver them from bondage. The members of the early Christian church were flung to the wild beasts in the Roman amphitheatres, burned like torches in Nero's garden, driven underground to worship the Father of their Lord Jesus Christ. It was in that kind of a world that the Christian message spread from shore to shore and the Christian church grew with such rapidity and power that within three centuries it was challenging that same totalitarian empire.

We cannot better judge of our hearts, than by what we most fear.—Bishop Hall.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

MISS KELLY BACK IN AFRICA

We feel sure the many friends in our Conference of Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, who spent the past year on a furlough in the States, will be interested in the following information which has come to us from her mother, Mrs. P. A. Kelly of Mooresville, N. C. Mrs. Kelley writes: On January 29th I received a message from Miss McKinnon's office in New York, stating that Lorena Kelly and the other missionaries who sailed with her, had arrived in Port Elizabeth in Africa, safely. This cheering news came to New York, January 26th, 1942, and was sent on to me. Her mother, Mrs. Kelly.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE MEETING

Mrs. J. Dale Stentz writes us of the meeting of the Board of the Woman's Society of Christian Service which met at Bryson City Methodist Church, Saturday morning, January 30th, at 11 o'clock. Mrs. F. E. Branson, District Corresponding Secretary had just returned from the Executive meeting as Sunny Acres, and brought to the group information, and much of the inspiration, she received from that meeting. Zone meeting dates were set and plans and programs outlined. New policies and orders were explained and set in motion for our year's work. It was season of rich inspiration. The slogan adopted for the years was: "Put the Spirit within the wheels." At the lunch hour the group was guests of Mrs. Branson at a delightful luncheon served in the parlors of the church. Those present were: Mrs. Dale Stentz, District President; Mrs. J. R. Long, Vice-President; Mrs. J. T. Ashe, Recording Secretary; Mrs. R. C. Long, Secretary Christian Social Relations; Mrs. T. L. Case, Secretary Supplies; Mrs. J. B. Tabor, Secretary Missionary Education; Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Secretary Children's Work; Mrs. Dan Tompkins, Secretary Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. A. D. Secrest, Treasurer; Mrs. Rufus Siler, Leader for Central Zone; Mrs. Carlisle Haynes, Eastern Zone Leader; Mrs. John Christy, Western Zone Leader; Mrs. Fred Slagle, Macon County Zone Leader and Mrs. C. O. Newell, Conference Secretary, Status of Women.

SOUTHEASTERN MISSIONARY COUNCIL MEETS IN NASHVILLE, TENN.

With an attendance of approximately 2,000 delegates from the nine States representing the seventeen Conferences included in the Southeastern Jurisdiction of The Methodist Church, the Southeastern Missionary Council held its first meeting in Nashville, Tenn., January 27-30, 1942. This was a joint meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, with the co-operation of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation of the National Board of Missions and Church Extension. The Directing Committee was composed of Dr. H. P. Myers, Chairman of the Jurisdictional Board of Missions and Church Extension of Danville, Va.; Mrs. E. L. Hillman, President of the Jurisdictional Woman's Society of Christian Service, Rocky Mount, N. C.; Mrs. V. F. Devinney, Executive Secretary of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, Woman's Section, New York and Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Editorial Secretary of the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, General Section, New York. The first meeting on Tuesday evening, was a mass meeting held in the War Memorial Auditorium with Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Program Director, presiding, and special music furnished by the choir of Belmont Methodist Church. The welcome address was given by Bishop Paul Kern of Nashville, who declared "that a real revival of Christian life is going on today in many countries of Europe especially those suffering most and that more real evangelistic work is being done in the countries where the church is under pressure than where it is not."

Two outstanding speakers of the evening were Dr. Ralph Diffendorfer of New York, Secretary of Foreign Missions of The Methodist Church and Dr. Roy L. Smith of Chicago, Editor of the Christian Advocate, both of whom urged their listeners to "bear in mind that the Christian faith is enduring; that we must make the best of what we have, keep our missionaries in the field, and keep the lamp of our faith burning in temporary churches, schools and hospitals."

THE ROCK OF REFUGE

Most beautiful and appropriate in these times of suspense and anxiety in this hymn-poem by William G. Fischer, not only comforting and inspirational but pointng us to Him who is "a refuge in times of trouble."

O sometimes the shadows are deep,
And rough seems the path to the goal,
And sorrows, sometimes, how they sweep
Like tempests down over the soul!
O then to the Rock let me fly
To the Rock that is higher than I!

O sometimes how long seems the day,
And sometimes how weary my feet,
But toiling in life's dusty way,
The Rock's blessed shadow how sweet!
O then to the Rock let me fly
To the Rock that is higher than I!

O near to the Rock let me keep
If blessings or sorrows prevail,
Or climbing the mountain way steep,
Or walking the shadowy vale.
O then to the Rock let me fly
To the Rock that is higher than I!

THE WOMAN'S MEETING

The first section of the Woman's Section of the Council met at McKendree Methodist Church, Wednesday morning, with Mrs. E. L. Hillman, President, presiding. A service of worship opened the meeting after which Mrs. Hillman gave her address which was heard with much interest as she specially stressed the fact that the most urgent need today for the Woman's Society of Christian Service is the rural work. Other reports from the officers were heard and messages from Miss Geraldine Johnson, recently returned form Singaport and Miss Mary Floyd, of the Scarritt Board of Trustees were features of the day's program.

An item of special interest to the women of the Jurisdiction was the report given at the close of Friday's Program that "with an increase of $17,715 over last year the total of $618,033 for missionary work was pledged for the coming year. This report was made by Mrs. C. O. Hinton of Paris, Ky., who received the pledges of the 17 Conferences represented there.

Delegates were elected to the National Missionary Assembly of Methodist Women to meet in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22, five representatives of the Jurisdictional Council being chosen.

Our Western North Carolina Conference was represented at this meeting by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. C. N. Clark, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Mrs. George Hoyle, Mrs. W. C. Hammer, Mrs. W. A. Newell (representng Mrs. R. M. Andrews), and Miss Amy Hackney, substitute for Mrs. W. R. Harris who could not attend.

We hope from time to time to give further news of this great meeting, with excerpts from some of the great messages brought by the prominent men and women who were present.

A UNIQUE DEDICATION

"A unique dedication took place on January 21st when "The Circuit Rider," a large automobile trailer, equipped with a loud speaker and reproducing machine, and with space inside to display the great religious paintings and literature of Methodism, was dedicated by Bishop Arthur Moore.

The Rev. Nath Thompson, a prominent minister of North Georgia Methodism was selected by Bishop Moore to have charge of "The Circuit Rider" and he will travel on this cathedral on wheels, singing the great old hymns of Christianity and carrying the claims, challenges and consolation of the Christain faith to the by ways."

—N. G. Long in The Christian Advocate.

OUR THOUGHTS

As you think, you travel; as you love, you attract. You are today where your thoughts have brought you; you will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you. You cannot escape the result of your thoughts, but you can endure and learn, can accept and be glad. You will realize the vision (not the idle wish) of your heart, be it base or beautiful, or a mixture of both, for you will always gravitate toward that which you, secretly, most love. In your hands will be placed the exact results of your thought; you will receive that which you earn; no more no less. Whatever your present environment may be you will fall, remain, or rise with your thoughts, your wisdom, your ideal. You will become as small was your controlling desire; as great as your dominant expiration.

—A Church Bulletin.

It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas, when its mighty Founder was a child Himself.—Dickens.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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GOD'S SILENCE

My soul, be not afraid of God's silence! It is another form of His voice. God's silence is more than man's speech. God's negative is better than the world's affirmation. Have thy prayers been followed by a calm stillness? Well, and is not that God's voice, a voice that will suffice thee in the meantime till the full disclosures come? Wait for Him in the silence, and ere long it shall become vocal.

INFORMATION, PLEASE!

Are you or some other member of your W. S. C. S. planning to attend the annual meeting of the W. S. C. S. which will convene at Edenton Street Church, Raleigh on March 10-12? Has the name of the delegate from your Society, and one dollar for luncheons, information concerning the name of your Society, your District, whether you will be driving or will be with someone who is driving and whether you are a delegate, officer, official guest, district secretary, zone leader, chairman of a conference standing committee and preference as to roommate, if any, been sent to Mrs. A. Wray White, 127 N. McDowell Street, Raleigh? The earlier this information is received the greater will be the ease and effectiveness of the preparations for Conference on the part of those responsible for entertainment.

LET'S HAVE AN EXHIBIT ROOM

The Conference Secretary of Publicity and Publication is hopeful that an exhibit room or corner may be arranged at the annual meeting at Edenton Street. All societies having posters, scrap books or any other exhibit relative to the work, are requested to bring or send them to the Annual Conference. our editor will also welcome any suggestions concerning making the exhibit room attractive and helpful. Send suggestions before Conference convenes and bring posters, scrap books and other material to Conference.

MISSIONARY COUNCIL MEETS

The challenge to prepare now to rebuild the world after the war was the theme which permeated the sessions of the Southeastern Missionary Council which met in Nashville, Tennessee on January 27-30. Pleas were made that not one missionary shall be brought home and that the tragedy resulting from the lessening of our forces on the mission field more than is necessary shall be averted. That the church has a mission in helping to rebuild the world when the war shall have ended was stressed by the various speakers. Some one said: "Either Christ or Chaos."

The Southeastern Missionary Council was a joint meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Southeastern Jurisdiction with the co-operation of the joint Division of Education and Cultivation of the National Board of Missions and Church Extension. Each morning and afternoon the general section met at the First Presbyterian Church and the Woman's meetings were held at McKendree Methodist Church. Joint sessions were held each evening at War Memorial Auditorium. Dr. H. P. Meyers, Danville, Va., is President of the Southeastern Board of Missions and Church Extension and Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, N. C., is President of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. Many of the leaders of the missionary enterprise of the Methodist Church were present and participated in the programs. Some of the outstanding speakers at the joint sessions included, Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Dr. Y. C. Yang, President Soochow University; Mrs. J. D. Bragg, St. Louis, Mo., President Woman's Division of Christian Service; Mrs. J. W. Mills, Tyler, Texas, Vice-President, W. D. C. S.; Mrs. Otis Moore, New York, Executive Secretary, Foreign Department, Board of Mission and Church Extension; Bishop A. Frank Smith, Bishop Francis McConnell, Dr. Roy Smith, Chicago, Editor Christian Advocate and others.

With dignity, poise and graciousness which expedited the many business items, Mrs. E. L. Hillman presided at the sessions of the W. S. C. S. Reports and discussions of every department of work, introduction of Missionaries and Deaconesses featured these meetings.

It was gratifyingly noted that practically every Conference in the Jurisdiction overpaid their pledges in 1941. North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S. paid $5,000.00 more than in 1940. It is also significant that practically every Conference increased their pledges for 1942. A total of $618,033 was pledged by the 17 Conferences in the Jurisdiction, an increase of $17,718 over last year. North Carolina Conference pledged, $43-000.

The Southeastern Jurisdiction is composed of the following Conferences: Alabama, Florida, Holston (in Tenn.), Kentucky, Memphis, Mississippi, North Alabama, North Carolina, North Georgia, North Mississippi, South Carolina, South Georgia, Tennessee, Upper South Carolina, Virginia, Western North Carolina.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE MEETS

"Other Sheep Have I," was the theme of the program when a large number of delegates and visitors gathered at Spring Church on January 22 for the meeting of Northampton Zone, Rocky Mount District. Speakers included: Mrs. J. B. Hurley of Seaboard, who gave an inspirational address; Miss Elizabeth Titts-worth, Student Worker at the Methodist Student Center, E. C. T. C., Greenville; who described the various activities of her work; Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway, Rocky Mount District Secretary, who spoke of the work in that District; Mrs. T. B. Elliott, Woodland; Mrs. Jarvis Maddrey of Severn, led the opening worship and Mrs. J. E. Johnson, Rich Square, led the devotional at the afternoon session. Mrs. Reginald Long, Severn, read a poem. Mrs. R. M. Johnson extended greetings to which Mrs. H. P. Stephenson, Severn, responded. Rev. and Mrs. P. F. Newton sang "The Ninety and Nine." Mrs. H. W. Maddrey, newly elected Zone Leader, presided.

Among the significant features of the meetings was the presentaton of a Baby Life Membership to Stuart McGuire Martin, Jr., by his grandmother, Mrs. M. L. Martin and an Adult Life Membership to Miss Brownie Coker by Mrs. Will Moore. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Rev. L. C. Brothers of Conway.

SPRING VALLEY SOCIETY

The January meeting of the W. S. C. S. of Spring Valley Church, Raleigh District, featured installation of officers by the pastor, Rev. O. W. Mathison; and address by Mrs. A. B. Deans, Northern Zone Leader; a devotional led by Mrs. Ray Buchanan and a delightful fellowship hour following the meeting. Mrs. Deans gave the highlights of the recent Raleigh District Missionary Institute which was held at Edenton Street Church, speaking specifically of the forum held for the women and led by Miss Ruth Wheaton, field worker for the Woman's Division of Christian Service. She also stressed the various points of the efficiency aim and urged the women to attempt to make each point as effectively as possible. Rev. O. W. Mathison announced announced an illustrated lecture to be held at the church on the following Tuesday evening and which would be an introduction of the study class on" The Methodist Meeting House." Following adjournment Mrs. C. J. Edwards, hostess, invited her guests into the dining room of the church where a salad plate with hot chocolate was served.

Officers of Spring Valley Society are: President, Mrs. B. H. Goodrich; vice-president, Mrs. Ray King; secretary, Mrs. Ray Buchanan; assistant secretary, Mrs. Albert Edwards; treasurer, Mrs. C. B. Baskett; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. J. Edwards; seretary Christian Social Relations, Mrs. G. B. Harris; Secretary Local Church Activities, Mrs. Sidney Harris; Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. M. H. Matthews; Spiritual Life Group, Mrs. Roy Davis; Literature and Publications, Mrs. Ray King.

ZONES TO MEET

Mrs. T. B. Hough, Zone Leader, announces a meeting of Alamance Zone, Durham District at Central Church, Mebane, February 22 at 2:30 p. m.

Northern Zone, Raleigh District, will meet at First Methodist Church, Henderson, Friday, February 27, beginning at 10 a. m., according to announcement by Mrs. A. B. Deans, Zone leader.

All societies should send as many delegates as possible to these meetings.

HER WEIGHT IN SUGAR

Calcutta, India.—A large bag of sugar appeared among the offerings received at the church of the Oxford Mission in Calcutta. It proved to be a thank offering from a mother whose sick baby had been cured at the mission hospital. She gave the child's weight in sugar—possibly getting the idea from the announcement that subjects of the Aga Khan plan to make him a gift in 1945 of his weight in diamonds.—From Christian World Facts.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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CHILDREN'S HOME TIME

Some of our youngsters have remarked today that this daylight saving time is nothing more than Children's Home time, that the government had heard of how we have been saving night-time to use in daytime and liked it to such an extent as to spread it all over the country. Be that as it may, we have through the years been using the days for our activities and most of the night for our restivities. Our youngsters like reasonably well to work during the day and they like assuredly well to sleep during the night.

A NEW CHALLENGE

We have spent a good part of this day trying to adjust our various schedules to the new daylight saving time. In most instances to have run up our work an hour would mean to have gone so far back into the night as to penalize the use of daylight. Our children have been eating breakfast during the winter before daylight under the old schedule. One group of our youngsters has started to school before day has dawned very well. Our farming operations have been starting with the "bust of dawn" during the entire winter. To go farther back into the night in this department would not work very well in Winston-Salem where Blum's Almanac is published. That part of our work that started after daylight now starts at daylight. That part that started before daylight just does not go farther back into the night. Our new challenge has been to gear up our activities so that we do not meet ourselves anywhere coming back.

A BENEFICIAL MEETING

The twenty-fourth annual session of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes, held in Dallas, Texas, last week, was not only well attended but bristled with interest and enthusiasm. Even though this meeting was the first one held in the southern area of our Church, away from the location of a majority of our larger philanthropic institutions, it was the best attended meeting held in several years. A good attendance was in evidence in each section of the association — hospitals, homes for children, homes for aged and homes for business girls. The Association voiced its hearty desire to serve the government during the present times of stress in every possible way. It further went on record favoring the enlargement of philanthropic services by such systematic and careful financial underwriting as would guarantee safe investments and qualitative service. The next meeting will be held next February in Indianapolis, Ind. Dr. Chester C. Marshall, superintendent of the Methodist Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected president for the ensuing year.

PHENOMENAL GROWTH

During the time since this scribe visited The Methodist Home at Waco, Texas, four years ago, phenomenal growth and improvement have accrued. Seven new fire-proof buildings, involving an expenditure of over $300,000, have been constructed. These buildings have not only been provided by their donors but have been furnished in such a way as to make them a bit luxuriant. This work has been done in true Texas spirit. The Methodist Home of Waco, draws patronage from the five Texas conferences and the one in New Mexico. The enrollment in the Home remains the same, about 400 childdren.

GRAND IF NOT GLORIOUS

Recently this scribe visited an orphanage where the investment is said to have run into two figures of millions. The buildings are large and imposing. The grounds are well kept. A substantial wire fence with imposing gates, operated by a gate keeper, greets one on arriving at this institution. Around the main building, so beautiful and well kept, are windows covered with substantial screens, placed not for the purpose of keeping out flies but for such other purposes as they were intended. As we arrived we noticed the children, over 500 of them, marching in lines, somewhat in lock step fashion, to a central dining room. The youngsters in this institution live and move and have their being inside the institution. There is where they eat, sleep, work, go to school, go to church and go with one another. One wonders just what the sensation is when they go outside the gate not to come back.

FROM IN TO OUT

She is an adolescent girl with a strong physical make-up and a reasonably good appearance. Her mental make-up is fair. But her disposition for quite a long time has been rotten. It seems that about every time she was placed upon her own responsibility her use of it was disappointing. She was about to become what is generally called a "bad girl." In conferences lasting some time an earnest effort has been put forth to find all the potential good on the inside of this youngster in such a way as to give it a fine outlet for expression. Eventually a gleam of hope appeared, a mellow disposition accrued and signs of a good attitude multiplied. In spite of the apparent hopelessness of months of the trial and error process of directing this youth there may have appeared a rebirth and a regeneration, a bouyancy and a helpful assertiveness. Who can tell what is on the inside of the mental make-up of a youngster? The fishing for it is more than an indoor sport.

GIRLS TO BOYS

The picture this week is that of a of junior girls who used to live in the Cornelius Building. These girls now live in the Julia Higgins Building. In their place at the Cornelius Building has come a group of boys, the adjustment of girls having been made possible by the construction last summer of the Stockton Building where older girls live. With the construction of the Wrenn Building, not yet begun, girls will return to the Cornelius Bulding, it being in the area allocated for girls. At present we have more than a cottage full more boys than girls enrolled with us.

DO ORPHANS CRY?

In taking our youngsters to surgeons and specialists, where painful operations are sometimes entered into, it has been frequently remarked, "Those Children's Home youngsters can take it, they won't cry." Somebody once said, "No wonder orphans don't cry, they have nobody to cry to." A few days ago notice was made of little Billy who sat by the wayside crying with abundant emotional overflow. A friend discovered that Billy, in thinking of his deceased mother, became emotionally upset and was turning loose the overflow all by himself. The friend assured the lad of sympathy and that his mother in the spiritual world was looking for Billy in the Children's Home world to be brave, good and helpful. The lad was not only comforted but seemed to revel in the assurance of a new-found friend. A good cry sometimes helps.

CAN COUNT ON JIM

Jim Walton, who graduated in 1936, has been stationed for three years on the battleship Pensacola in and about Pearl Harbor. The Japanese airmen did not hit him or his ship in the December raid. Since leaving, Jim has sponsored what

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These Junior Girls Are Not Juniors Any More

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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LESS TRAVELING—Due to the shortage of automobile tires the Singing Class and Superintendent of the Orphanage will not make many trips over the Conference this year. The Orphanage car, which I use when transacting official business for the Orphanage, has been in use nearly four years, and the tires have been in use for nearly one year. From the above statement it can readily be seen that it will be impossible for us to do much traveling. I trust this explanation will clear up any misunderstanding as to why the Singing Class and the Superintendent will not visit over the Conference as much as usual.

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ORPHANAGE ANNUITY BONDS — People with idle funds on hand are eager to invest such funds where they will yield the largest dividends. The Methodist Orphanage is in a position to offer big inducement to such persons. Several years ago the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Orphanage decided to issue Annuity Bonds. During these years several elderly people have secured Methodist Orphanage Annuity Bonds, which pay a high rate of interest. All such bonds are exempt from taxes. It is not the policy of the Board of Trustees to issue bonds to individuals under fifty-five years of age. We shall be happy to correspond with anyone who wishes to invest money in our Orphanage Annuity Bonds. If there are those who wish to have a personal interview with the superintendent in reference to Annuity Bonds, I shall be glad to arrange for such an interview.

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JUNE THE TWENTY-EIGHTH—This date is to be a red letter day in the history of the Methodist Orphanage. After a conference with Dr. B. G. Childs, of Duke University, it has been definitely decided that the fourth Sunday in June is to be a big Rally Day at the Methodist Orphanage. Friends who attended the Laymen's Day Rally at the Methodist Orphanage on the fifth Sunday in last June were so pleased with the results that they requested that we make it an Annual Orphanage affair. The Men's Bible Classes throughout the Conference, under the leadership of Dr. B. G. Childs and the Julian S. Carr Bible Class of Trinity Church, Durham, are sponsoring this Rally. I do not want to leave the impression that only Men's Bible Classes will be invited to attend the exercises the fourth Sunday in June. Everybody who can be present is most cordially invited to be our guest on that wonderful occasion. All will be requested to bring a basket dinner, and the children and orphanage staff will eat with the visitors. Dinner will be served on the campus at 12:30, and at 1:30 there will be exercises by a large number of children of the Home. Dr. B. G. Childs will address the large audience at 2:15. Immediately following Dr. Child's address there will be a meeting of the Men's Bible Classes in the Vann Building Auditorium, at which time Dr. Childs will preside. It is the purpose of Dr. Childs and the Julian S. Carr Bible Class to effect an organization that will promote the interest of the Methodist Orphanage in every pastoral charge throughout the Conference for the next twelve months. I am making the announcement now so that everybody may set apart this day and meet with us on the Methodist Orphanage campus.

DYNAMIC DREAMERS

By E. Myers Harrison

Scoff not at Joseph and his dream
Of stars that bowed before his sun;
Nor Bruce, as in the cave he watched
The vict'ry which the spider won;
For dreams are deeds in embryo,
The stuff that greatness feeds upon.

A soldier knelt at Valley Forge
And dreamed a dream while bowed in prayer;
He rose to free a new-born land
And reared her bulwark strong and fair;
For only those build well on earth
Who first build castles in the air.

Another dreamed to free the slaves
And lead his land to nobler days;
He felt the sting of mockery
And fell beneath the bullet's graze;
The dreamer first is ridiculed,
Then ages vie to sing his praise.

Another dreamed to free his land
From Isolation's selfish chain,
That she might lead the world to peace;
His dream by selfish men was slain,
But Right will one day mount the throne
And dreams, though dead, will rise again.

There came a Dreamer long ago,
'Mid simple things he lived and grew;
In humble guise and garments white
He sought the hearts of men to woo;
He dreamed of nations ruled by love
And shed his blood to make it true.

A seed, when planted, fills the plain,
A tiny acorn bears a tree;
The mountain spring becomes a brook,
The brook at last a mighty sea;
So temples of achievement rise
From hopes and dreams that used to be.

—The Watchman-Examiner.

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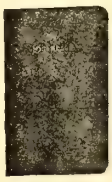
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THE YOUTH OBSERVANCE OF LENT

"The National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship calls Methodist Youth to a Lenten emphasis on personal discipline and evangelism. To implement this emphasis, the national officers adopted the following suggestions for observance:

"Believing that the Lenten season is a time of self-observation and search for a better interpretation and closer appreciation of the Christian way of life, we recommend to the youth of our church that a special emphasis be placed on personal discipline and evangelism during Lent. To facilitate this observance, we present the following suggestions:

A. For personal observance—

1. A more rigid personal discipline such as daily prayer and Bible reading, economic discipline such as simple living, thinking, etc.

2. A stricter adherence to the practical lving philosophy of Jesus.

3. The development of fellowship with those we contact to share our experiences, beliefs and interpretations.

B. For group observances—

1. Youth participation in planning and carrying out meetings in the local church and campus group endeavoring to win others to the Christian way of living.

2. Study and meditation on the meaning and application of the way of Christ to our present day living.

3. That Conference and District leaders form groups of two or three to go into local situations and aid in their promotion and study of the Lenten evangelistic emphasis.

4. That local groups take as their responsibility visitation in the homes of youth."

It is expected that local groups will adapt these suggestions to fit their situation, but it is hoped that everywhere there will be participation in this search for a more serious application of the Christian message by individuals and for an energetic out-reach for others who are not now in our Christian groups."

LENTEN BOOKLET FOR YOUTH

A Lenten devotional booklet containing daily devotional materials designed especially for young people has been prepared by our youth division. The general theme followed is: "Building Spiritual Strength for Crisis," and the material has been prepared by selected youth and youth leaders. The cost is 5c a copy. If you wish copies for your young people, send your young people, send your order to National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Booklets cannot be sent on consignment; payment should accompany the order or should be made when booklets are received.

THE METHODIST YOUTH FUND

January was pledge month for the Methodist Youth Fund in the North Carolina Conference. We have already received pledges amounting to well over $600. However, we are sure that other groups have made pledges to this Fund but have not reported the pledge. Will you please fill out your card today and put it in the mail?

GOLDSBORO CIRCUIT

A charge-wide planning conference was held for the leaders of the Goldsboro Circuit on January 21 at the parsonage. Rev. W. R. Stevens, pastor, had made careful plans for the meeting, the church leaders were interested, and over forty persons were in attendance. The conference was divided into three sessions —a general session for the entire group, at which the purpose of the meeting was stated and a brief inspirational message given; group sessions—for workers with children under the direction of Mrs. W. R. Stevens, District Director of Children's Work; for workers with youth under the direction of the conference director of youth work; for workers wth adults under the direction of Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director of adult work; and another brief general session at which the pastor presented the conference calendar for the year and then a charge calendar which was adopted by the entire group. A pleasant social hour followed the business sessions.

The whole program offered a most stimulating experience and the entire group felt that they were launched on a specific and worthwhile charge program. We look to the day when such a meeting, with variations, of course, to suit local needs, will be held in each charge in the conference.

METHODIST STUDENT CONFERENCE AT CHAPEL HILL

Methodist students of the state gathered at the University Church in Chapel Hill last week-end for the annual Methodist Student Conference with the president, H. A. Scott, Jr., of Duke University, presiding. The students centered their program about the theme: "The Student in Christian World Reconstruction."

Richard T. Baker, member of the staff of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, and assistant editor of the World Outlook, was the guest speaker.

Mr. Harold A. Ehrinsperger, editorial secretary of the department of student work of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church and editor of "Motive," the National Methodist student magazine, represented the General Board of Education and directed the worship periods.

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, dean of the conference this year, installed the new officers which was followed by the celebration of the Holy Communion with Dr. J. M. Culbreth, pastor of the University Church, in charge.

A WINTER'S TRAIL

It takes a snowfall to remind us how populated is our world. The gray countryside of Winter seems so deserted that we smug humans fancy it is our land, with only a few bold and well-upholstered squirrels and juncoes still in business.

Then comes the snow. A new, bright day and we sally forth to survey our kingdom, jeweled and festooned with breath-taking magnificence. For a time we marvel at this, our private world of superlative beauty. But before we have gone halfway across the meadow we, even as Robinson Crusoe, are astounded by proof that others have been here before us. There is the leisurely four-footed signature of a cottontail written in the snow. Two cottontails. Three! And now that we have come down to earth, there is the lovely lace-track of the field mice threading among the weed stems.

Following the rabbit tracks a way, we find that leisure suddenly turned to haste, wandering to flight. And over beside the old stone wall we read the reason—the dainty, cat-like prints of a fox. Foxes here? There's no denying the signature there in the snow. And down in the woods, toward the pond, we find the unmistakable trail of a raccoon. Beside the old road are deer tracks, the large ones of a buck, the smaller ones of a doe, the little ones of a fawn.

The farther we wander, the longer and more surprising becomes the list. With only a rudimentary knowledge of Winter's sign language, even the suburbanite can read the story there at hand. And having read it we are tempted to revise those lines about footprints in the sands of time. On a bright January morning there is far more to be learned out where the natural creatures of this world, with no thought of the sublime life, have left their footprints in the snows of Winter.—Selected.

GOOD ADVICE

Susannah Wesley in writing to her son, John, concerning pleasures wrote the following:

"Would you judge of the lawfulness of unlawfulness of pleasure. Take this rule: Whatever weakens your reason, impairs the tenderness of your conscience, obscures your sense of Gog, or takes off the relish of spiritual values—in short, whatever increases the authority of your body over your mind, that thing is a sin to you, however innocent it may be in itself."

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MECKLENBURG COUNTY CHRISTIAN WORKERS' TRAINING SCHOOL

The twenty-second annual training school sponsored by the Board of Education and the Methodist churches of Mecklenburg County will be held at First Church, Charlotte, beginning at 3:00 p. m., Sunday, February 22, and continuing each evening through Friday.

Committee Chairmen

With Dr. G. Ray Jordan as host pastor, assisted by the following committee chairmen: Dr. G. T. Bond, worship; E. R. Bucher, entertainment; J. Lester Wolfe, finance; H. B. Simpson, textbooks; and Miss Helen Gage, enrolment —plans for the school are materializing in a fine way. Approximately five hundred people attend this school each year and the majority of these do credit work.

District Directors

Working with Brother Bond as district superintendent throughout the year are Miss Kate Crowell, Director of Children's Work; Miss Mary Margaret Johnson, Director of Youth Work; and Charles P. Bowles as Director of Young Adult Work.

Courses and Instructors

An unusually strong faculty has been secured for the school. Courses and instructors are as follows:

Children's Music—Mrs. C.A. Rauschenberg, Jr., Atlanta.

Teaching Children in the Church School—Mrs. W. R. Reed, Appomattox, Va.

Understanding Ourselves (young people 15-23 only)—Mrs. E. H. Ould, Roanoke, Va.

New Testament: Content and Values —Dr. Albert C. Outler, Duke.

Interpreting the Bible to Youth (adult leaders of youth)—Dr. Ray C. Petry, Duke.

The Life of Jesus—Dr. Kenneth W. Clark, Duke.

The Church and Alcohol Education— Mrs. L. L. Brown, Waxhaw.

Participating Superintendents

Superintendents of the twenty-seven Methodist schools are serving as a Board of Managers and as enrolment chairmen for their respective churches. Every church in the county was represented in the school last year and an effort will be put forth for a better record this year. With Miss Helen Gage, Director of Christian Education at First Church, as general chairman, the following superintendents are working with her in promoting the school:

	Church
J. B. Faulkner	Big Spring
L. M. Smith	Belmont Park
Geo. B. Livingston	Brevard Street
W. K. Price	Calvary
R. S. Garmon	Central Avenue
C. D. Campbell	Chadwick
Dr. L. Dale Arthur	Dilworth
Howard G. Dover	Duncan Memorial
W. H. Haliburton	Hawthorne Lane
George A. Westbrook	Myers Park
J. B. Johnson	Spencer Memorial
C. M. Rogers	Wesley Heights
M. L. Eargle	Derita
M. Milford Pettus	Pleasant Grove
M. H. Love	Homestead
H. L. Johnston	Hickory Grove
J. L. Thornburg	Asbury
L. T. Rippy	Oak Grove
Phillip Hawfield	Harrison
Clegg Vaughn	Marvin
T. S. Ellington	Pineville
F. A. Wilkinson	Moore's Chapel
Earl Hansell	Thrift
W. B. Elliott	Trinity

Pastors of Participating Churches

It is interesting to note that 24 ordained ministers are serving the 27 Methodist churches of the couunty. These ministers are: L. R. Akers, Jr., J. W. Fitzgerald, D. V. Howell, S. M. Needham, M. G. Ervin, H. P. Powell, P. F. Snider, G. Ray Jordan, Howard C. Wilkerson, E. H. Nease, E. H. Blackard, Sherrill Biggers, C. E. Murray, W. B. Davis, E. O. Cole, D. L. Young, C. F. Womble, J. O. Cox, W. D. Corriher, J. L .Rayle, J. H. Carper, E. H. Brendall.

PLANNING CONFERENCE

One of the most significant meetings of the year for our conference program oi Christian eduucation is the planning conference held at Sunny Acres. On February 2 and 3, Bishop Clare Purcell, the 11 district superintendents, members of the executive committee of the board of education, the commission on town and country work, and representatives from the seven Methodist colleges of the state met for this conference, which is being reported in full at another place in the Advocate.

SIGNIFICANT MEETINGS FOR WORKERS WITH CHILDREN

Under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Oliver and several of her district directors of children"s work, significant meetings have been held in Charlotte, Gastonia, Winston-Salem, High Point, Albemarle, China Grove, and Greensboro. The main speaker in these meetings was Miss Mary Skinner of Nashville. Miss Oliver was assisted in planning for the meetings by Miss Kate Crowell, Mrs. E .D. C. Brewer, Mrs. F. H. Cunningham, Mrs. J. H. Melzer, Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, Mrs. W. P. Moore, and Mrs. O. D. Nelson.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP CAMP

The program committee of the conference-wide Young Adult Fellowship met in Salisbury on Saturday, January 31, to make plans for their summer camp to be held at Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville, June 21-25. Those in attendance were Zeb Barnhardt, Winston-Salem; Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas; Wilson Nesbitt and Mrs. Nesbitt of Denton, and Charles P. Bowles of Wadesboro. A complete schedule was agreed upon and final details of the program were delegated to Mr. Brewer.

MY MOTHER

By H. S. McCowan

She carried me under her heart.

She loved me before I was born.

She took God's hand in hers and walked through the valley of shadows that I might live.

She batehd me when I was helpless.

She clothed me when I was naked.

She gave me warm milk from her own body when I was hungry.

She rocked me when I was weary.

She pillowed me on pillows softer than down, and sang to me in the voice of an angel.

She held my hand when I learned to walk.

She nursed me when I was sick.

She suffered with my sorrow.

She laughed with my joy.

She glowed with my triumph.

She taught my lips to pray, while I knelt at her knee.

She gave me strength for my weakness through all the days of my youth.

She gave me courage for despair, and hope to fill my heart.

She was loyal when others failed.

She was my friend when all other friends were gone.

She prayed for me through all the years when flooded with sunshine and saddened by shadows.

She loved me when I was unlovely, and led me into man's estate to walk triumphant the King's Highway and play the manly part.

Though he lay down his life for her, no man can pay the debt he owes a Christian mother.

God bless the mothers of men, living or dead!

They are still our mothers, and the memory of them touches our hearts with tenderness and fills our eyes with mist and tears.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

(Continued from page 16)

is known with us as the "Walton Scholarship Award," meaning that he has provided cash awards to the high school boy and girl and the grammar grade boy and girl who each year lead in scholarship attainment, twice as much going to the high school youngster as to the grammar grade youngster. A letter just received from Jim states, "Enclosed you are receiving $15 for this year's scholarship. I am sorry it will arrive late but am starting it now. I have been glad to hear from the boys and girls from time to time, to know about their successes in ther athletic contests. I want them to do well in their books. I would like to be with you all to congratulate you in the good things you are doing, but another job is here and must be completed before anything else is attempted. You can count on us to do our best."

A TITHE AND ITS USE

Mrs. T. E. Franklin of Icard, writes as follows: "I understand that it takes $25 to finance the clothing needs of a young child at the Home. I would like to take the responsibility of that amount yearly for such a child. I would like to send the money in monthly installments. It is tithe money. I am enclosing $4 as a first payment."

We have given Mrs. Franklin a little boy who has repeatedly asked if he could have someone to sponsor him.

Sunday School Lesson

FEBRUARY 15

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Healing Ministry of Jesus

Mark 1:35 to 3:12; Luke 4:42-44; 5:12-39

The story of the four men who carried their paralytic friend to Jesus is one of the most moving incidents in the gospel records. How startlingly unconventional is their proceeding! When they could not get their patient through the door they hoisted him to the roof, removed the tiles, tore up the foundation under the tiles, and let him down before the Master. What a rebuke to our easy-going, indifferent attempts to save men!

When Jesus looked up and saw their faith he said, Son, thy sins are forgiven. The friends hoped he would say, "Thy palsy is cured." But Jesus like the modern physician went back of the outward symptoms to the depths of the trouble. He knew that according to the ideas of that age the poor victim felt that the reason he was paralyzed was that God was angry with him, and his first need was to realize that God was on his side. The he would have faith enough to try the impossible, and walk again.

But there were sitting by some professors of biblical literature who were far more interested in fighting for orthodoxy than in seeing men healed, and they began to cavil, Who is this that forgiveth sins? We must remember that these men were intensely religious, just as the Pharisees were religious who planned to murder Jesus for healing the man with the withered hand on the Sabbath Day. The story should move every religious man to search his heart to see whether he is not more orthodox than loving, more straitlaced than kindly. When love evaporates out of a religious man's life, it often leaves him worse than an atheist (Matthew 5:13).

Jesus knew that it was useless to argue with these theological professors, so he proceeded to spike their guns with a deed. That is the only way to handle such gentlemen. He said to the sick of the palsy, Arise, take up thy bed and walk.

This incident is full of suggestions for modern church workers. There are many kinds of paralysis besides inability to control one's muscles. There is the paralytic who cannot control his mind. Most of us must confess that we have a touch of this. We have waked up in the night and reverted to some incident where we felt we were mistreated, and in spite of ourselves rehearsed it over and over, burning up nerve energy enough to drive our motors through hours of profitable labor. Such unfortunate tendencies often become chronic, and confirmed mental paralytics desperately need help from sympathetic friends.

College teachers are very familiar with what may be called intellectual infantile paralysis. The student has been mishandled in early childhood. Perhaps he has had parents who were sternly exacting, but not sincerely Christian in spirit. He is not essentially depraved, but he has a well nigh uncontrollable antipathy to the church and to religious teaching.

Then there is the boy who has had what we may call a stroke. He was a good Sunday School lad, but suddenly, as suddenly as the ordinary paralytic stroke, he turns against it all. And of course there are the cigarette fiends, and the victims of drink and drugs. If they are to be gotten into a living consciousness of the mighty healing power of Christ, we must form a syndicate, just as those four men did.

None of us represent more than one facet of the character and the charm of the Christ, but a little group can give the patient a better picture. To succeed it is absolutely essential to touch him often enough in the same spot. A group with different methods of approach can do that. How big business shames us here by its varied forms of persistent advertising and its constant visiting of the trade through commercial travelers!

We need the syndicate also to utilize the enormous power of united prayer, and we need it to reach a correct diagnosis, and to decide on the method of treatment and the best medicine. Very few who have not formed these syndicates for service have any idea how practically effective they are. What a wonderful thing it would be if everywhere after the morning church service little groups were gathered together here and there in the various corners of the church, to inquire what was to be done in the week to come. The results would seem to many well nigh miraulous.

THE ANVIL—GOD'S WORD

Last eve I passed beside a blacksmith's door,
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime;
Then looking in, I saw upon the floor
Old hammers, worn with beating years of time.

"How many anvils have you had," said I,
"To wear and batter all these hammers so?"
"Just one," said he, and then, with twinkling eye,
"The anvil wears the hammers out, you know."

And so, thought I, the anvil of God's word,
For ages skeptic blows have beat upon;
Yet though the noise of falling blows was heard,
The anvil is unharmed—the hammers gone.

—Author Unknown to Us.

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Children's Storyland



THE BIBLE AND THE BANDITS

By Martha Bailey Moore

It has been many years since David F——, good old Christian, who lived in North Carolina, traveled over the frontiers of Missouri and Nebraska. At that period the region was infested with robbers. His friends, before his departure, begged him to procure a pair of revolvers, but he preferred to take a Bible.

In passing through the north of Missouri, where a famous brigand worked —Stephens by name—he encountered a traveler who had escaped the band and who asked old David, "Are you armed?" "No," he replied in showing his Bible. The traveler who had some daggers and pistols laughed at his folly and said to him. "If that is all the defense you have, it would be well for you to say your prayers at once. The den of Stephens is about 15 kilometers from here. You will arrive there about evening and he cares about the Bible as much as a cherry."

The two travelers exchanged names and separated. As night came on David saw a light in the thicket at a little distance from the road. He had no doubt that it was the retreat of the bandits, but it was cold and he needed shelter and courageously went towards the light. He stopped near the door and was rudely greeted by some men of ugly manners. Nevertheless, they invited him to dismount from his horse. Entering the cabin he could scarcely see who was there; he was indeed in the quarters of the general of the band. Without fear he took the seat offered to him asking for something to eat and starting a conversation that lasted for the greater part of the night.

At last the captain, Stephens appeared in person accompanied by two companions. Advancing to a few steps from old David, he said in a railing tone, "Well, my old fellow, are you not afraid to travel in this country among robbers alone and unarmed?" "No," replied David drawing his Bible from his pocket. "This is a weapon of defense. I always read a chapter before praying in the evening. I know who you are, but that does not prevent me from reading and from praying this evening and you will join with me."

All the band broke out in loud burst of laughter but this did not bother David who began to read his Bible in a strong voice.

Little by little the men became quiet and when he kneeled to pray they all took off their hats. It was a strange sight to see some of these murderers listening with attention and respect to a prayer offered by a servant of God from the depths of his heart. When he had finished they led him towards a very rough bed on which our friend tasted the sleep of the just without worry and without fear. The morning came, David rose, read his Bible again and prayed. His hosts refused all payment and thanked him for the interest he had taken in their salvation. He left them and resumed his journey full of the faith and blessing of God.

At the next stop he learned that the traveler whom he had met the day before and who had mocked at him and his Bible had been assassinated on the route. He returned home safe and sound. During the years he enjoyed telling his grandchildren of his adventure among the brigands explaining, "My Bible paralyzed their arms, softened their hearts, and made them bend their knees. Children, you do not have to fear the dangers of life in order to believe in the Bible, in its promises, and in the protection of God."

HE DIDN'T THINK

Once there was a robin
  Lived outside the door,
Who wanted to go inside
  And hop upon the floor.

"Oh, no!" said he mother,
  "You must stay with me;
Little birds are safest
  Sitting in a tree."

"I don't care," said Robin,
  As he spread his wings,
"I don't think the old folks
  Know quite everything."

Down he flew and Kitty seized him
  Before he'd time to blink;
"Oh," he cried, "I'm sorry!
  But I didn't think."

—Selected.

LITTLE HANDLES

Bennie had been to kindergarten and when he came home his mother was anxious to know what he had learned.

"What did you learn today, my dear?" she asked.

"'Bout little handles," Bennie said quickly.

"Little handles!" exclaimed mother.

"Yes, ma'am; our teacher told us we must never forget our little handles."

But the mother did not understand. She had been careful to give Bennie his pencils, his sponge, his book, and his lunch, when he started to school, but she had no idea that he needed anything like little handles.

"You did't have any," she said.

"Oh, yes, ma'am!" cried the boy. "I used them every time."

Then Bennie felt just a little bit proud to think that he knew something that his mother did not.

"You see, mamma," he went on, "It isn't something to carry; it's something to say, like 'Please,' and 'Thank you,' and 'Good afternoon,' and other things like that. Our teacher calls them "little handles,' and says we must always use them. I knew about them before, of coures, but now, I'll be more likely to remember them."—Selected.

A LEGEND OF THE INDIAN PAINT BRUSH

For centuries and centuries the lovely wild flowers that look so much like brushes dipped in red paint, have grown in many parts of the North American continent.

The Indians told their children many stories about the blossoms that are natives of this continent. One of these legends is from the old southwest part of our country, where once there lived a little Indian boy who loved all things beautiful.

At last when he had grown older and was a tall, handsome young chief, he tried to paint a picture or the sunset sky, but his colors were war-paints and his brushes were rough. For days and weeks and months the young Indian brave tried to paint the colors of the sunset, but in vain. He could not do it.

He knew that the Great Spirit painted the purple and gold, the rose and the flame, and the soft hues in the western sky at the sunset time, so he prayed to the Great Spirit for help.

Then one evening as he sat before his wigwam, thinking about the Great Spirit and longing to make a picture of the ever-changing colors in the sky, the young Indian thought he heard a voice saying, "Behold your paint brushes."

The Indian looked down. At his feet he saw a lovely plant with a slender stem and a bright blossom like a brush. The blossom was the color of sunset.

Straightway the young chief snatched his deerskin blanket from his shoulders, lifted the brush, which was dripping with color, and began to paint.

The colors in the sky changed. Then the Indian saw other paint brushes at his feet, each holding for him tints of the sunset glory. He lifted the brushes as he needed them and tossed them aside after he had painted and painted as never Indian had painted before.

When the last gleam of gold and crimson had faded from the sky, the Indian's heart sang with joy, for on his deerskin blanket was the picture he longed to paint—a beautiful painting of the work of the Great Spirit in the sunset sky. Long he sat before his wigwam until the stars came out and the night grew cold.

In the early morning when the sun was looking over the mountains into his wigwam, and when the Indian chief awoke from a most refreshing sleep, he heard children shouting with joy. Quickly he arose and looked out.

Indian children were picking flowers that were springing up, and running away down the hillside and up the ravines, on and on, to make the earth more lovely.

"Indian paint brushes, Indian paint brushes!" shouted the boys and girls.

And from that day to this, wherever little Indian children find the Indian paint brushes, splashing color over the fields and meadows, they remember the Great Spirit and the Indian brave.—Canadian Churchman.

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Raeford, 7 22

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Hamlet, 7 8
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Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
District Conference at Sanford, 10 to 4 23
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3 26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Marshallburg, Summerfield, 11 15
Straits-Harker's Island, 7 15
Beaufort, 11 22
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 22
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30 22

March
Fremont, Black Creek, 11 1
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 1
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 1
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 2
Oriental, Arapahoe, 11 8
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 15
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 3 15
Pamlico, Bayboro, 7:30 15
Mt. Olive Ct., Rones, 11 21
Seven Springs, 11 22
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 22
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29

April
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Grifton, Sharon, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 15
Stem, Stem, 7:30 15
Clayton, Horne Memorial, 7:30 18
Smithfield, 11 22
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 5:30 22

March
Princeton, Fellowship, 11 1
Raleigh, Person Street, 7:30 1
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 8
Franklinton, 7:30 8
Louisburg, 11 15
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 15
Raleigh, Person Street, 7:30 15

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Rosemary, 11 15
Roanoke Rapids, 3 15
Marvin, 7:30 15
Enfield, 11 22
Clark Street, 7:30 22

March
Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City. 15
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Church School Institute & Youth RRally, Weldon, 4:30 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April
Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ... 17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Elizabeth, Perdie's, 11 15
Bladen, Center, 3 15
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 15
Maysville, Pollocksville, 11 22
Swansboro, Bethlehem, 3 22
Jacksonville, Vanona, 7:30 22

March
Wilmington, Epworth, 11 1
Faison-Kenansville, Wesley's, 3 1
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April
Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May
Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

February
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 15
Etowah, English Chapel (1st and 2nd), 3 15
Candler, Snow Hill, night 15
Brevard, 11 22
Rosman, Selica, 3 22
Hendersonville, night 22

March
Asbury Memorial, 11 1
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, 3 1
Saluda, night 1
Biltmore, 11 8
Fairview, Tweeds Chapel, 3 8
Tryon, night 8
Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April
Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
First Church, Charlotte, 11 15
Pineville, Marvin, 3 15
Weddington, Wesley Chapel, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 22
Polkton, Polkton, 7:30 22

March
Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April
Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Farmington, 11 15
Mocksville Ct., 3 15

Advance, night 15
Ararat, Maple Grove 22
East Bend, night 22

March

Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1
Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Mount Holly, 11 15
Belmont, Main Street, 7:30 15
Vale, Palm Tree, 11 22
South Fork, 3 22
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 22

March

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Ruffin, 11 15
Haw River, Brown Summit, 7:30 15
Gibsonville, 11 18
Reidsville Ct., 11 21
Centenary, 11 22
Glenwood, 7:30 22
Bessemer, 7:30 25

March

Oak Ridge, 11 1
Stokesdale, 3 1
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 1
College Place, 7:30 4
Pleasant Garden, 11 8
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 8
Proximity, 7:30 11
Spray, 11 15
Stoneville, 3 15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Danbury, 11 22
St. Pauls, 11 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Pleasant Grove, 11 15
Oak View, 7:30 15
Archdale, 7:30 18
Ward Street, 7:30 19
Highland, 11 22
Randolph-Gray's Chapel-Bethel, 3 22
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 23
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
South Davidson, Alleghany, 2 28
Shiloh, Reeds, 7:30 28

March

Linwood, Linwood, 11 1
Denton First, Denton, 7:30 1
First Church, High Point, 7:30 3
Main Street, 7:30 4
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 5
Why Not, Pisgah, 7:30 6
Randleman Ct., 2 7
Seagrove, Seagrove, 7:30 7
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 8
Randleman-Union-Naomi, 7:30 8
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 9
Lebanon, 7:30 11
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30 15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30 15
Asheboro First, 7:30 18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

April

Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Dedication, Henrietta, 11 15
Dedication, Pleasant Grove, 3 15
Marion Mills, East Marion, night 15
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 22
Valdese, Valdese, night 22

March

Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 1
Broad River, Tanners Grove, 3 1
Training School, Henrietta, night 1
Avery, Mt. Zion, 11 8
Elk Park, Elk Park, 3 8
Spruce Pine, 11 15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 15
Marion, First, night 15
Glen Alpine, 11 22
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Maiden, 11 15
Hickory, Westview, night 15
Lenoir, First, 11 22
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 22
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, night 22

March

Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26
District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Highland, Cashiers, 11 15
Glenville, 2:30 15
Cullowhee (young people) 15
Morning Star, 11 22
Canton, Central, 7:30 22

March

Armon Plains, 11 1
Pigeon Valley, Longs Chapel, 7:30 1
Bethel, 11 8
Inman, 3 8
Meadow Grove, 7:30 8
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 11 15
Laurel Hill, 3 15
Junaluska, 7:30 15
Franklin, 11 22
Sylva, 7:30 22

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February

Thomasville, Main St., 11 15
North Davidson, Mt. Pleasant, 3 15
Hanes-Clemmons, Hanes, 7:30 15
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7

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In Memoriam

TAYLOR—On January 13th, 1942, J. L. Taylor passed away, he was a life-time citizen of Craven county. He was born at Harlowe, N. C., December 21st, 1855. Was married to Emily Adams in 1876, to this union was born 11 children of whom 8 survive, also 51 grand children and 29 great grand childdren, one brother W. F. Taylor, one sister, Mrs. J. W. Conner. His mother preceded him 17½ years. He joined the Methodist Church in early life and was always an active and devoted member. Moved to the Bachelor, N. C., community 51 years ago. Sunday School Superintendent for 20 years, a Steward and Trustee until a few years ago. Very few Sunday ever passed that he did not attend Sunday School and always took we children. His chief aim was to serve the Lord and was always ready and willing to support the church and all good causes. The N. C. Christian Advocate has come to his home all through these years. He fought a good fight and kept the faith and has gone to receive a crown.

We will see him bye and bye.

His Oldest Daughter.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has taken from us, the Methodist church of Mount Gilead, our beloved honorary steward, Richard Alvis Bruton, who for more than 45 years served faithfully his church in an official capacity; and

Whereas, the church misses his presence, his prayers, his interest in and his support of the church in its whole program; and

Whereas, the community has been bereft of a loyal friend and a faithful servant, and the family has lost a devoted husband and father whose thoughtful courtesy and tireless energy made a beautiful and happy home.

Be it resolved:

That we, the board of stewards, eccept this dispensation of God's providence as an evidence of his love by which our brother has been called to a higher service.

That we express our sympathy and our sense of personal loss to the bereaved family.

That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the records of the quarterly conference, and that copies be sent to each member of the family and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

M. W. Lawrence,
R. E. Andrews,
W. R. Harris.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the board of stewards of the Methodist church, Washington charge, wish to express our hearts' most grevious sympathetic loss occasioned by the death of our brother, Thomas G. Moore, on December 16, 1941. We deplore this loss to our official board. The passing of one of our official members strikes a chord of brotherly love which endured toward our brother. We commend his spirit to a life of everlasting to dwell with the ransomed, purchased with the blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We shall miss his cordial greeting and genial beaming countenance, as his custom was to extend a glad hand and warm reception at church and board meetings. Brother Moore was a faithfbul steward in every trust, in service and worship, always present when health would permit.

Resolved first, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and condolence in their great loss, and desire to express to them our esteem and love.

Resolved second, that these resolutions be spread upon our permanent records, that a copy be sent to our brother's family, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Beyond time's troubled stream,
Beyond its chilling waves of death's dark river,
Beyond life's lowering clouds and fitful gleams,
Its dark realities and brighter dreams,
A beautiful forever.

J. F. Buckman,
T. H. Hodges.

HALL—Mrs Martha Louisa Hall, wife of the late B. W. Hall, was born June 16, 1854, died March 4, 1941. She spent her long and useful life in Haywood county, near Canton, N. C. She was the mother of 11 children, four of whom preceded her in death. After the death of her husband Mrs. Hall made her home with a daughter, Miss Emma Hall.

"Aunt Mat," as she was called, was of a quiet, unassuming nature, but filled her place in the home as only a real mother could. In the last years of her life she was not physically able to be active in church and community affars. But those who knew her found her deeply interested in both church and community interests. She talked much of the work of the church—interested to know if the church was making progress. She spent much of her time reading good books and religious periodicals, including the North Carolina Christian Advocate. She greatly enjoyed the visits of her pastor and his family, and her motherly spirit was always a great inspiration to the pastor.

"Aunt Met" was a good woman, a sweet and devoted mother, whose children rise up and call her blessed.

Now that father and mother are both gone, and with them four of the children, those of us who are left can understand and appreciate the following words:

"It singeth low in every heart,
We hear it, each and all—
A song of those who answer not,
However we may call;
They throng the silence of the breast,
We see them as of yore—
The kind, the brave, the true, the sweet,
Who walk with us no more.

'Tis hard to take the burden up
When these have laid it down;
They brightened all the joy of life,
They softened every frown;
But oh, 'tis good to think of them
When we are troubled sore!
Thanks be to God that such have been,
Though they are here no more.

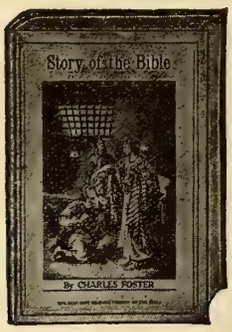
More homelike seems the vast unknown
Since they have entered there;
To follow them were not so hard,
Wherever they may fare;
They cannot be where God is not,
On any set or shore;
Whate'er betides, thy love abides,
Our God, forevermore."

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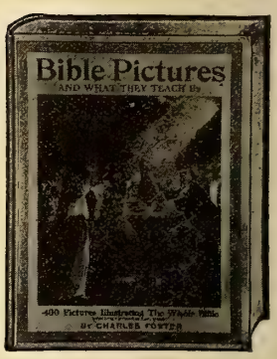
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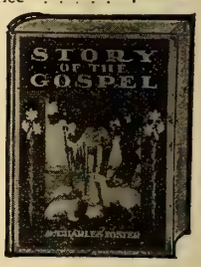
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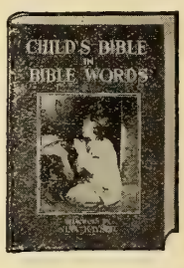
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Liquor, Taxes and Debt the Perils of This Republic

WITH beverage alcohol enthroned, taxes steadily mounting and the burden of debt pressing heavier on all, the hurt of our people knows no healing. In Washington liquor has full sway in political, social and business circles as it extends its baneful influence into every state of the Union. For profit American citizens tolerate, if they do not approve of the disgraceful scenes about every army camp. Even within the last year the sale of liquor has almost doubled here in North Carolina. So the wild orgy continues. Cocktail parties debauch social life, drinking drivers add to the shambles of our highways, and county ABC stores are allowed to dispense poison for the tax money that accrues. No politician, as the professed leader of the people, dares to lift a voice.

Mounting taxes to wage war are essential. But why not an effort to reduce the levies of the state, of the counties and of the cities? Why not practice economy and reduce the waste as well as the numbers of the greedy employees of government? Such abuse is most distressing. The recent disgraceful effort of Congress to pension its members indicates the hurt that afflicts the people. All such leads to a system of taxation that will end in the horrors of the French Revolution. Added to this are the increasing burden of hidden taxes.

How can a nation hope to endure with beverage alcohol enthroned in the land and a mounting tax load to burden generations unborn? With our entangling alliances against which Washington warned us and a "government of the people, for the people and by the people" cherished by Lincoln, now in such peril by dictators both at home and abroad, what relief from debt can we hope? How is this Republic to escape the sore perils of liquor and taxes and debt? Just now in this full flush of national extravagance all goes merry as a marriage bell, but wait until the money panic comes and a material collapse overtakes us as in 1929. Then the judgment day will overtake us. Would that we might lay to heart the negro spiritual, "You better mind—you got to give an account in the Judgment Day."

Would that we had prophets, apostles, saints, with such an abiding sense of God who could grip the baffled spirit of this age and turn men to the eternal realities. These material things mock us and the earthly towers on which we would climb end in confusion.

Men who have been with God in the dark and have known a Presence in the storm can speak with the assurance of a heavenly conviction. Paul before the Roman officer as he reasoned of temperance and righteousness and a judgment to come caused Felix to tremble. Such men before ungodly rulers and citizens ill prepared for a judgment to come will do much to bring men to the bar of conscience and to save men in this terrible hour. M. T. P.

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ROBERTS COMMISSION REPORT ON JAPANESE ATTACK AT PEARL HARBOR

By Harry S. DeVore

(The following is the part of the Report of the Roberts Commission telling of the drinking and drunkenness at Pearl Harbor).

Intoxicating liquor is old on the island of Oahu, and men on pass or on liberty have the opportunity to buy and consume it. Following the established procedure, at home and abroad, the army exercises disciplinary control of men on pass through its military police, and the navy of men on liberty by the use of shore patrols.

These organizations take into coustody any person showing evidence of intoxication. On the night of December 6-7, 1941, from 6 p. m. to 6 a. m. arrrests of soldiers by the military police for intoxication were 38, and arrests of sailors by the navy shore patrol for intoxication were four.

By comparison the arrests of civilians for drunkenness on that night were 39. Thorough inquiry disclosed there is no evidence of excessive drinking by any officer of either service that night.

The evidence shows that as respects the use of intoxicating liquor and intoxication, the conditions amongst the men of the army and the navy on the night of December 6 compare closely with similar conditions for the several preceding months.

On Saturday, December 6, 1941, the usual percentage of enlisted strength entitled to passes or liberty took advantage of such privilege to spend the afternoon or evening in the city of Honolulu.

Application of this ratio to total numbers of all services then on the island of Oahu and in Pearl Harbor, amounted to about 75,000 men, indicates that no less than 11,000 soldiers, sailors and marines visited Honolulu that afternoon and evening.

In normal times more enlisted men of both services are absent from duty by permission on Saturday nights than on other nights; and on Saturday nights more officers are customarily absent than on week-day nights.

On the morning of Sunday, December 7, army posts and naval vessels and stations were adequately manned, for the readiness and alert then in effect, by men fit for duty.

The above report on drinking at Pearl Harbor was not printed in the daily press. Wet newspapers do not carry very much news which brings the drinking of alcohol beverages into disrepute. The Roberts Report shows that 42 men were arrested by the military police for intoxication. When a soldier is arrested for intoxication it is usually because he can't find his way back to the barracks. It is reasonable to suppose that there were hundreds of soldiers under the influence of liquor. The report states: "The evidence shows that as respects the use of intoxicating liquor and intoxication, the conditions amongst the men of the army and of the navy on the night of December 6 compare closely with similar conditions for the several preceding months." In other words, the drinking of alcohol beverages was the same as usual. The sale of alcoholic beverages has now been stopped. If it were right to turn the soldiers loose to drink on the night of December 6, why isn't it all right now? You know the answer to that question. Drinking soldiers whose brains are befuddled by alcoholic beverages cannot win battles. No less than eleven thousand soldiers, sailors and marines visited Honolulu that afternoon and evening" of December 6.

We do not claim that John Barleycorn was entirely responsible for what happened at Pearl Harbor, but we do state, without any fear of contradiction, that the liquor traffic in Honolulu was a most effective ally of the Japanese.—The Southwestern Advocate.

SPECIAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE BOARD CHURCH EXTENSION REPRESENTATIVES

A special meeting of importance and interest to the Section of Church Extension of the Conference Boards of Missions and Church Extension will be held in the chapel of the Church Extension building, 1115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Ky., April 29, beginning at 9 a. m. Representatives of the Section of Church Extension of all conference boards in the Southeastern and South Central jurisdictions are expected to be in attendance.

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The many who insisted that England was fighting our war must now change their tune. America is left to furnish the treasure and the men to fight a war for the security of the British Empire as well as for the freedom of the world. Such in effect was the implications of Churchill last Sunday, and it also explains the eagerness with which England worked to get us into this war.

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Senator Byrd says that before we win this war we must first win the battle of Washington. It would seem that the English must also win the battle of London. Then there remains the old fight against the world, the flesh and the devil. This throws us back on the living God and the Prince of Peace. So the instruments of our warfare are more than bombing planes—they are primarily spiritual.

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Washington Merry-Go-Round says this is the best editorial so far of 1942: Josephus Daniels' announcement that after eight years as Secretary of the Navy and eight years as ambassador to Mexico, he is resuming editorship of the Raleigh (N. C.) News and Observer. "It is with some temerity," Josephus wrote, "that this amateur undertakes to succeed the more sedate editor Jonathan Worth Daniels (his son) who has responded to the call of the government."

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We are told that every candidate for the legislature in North Carolina must tell how he stands on the liquor question. Why not? This is good democracy. Why should we be putting up a world-wide fight for democracy and at the same time trample upon it at home? Every one knows that local self-government is endangered with this present infringement on the states and the rights of the individual citizen by designing men in high places. They are the dictators more dangerous than men on other shores.

And now we are told that Pearl Harbor led to the fall of Singapore and led to all that has befallen the world. If we are to accept the Roberts report of losses at Pearl Harbor and also to rely on the relative strength of the British and American navies before Pearl Harbor, it passes our credulity to accept such claims. Evidently all the facts have not been given and men in authority have not dealt frankly with the people.

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More and more urgent will be the demand that we conscript capital and labor as well as men as the pressure grows. Why not treat all citizens alike? Men are required to register and, unless exempted by the local board, are forced to go with the armed forces. Labor demands high wages and short hours spent at home and capital strives to profit more and more by war—even the $1 a year men are not free. Enlisted men have no choice in deciding where they shall serve, what pay they shall get and are subject to all the demands of military discipline; but this is not true of capital and labor. Why not treat all alike, even amid the horrors of war?

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The denunciation of the American people for their complacency and ease in this period of war is wide of the mark. It may apply to a horde around Washington and the many greedy men who are ready to profiteer in war times, but this does not apply to the masses of America. The people have a tax burden to carry such as has never come to any nation, and along with this the boys by the millions are going to the war, leaving the farmers and others robbed of their help in trying to feed the world. They are toiling on in the fields with a dark shadow of anxiety hanging over most of their homes. Most of those who lecture the people for their complacency do not belong to those that carry the loads and do the work of the world. These are not the soft and easy going of which we hear.

The Church Is Praying Yet

THE one message of history is the collapse of civilizations and the death of empires. The ruins of broken temples and the shattered remains of man's proudest moments mark the way of the race. Now we hear the suggestion that the British Empire may not survive the aftermath of the present cataclism. No one can tell. With our taking over of the Philippine Islands less than fifty years ago some urged that we stay out of the Orient and limit this Republic to the Western Hemisphere. They insisted this expansion would get us into a world war that would jeopardize our future. Now we are in and no one knows what the end will be. Had we lived up to the assurance of those days that we would turn the islands back these last days might have been different. No one knows what the end will be. It is one of the uncertainties of empires.

God's church and God's Book belong to the ages. They have to do with a spiritual order that is eternal. Material accumulations and all the varied achievements of man have their little day and cease to be. Not so that spiritual order which deals with the soul of man and gives permanence to the best of man's achievements. The hardy, heroic pioneers in the wilds of America laid the foundations of our American way of life. They held to certain essentials of every great people. Though many of them were guilty of the gross sins peculiar to a new land, they were firm believers in Almighty God and their personal responsibility to him. The church, the school, the family by them were given a place of first importance and the inalienable rights of man held sway.

In the light of the past as well as in keeping with our forefathers would we not do well in this day of upheaval to hold fast to the spiritual, giving the church and the Bible first place?

A Serious Hour for America

NO nation can long endure the burdens of war and the dictations of king alcohol. Just now both of these are pressing heavily upon the American people. Drastic restrictions already have been placed upon many of the necessities of life, being rationed or withdrawn entirely from civilian use. Sugar is rationed. This is but a start of what is to follow. The automobile pressure has hardly begun. For no such immense business as that can be pushed aside without an upheaval. Family necessities must ultimately suffer a like demand.

But how about John Barleycorn? Are there no restrictions to be placed upon his consumption of the necessities? Is he so essential to national defense that, like the army and the navy, he must be granted priorities in everything to keep him going? Must he have all the tires he wants, all the delivery trucks he can use and all the grain his voracious appetite demands? Last year (ending with June, 1941) he consumed 7,720,000 bushels of corn, 52,282,000 bushels of barley, great quantities of rye, sugar, molasses and other food stuffs. Must he be allowed to continue thus to gorge himself while one-half of the world starves and the other is rationed?

Unless we can be saved from enemy No 1 —a worse dictator than Hitler—what can we hope for in the future? We are in this war to the finish, but why should we allow Dictator John help make a finish of us? We can hope for no war time prohibition to come out of a soaking wet Washington though the army is in peril and the nation no longer free from dictates of King Alcohol.

Keep Faith With the Tillers of the Soil

MUCH has been said of giving the farmer a square deal by the new deal. Assurance now comes with the war that the tillers of the soil will be cared for by keeping the men on the farm and by making prices of farm products attractive. This is a reasonable and fair promise that should be guarded most carefully since the tillers of the soil are the chief source of life and human welfare.

We are told that employers and the army want and must have young men "physically perfect." This means that old men and women must be freely relied upon to till the fields and do the work to meet the long term requirements of the war. Such is certainly not a proper distribution of man power.

The army along with big business must have the best. Old men, women and non-efficient tenants of the land remain to furnish the needed food supplies of the world. It is this lack of keeping faith with those who toil in the fields which has forced the South to bear the stigma of oppressing the "southern renter"—a creature of a system. The young vigorous men are now to go to the camps, leaving the weaker inmates of the country homes to toil on in the

fields, striving to meet a serious situation. Those of the civilian defense may plan and plan, but it remains most serious for the country homes with present anxieties to harrass the weary men and women who toil in the fields.

We know so well the hard life of the average farmer which now is becoming even more sorrowful and burdensome with so many of the boys away in the army that our sympathies are with these over worked tillers of the land. Are the men in authority going to keep faith with them? They do not have the money to compete with the big wages of the industries, and even if they could they are forced to rely on the local supply which disappears with every passing week.

After This War

MUCH is being written about the church and the new order following the war. This is a fine field for speculation for one who delights in such, but no one can speak with authority. Jesus was crystal clear in his statement that a man must lose his life if he would find the larger life.

Can the church lose its life to find the larger life? Is the church able to make this sacrifice of material comfort for that life of abrogation, humility and spiritual fearlessness which its Master preached? If it is, it will win the support of thousands whom its easy acceptance of worldly standards has disheartened; it will rediscover in its ranks the innumerable victims of war, together with the men and women of the armed forces who are, as always, the first to pay the penalty of those political disasters which arise from spiritual bankruptcy. It was not a pacifist, but no less a soldier than Field Marshal Earl Haig himself, who is on record as saying to the late Archbishop of Canterbury: "It is your job to make my job impossible." In similar mood General Sir Archibald Wavell recently commented: "Think what a world we could make if we put into our peace endeavors the same self-sacrifice, the same energy and the same co-operation we use in the wastefulness of war."

We feel that the one consideration before the church and the world is to put the stress in the future on waging campaigns for peace rather than war. The same energy and self-sacrifice put into securing peace would certainly count far more than the millions in the wastefulness of war. It would have the blessings of the Prince of Peace and the good will for the best of mankind.

Liquor Control in North Carolina

THE ABC boards of the state boast big about their desire to control liquor and to limit its sale. But their every act belie their words. If not, why do they fill the papers with flaming advertisements and set up liquor stores in various favorable sections in their counties? Along with these devices they publish the profits made, being especially careful to give the increase of sales since the soldiers came to the camps. This indicates what a harvest they are reaping from the boys. No sacrifice in this for "defense" by these men who glory in "controlling" the sale of poison to our soldier boys. How greed and liquor do corrupt!

Alabama does not allow liquor signs and liquor displays in the state. Were the ABC crowd in this state honest in their claim they would make some such ruling as the ABC board has in Alabama: "Beginning January 1, the ruling of the state's Beverage Control Board is that liquor, wine, and beer 'must be kept stored in such a manner that they are not visible to the public either from the street or as a patron of the licensed premises.' The only sign allowed is one twelve by twenty inches in size, reading 'Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board License.'"

We challenge the ABC board of North Carolina to make some such ruling to indicate their sincerity and honesty in dealing with the people in this state. Let them stop the advertising and the public display of their poison; then we will believe they favor control.

Eddie Cantor Talks Solid Sense

THE millions who eagerly listen to Eddie Cantor week after week do not often get the angle on this popular entertainer that is set forth in The Watchman-Examiner in the following broadcast:

Eddie Cantor was caught in a windstorm in Los Angeles, California, and sheltered himself in the doorway of a church. That apparently set him thinking and, in a radio broadcast afterwards he said: "The world today is going through something far more threatening than a windstorm. Every single one of us needs refuge of one kind or another. And I know of no better place to go for it than a church. The church must be a very strong and righteous thing, for it has survived every enemy it ever had! And the book which embodies the princpiles of the church, the Bible, is still at the top of the best-seller list. We are extremely fortunate to live in a country where we can worship as we please, when we please. Let's make the most of that blessing. Go to church! The greatest calamity that can befall a people is the loss of religion."

People and Things

Next week we hope to have a report of the results of the Brevard special offering taken last Sunday. Rev. J. E. Pritchett sent report No. one.

The executive committee of the Section of Church Extension of the Board of Missions and Church Extension will hold a meeting in First church, Charlotte, on March 3 at 11 a. m. (E.W.T.) Those applying for aid from the general board should present their applications at this meeting.—J. A. Jones, Chairman.

Confirmation of the sale of the Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., printing plant of the Methodist Publishing House to the North American Phillips Company, Inc., manufacturers of X-ray and other electrical equipment has been announced by Rev. Fred D. Stone, D.D., of Chicago, publishing agent. The purchase price was $400,000.

Rev. J. C. Williams of Cedar Grove is in the Wesley Long hospital, Greensboro, for a check over and observation. He is hopeful that he may escape an operation and be back on the job before long. This good brother who spends his life doing good is eager to be busy about the Master's business.

The Board of Pensions, 506 Olive Street, St. Louis., Mo., wants copies of General Minutes, M. E. Church, South, for years 1868, 1869, 1892, 1902, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1909, 1911, 1915, 1916, 1920. 1923. Anyone having any of these copies available please write. Note: Please do not send conference minues.—B. L. Schubel.

The Salvation Army, a comparatively recent arrival in Brazil, also moves forward. In the southernmost state of Rio Grande do Sul, in five years, it has established work in at least ten places, including a home for girls and a medical clinic for poor mothers in the capital, Porto Alegre. Catholics compained because in the town of Santa Rosa, police headquarters were loaned to the Army for its first meetings.

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina conference will hold its annual spring luncheon Wednesday, March 11, during the session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Raleigh. Please send your name to Mrs. H. I. Glass, Glenwood Ave., Raleigh, if you expect to attend, so that she may know how many to prepare for. Plates will be fifty cents.—Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Secretary.

Rev. E. S. Davidson, a Christian Jew, was the guest preacher for Race Relations Sunday for the Yanceyville charge recently. He spoke to the delight of all, using as his subject "The Jewish Problem and Its Only Solution." A free will offering for Jewish missions came to $59.76. Any pastor would do well to secure the services of this consecrated Christian Jew. He and his congregation will be better informed about the Jew and will appreciate them more and desire to see them won for Christ. Mr. Davidson's address at present is E. S. Davidson, care Y. M. C. A., Atlanta, Ga.—Joyce V. Early, Pastor.

A new Methodist church was recently completed by the Chinese Christian fishermen of Began Si Api-Api on the island of Sumatra. This village is now rated the largest fishing community in the world—formerly it was second to Bergen, Norway. For 30 years the Methodist Church has had a chapel and a school here. One hundred seventy-eight Hokkien Chinese children are in the school. Government figures show that the revenue from opium sales diminished from 1,500,000 florins in 1925 to 500,000 florins in 1940 in this region because of the sentiment created against it by the Christian community.

That Protestant activities are closely watched by the dominant Roman Catholic Church is evident from an article in the Catholic paper, O Lampadario, which says of these projects: "Thank God, we Catholics possess excellent seminaries. But a greater interest is needed in the most important problem of enlisting young men in the sacerdotal vocation." The fact that few Brazilians enter the priesthood has become a matter of deep concern to higher ecclesiastics, including the pope.

The Tabor City charge is moving along with more interest in the work than in many years. All church schools have increased enrollments and attendance. Finances on the charge are the best in four years, even with an increased budget this year. The parsonage has been made more livable and comfortable with a new living room suite, new rug and all the rest of the accessories. There is also a new bedroom suite and new things for the dining room and kitchen. The pastor and his family are well situated even though this is the fourth year. Many thanks to our many friends on the charge for their efforts.—The pastor.

T. Milton Sherrill died the latter part of January at his home in Rising Star, Texas, at the age of 84. About 1880 he married Miss Ingram of Iredell county. In 1890 he moved to Texas. He is survived by four sons and three daughters. One of his sons is a member of the Texas conference. Milton is a brother of Dr. W. M. Sherrill of Statesville. He is a son of my uncle, Enos Sherrill. In 1940 he visited relatives in Catawba county. I saw him at Rehobeth church in August when Dr. Garber spoke of the life and labors of Francis Asbury. Milton was a counsin of Rev. O. J. Jones of Madison. His mother was Rue Jones of Catawba county. —A. C. Sherrill.

"As I muse the fire burns." How true today. Life is thrilling. This is true of the past, present and future. Thinkin gof the past three or four years I have had the fellowship of the Oxford Methodist church. I am impressed with the number of men and women who are active, ready and willing to do Christian work, lead public worship efficiently. I recall a woman who prepared and delivered a message so well she was prevailed on to repeat it. How few preachers have that experience. The pastor has ready and willing men and women to lead public worship on Sunday or mid-week. Thus he is relieved of seeking to find an excuse for suspending services for any reason whatsoever. We miss Brother Shamburger. Sister Shamburger is a gem—loyal to the Jesus way and to the Christian activities of her church.—R. D. Daniel.

Entering the fourth session, the Youth Caravan movement of the Methodist Church expects to send 100 teams into the field during the approaching summer, according to Dr. Harvey C. Brown, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., representing the denomination's Caravan committee. The Caravan committee, made up of staff member of the Board of Education, announces that training centers for the Caravan of 1942 will be located as follows: June 6-13, Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa; Lake Junaluska, N. C.; June 13-20, Texas Wesleyan College, Fort Worth, Texas; June 20-27, Epworth Forest, Leasburg, Ind.; June 27-July 4, Camp Innabah, Pottstown, Penn.; June 27-July 4, College of the Pacific, Stockton, Calif. Teams made up of two boys, two girls and one adult counselor will work in local churches seven weeks, after spending one week in one of the above mentioned training centers, according to plans made.

Most encouraging to everyone in this office is the fine way the Advocate is coming along.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Miss Frances Kelly, Mount Holly, only senior piano major under Mark Hoffman, head of the school of music, will present her senior piano recital Friday night, February 20, at 8 o'clock in Odell auditorium.

In observance of Race Relations Sunday, on Sunday afternoon, February 8, a selected group from the G. C. Glee Club, directed by Walter Vassar, participated in the choral concert presented by the Greensboro Inter-collegiate Commission on Race Relations, at the First Baptist church of Greensboro. Selected by Mr. Vassar to represent G. C. at the concert were Misses Hilda Somers, Burlington; Helen Ownbey, Greensboro; Maude Plonk, Kings Mountain; Elizabeth Dickman, Florence, S. C.; Betsy Shotwell, Oxford; Ruth Angel, Winston-Salem; Alice Price, Taylorsville; Inez Pleasants, Greensboro; Sarah Foster, Mocksville; Elizabeth Cole, Raleigh; Margaret Morrison, Chapel Hill; Louise Taylor, Oxford; Margaret Foard, Lenoir; and Vallie Johnson, Burlington.

The technical staff for the Greensboro College version of the three-act drama of Washington Irving's "Rip Van Winkle," a side-splitting comedy, has been announced by Miss Charlotte Searles, director of the play, and Mr. Rush Wray, assistant director. The "behind the scenes crew" important to the production, which will be presented by the G. C. Players on Friday afternoon, February 27, for the Children's Theater of Winston-Salem at Reynolds Auditorium, and again on Saturday afternoon, February 28, in Odell auditorium, will include Misses Velda Mecum, Winston-Salem, stage manager; Etta Farrar Taylor, Greensboro, property mistress; Marie Haines, Merchantsville, N. J., lighting; Kaye Edwards, Greensboro, wardrobe mistress; Nancy Wall, Leaksville, assistant director and promoter; Frances Winstead, Roxboro, make-up director; Vivian Rathburn, Thomasville, scenery; Alice Birkhead, Asheboro, dances; Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro, Elaine Causey, Liberty, costumes; Jackie Campen, Goldsboro, music; Nancy Wall, Leaksville, publicity; Lucille Cox, Asheboro, box office; and Betty Janssen, Winter Haven, Fla., sound effects.

With a discussion Monday night in Odell auditorium of the question, "Have You a Master?" Rev. Walter J. Towner began his series of evening addresses which will continue throughout this week as Religious Emphasis Week is being observed.

A candlelight communion service on Sunday night, February 22, will climax the week's services.

Sunday morning a dedication service was held for the opening of the recently completed "Inner Room," planned and furnished by the college Y. W. C. A. Following a call to worship and dedication hymn, scripture selections were read. Dr. Raymond A. Smith, faculty advisor to the Y. W. C. A., led a litany of dedication which he wrote for the ceremony. A threefold Amen and dedicatory prayer preceded the benediction. The "Inner Room," on the second floor of Main building, is a small, quiet spot set aside for the purpose of "giving pause" to students seeking moments of refuge from the press of busy college life.

RAMSEUR-FRANKLINVILLE GOES BEYOND QUOTA

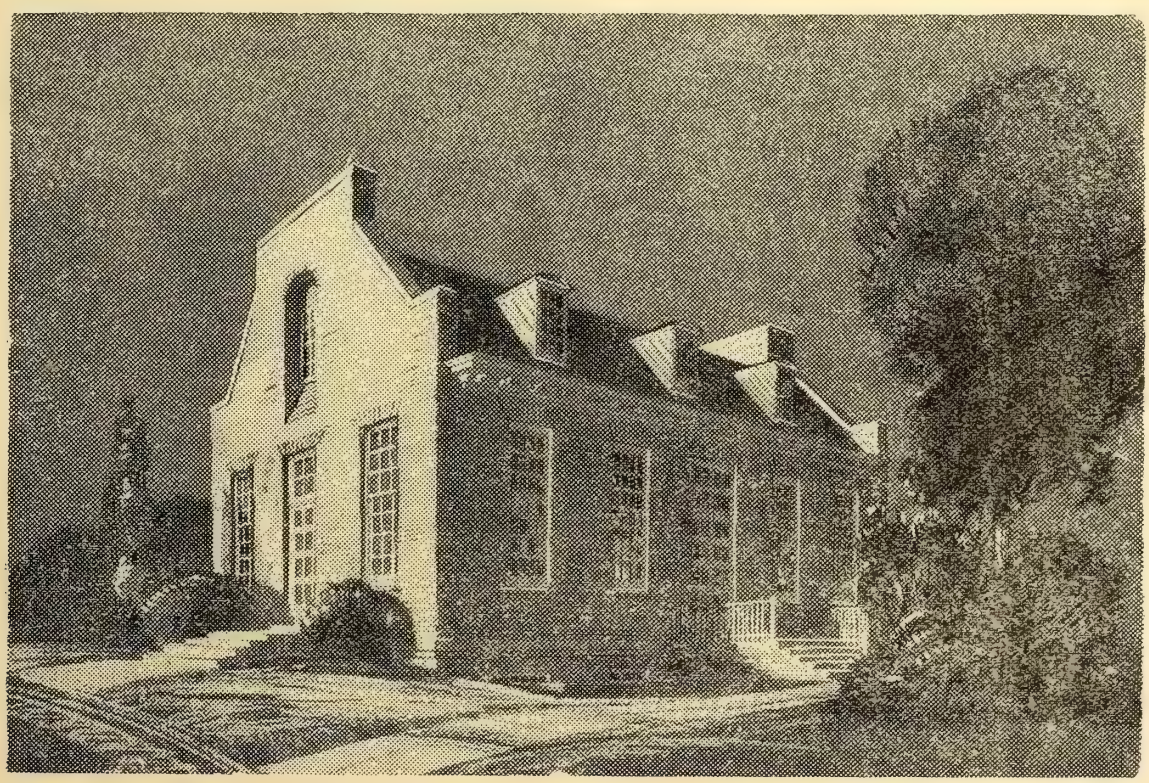
The Ramseur-Franklinville charge raised $54.15 for Brevard College last Sunday with a quota of $35. The Ramseur church has paid all claims for the year except the remaining months' salary and half of general and annual conference benevolences. Two classes for instruction in church membership are being conducted culminating with Easter. J. E. Pritchard.

J. W. HARDEE, GOOD CITIZEN, LOYAL FRIEND

When the news reached me on January 7, 1942, that Brother J. W. Hardee of Halifax county had passed to his reward I felt that one of the best men I ever knew and one of the most loyal friends of a life time had gone home. A Christian in every sense of the word, a Mason, a Kiwanian and a good citizen, Brother Hardee wielded a great influence for good. He was a delegate to the annual conference of the Methodist Protestant Church many times and took a great interest in the work. He was also one of the outstanding leaders of his local church—Eden on the West Halifax charge. There have been very few years in the last 25 that we have not made a pilgrimage to his lovely home six miles from Enfield. Blessed be his memory. J. E. Pritchard.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The annual meeting of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in the chapel of the Church Extension building, 1115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Ky., beginning Thursday, April 30, at 9 a. m. To this board has been designated the responsibility for the administration of church extension in the Southeastern and South Central jurisdictions. All applications to be considered by the board at this meeting must be in the hands of the secretary on or before March 31, 1942.



The Wrenn Memorial Library, High Point College

MRS. CLYDE R. HOEY PASSES IN SHELBY

Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey was so genuine, so devoted to the higher things of life and so eager to minister to all elements and conditions of humanity in her day and generation that she filled well her place during life's expanding demands all the way from her quiet home in Shelby to the Executive Mansion in Raleigh. The demands of public life in the capital city never led her to compromise or to turn from the standards she had set for herself through the years. Often she appeared before groups of women who are exposed to the temptations of modern social conventions, but she never failed to make a plea for the highest and the best in life. Her deep convictions and radiant life won the respect and admiration of all.

Mrs. Hoey was so sure of her social standing and so fully committed to her course of domestic fidelity and religious convictions that she moved with confidence and delicate reserve among all classes and conditions of men and women and children. Her example and the aroma of her winsome life will linger for years to enrich the tradition of her people of the "Old North State."

So much has been said with the passing of this noble woman that we refrain from writing more. It is most appropriate, however, that the words of her pastor, Rev. Geo. B. Clemmer, spoken at the funeral, be given a place.

All of you knew Mrs. Hoey, herself, and loved her. You could not know her and not love her. To know her was to love her, and vast multitudes knew her. She probably knew and was known by more people, personally, than any woman in North Carolina.

Why was she known so widely? Why was she admired and loved so sincerely? Mrs. Hoey could not help being known! Born into a great family, sandwiched between two great governors of a great state, one, her own brother; the other, her own husband. However, being admired and loved by all who knew her was her own unique and happy achievement! Why was she so genuinely admired, and so greatly beloved? You have your own answer to this question, briefly let me give you mine:

1. Because she found so much to admire and love in other people. She loved people. She loved all sorts of people. Her family and her kin, of course, but also the rich and the poor, the high and the low, the black and the white; she loved good people; she loved people who were not so good. She had great sympathy for the underprivileged and the disinherited. She was a real democrat, not only in the political sense, but in the broader spiritual sense. William Jennings Bryan used to speak of the good citizen in a democracy as being both a sovereign and a servant. Mrs. Hoey was as fine an exemplification of the spiritual meaning of democracy as I have ever seen. She was both queen and commoner. She could both talk with crowds and keep her virtue—and her womanly charm—and walk with kings without losing the common touch. She was never intimidated by the great and the mighty, and no humble person, not even a little child was ever ill at ease in her presence.

2. Then, too, she had a keen and wholesome sense of humor. She was always wide awake to the amusing qualities of an incident or a situation. She refused to take herself or life too seriously. It was a tragic situation, indeed, out of which she could extract no merriment, no fun, no innocent laughter. She was seldom sad, and never a long-faced person. Mrs. Hoey never felt that it was wicked to be amused, or criminal to laugh. She believed in enjoying life and having a good time in the best sense of the word. You will pardon me for referring to what was such a happy privilege: Last Sunday a week ago, my wife being out of the city, Mrs. Hoey invited me to have dinner with them and a few other friends. What a jolly good time we had together. Laughter, we had loads of it. We enjoyed stories about children, preachers, ourselves, and most everybody. Why, just a few hours before God took her to be with him, she was still able to find humor in life and had the doctors laughing with her. Why not? God made us more for gladness than for sadness. From what I know of Mrs. Hoey I feel sure that she would not want this service to be sad or funereal. A sense of humor is a gift of God—and she had it, and people loved her for it.

3. Mrs. Hoey was loved also because she loved the Lord. God was tremendously real to her. He was not some far off abstraction—a stream of tendency, a creative urge, or a philosophical absolute—to her he was the loving heavenly Father. She thought of him in terms of tenderness, goodness, beauty, and truth, and she gave herself in loyal devotion to the pursuit of these. She admired them wherever she found them, and where she didn't find them she sought to create them herself. She loved all the works of God both of grace and nature. She loved sunrises and sunsets, rocks and trees, fields and streams, gardens and flowers, and music and art. As has already been said she loved people and enjoyed fellowship with them. This was her Father's world and she felt at home in it!

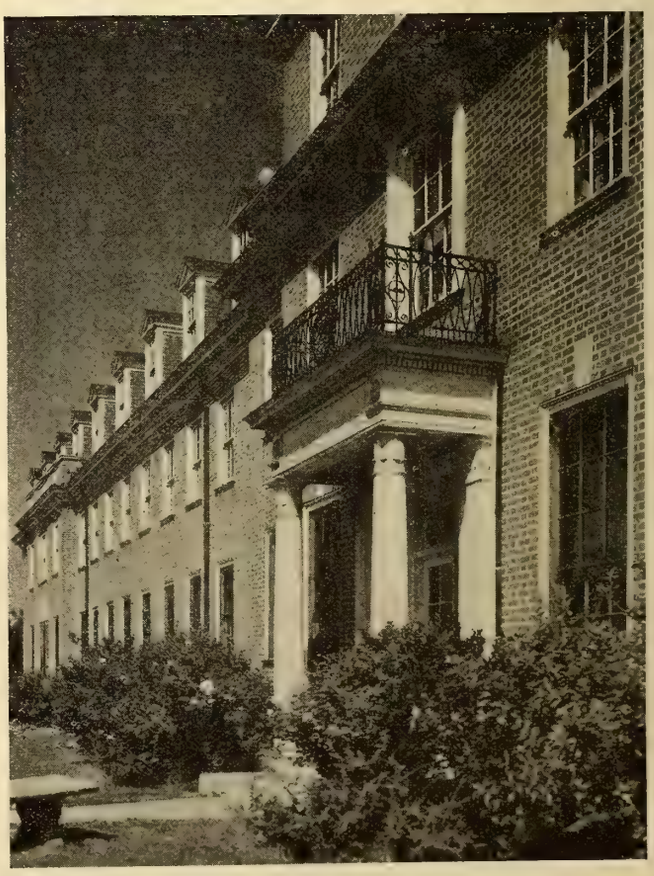
4 Because she loved the church. She loved the Methodist Church. We appreciate this all the more because she was not a Methodist originally. She was born and bred a Baptist. Mrs. Hoey united with the Methodist Church at the time of her marriage nearly forty-two years ago, and she has been constantly devoted to it ever since. Next to her home she will be missed by her church in which she has been so faithful and helpful.

5. Finally, Mrs. Hoey was beloved because of her love for her home. She was supremely devoted to her home, and what a lovely place she made it. Under the charm of her personality it became a shrine of friendship, a haven of hospitality, of blessing, and of peace. Thank God for women who can take their place in public life, fulfilling all the duties of citizenship without neglecting home and family. Her children have risen up to call her blessed, and her husband, whom she helped win great distinction, he also praiseth her saying, in the words of the Scripture, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excelleth them all."

"Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."

"Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own work praise her in the gates."

So mote it be! Amen.



McCulloch Hall, Dormitory for Young Men, High Point College

OBJECTIVES OF COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The initial meeting of the Commission on Evangelism in the Southeastern Jurisdiction was conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell in the McKendree Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn., on January 29.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Hubert Quillian, LaGrange, Ga.; vice chairman, W. B. Garrett, Lancaster, S. C.; secretary-treasurer, Fred W. Paschall, Wilmington.

The following objectives were set up: 1. A school of evangelism in each state or conference within the jurisdiction. 2. The establishment of preaching missions in needed areas. The commission working with the district superintendents in these areas. 3. A committee of five from this jurisdiction be named by the chairman to work with a committee from the Central jurisdiction in making a joint investigation and survey of neglected areas and report their findings to their respective jurisdictions. 4. The promotion of home visitation evangelism. 5. A family altar in every home. The commission most heartily recommends the use of The Upper Room. 6. That an effort be made to adequately supply the Methodist men in our camps with The Upper Room in view of the fact that the demand for this periodical is now greater than the General Commission on Evangelism can supply. A suggested goal of 25,000 copies per quarter was adopted. Two methods of financing this project were suggested: (a) Ask local churches and individuals to contribute to a general Upper Room fund in order to provide these booklets for the men in camp; (b) ask every local church to send a copy of The Upper Room each quarter to each man from that church now in camp.

Fred W. Paschall, Secretary.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Hon. Josephus Daniels spoke to the students of Louisburg College during the noon hour Wednesday, February 11. He urged them to measure up to their responsiblity in crucial times like these, stressing especially need for an attitude of optimism to insure an effective effort in the present situation.

The Methodist girls of Louisburg College entertained at a Valentine party Friday evening, February 13, from 7:30 to 10:30 in the college social hall. Games were directed by Rev. F. D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist church. Dan McFarland, Salisbury, sang two vocal solos, "Whispering Hope" and "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise." Refreshments appropriate to the occasion were served to the approximately 90 people present.

The first formal dance of the winter season was held at the college Saturday evening, February 14. Music was furnished by an orchestra under the direction of Professor James Byerly, and the affair was chaperoned by members of the faculty, the deans and the heads of the college adminstration.

DEVOTED METHODIST GONE AT NINETY

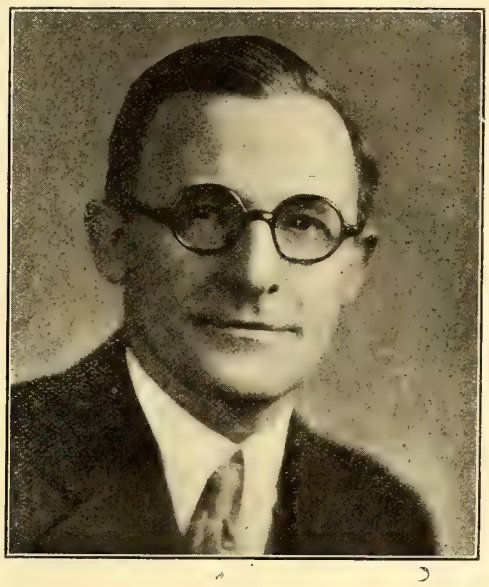
Moses Whitfield White, 90, pioneer builder of Mooresville, died February 10 in Mooresville after an illness of three days.

Mr. White was the first superintendent of Masonic and Eastern Star Home at Greensboro. He was the oldest living Mason in North Carolina. Born in Iredell county on September 6, 1851, Mr. White was one of the first members of the board of trustees of the Mooresville city school. He donated ground for the erection of the First Methodist church in Mooresville and was its only living charter member. For more than 50 years he has been a familiar figure at Methodist conferences in all of western North Carolina.

Surviving Mr. White are five sons, John and Hugh White of Laramie, Wyoming, M. A. White of Greensboro, L. H. White of Winston-Salem, J. B. White of Steubenville, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. G. M. Kipka of Mooresville and Mrs. J. E. McNeely of Cooleemee.

DR. G. I. HUMPHREYS, PRESIDENT OF HIGH POINT COLLEGE

High Pointers are proud of their college, of its president and faculty and student body, and they stand by to a man. Thirty-five of their public school teachers are alumni, and a good proportion of the student body comes from High Point and Guilford county.



Since 1930, when Dr. Humphreys was elected president, the enrollment of High Point College has advanced 73 per cent; the physical assets have increased 41 per cent, and the indetedness has decreased 42 per cent. All of this has been accomplished without lowering the scholarship standing. The achievements of Dr. Humphreys and his helpers are nothing short of such an ability to combine works with faith. Dr. Humphreys was made head of the Association of Methodist Schools and Colleges at its recent meeting in Baltimore, Md.

TWO BROTHERS ON THE MARCH

We salute Brother W. B. Cotten of Mt. Herman circuit, Durham district. This week he remitted $38 for new subscribers, which is more than his quota. But better than all he is not done. We fully expect Mt. Herman charge to double its quota. These former Methodist Protestants are loyal supporters of the N. C. Advocate.

Brother Aubert M. Smith in his first report to the Advocate sent double the quota for Jackson Park. Watch for later reports from this young brother. Most grateful are we.

A number have gone beyond their quota, others have reached it, and many have almost reached their quota.

FRANK WOOD OF MARION DIES

W. Frank Wood, 73, who has been actively identified with civic, educational and church affairs of Marion for many years, died February 12 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. O. P. Welch, at Clayton. Mr. Wood had been in declining health for about two years.

Mr. Wood was a graduate of Trinity College, now Duke University, in the class of '90. He was a man of wide capacities and had a broad knowledge of several professions, having taught school, practiced law, held several public offices and had been a banker in Marion.

Mr. Wood sought the position of mayor in 1907 and was successful. Later, as a state senator from McDowell, he introduced the measure making McDowell county dry.

Frank Wood was born in 1869 and was a son of Rev. Frank H. Wood, Methodist minister, who filled many appointments in North Carolina.

Methodist Youth in Germany

By WALTER THOMPSON

In 1844 William Nast, a member of the Ohio annual conference, petitioned the General Conference for permission to make a personal survey of Germany to determine the possibility of establishing a Methodist mission in his Fatherland.

William Nast sailed for Germany hoping to find the conditions favorable for his proposed missionary work in Germany, but after the survey, he became convinced that religious freedom was so curtailed and that life was so dependent upon the State Church and the favor of the princes that it would be unwise to undertake missionary work in the Fatherland. He advised, however, that should any political change occur in Germany his report should be reconsidered in the light of altered circumstances.

The change came when a political revolution occurred in Germany in 1848. A new report was presented and in May, 1849, it was decided to extend the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church to Germany. In June, 1849, L. S. Jacoby, who was then presiding elder of the Quincy district of the Illinois conference, was appointed as the first Methodist missionary to Germany.

Jacoby and his wife sailed from New York on October 20, 1849, and arrived in Bremen on November 10, 1849. The general missionary committee directed Jacoby to establish his headquarters in Bremen since it was the chief port of embarkation for the German emigrants to America. Nearly 60,000 Germans had sailed from this port to America in 1849.

Jacoby's first sermon in Germany was preached in December, 1849, in a private home about 20 miles from Bremen. Jacoby, being unable to rent a suitable hall in Bremen, preached his first sermon in that city in a saloon on December 23, 1849. The saloon was soon too small and finally a building with a seating capacity of 800 was secured. It was in this building that Jacoby began organized Methodism in Germany.

One of the greatest contributions American Methodism made to Germany was the Sunday school. The Sunday school was an unknown institution in Germany before the arrival of the Methodist missionary. June 16, 1850, saw the opening of the first Methodist Sunday school in Germany with an enrollment of eighty pupils. Wherever the Methodist mission spread in Germany was to be found the Sunday school. The state churches became alarmed because so many of their children attended the Methodist Sunday schools and they were forced to establish schools of their own in an attempt to hold their children. It was largely through the state churches that the Sunday school spread throughout Germany.

The Methodist Sunday schools met with unexpected success from the very beginning. After three months there were 200 pupils and 17 teachers reported in the schools. Many church members came by way of the Sunday schools. In August, 1850, a Sunday school class, numbering 16, became members of the Methodist mission in Germany. The State Church immediately began to withdraw relief from the poor people who attended the Methodist meetings. The children in the state cshools were threatened and punished for attending the Methodist Sunday schools. The political and civil authorities joined the State Church in this persecution. Many ministers paid heavy fines, went to prison, were stoned, and at least one was exiled. As a result of this persecution many people migrated to America, where they joined the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In connection with the Sunday schools in Germany many young people's groups came into being. Those groups were, for the most part, connected with the churches but had no strictly religious program. Their program consisted mostly of hikes, mountain climbing, and outdoor games. Realizing this, the General Conference of 1892 recommended that an effort be made to unite all these societies under the banner of the Epworth League. Few records are to be found on the growth of the Epworth League in Germany, but there were 501 societies with 5,425 members reported in 1904.

With the end of the first world war there was only dissolution for the youth of Germany. They had no faith or hope in the future. The General Conference of 1924, realizing the condition of youth in Germany, pressed for the appointment of a young minister to work with the Epworth League in Germany. By 1925 the membership of the Epworth League had reached 10,550, but political parties and social clubs were drawing the young people away from the church. To counteract this movement the Board of Foreign Missions in America supported three full time secretaries to work among the Methodist summer camps in Germany in 1928.

To escape the thoughts of economic pressure the youth of Germany began to form clubs and gangs seeking communion with nature. The Methodists sought to guide these aspirations into deeper religious channels. For a while this movement for a community in physical, moral and religious training caught the imagination and support of the youth. It grew to such an extent that the organization became almost a church within the church.

In 1932 when unemployment rose to its height, the young people found nothing to occupy their minds. The Methodists again attempted to counteract this condition by organizing study classes and giving the young people some specific religious duties. Owing to lack of funds, the church was forced to discontinue these classes and dispense with the services of the youth secretaries. The rise of Hitler and his mobilization of the youth of Germany on a rigorous militaristic program took the young people from the Methodist groups.

Hitler realized that he who has the youth, holds the fate of Germany in his hands. Hitler was not able to mass all the young people behind him when he first came to power, but the heavy hand of the Nazi party began to be felt immediately by those who were slow in joining. If a young man declined to join the Hitler Jugend he was often notified by his employer that his services were no longer needed. It was made clear that no one could participate in any church youth activity unless he was also a member of the Hitler Jugend. All spiritual and political education, up to the age of 18, was to be in the hands of the Hitler Jugend.

Late in 1933 Balder Von Schrirach became head of the Hitler Jugend and all Methodist youth groups were placed under his control by order of Hitler. Hitler then ordered that all Methodist groups carry on no activity other than purely religious. These decrees forced the Methodists to restate their youth program in agreement with the policy of the Nazi State. The provisions of the agreement were that the Methodists recognize:

1. The totalitarian political educational ideal of the National Socialist State and acknowledge the Hitler Jugend as the custodian of that ideal.
2. That no boy or girl under 18 belong to a church society unless first a member of the Hitler Jugend.
3. That outdoor sports, gymnastics, and political education be confined solely to the Hitler Jugend.
4. That the members of church youth societies wear the service uniform of the Hitler Jugend.
5. That two afternoons a week and two Sundays a month would be reserved for church youth activities.

The Methodists had no choice but to accept these regulations which gave the Nazi government a clear-cut victory. In most cases the young people did not get to take part in any church activity.. The leaders of the Hitler Jugend often found it convenient to call all members out for special patrol or parade duties on those specified days. Therefore, the Methodist youth societies were forced to disband because of the lack of attending members. Thus through the Hitler Jugend, the education of citizens for the Nazi State on an official and monopolistic scale was started. In December, 1936, the Hitler Jugend was made a party institution and included about 70 per cent of German youth on a semi-voluntary basis. On August 5, 1937, membership became compulsory for all youth up to 18 years of age. In 1939 the Hitler Jugend had a membership of over eight million and was divided into clubs as follows:

Jungvolk—Practice with small caliber rifles.
Motor H. Y.—Motorized division to practice for army.
Navy H. Y.—Navy and merchant marine training.
Flying H. Y.—Aerial soaring practice with gliders.
Signal H. Y.—Telegraph and radio training.
Mounted H. Y.—Service with cavalry.

These six groups have 550,000 leaders, 4,000 physicians, 800 dentists, 500 druggists and 40,000 young army surgeons.

Realizing the importance of early education, Hitler starts his training program when the child reaches the age of three. At this early age each child is given a small Nazi Swastika flag, and taught to wave it at passing parades. Even the smallest child is encouraged to spy on his teachers and parents and report any critical word to the local Nazi officials. In school mathematical problems are illustrated by military examples. Chemistry is taught by compounding explosives and poison gas, physics is illustrated by the use of the tank, foreign language and radio training are stressed for their use in war. After the young boy finishes school he must join the Storm Troops for further military training. In these camps it is taught that religion is something for weaklings and an atmosphere is created to destroy any religious feelings in the individual. No ministers are allowed in these camps where boys are taught the glory of war and the effeminacy of religion.

The main purpose of schooling in the Third Reich is to infuse National Socialism and a world outlook into the younger generation. All private schools were abolished and admission to the universities is granted only to students who have shown their dependability in the Hitler Jugend and other party activities. The theological faculties have been purged and no theological student may enter school without special permission.

Though most of the other theological schools have been closed, the Methodist Martin Mission Institute, now called Frankfort Theological Seminary, has remained open. In 1938 the enrollment had dropped to 26 students. The Board of Foreign Missions in America continues to make small appropriations to Frankfort every year. An appropriation of $312 has been made for 1941.

The students entering Frankfort Theological Seminary must be approved by the officials of the Nazi party. After graduation each student is required to spend one year in a labor camp or in the Storm Troops where no religious activity is permitted. After the completion of this year, the student must spend the next two years in a Nazi fellowship residence where he must join the State Troopers and take special courses in Nazi Dogma. After the student begins his active ministry, he must attend a training course in pastoral functions under Nazi directions. These courses consist of lectures on customs and beliefs of the old Teutons, modern German folk ways and Nazi theories in regard to race and its supreme importance. This last requirement not only covers the young theological students but also the older pastors already holding churches.

The theological students have no choice but to accept these requirements or leave the ministry. If they do not submit to these requirements, they can have no hope of obtaining a parish. By submitting they have the certainty of quick promotion and rosy honors. They are promised a generous salary from the very beginning, and with an extra allowance once they have a family. If they refuse, they have no hopes of financial security but face the certainty of persecution and the possibility of violent death.

As to the future one scarcely dares to make any predictions. The question arises in the writer's mind if Hitler has won the hearts of the Methodist young people or has won their support only through their fear of the power he holds. This answer lies only in the events of the future.

This material has been gathered from the official journal, organs and periodicals of the Methodist Church and included in a thesis written in the School of Religion, Duke University, on The Methodist Church in Germany.

PRAYER

By George A. Buttrick

On his own life and the way of prayer for all longing hearts that seek refuge and strength in God.

He has particularly portrayed prayer as limited according to reason, common sense, and natural laws. Prayer is limitless in divine grace and helpfulness. Ask, seek, knock in my name are the rules Jesus laid down. That is what Dr. Buttrick has tried to interpret.

In Jesus' name is "in the nature of Jesus. We dare not lift our childish plans before eternal eyes, except we also pray Thy will be done! The penitent even though he has no prayer but to beat upon his breast and cry for mercy, returns to his task in peace."

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New and Enlarged Departments in High Point College a Result of War Emergency

High Point College has several departments of study which are more important than ever now that new positions are being opened and there is need for trained and specialized persons due to the national emergency.

The home economics course has already been worth while, but since the emergency it has wakened people to the importance of wise economic management. There is great demand for persons with such training in professional fields, in social service, and in the education field. The field is truly open for this type of work. Places for dietitians are numerous, and the number of persons who can qualify for these newly-opened positions does not meet the increasing demand. The government has turned its attention to home management, food, nutrition, consumption; such persons to guide these aspects of life today will certainly find a place in the set-up for many years to come. There is a great need for teachers of home economics, because the more practical subjects will be stressed during the emergncy. The course at High Point is complete; there are good laboratories and practice house fully equipped.

The war has emphasized the need of more physicians. Almost from her beginning High Point has offered pre-medical courses. Her pre-medical department has achieved a high record among others in the Southeastern states. A study by the Association of American Medical Colleges covering the period from 1930 to 1938 inclusive, showed that High Point College graduates in medical school during that time had the highest clearance record of any in the Southeast. Ninety-one and 6-10 per cent of these students came up with a clear record, and High Point was one of the four schools in the Southeast which had none dropping out of the course and none failing the subjects. Though they are young, all of her doctors have developed large practices, and stand high in their professional ranks.

Students taking the chemical engineering course at High Point College are realizing how important this work is in this mechanized war and world. More and more the industrial development is reaching heights of specialization. Already, chemical production is uppermost and competition has forced more exacting work in this field. Chemical engineers will easly find positions in fields of research, supervision, operation. A greater amount of research is being done to enable substitution of prohibited or limited materials. Competent workmen are needed to carry out important experiments. Exact control of conditions and success will depend entirely on the previous training of the chemist. High Point College endeavors to give each graduate full preparation for such work. More young men entering this work have been placed in reliable positions with advancements than any other field. Very recently a shortage of one thousand engineers was reported because of the war situation and new industrial positions. There is an open field in chemical engineering for ambitious young men. The government is encouraging young men of talent to pursue this course. Their induction into military service is deferred.

The business administration set-up has seen many improvements during the past year and is now one of the main departments of the college. An excellent four-year course is offered which prepares the student for commercial teaching, law, or public and business positions. There is now a distinct shortage of business teachers for the schools of North Carolina as well as daily increasing business positions. Every year commercial courses are being started in the high schools or is being enlarged with a faculty increase. Every graduate who gets his teaching certificate has a job awaiting him. Also, the course gives good background for the law student, going into every phase of public life. These students may then enter law school with full credits. Many of the business graduates are now holding responsible positions as executives with firms throughout the state. Those who are registered in the four-year course will get executive background and may immediately go into good positions. Excellent opportunities await young ladies with this superior business training as well as young men. There is also a one-year and a two-year course which supply the fundamentals of business and train largely for stenographic work.

The ministerial students have always been an important influence on the campus. There are about twenty-five students enrolled each year. The students have organized an association which carries out, to a large degree, the religious expression of the group. Sunday evening vesper programs, mid-week sings, and chapel programs are often sponsored by the ministerial students. Their opportunity for practical work begins in the school. A great number of successful young ministers in the two Carolina conferences have done their undergraduate work at High Point College. Many of the ministers qualify for teachers' certificates because of the importance of teaching in ministerial work. Although the school is Methodist, it is broad in its outlook of Christian unity, and has many denominations represented in the student body.

Heretofore, approximately sixty-five per cent of the college graduates have received teachers' certificates. The course has been, and continues to be, one of the most popular in the curriculum because the pedagogical knowledge is in every field of endeavor. The education courses meet the professional requirements of the State Board of Education of high school, grammar school, and primary teachers' certificates. Schools are now facing a shortage of teachers, because of the draft and more lucrative emergency work. Many student teachers are already being called to assist in the teacher shortage. Full co-operation of local and neighboring schools with the college student teachers has given excellent practice in teacher training. Almost all of the graduates are teaching in the state and have established excellent records.

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FIRST ASSEMBLY OF WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Announcement has been made that the first assembly of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22, 1942, at Broad Street church and Memorial Hall. The purpose of this meeting as given in the announcement: To provide opportunity whereby Methodist women from all areas of the church may achieve unity in worship and in the sharing of information, plans and methods of work. This will be the first opportunity since unification for Methodist women to participate in a great meeting.

The prayer: Word has gone to prayer groups throughout the society asking them to be much in prayer for all those who have responsibility for planning this great event.

The theme: Methodist Women Facing This Hour—through evangelism, education, rural and social welfare work, with special emphasis upon world fellowship and co-operation. Speakers: Bishops, missionaries and deaconesses, officers and members of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, distinguished guests and others.

Attendance: Everybody is welcome and all sessions are open to the public. There will be a special number of delegates from the jurisdictions, conferences and districts, but this does not exclude anyone from attendance. The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Ohio conference is official hostess.

Conference chairman: Mrs. C. C. Long, 3434 Darwin Place, Cincinnati, Ohio; local chairman: Mrs. C. R. Willis, 210 South Ohio Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Further information will appear in the church press from time to time.

Mrs. J. D. Bragg, Pres.
Mrs. Fred A. Lamb, Sec.
Woman's Division of C. S.

—From The Christian Advocate.

IMPRESSIVE PLEDGE SERVICE

The Lexington First church Woman's Society of Christian Service conducted an unusually impressive pledge service recently, under the able guidance of their president, Mrs. J. W. Mann, and her associate officers. This service was planned as a banquet in the hut of the church. Present on this occasion were more than 140 women of the church, visitors from nearby Erlanger and Trinity societies. Visitors contributing to the program were Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president; Mrs. T. L. Speas, Winston-Salem district president; Mrs. J. G. Sterling, corresponding secretary of the district; Mrs. A. P. Masten, district secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Mrs. John Hoyle, conference recording secretary, who is a member of the local organization, was also present. Miss Sarah Smith, the church secretary, directed the costumed candle light part of the program. It was a well planned, inspirational service giving great impetus to the work for 1942.

NEW ORGANIZATION, WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

Mrs. J. G. Sterling, corresponding secretary of the Winston-Salem district, reports to us a new organization at Concord church, Lewisville, near "Sunny Acres." The women of that church had never been organized until they decided to become a Woman's Society of Christian Service. The following is a list of the officers for 1942: President, Mrs. T. E. Sain, R. 1, Lewisville; vice president, Mrs. W. J. Reich, R. 1, Lewisville; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. M. Boggs, Clemmons; recording secretary, Mrs. M. R. Boggs, Clemmons; treasurer, Mrs. Richard Dull, Clemmons; secretary of missionary education and service, Miss Emma Lawson, Lewisville; secretary Christian S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. Odell Doub, Clemmons; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. Walter Holder, Clemmons; secretary supplies, Miss Margaret Jones, Clemmons; secretary children's work, Mrs. C. E. Chitty, Clemmons; chairman spiritual life group, Miss Emma Lawson, R. 1, Clemmons. These women have the rare privilege of being near Sunny Acres, with Miss Hyda Heard, deaconess, and Miss Anna Ogburn, rendering encouragement in their new work.

EXCERPTS FROM OUTSTANDING MESSAGES OF SOUTHEASTERN MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Dr. Roy L. Smith, editor of The Christian Advocate: "Relating an incident during the formation of the Versailles Treaty, when Clemenceau cynically said that 'Wilson talks like Jesus Christ,' Dr. Smith declared, "when the statesmen and the diplomats gather around the table at the peace conference to come there must be more than one man there who speaks like Christ. The next peace must be just, molded by Christian ideals."

Dr. Ralph Diffendorfer, New York: "The Christian church in Japan is under terrific government pressure, but it is carrying on . . . when our missionaries are pushed out, the Japanese Christians move in, matintaining the work themselves. The present time is no time to run up the white flag on our mission program. We must do as the Russians did against the German invasion—save our resources, make the best of what we have, keep our missionaries in the field, move property out of the battle, be on hand to keep the lamp of our faith burning in temporary churches, schools and hospitals."

Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, China: "China and America will win this war, never fear. Together we are fighting not only for the existence of our nations, but also for the principles of freedom and for the liberties of peoples all over the world." Praising American missionaries who have remained in China, risking their lives he said: "This heroic decision of the missionaries was not lost on our Chinese people—our whole attitude toward Christianity has undergone a remarkable change because of our admiration, and the Christian light today shines in reflected glory over our tormented land." He urged "that the Christian church go on an all-out effort for missions, and no energy be spared by American Christians to seize the present opportunity of cementing the bonds of fellowship with Christ between the American and Chinese peoples."

Mrs. Otis Moore, New York, foreign missions secretary of the Woman's Division of the Methodist Church: "We are founding a church on Indian ground that really belongs to India. All over India, in villages, cities, jungles, are churches of poles and grass, of woven bamboo, of sun-dried brick, the people's very own! In these churches men and women and children are finding ways to worship God as Indians should, with noble words of Scripture in their own language songs that are Indian both words and music, accompanied with drums and cymbals, Indian style."

Mrs. J. W. Mills of Beaumont, Texas, vice president of W. D. of C. S. of the Methodist Church, spoke on "The Orphaned Missions" and said: "America's women must and will see their opportunity to adjust and extend religion to the ends of the earth. Citizenship must not be localized; it must be seen in the light of a world that is needy and suffering."

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Methodist missionary to India: "Christians are at their best when things get worst, as evidenced by the wondrous things which grew out of the death of Christianity's Founder." Pointing out the great opportunity presented to Christian missions, Dr. Jones urged the mass congregation to grasp the opportunity and be big enough as individuals to spread the Gospel of Christ to others around this war-torn world.

Bishop McConnell speaking on "The Future of Christian Missions" declared: "Nearly everything and everybody has a double motive. The Christian church and the missionary movement, as no other force, work with no other thought than the welfare of the people."

Bishop A. Frank Smith of Houston: "The church must set the example for sacrifice in this war, faith must expand rather than decrease its program, so that every fighting man will have his church with him to the victorious end. The church must and will do its part to win this struggle and to aid America in shaping and preserving the destinies of the people of the world. Unless Americans do everything in their power to win the war, Christianity will be in eclipse for a great time to come."

A rich apportunity sometimes wears a shabby suit of clothes.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THE N. C. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

On January 22, 1935, one hundred and eleven clergymen and laymen from all parts of the state met in Greensboro to consider the matter of reorganizing the State Sunday School Convention and making it into a Council of Churches. The council was officially organized on May 21, 1935. Today the N. C. Council of Churches, the only such organization in the South, is functnioning with a full time executive secretary and with an office located on Duke University campus. Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, executive secretary, told a large group of folk gathered at a banquet at Edenton Street Methodist church recently to honor Bishop Edwin A. Penick, the council president, that the council has a three fold purpose, namely, "to promote fellowship and mutual understanding among the followers of Christ constituting the several communions of North Carolina; to serve as a medium of inter-church advice and counsel on matters affecting the progress of Christianity in the state; to associate the communions in such joint service as may achieve more effectively the objectives of the Christian religion." The council has in no sense any mandatory powers over the churches, but seeks to serve in an advisory capacity and to promote the various activities of general and specific fields of service. "The Churches Make News," the radio ministry of the North Carolina Council of Churches, is a weekly presentation of news of the church at home and abroad and is heard each Sunday afternon at 3 o'clock over station WPTF. Rev. Allyn P. Robinson, Jr., pastor United church in Raleigh, is the editor and commentator. We commend this intensely interesting and highly enlightening program to those who are not already numbered among its numerous listeners.

LAST CALL FOR INFORMATION

All registration cards which were mailed to the presidents of local W. S. C. S. for delegates to the annual meeting to be held at Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, on March 10-12, and one dollar for luncheons for each delegate should have been returned to Mrs. A. Wray White, 121 N. McDowell Street, Raleigh, long ere this time. Those who have not done so are urged to send cards and luncheon fee immediately, in order that they may be assigned to homes promptly and satisfactorily. Further information is needed concerning whether those attending shall have a car available and whether there is preference as to roommates. This appeal is to conference officers, district secretaries, zone leaders, chairmen of conference standing committees and delegates. Homes can be provided for only these folk. The local conference committee is cheerfully and with eager anticipation preparing for the entertainment of the conference. They need and merit the full co-operation of those attending. Incidentally, registrations for the ministers' wives' luncheon which is to be held on Wednesday, March 11, should be sent to Mrs. H. I. Glass, 1220 Glenwood Ave., Raleigh.

ONLY ONE UNSELFISH PROGRAM

Speaking to the vast audience gathered at War Memorial Auditorium during the recent meeting of the Southeastern Missionary Council in Nashville, Tenn., Dr. Roy Smith of Chicago, editor of The Christian Advocate, reminded his hearers that in former years foreign missions have been a religious luxury and that the missionary program of the Protestant churches had been operating on "left overs." "But," said he, "foreign missions should be the warp and woof of our program. In time of war prepare for peace. When the next peace treaty is written Jesus of Nazareth must be there." Dr. Smith further pointed out that the missionary program is the only program that will save the world and that it is the only program which is sent out to serve the world instead of for selfish interests.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

"There is no way to love human beings except that we love Jesus," stated Rev. W. A. Cade, pastor St. Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro, in a timely opening devotional message to the executive committee of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in session in Goldsboro on February 5. Rev. Mr. Cade stressed the insight and foresight of Mary as she discovered divine love in the heart of Jesus. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh, conference secretary, and Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Goldsboro, conference treasurer, reported notable and heartening increases in every department of work. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, conference president, told the committee that $43,000 was pledged for the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. at the recent Southeastern Jurisdictional meeting in Nashville, Tenn. She urged that a consciousness of spiritual defenses be a matter of deep concern and that it be kept constantly in the hearts of the people. Other officers discussing the various departments included: Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Rockingham, children's work; Mrs. Dwight L. Fouts, Jonesboro, young women and girls' work; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon missionary education and service; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers, Christian social relations and local church activities; Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden, literature; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, publicity and publications; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, Wesleyan Service Guilds. Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Hood and Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh made interesting comments on the Southeastern Jurisdictional meeting. Mrs. Coltrane is a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. It is noteworthy and gratifying that Miss Elizabeth Lamb of Fayetteville, conference secretary of spiritual life groups, has, as a labor of love, made copies of the minutes of the executive committee meetings dating from 1829 through 1940. It will be recalled that all previous minutes are recorded in the book, "Seven Times Seven," which was written by Mrs. J. LeGrand Everette for the Jubilee year in 1928.

In addition to the members of the executive committee already mentioned others attending the meeting included Mrs. S. S. Holt, Graham, recording secretary, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham, chairman conference committee on missionary personnel, and the following district secretaries: Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington, Durham district; Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City; Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Mrs. T. R. Smith, Henderson, Raleigh district; Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway, Rocky Mount district; and Mrs. N. P. Edens,Tabor City, Wilmington district.

HENDERSON W. S. C. S.

The proposed budget calling for an expenditure of $1,000 was adopted at the January meeting of the W. S. C. S. of First Methodist church, Henderson. Reports of Mrs. R. C. Gary, president, revealed that a total of $1,165.25 had been raised in 1941, $518.16 of which was sent to the conference treasurer for missions. The department of Christian social relations and local activities expended the sum of $531.94 in its dozen or more projects, chief of which is welfare work. In December the society paid an additional $75 over the pledge to missions and this amount was used in making three honorary life members of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Those thus honored were Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. W. T. Carter and Mrs. Mary Green.

Officers for 1942 are: President, Mrs. R. C. Gary; first vice president, Mrs. L. R. Gooch; second vice president, Mrs. F. B. Roberts; recording secretary, Miss Mary Young, corresponding secretary, Mrs. D. L. McCallum; treasurer.

ZONES TO MEET

Halifax zone, Rocky Mount district, will meet in Hollister, February 24.

Southern zone, Raleigh district, will meet at Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, February 25.

Central zone will meet at Wake Forest Methodist church, February 26.

Southern-Central and Quinn County zones will meet at Bethel February 26.

Northern zone convenes at First Methodist church, Henderson, February 27.

All these meetings will begin at 10 a. m. (war time). Those attending are asked to bring a light lunch. A large attendance is urged.

Never did anything but love fetch tears from Christ.—Bishop Hall.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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ARE WE DEFEATED?

The war news is bad. The wrong side seems to be winning. One admires Winston Churchill as he rises before harping critics and in the face of humiliating defeat pleads for unity of purpose and unity of effort. We join him in thinking that the allies ought to be allied. While our big armies are fighting for the freedom of our lives we here at the Children's Home are striving to encourage freedom in the lives of a little army of growing youngsters. Let none of us shrink in the face of any possible defeat. Fighting battles tends to make us strong.

DOING WHAT WE CAN

"I am an old woman eighty-one years of age and crippled. I can't do anything but piece quilts, but I do that. I am sending you one that I pieced in January." So writes Miss Lou Sorrells of Lake Junaluska, to whom we have written a note of thanks. Miss Sorrells and Mrs. Lina Fink of Salisbury, both over eighty years of age, are the deans of the Children's Home quilting parties. These parties have broken all our quilting records during the present winter. They have done sufficiently well to win the fight for warmth for our children on cold winter nights. They have the spirit and we have the quilts. Both are needed.

DOING THEIR BIT

In the great and terrible conflict now engaging the attention of the entire world the Children's Home youngsters are doing their bit for the side they hope will win, our side. They are saving and observing, finding discarded pieces of scrap iron, collecting waste paper and buying defense stamps. Report is to the effect that on last Saturday, honorarium day, seventy-six dollars worth of defense stamps were bought by our family of boys and girls.

THE MEASURING STICK

Last week we were favored with a visit by a group of young women, seniors in a sociology class in a nearby college. They had come over with their instructor to get acquainted with the work done at the Children's Home and to get from it what there was to learn. Among the questions asked was, "What process do you use in securing your workers and what training do they have?" The answer was, "We select them after a personal conference with applicants with the following qualities in mind, with emphasis in the order of placement—character, health, personality and education, assuming that at least a high school education has been obtained." A further explanation was to the effect that a weekly consultation and training class is held with our workers.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The annual N. C. Orphanage basketball tournament was held last week at the Junior Order Home near Lexington with competing boys and girls' teams enrolled from Mills Home, Barium Springs, the Junior Order Home and the Children's Home. Through the process of elimination our girls' team and the Junior Order Home boys' team, defending champions, won the championship trophies. It has so happened that our girls' team has won seven of the nine championship trophies issued in this tournament. Our boys have won four times.

LESSONS IN FAIR PLAY

In high school circles throughout North Carolina, particudarly in the northwest area of the state, basketball tournaments are the order of the day and night. Practically every county in this area is holding a tournament, affording the high school teams of both boys and girls an opportunity to compete for county championships and the attending trophies. Great interest prevails. One's observation is to the effect that in practically all of these heated and earnestly played contests the best of fair play prevails. Where officials are competent the boys and girls play without questioning the referee's decision, playing to win. Basketball is doing more to develop physical stamina and mental balance among the high school youths of our area than any other one thing, in our opinion.

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION

A good deal of time and thought were spent on building the program of the annual meeting of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes which was held at Dallas, Texas, early this month. It being the first time such a meeting was held in the southern area of our church, all other meetings having been held in Chicago, the matter was made all the more venturesome. Contacts had to be made with people throughout the entire United States and efforts at building up attendance from such a wide area had to be entered into with some degree of diligence. After such a lot of anxieties and experiences, the following message just received from Dr. John G. Benson, executive secretary of the General Board of Hospitals and Homes, is appreciated: "Let me congratulate you on the finest convention that I remember that we have ever had. There was a different spirit and a greater interest which, no doubt, was due to your magnificent leadership as president of our association the past year. I sincerely hope you will continue actively in the association as we move on to bigger things."

THE BELL RINGERS

Listen to the music of the bells. They are the ten per cent apportionment bells. The ringing of them is pleasing to hear. Eligibility for being a bell ringer is the payment in full of the ten per cent apportionment, the basal amount for the conference year for the Children's Home. Join us in grateful thanks to these bell ringers:

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Cotton Grove, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

Burkhead, Winston-Salem, Rev. W. M. Smith.

Pisgah, Lincoln circuit, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt.

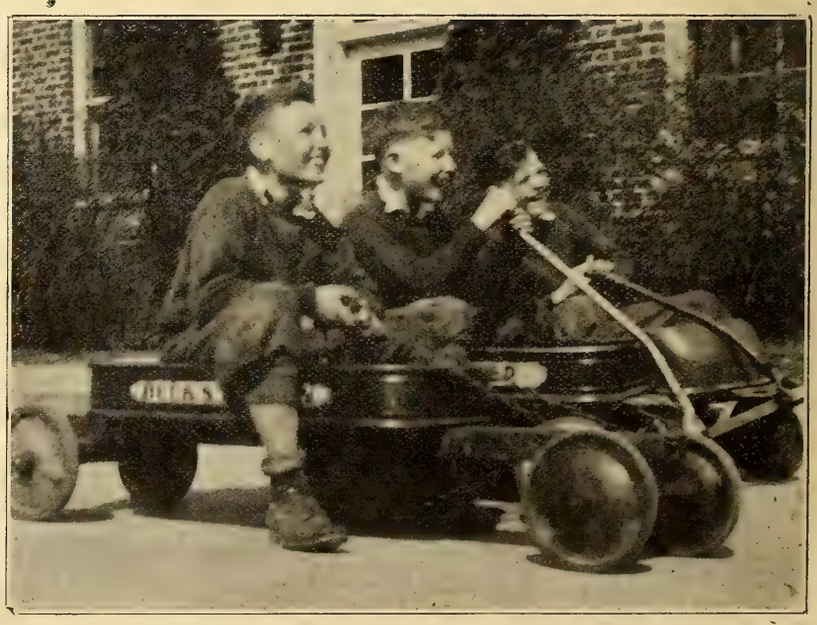
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Morven, Morven circuit, Rev. P. T. Dixon.

SAVING OUR TIRES

We, like many others, are trying to save the tires on our vehicles. We have no priority claim for the issuing of others. When our tires give out it appears that our trips will give out. It may be that we can couple up some of the boys' wagons and some of the other rolling stock we have here for running without tires. The boys in the picture are not worrying about wearing out their tires.



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A TIMELY SUGGESTION — Recently there appeared in the Connie Maxwell Orphanage paper an article under the caption "The Power of the Dead Hand." I read the article with much interest. It is so timely that I am reproducing it in this week's Advocate with the hope that our friends will read it.

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THE POWER OF THE DEAD HAND

Stephen Girard thought he was doing a fine thing when in the early development in Pennsylvania he provided certain property for a certain class of boys with certain strict limitations as to the handling of the estate and the institution. He probably had good advice in the writing of his will and certainly he tied it up so tightly that hitherto the courts have not been able to break it. Some time age we read that the trustees of the institution were in possession of a steadily mounting fund of thirty-four million dollars, that the fund was still increasing and they could not spend it. The need that Girard had in mind is abundantly supplied and there cannot be found boys of such description as will fit the provisions. In other words, the city of Philadelphia does not need that type of service now. Thus we have an exhibition of great social waste.

Not even twenty years have passed since Mr. Duke made his provision for the Duke Endowment. He likely had the ablest available advice when he limited the terms on which the income should be distributed; but already, for all Mr. Duke's foresight, it is limited by restrictions that forbid fully meeting the needs of the time in the care of children. The trustees may give to orphans in institutions, but with the rapid change of methods of service for children some of the most inviting avenues of usefulness are closed to the trustees.

In the city of Charleston we were told some time ago of a certain legacy tied up in such a way that its benefits are not being realized by the city. The founder provided for certain needs of his day and time, but he was not omniscient and could not predict social changes that would call for another form of support in days that were to follow.

We suppose there is little use in quarreling about style. The women have new styles in dress from one season to another, and the men are perhaps just as bad. Not only in clothing and in customs do styles change, but the needs of communities in the handling of the poor, the needy, the lawbreaker and destitute children constantly change as methods improve. Certainly in the field of child welfare we are all upon our toes to try to meet the needs that appear today rather than those that came upon us forty years ago. In some respects we are tied by the dead hand, though in most respects we are free to make changes.

The above considerations lead us to an appeal that all our friends in making their wills shall not be too specific in stipulating how the money is to be used or dispensed. It is a common sense proposition to beg our people to leave funds to the management of the trustees of Connie Maxwell Orphanage. They and their successors will now and during future years study the problems that press and the methods that are and shall be most acceptable.

Within the month we have had reports of two substantial legacies that are coming our way. Both of them fortunately are merely left to the institution and so the trustees are not limited in the handling of the funds. We are congratulating ourselves that these two friends were wise enough not to restrict their funds beyond the point of saying that they shall be invested in permanent endowment and that the income shall annually be used in such manner as the wisdom of the trustees may decide. If all our friends looking to a long future to Connie Maxwell Orphanage, and wishing to serve it during all the years, will only be willing to trust the trustees, they will not tie their bounty with dead hands that will in time defeat the purposes existing in their beneficent minds today.

KILLING THE PREACHER

A church known to me once buried its pastor, and on the following Sabbath held a memorial service in his honor. A large congregation overflowed the house. One speaker told of his worth as a preacher, another of his tender ministrations as a pastor, others spoke of him as a citizen, thought of him as a neighbor, father. Finally they called on me to speak. "All you have said of my dead brother is true. He was a man out of the ordinary and gave his remarkable power to your service without stint or reserve. But if you had, while he was yet alive, filled these pews as you have today, and said of him and to him what you have just said, he would not now be dead. Empty pews broke his heart, and he did not know of the love of which you have been speaking. He died for lack of the things you have today so beautifully said and done." And it was true.—Dr. L. O. Lawson, in Preaching Today.

SHAKING DOWN THE FRUIT

Pause at any verse of Scripture you choose,, and shake, as it were, every bough of it, that, if possible, some fruit at least may drop down. If your soul really hungers, the Spirit of God will not send you away empty. You shall at length find in one, and that perhaps a short verse, such an abundance of delicious furit that you will gladly seat yourself under its shade, and abide there as under a tree laden with fruit. —Martin Luther.

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"THOUGHTS OF GOD FOR BOYS AND GIRLS"

At this season of the year many pastors and teachers of children are interested in material that can be used with children in developing their spiritual lives and pointing them to God in ways that have real meaning for them. One of the finest pieces of material for such a purpose is a little booklet entitled "Thoughts of God for Boys and Girls."

This booklet is especially prepared for use in the Lenten season. We quote from a letter to "Boys and Girls" in the first of the booklet to indicate its purpose and scope.

"Dear Boys and Girls:

This Lenten book is written to help you to discover God's ways in the world, as shown in nature in Jesus' life and in God's dependence on all people. The stories, pictures, prayers, hymns and Bible references used tell the many ways people have made these discoveries.

We hope that you will follow many of the suggestions made in the book and that you will have a translation of the Bible such as Moffatt's to use with some of the readings.

Use the book as a guide for worship and converation with your family, with your friends and by yourself some time each day."

This is a good family booklet for the Lenten period, especially where there are primary and junior children in the home. The cost of the booklet is 10 cents for single copies and 8 cents each for25 or more copies. These can be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP MATERIAL

Numerous requests have come to us in recent weeks for suggestions about material to be used in preparing children and young people for church membership. We are giving herewith some of the materials that are available from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.:

This Is Your Church

Edited by C. A. Bowen

A manual for those in the early and middle teens who are joining the church. It discusses What is the Church, What the Church May Mean to You, and Finding Your Place in the Church. It contains the Apostles' Creed, the Order for Receiving Persons into the Church, a Certificate of Church Membership. Also, two pages for pictures and autographs. 25 cents.

The Church of Your Choice

Edited by C. A. Bowen

Produced for older young people and adults to use in connection with their joining the church. It talks with them about: What Is Your Church? What Is the Methodist Church? What Do Methodists Believe? Why Am I Uniting with the Church? How Do I Become a Member of the Church? How Can My Church Help Me? the How Can I Help My Church? Contains a Certificate of Church Membership with a page for photograps and autographs. 25 cents.

My Child Joins the Church

Edited by C. A. Bowen

A booklet for parents of children who are joining the church. It says to parents many of the things you would like to say if you had unlimited time for talking to them, about their responsibilities and their opportunities with their children. It will enlist their sympathy and co-operation in the religious training of their children, especially during the period of training for church membership. 5 cents; 50 cents a dozen.

When You Join the Church

Edited by C. A. Bowen

Written for the boys and girls themselves, to be used at the training period preceding their joining the church. 5 cents; 50 cents a dozen.

Your Life and the Church

By Percy R. Hayward

A book for boys, girls, and young people who singly or in a group seek to discover what it means to choose the Christian way of life and join the church. A guide for pastors and others in conducting a six weeks' class in what it means to join the church. 35c.

Church Membership for Boys and Girls

By Lucius H. Bugbee

Designed and prepared especially for pastors. It suggests possible procedure for organizing and conducting a children class in church membership. It also outlines ways of using the two other pamphlets in this group or new materials now available. 10 cents.

Learnin to Live for God

By John E. Charlton and Edith M. Jordan

A practical handbook for use in preparing young people for church membership. It contains 23 lessons, carefully planned and outlined with this definite end in view. Its use insures the reception into Christian fellowship groups of young people who have been carefully trained both as to information and religious experience, and who will enter the church as loyal, intelligent members; $1.00. The Pupils' Work Book edited by Lucius H. Bugbee is 25 cents.

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The annual county-wide training school will be held at Forest Hill church, beginning at 2:30 Sunday afternon (daylight time), March 1, and will continue at 7:30 each evening from Monday through Thursday, March 5. Interest in and attendance at the Concord school has been growing in recent years, with the school last year being the largest ever held. All indications are that the interest will be maintained this year.

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The Child's Approach to Religion—Mrs. W. R. Reed, Appomattox, Va.

Christian Home Making—Mrs. J. H. Davis, Lynchburg, Va.

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ROWAN COUNTY SCHOOL

With First church, Salisbury, as host church, the Rowan county school will begin at 7:30 p. m. (daylight time), Sunday, March 1, and will continue each evening through Thursday, March 5. Enrollment last year was around 250, with more than 150 receiving credit.

Courses and Instructors

Plans of the Church for Primary Children—Mrs. T. Fred Henry, Salisbury.

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RUTHERFORD COUNTY SCHOOL MARCH 1-5

With Malcolmn Reese and Vernon Wall as pastor and superintendent of the host church, final plans are being made for the Rutherford county school to be held in the new Methodist church at Henrietta. The school will begin on Sunday night and will close Thursday night.

Courses and Instructors

The Child's Approach to Religion—Miss Aline McKenzie, Chapel Hill.

Senior and Young People's Work—M. Teague Hipps, Spruce Pine.

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BREVARD COLLEGE DAY

A great deal has been said about Brevard College in recent weeks and it is hoped that much was done in the way of giving to this worthy institution last Sunday. Any church that was unable to observe Brevard College Day on February 15 may still do so at its own convenience. Superintendents of church schools could render no finer service to the cause of Christian Education than to join with their pastors in observing this day with a liberal offering. Additional information may be secured by writing to Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Brevard, N. C.

FOURTH SUNDAY WORLD SERVICE

February 22 is another time for emphasis on World Service and conference benevolences in the church school. Approximately half the Sunday schools of our conference are responding to this opportunity to help with the financial load of the church in a fine way. Many others are still not utilizing this opportunity. It is hoped that the number will increase through the year. For leaflets and other information about fourth Sunday World Service write to your conference office in Salisbury.

RACE RELATIONS OFFERING

In response to a number of requests about what to do with this offering, it should be clearly designated for Race Relations Sunday offering and should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patten Avenue, Asheville. Mr. Dunham will in turn remit the conference total to the proper general treasurer.

WHY A PIG IS CALLED A PIG

Do you know of the story of the day when a pig and a cow were talking together? Then you are richer than I was until a day or two ago, when I heard it for the first time. They met when there was time for a chat, and the pig, brooding over things, said: "Humans are very unkind. If they weren't, they wouldn't call me a pig. I don't like it. I give them everything I've got to give, and they love my bacon, my hams, my fat and my sausages. They keep their money in purses they make from my skin, and even use my bristles. Then they call me a pig, and I'd like to know why. They don't call you a pig."

"I know," said the cow, "and I think I know the reason why. I also give them everything I've got; my flesh for their food, my hide for their leather, my milk for their babies and their puddings, but they don't call me a pig because a great deal of what they want from he I give them while I am alive."

I am told that once that tale was told to a millionaire who refused to contribute to a worthy cause when asked, but promised to remember it in his will, his reaction to it being the immediate writing of a substantial cheque. He must have been a brave man who told it to him.—Ezra, in The Methodist Recorder.

BEST RULE FOR HAPPY MEMORIES

"Forget each kindness that you do as soon as you have done it;
Forget the praise that falls to you the moment you have won it;
Forget the slander that you hear before you can repeat it;
Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer, wherever you may meet it.
Remember every kindness done to you whate'er its measure;
Remember praise by others won and pass it on with pleasure;
Remember every promise made and keep it to the letter;
Remember those who lend you aid and be a grateful debtor;
Remember all the happiness that comes your way in living;
Forget each worry and distress, be hopeful and forgiving;
Remember good, remember truth, remember heaven's above you.
And you will find, through youth and age, that many hearts will love you."

—A. Guest.

Sunday School Lesson

FEBRUARY 22

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By Rollin H. Walker

Jesus Appoints and Teaches the Twelve

Mark 3:13-19; Matt. 5 to 7; Luke 6:12-49

Before he chose the Twelve Jesus prayed all night for divine guidance, and in the morning, enormously refreshed, he sent word for the disciples to come up to him on the mount, and he chose from among them twelve to be apostles. It is a great thing in the life of any Christian man when, in addition to being a disciple, he is called to be one who is not merely a learner but an aggressive messenger of the truth.

The multitude hoped that Jesus would start a revolution to throw off the Roman yoke. He did not start the kind of revolution they expected, but his methods were certainly revolutionary. He proposed to conquer the world, and he selected as his lieutenants not men high in social rank, much less soldiers, but four fishermen, a hated tax collector, and the rest of similar standing in society. Of all things futile and foolish seemed the choice of this staff for so imperial an enterprise.

What qualities caused Jesus to select these twelve men? Perhaps the primary quality was that they desired to be with him more than anything else in the world. He knew, too, that they would be willing to make sacrifices, and even play down their lives for a great cause in which they enlisted. Doubtless also they were open-minded. They did not have so much to unlearn as the rabbis would have had. And we can be certain that they were men of good parts, strong bodies, active brains, notably capable of development.

After the selection of the twelve Jesus came down the mountain far enough to find a great level place where the multitude could be gathered, and he proclaimed the principles of the revolution. Hitler at the beginning of his career wrote Mein Kampf (My Fight); and Jesus might have called the Sermon on the Mount, Mein Kampf. But how different the end in view, and the means to be used! Jesus indeed proposed to use a sword, but it was the sword of the Spirit. He did not say, Blessed is the man who has Jewish blood, for he shall enter the new kingdom; but, Blessed are the poor in spirit. He did not say, Blessed is the man of arrogant racial pride; but, Blessed are the meek, the strong men who rule their own spirits (Proverbs 16:32), who give the soft answer that turneth away wrath, who wait God's time, and ride into power by the slow, sure processes of the divine working.

He even said, Blessed are ye . . . when all men shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven. The communists sneer at the Christians because they say our hope of heaven serves as an opiate to make us submissive to oppression. And we do indeed strive to set our affections on things above. But the Soviets are utterly wrong when they say Christianity recommends passivity. Nothing is quite as positive and aggressive as the Sermon on the Mount. It not only commands good will to good men, but it commands good will to bad men. By prayer we are to go up and over the Maginot line of hate and prejudice, and come down in the midst of our enemies on the parachute of love and good will. Mighty dive bombers are to drop upon the enemy not deadly explosives, but gifts of kindness. And we are to be not only charitable with our earthly goods, but charitable in our judgments, broadminded, chemically pure of race prejudice, always seeing the best in everybody.

God sends his angels with endless munitions for the fight. The pre-supposition is that the supplies for this holy war are inexhaustible.

Another revolutionary statement of Jesus which he expresses in many forms, is that no man can do good without being good. Works of charity, he says, accomplish nothing when they are performed by hypocrites, for that is like distributing tracts on the prevention of smallpox when we have the disease ourselves, and are imparting it to all with whom we come in contact. There must be at the heart of every act and word fiery, burning charity.

This, then, is the strategy of the kingdom. Here we have our Lord's plan of campaign. Forward, march! says he. It will lead me to the cross, and you to suffering and persecution, but the victory is as sure as the eternal hills.

FAITH

In this world aflame with hatred and bloodshed perhaps the greatest need of Christians is complete trust and faith in God and his wisdom and mercy; faith that ultimately right will triumph over evil. In his book "The Making of the Spiritual Mind," Robert MacGowan writes: "Faith has a future as well as a past. . . . Faith is not man's work. It is the work of God in human experience. . . . The value of faith is to help mankind, to ennoble, to enrich, beautify and strengthen his life. Faith is energy, the energy of heaven in the soul of man. Faith is the highest attainment of the mind. It is the only sufficient response to the mystery of life and the universe. Into human relationships God must come. Without God man is only an animal without a future, doomed to strife and corruption forever. Faith gives man a future. It is his faculty of perfection."

All the doors that lead inward to the secret place of the Most High are doors outward—out of self, out of smallness, out of wrong.—George McDonald.

God judges not so much the work as the will.—Theodoret.

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GHOST STORIES

By L. M. Thornton

"What can I do for you?"

Howard Crane, director of the Seneca Boy Scout Camp, looked at the two lads in the door of his cabin and smiled. Both were breathing deeply, which told him that they had been running up the path from the camp below, and since it was almost time for evening camp fire, he could guess why.

"We want to know," the older of the boys said, hesitatingly, "we want to know if a story can be a ghost story without a ghost in it."

The man remembered—that night two boys were to tell ghost stories, and these were evidently the two.

"If a ghost story had to have an actual ghost, I think there would be few told," he assured them. "In fact, I'd really hate to have any one tell a ghost story that could not be explained. You see, we have some little boys here who are away from home for the first time, and we want them to sleep well."

After the boys had gone he decided to follow them down—perhaps his assistants had been careless in planning this program—perhaps the ghost story idea would have been better for older boys than for these gallant little fellows, some of them fighting homesickness through the dark nights.

Seneca Camp was especially fortunate in that it had cabins instead of tents for the boys. There were three assistant directors and three aids, and the director, from his cabin at the top of a low bluff above the camp, could look down at all times on every part of the grounds. The most daring lad, able to keep an eye out for an "assistant," always felt that the director might be gazing down upon him, and behaved accordingly.

Ted Bailey was the first story-teller.

"One night several years ago, James Tillingham, instead of getting his cattle into the barn and feeding them, took a boat and went on the lake after fish When he did not come home his family became anxious and searched up and down along the lake. They found his boat overturned but no trace of the young man.

"After that, on nights when the moon shone brightest, you would sometimes see a white shrouded figure driving the cattle up from the lake pasture, but always it left them just at the end of the lane to come on in alone.

"At first the family brought the cattle in early, shut them in the stable, and then, going in, closed and barred the house doors; but later they became so used to seeing the ghost that they paid little attention to it and, as one neighbor declared, 'left the cows for James' ghost to bring up instead of going after them themselves.'"

The younger boys were drawing close together, and when a big stick in the camp fire fell with a crackling, crashing sound, every one jumped; but the director decided to wait until John Benson had told his story before insisting that the ghost be explained.

"My Uncle Thomas moved into a house that had been vacant all the spring," he began. "The man and woman who had owned it had been killed in a motor accident, and finally the trustees of the estate decided to rent it furnished until they could find a buyer.

"The rooms were fine and lovely, and in the center of the house a big chimney led to the furnace in the basement. There were no fireplaces, only hot-air registers set close to the floor.

"As the family sat about the breakfast table the second morning after their arrival, they heard a noise that seemed to come from all around the room. Sweet and low it was, something like the sound of a violin, but when they began searching, it stopped as suddenly as it had begun.

"My aunt was a Southern woman and believed in ghosts, but my uncle and the boys only laughed, even when strange rappings were heard in the walls and the mysterious music could be heard in every room in the house.

"The violin belonging to the former owner of the house was packed away in a box in the attic, and the piano was closed and locked. Moreover, the music sounded rather more like a flute, the family agreed, although they could find no flute on which a ghostly visitor might play.

"At first they smiled bravely at each other whenever an unusual noise was heard, but finally, when the first cooler nights made it necessary to close the doors, they moved into a smaller and much less comfortable house.

"'I don't mind a musical ghost in summer,' my aunt declared, 'but being shut in with one all winter would not be so pleasant.'"

"Good stories, both of them," commented the director, stepping out of the shadow, "but it's time for taps and you boys had better give up the final chapters of your stories."

"Do we have to? And spoil everything?" the younger story-teller asked. The director nodded his head.

"Well, James Tillingham, instead of being drowned, had suddenly decided he was tired of farm work and slipped off to the next town to join a circus that was playing there. When it came cold weather and the show went into winter quarters, he came back home, and with no dead man there could be no ghost, so the family looked closer than they had before and found that the last cow in the line was a very light Jersey and when the moonbeams fell on her she looked white. Of course, at a distance all outlines are blurred, and imagination did the rest."

"Your turn, John," said the director.

"Just a bird that had built a nest in the big chimney. The tapping they heard was her wings against the brick, and sometimes she sang either in the chimney or sitting on top of it, and the sound came out through the hot-air registers into every room in the house."

"Good-night, ghosts," one of the boys called as the fire died down. "See you in the morning."—Zions Herald.

COLLECTIN' STAMPS

By Silas Wetherby

A feller isn't thinkin' mean,
  Collectin' stamps;
His thoughts are mostly good and clean
  Collectin' stamps.
He doesn't knock his fellowmen
Or harbor any grudges then;
A feller's at his best when
  He's collectin' stamps.

The rich are comrades to the poor,
  Collectin' stamps;
All brothers of a common lure,
  Collectin' stamps;
The boy—the joy the reprints bring—
Can chum with millionaire and king;
Vain pride is a forgotten thing
  Collectin' stamps.

A feller isn't plottin' schemes
  Collectin' stamps;
He's only busy with his dreams,
  Collectin' stamps;
His livery is a benzine pan,
His creed to do the best he can,
A feller's always mostly man,
  Collectin' stamps.

—Alabama Christian Advocate.

STATES THAT OWE THEIR NAMES TO THE INDIANS

Oklahoma—The red people.
Connecticut—Long river.
Indiana—Indian land.
Minnesota—Lake of blue water.
Tennessee—River with the great bend.
Ohio—Beautiful river.
Mississippi—Fathers of waters.
Mississippi—Father of waters.
Kansas—Smoky water.
Kentucky—Dark and bloody ground.
Massachusetts—Place of great hills.

—Religious Telescope.

Mother—Johnny, how is it you have lower marks in January than December?

Johnny—Oh, everything is marked down after the holidays."—Exchange.

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March 1-15—First Methodist, Somerset, Ky.
March 16-29—First Methodist, Ashland, Ky.
April 5-19—Hyde Park, Tampa, Fla.

SLATE OF REV. J. W. GROCE

Conference Evangelist, Box 1383, High Point, N. C.

Columbus, Ohio.—February 22 to March 8, 1942.
Mount Pleasant Church, West Forsyth—March 10-22.
Yanceyville, Prospect Church—March 22-April 2.
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Winston-Salem—May 17-31.
Old Fort—June 1-14.
Pilot Mountain—June 29-July 12.

District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Alamance, Sapling Ridge, 10:30 21
Hillsboro, Lebanon, 11 22
Orange, Chestnut Ridge, 3 22
Eno, 7:30 22
West Durham, 7:30 23
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 25

March

Leasburg, Salem, 11 1
Milton, Semora, 7 1
Duke Memorial, 7:30 3
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 7
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 8
Brooksdale, Brookland, 3 8
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 8
Chapel Hill, 7:30 12
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 15
Pittsboro, Chatham, 3 15
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 15
Calvary, 7:30 18
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11 22
Graham, 7:30 22
Carr, 7:30 25
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 29
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 29

April

Davis Street, 7:30 1
Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Caledonia, Johns, 11 22
Red Springs, 4 22
Raeford, 7 22

March

Laurel Hill, Sneeds Grove, 11 1
Pinebluff, Beaver Dam, 3 1
Hay Street, 7 1
Maxton, 11 8
Rowland, Purvis, 3 8
Hamlet, 7 8
Gibson, 11 15
Roberdel, 7 15
Troy, 11 22
Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
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Carthage, Center, 3 19
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Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Beaufort, 11 22
Atlantic, Sea Level, 3 22
Morehead City, First Church, 7:30 22

March

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 1
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 1
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New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 2
Oriental, Arapahoe, 11 8
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 15
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 3 15
Pamlico, Bayboro, 7:30 15
Mt. Olive Ct., Rones, 11 21
Seven Springs, 11 22
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 22
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29

April

Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Grifton, Sharon, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May

La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Clayton, Horne Memorial, 7:30 18
Smithfield, 11 22
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 5:30 22

March

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Raleigh, Person Street, 7:30 1
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 8
Franklinton, 7:30 8
Louisburg, 11 15
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 15
Bailey, Middlesex, 7:30 15
Erwin, Erwin, 11 22
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 22
Raleigh, Jenkins Mem., Pleasant Grove, 11 29
Oxford, 7:30 29

April

Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11 4
Moncure, Buckhorn, 11 5
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8 5
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May

Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Enfield, 11 22
Clark Street, 7:30 22

March

Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
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Bethel, 11 15
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Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April

Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Maysville, Pollocksville, 11 22
Swansboro, Bethlehem, 3 22
Jacksonville, Vanoha, 7:30 22

March

Wilmington, Epworth, 11 1
Fairmont-Kenansville, Wesley's, 3 1
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May

Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

February

Brevard, 11 22
Rosman, Selica, 3 22
Hendersonville, night 22

March

Asbury Memorial, 11 1
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, 3 1
Saluda, night 1
Biltmore, 11 8
Fairview, Tweeds Chapel, 3 8
Tryon, night 8
Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May

Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

Central Avenue, 7:30 18
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 11 22
Polkton, Polkton, 7:30 22

March

Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April

Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Ararat, Maple Grove 22
East Bend, night 22

March
Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1
Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April
Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Vale, Palm Tree, 11 22
South Fork, 3 22
East End, Gastonia, 7:30 22

March
Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April
Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February
Reidsville Ct., 11 21
Centenary, 11 22
Glenwood, 7:30 22
Bessemer, 7:30 25

March
Oak Ridge, 11 1
Stokesdale, 3 1
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 1
College Place, 7:30 4
Pleasant Garden, 11 8
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 8
Proximity, 7:30 11
Spray, 11 15
Stoneville, 3 15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Danbury, 11 22
St. Pauls, 11 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Ward Street, 7:30 19
Highland, 11 22
Randolph-Gray's Chapel-Bethel, 3 22
Denton Central, Canaan, 7:30 23
Welch Memorial, 7:30 25
South Davidson, Alleghany, 2 28
Shiloh, Reeds, 7:30 28

March
Linwood, Linwood, 11 1
Denton First, Denton, 7:30 1
First Church, High Point, 7:30 3
Main Street, 7:30 4
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 5
Why Not, Pisgah, 7:30 6
Randleman Ct., 2 7
Seagrove, Seagrove, 7:30 7
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 8
Randleman-Union-Naomi, 7:30 8
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 9
Lebanon, 7:30 11
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30 15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30 15
Asheboro First, 7:30 18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 3 22
Valdese, Valdese, night 22

March
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 1
Broad River, Tanners Grove, 3 1
Training School, Henrietta, night 1
Avery, Mt. Zion, 11 8
Elk Park, Elk Park, 3 8

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Spruce Pine, 11 15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 15
Marion, First, night 15
Glen Alpine, 11 22
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April
Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
M'Dowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Lenoir, First, 11 22
Whitnell, Mt. Zion, 2:30 22
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, night 22

March
Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April
Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26
District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

February
Morning Star, 11 22
Canton, Central, 7:30 22

March
Armon Plains, 11 1
Pigeon Valley, Longs Chapel, 7:30 1
Bethel, 11 8
Inman, 3 8
Meadow Grove, 7:30 8
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 11 15
Laurel Hill, 3 15
Junaluska, 7:30 15
Franklin, 11 22
Sylva, 7:30 22

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah, 11 22
Rockford Street, 3 22
Mt. Airy Central, 7:30 22
Lexington, First Church, 7:30 25

March
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April
Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3 12
First, West End, 7:30 12
Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29

May
Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

The minister was inquiring of one of his flock why he had not attended church recently. "Well, you see, sir," said the man, "I've been troubled with a bunion on my foot."

"Strange," said the parson, "that a bunion should impede the pilgrim's progress."—ex.

In Memoriam

MANGUM—After an illness of a year and a half Mrs. Wiley P. Mangum, a member of Mt. Tabor church, passed to her heavenly inheritance January 1, 1942, in the 65th year of her age. She had made due preparation for a change of worlds and was ready. She was a most worthy mother of five boys and four girls, upon whom she made a definite impression for good. They are all active members of the Methodist church. She looked well to her household and her many friends found kindness and hospitality dispensed with a lavish hand. Her memory will ever be a blessed one.

O. I. Hinson, Pastor.

TAYLOR — James Leroy Taylor passed quietly away at early dawn January 13. For 60 years he was one of the most faithful members of Oak Grove church, Newport charge. He was 86 years of age and was active until his final sickness. He attended the district lay meeting on Sunday, January 11, and spoke of God's grace and mercy. He leaves a large family of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. All of them are faithful to the splendid example he set before them. The funeral was conducted from Oak Grove church by J. L. Joyce, Mt. Olive, M. O. Stephenson, Morehead City, and John R. Poe, the pastor. We shall miss him greatly and his life is a challenge to live our best.

John R. Poe, Pastor.

MANGUM—Wiley P. Mangum joined his wife in "the land beyond the river" just three weeks after she passed over. They lived a beautiful life together and co-operated most effectively in making an almost ideal home life for their sons and daughters as well as for their many friends who frequented their home. He lived the Bible which he was in the habit of reading, and he knew how to pray. He had a living faith in his Lord and Saviour. He was a most loyal member of Mt. Tabor church, and in him his pastor had a steadfast friend. His 79 years upon the earth were not wasted and he was active till about four months of his death. He sleeps well.

O. I. Hinson, Pastor.

WILLS—Miss Harriett Wills, aged 89 years, daughter of the late Rev. H. Wills, D.D., at one time president of the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, passed to her reward from the residence in Greensboro on January 28, 1942. Miss Wills was born near Brinkleyville in Halifax county, N. C., and continued to live there until 18 years of age, when she moved to Greensboro. She was one of the finest Christian characters this writer has known. She was one of the most loyal members of Bethesda church in Halifax county so long as she lived there. On coming to Greensboro she transferred her membership to Grace church. Wherever she lived her life was a benediction to the community. Funeral services were held at the home and burial was in Greensboro. J. E. Pritchard.

A TRIBUTE

John Wesley Veach was born April 7, 1912, the son of S. J. and Sudie Chambers Veach. At the early age of six he professed faith in Christ and united with Friendship Methodist church. He was a promising young man and, following in the footsteps of his godly parents, took an active interest in the church. In May, 1836, he was elected church school superintendent of Friendship church, and in October of that year he was elected steward. These offices he held with honor and success until his death. In 1939 he was married to Mary Lou Bostic who survives him.

John Wesley had been ill for ten months. In spite of the prayers and efforts of physician, family and friends he grew steadily worse. On the morning of December 29, 1941, he departed this life, dying, as he had lived, in the faith. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor in Friendship church and burial followed in the church cemetery.

In the prime of young manhood his life was cut off but not before he had made his influence felt. As son, as brother, and as husband he made these family ties inexpressibly dear. As neighbor and friend he won the affections of those who knew him. As Christian and leader in the church he held the respct and confidence of the people.

We do not understand the dispensations of divine grace, but trusting that God doeth all things well, we commit the spirit of our beloved friend into the hands of our heavenly Father and believe that the hope now has been fulfilled which he so often expressed by quoting the lines—

"For though from out our bourne of time and place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

(Alfred Tennyson).

His pastor, J. W. Lineberger.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with deep sorrow that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Salem Methodist Church, Farmer, N. C., wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Mattie Kearns, who was called home to heaven September 28, 1941.

Mrs. Kearns lived a noble life, ever alert and willing to be of service where duty called her. Due to ill health she was unable to attend services regularly. She was always interested in the life of her church and community, we shall miss her, and are conscious of a great loss in her going.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well, and thank God for one whose life has been a benediction to us.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, children and relatives, and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy he placed on the minutes of the Society.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father has called our friend, brother fellow steward and charge lay leader, Grant Allen, to his eternal reward.

And whereas, the Gilkey charge will greatly miss his genial personality, his wise and brotherly counsel and invaluable service.

And whereas, his passing is a great and irreparable loss not only to the home and the home church but also to Gilkey charge and Methodism in general. C. F. Cline.



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GRAVE RESPONSIBILITY RESTING ON LOCAL DRAFT BOARDS

Brig.-Gen. Hersey, head of the selective service, if we are are to rely on press reports, has a genuine desire to render secure the labor supply on the farms. The rush to the industrial centers for big pay and the drafting of the farm boys threaten our agricultural life. The food supply of the world is in jeopardy. Farm labor once dissipated cannot be restored in short order. Much care is needed just here.

"One of the hardest men you have to convince that he is a specialist is the farmer," says General Hersey. He insists that the problem of securing essential farm workers is up to the local draft boards. It is their prerogative to defer the farm boys. But for these draft boards composed of local citizens in the strictly rural counties this is a most serious problem unless other provisions are made to enable them to secure the county's quota of draftees. So they take the easy way and send the boys on to camp and leave the farms depleted of labor.

We insist that this is a most serious situation. Since from the farms must come the food supplies of this and other nations. It is suicidal to fill the camps with men from the farms. Some of the rural counties here in North Carolina are in sore straits and the situation is destined to grow worse with each passing month. Men interested in civic defense could render a fine service by bracing up the local draft boards so as to keep labor on the farms—to do all possible to stop the flow to the industrial centers and to the military camps. Why not join with General Hersey to convince the farmers that they are specialists—most essential specialists just now?

WHY NOT AT ONCE?

More than two hundred pastors in our two conferences could join those alert men who have already secured their quota in the Advocate campaign. This could be done next week by a little serious effort. Why not get busy, report for next week's paper and thereby become an inspiration to the whole state?

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REV. D. D. BROOME LEADS THIS WEEK

Rev. D. D. Broome of the Littleton circuit sends in $33 and thereby secures the quota of new subscribers for his charge. This is fine. But better still, he has the prospect of doubling his quota before the year is done.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET

The executive committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina conference will meet March 4 at 10 a. m. at Edenton Street church, Raleigh. All applications for church extension aid and other matters to come before the board should be in the hands of the undersigned secretary by March 2. J. M. Ormond, Chm.
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In addition to the well known definition of a pessimist as the man who in the choice of two evils takes both it will be well to add another definition. A pessimist is one who is constantly building dungeons in the air.

If one would learn wisdom keep an ear open to this Chinese philosopher of the streets of Canton: Two Chinese coolies were arguing heatedly in the midst of a crowd. When an onlooker expressed surprise that no blows were struck, his Chinese friend said, "The man who strikes first admits his ideas have given out."

The complacency of which we hear so much belongs not to the people who send their boys to the camps and to those who pay their billions for taxes and defense bonds. It centers about Washington, if we are to accept the statements of Walter Lippman and others who speak with the authority of full knowledge as they insist that cabinet changes such as came in England are long overdue.

That goats have a habit of feeding upon tin cans, old shoe leather and other non-nutritious articles of diet has long been attributed to this interesting, if unattractive, domestic animal. A daily paper reports quite recently that a goat in Newton, N. C., ate part of an automobile top. Let us hope that they will not acquire an appetite for auto tires during the present rubber stringency.

A shortage of rubber and daylight saving time should combine this spring in the production of gardens and truck patches. The average man with a little spare fertile soil near his home can very well provide for the support of his family and at the same time contribute to his physical and mental health. If one takes avantage of these opportunities he may find that some real good has been mixed with the hell of war. That is, if he really enjoys good fresh vegetables on his dinner table.

It is said that there has been a slowing in the sale of defense bonds. It would undoubtedly quicken the sale for Washington to stop its non-defense and non-essential spending. The people are not all fools all the time, but some heads of the federal government seem not to have made any such discovery.

Just now the freedom of the world is our quest. Freedom of religion and freedom of the press must be retained at all cost. We are all for these until some one's religion is wanting in orthodoxy or some one's utterance in the press crosses our beliefs or does violence to our prejudices—then we would clamp down on him. Then we are not ready to die in order that he may have his say.

To wage war requires lying, false propaganda, hate and death. This is war. Along with this goes the efforts to excite hate for the enemy by recounting the horrible conduct of which he is guilty. In world war No. 1 we had much of this as we were told of the unspeakable atrocities of the Hun—as the German soldiers amused themselves by tossing little children on their bayonets and all such. We have escaped so far this time. Efforts to stir hate by stories of atrocities have failed. Thank God we are not yet savages!

The crack story of the recent press institute was by Josh Horne of Rocky Mount when he told about an army sergeant instructing a dumb draftee. Said the sarg: "Soldier, if an enemy shot off your right ear, what would happen?" The draftee thought deeply, then said, "I couldn't hear." "Remarkable!" sneered the noncom, "but suppose the enemy also shot off your left ear?" The soldier mulled for seconds, then said brightly, "I couldn't see." "You couldn't see?" roared the sergeant. "Will you please tell me why?" "Because," stammered the terrified draftee, "my hat would fall down over my eyes."

War As a Nesting Place for Tomfoolery

WARS are invariably accompanied by many things that are undesirable and not a few that are to be deplored. No war, for example, ever escaped becoming a prolific source of all sorts of tomfoolery. This present world war is no exception. Note the recent bringing of a fan dancer to Washington at a salary of $4,600 to be paid out of the federal treasury, to serve as a protege of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt in civilian defense. What in all the world can surpass such an act of unmitigated foolishness and when could it find a place in the federal government except in war times?

Another aspect of tomfoolery that one hears discussed in many places is that the American people are too complacent in these troubled days of war. These complaints do not come from the young men who are enlisting for military service, or the men and women who are putting their millions in defense bonds. Neither are the men and women who are giving long hard days of service in an honest effort to help win the war uttering such complaints. The cry comes from those idlers who confuse good hard work and willing sacrifice with hullabaloo. They seem to think that the game is won by shouting from the grandstands, when every sensible man and woman knows that the silent players win the game. But this cry that the people are too complacent is but another piece of tomfoolery that wars so often produce.

At this point the New York Times has written wisely in the following:

"There was the old Cockney woman who said it would take more than Hitler to get her away from her beloved Whitechapel. There was the old lady on the other side of town who told the air women she was waiting for a bus and she didn't propose to miss the next one on account of Goering. There was the little boy who brought a note to school asking to be excused for coming late, but they hadn't been able to dig him out any sooner.

"How many of the stories were authentic and how many invented does not matter. The point is that over here we thought they showed a wonderful spirit. Yet people behaving like this over here have been taken to task for complacency. People are being taken to task for being sure we will win the war. Don't mind being called complacent on such grounds. Go on thinking that we are sure to win the war. That is the way Britain managed to get through her darkest hour. Britain got through (1) by feeling sure of victory and (2) by doing all that her leaders called upon her to do."

After Fifty Years

IT has been said over and over again that after fifty are the dangerous years in a man's life. By that time life begins to grow stale and the physical vigor to wane. Then, too, with many the disappointments of life crowd in and the hopes of early years fade. Unless a man is careful to find sure outlooks and to cherish fresh interests his mental vigor will also fail him. Especially true is this of professional men.

That which is true of the individual is also true of the group. Many of our older churches do not begin to keep step with the younger groups. A young church of five hundred members with not half the wealth and resources often does double the work of an old church with a thousand members. The same is true of a young man not yet grown grey in the service. This ought not to be. Youth has a charm but age ought to have wisdom to counter-balance this. Wise are the men who are not unmindful of the perils of mid-life.

"Germany That Once We Knew"

CHARLES GUSTAV GIRELIUS has made a contribution to The Christian Leader which brings before us the Germany that once was and he also expresses the hope of the land that is yet to be. This land of homes and kindly folk, of musicians and scholars will not evermore be an "anarchy of hell" ruled by men unknown in other days, in the great free days of the Fatherland. We would do well in this welter of war to ponder well these words:

Where have you vanished,
Germany that once we knew?
The anarchy of war and hell possess your world,
Ruled by strange, sinister figures whom we do not know,
Destroyers and not creators!
You were a land of homes and kindly folk,
A land of musicians and scholars,
Builders of a great society,
A people whose soul was magnificently reaching for the stars.
But you are lost and we cannot find you,
Yet we believe that you still live,
Humiliated and crushed but not destroyed,
Submerged but destined to rise again in true greatness.
You shall yet reach the stars,
Germany that once we knew!
God grant that we shall not hate you,
While we watch for your return.

"The Father of Our Country"

THE celebration last Sunday, February 22, of the birthday of George Washington was decidedly more than a routine observance of one of the great days of our national history. It was all that, but much more. It served to remind us afresh of those personal qualities that are so essential during the testing times through which we as a nation are now called to pass.

Washington was the first commander-in-chief of our armies. He was the first President of the United States; he was "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." These were the result of his possessing those qualities of leadership that led the struggling colonies to victory. When others were fearful and faint-hearted his courage mounted to meet the demands of the occasion. At Valley Forge "a ragged throng became a mighty host" because of the prayers and heroic leadership of Washington. And on other occasions equally trying when "victory seemed a patriot's foolish boast," George Washington remained true and steadfast through those trying years. Amid the unpleasant things that crowded into the thinking of the American people in recent weeks we do well to learn afresh, or to be reminded, of the lessons that George Washington taught us during those trying years of the American Revolution and thereby become better qualified to serve well as citizens during the days that appear to be just ahead in the war that has been thrust upon us.

Controversial Questions Did Not Perplex Jesus

QUESTIONS that have provided unending discussions on the part of many were no grounds for controversy on the part of Jesus Christ. For example, he assumed the existence of God as if no one had ever thought otherwise. In simple confidence he advised, "When ye pray say, Our Father." Just as a child seated on his earthly father's knee might ask for some fatherly benefaction.

Systems of theologies and of philosophies have hinged upon man's freedom of the will. But Jesus takes the whole for granted and declares with emphasis: "Repent and believe the gospel."

And so it goes in the whole story of his sojourn upon the earth. It was said of this greatest of all teachers, "He went about doing good," but it was not said that he explained hidden mysteries of science, philosophy or theology. The greatest sermon that he left on record was the Sermon on the Mount, but there are no mysteries hidden therein. He taught so that plain and unlettered people and little children could understand what he taught. The only mystery about him was his simplicity and that none of the great controversial questions appeared to interest him.

Assuredly no other teacher in the history of the human race was to be classed with the Man of Gallilee, who was the son of man and the Son of God.

The Gospel Is Good News

THIS hour America needs to get much good news such as is not found in the press. Now and then we see the report of some preacher who is dealing with the war, with much use being made of Pearl Harbor. Every one who "listens in" and reads the secular press is thoroughly fed up on this humiliating incident without it even being mentioned from the pulpit on Sunday morning. In the presence of weary men and women who are anxious for rest and for soul food such is an impertinence.

Most ministers would do well to profit by a recent observation of Dr. William W. Sweet, Methodist historian. Says he:

> During World War number one I sat under a minister whose preaching was almost exclusively confined to war subjects. Consequently as I look back at that experience I can understand why religion languished during those years. Churches were active and congregations large, but it was the war that occupied the central place in the church's activity and in the preacher's ministrations. Religion as such became distinctly a secondary matter.

If preaching is going to be helpful in war time it must be drawn from other sources than the daily press or the radio. To pose as one better informed than the average man is simply for the ordinary preacher to befool himself. Whatever his personal convictions may be most of his congregation wants something else. They certainly are in sore need of a message from God, coming from a man in such close fellowship with Jesus that his soul flames and burns in this hour of opportunity. This is a great time to preach the glorious gospel; yet the most humiliating hour to gossip about a text of scripture—which becomes simply a pretext.

People and Things

Religion is not a vocabulary nor a restraining hand, but a source of power.

First church, Marion, gave $325 for Brevard College on a goal of $60.

Charles and Mary Bowles announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Lynn, February 17.

Pleasant Grove, High Point district, has raised their Brevard College allotment in full in the offering on Sunday, February 15.—C. E. Ridge, Pastor.

Rev. E. L. Kirk of Cliffside-Avondale keeps on with his Advocate campaign. We are not giving out the figures until he calls a halt. His record will be such as to fill many with wonder.

Hon. Josephus Daniels, publisher and editor of the Raleigh News and Observer who retired recently as ambassador to Mexico, was elected a member of the commission on public information of the Methodist Church this week at the group's annual meeting.

Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor of Glenwood church, Greensboro, and his family will within the next few days move into their elegant new parsonage which is conveniently located near the church. The Glenwood charge is now well equipped with church buildings and parsonage.

Outdoor writers of Maryland, the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, New York and Delaware are planning a summer campfire meeting in the mountains of western North Carolina. Formation in North Carolina of a unit of the Jungle Cock, national organization devoted to education for good sportsmanship and wild-life conservation, is expected to take place at that time.

Several members of the 32nd division recall this World War I story about Gen. Douglas MacArthur: Then a colonel and division chief of staff, MacArthur approached Mess Sergeant Ted Vogt about food, and was directed a short distance away where other officers were eating. MacArthur told him: "I'll eat here with the men—I can eat with officers any day."

Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, has sent in a program of its loyalty program for the seven Sundays of the Lenten season culminating on Easter Sunday. In addition to the special services with attractive features for each Sunday morning and evening service from now until Easter, an announcement is made of a week's series of special services, March 15-22, at which Dr. W. A. Smart of Atlanta, Ga., will preach.

Rev. Cecil L. Heckard, my son, who has served the Midland charge since the fall of 1939, has been ordered into active service with the armed forces of U. S. He is in the officers' Reserve corps. He closed up the four months of the year last Sunday with one-third of the entire budget paid. He had a most successful pastorate at Midland. You may stop his Advocate until notified where to send it. He is at Anniston, Ala., Fort McClellan at the present.—M. W. Heckard.

The Sunday School Chronicle of London, England, says that Dr. Unwin Moffat has discovered the long-sought-for papers and journals of his famous grandfather, Robert Moffat, who was a pioneer missionary in Africa and the father-in-law of David Livingstone. The iron-bound chest containing these papers was found at Tarkastad, in the Cape Province of South Africa. These papers will throw much light on many early missionary and governmental questions concerning South Africa.

Ministers' wives' luncheon will be held on Friday, March 13, at the First Baptist church in High Point. This is the spring luncheon meeting for the ministers' wives of the W. N. C. C. Price, 50 cents per plate. All expecting to attend please notify Mrs. C. E. Rozelle, 141 S. Oakland St., High Point.—Mrs. F. O. Dryman, Sec.

North Carolina's heaviest snowfall of this winter—ranging from a covering in coastal counties to 11 inches and better as far west as Boone—swept in from the west February 25, and sent the mercury tumbling into the freezing zone in most sections. Snow began falling in the western part of the state early Tuesday morning and still was falling at night.

Prof. H. E. Myers, who has been doing research work in Boston and Cambridge while on Sabbatical leave from Duke University, Durham, N. C., is resuming his teaching duties in the department of Biblical literature in the Duke divinity school with the opening of the second semester. His wife and daughter were with him during his stay in New England. Professor Myers is a graduate of Boston University with the degrees of bachelor and master of sacred theology, received in 1920 and 1926 respectively.—Zions Herald.

Fourteen conscientious objectors, volunteers for relief work in China, will leave for Rangoon as soon as transportation can be arranged, according to an announcement by the National Service Board for Religious Objectors, Washington. The 14 men, all of whom agreed to serve for at least two years, were selected from volunteers in 25 civilian public service camps. While awaiting completion of transportation arrangements, they will be given an intensive training course. Religious affiliations represented by the volunteers to go to China are Brethren, Mennonite, Quaker, Episcopalian and Methodist.

The Methodist ministers and their wives of Cabarrus county met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Jordan in Concord on Friday night, February 20. The ministers held a short business session, after which several interesting games were played, some of which were suggestive of George Washington's birthday. Delicious refreshments were served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rufty, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shumaker, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cook, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Creech, Mrs. Arthur Kale, Mr. and Mrs. George Curry, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ingram.—Mrs. J. L. Ingram, Sec.

Our observance of World Day of Prayer Sunday afternoon, without program but with soft, worshipful pipe organ music, was largely attended. The interest and expressions of spiritual strengthening were sufficient, and requests for a continuance were such that we plan to observe such a period each Wednesday through the duration. We have nearly a half hundred members in service. Our Youth Fellowship nightly attendance is from 75 to almost a hundred. We are reviving our Halifax zone meeting with Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr., our district director, with us Tuesday, February 24. At the last monthly luncheon the joint ministerial association of Weldon and Roanoke Rapids, we sponsored the free showing of Golgotha, an $800,000 production of the Passion Play, Vitaphone picture, to be shown here in the high school Tuesday, March 3, to the schools morning and afternoon, and for the general public at night. Our women are taking out building and loan stock, looking toward the building of a parsonage when the war clouds are lifted.—Daniel Lane.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

PRESIDENT COLTRANE'S REPORT ON BREVARD COLLEGE DAY

I know that you want a report on the results of Brevard College Day. The attached sheet gives the information up to the present time. You can see that we have heard from only about 20 per cent of the total number of charges in the conference.

District	Amt.	Charges
Asheville	$ 159.57	8
Charlotte	580.96	9
Elkin	40.87	6
Gastonia	1062.74	6
Greensboro	129.92	7
High Point	893.71	16
Marion	451.16	6
Salisbury	292.97	10
Statesville	197.35	9
Waynesville	154.39	9
Winston-Salem	45.00	3
Totals	$4008.64	89

A great many good charges have not yet reported. It is true that we have some good reports. For instance, Main Street church in Gastonia has contributed $1,000 and money is still coming in, in that case. Wesley Memorial in High Point contributed $621 and First church in Marion $325. Credit for the achievements in Main Street church in Gastonia must go to Claude Moser. I would not know how to give the credit in the other two cases, but it is a fact that Brother C. S. Kirkpatrick in the Marion district has done a magnificent job, as I knew he would do. That district will go over the top, and Brother Bond says that the Charlotte district will be up to the top. Some of the city churches are not going to take their offering until some other obligations are out of the way. I rather think that some of them will be delayed as late as April 10. I am going to make a personal effort in Centenary church in Winston-Salem about the middle of March.

You can see that we will get $10,000 unless something very disastrous is reported from those charges not yet heard from. On the basis of reports at the present time we ought to get $15,000, but I am not willing to make a prediction. I think that we are safe in predicting that we will get $10,000. E. J. Coltrane.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

Greensboro College's Religious Emphasis Week, with Rev. Walter J. Towner as speaker at regular services each night on the general theme, "Reaching Toward the Highest," closed Sunday night, February 15 with a candle light communion service in Odell auditorium.

Mr. Beverly Moore, county head of the civilian defense, spoke to G. C. students and faculty Tuesday morning at their regular chapel hour, explaining the college student's part in civilian defense.

The Greensboro College school of music presented Miss Marguerite Thomason, Lexington, senior B. M. in music education, in her senior organ recital Wednesday night, February 25, at 8 o'clock in Odell auditorium. Miss Thompson's program included selections from Bach, Widor, Joseph Callaerts, and Cesar Frank.

"Rip Van Winkle," Washington Irving's famous tale of the bearded gentleman of the Hudson valley hills who slept for 20 years, will be presented by the G. C. Players Friday afternoon, February 27, at the Children's Theatre in Winston-Salem, and Saturday afternoon in Odell auditorium, Greensboro College. Miss Katherine Hill, New Bern, will play the leading role in both performances, with Miss Mary Elizabeth Kearney, Franklinton, as Dame Van Winkle in the Greensboro presentation, and Miss Ceil Harvin, Manning, S. C., in the same role in Winston-Salem. Miss Charlotte Searles, acting head of the department of speech and dramatic art, assisted by Rush T. Wray, assistant instructor, will direct the production.

Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the student council room of Main building the executive committee of the general alumnae association will hold its spring meeting with Mrs. H. T. Prosser, general president, presiding. Following luncheon in the college dining room, the alumnae attending will be guests of the college at the G. C. Players matinee performance of "Rip Van Van Winkle."

"The Gondoliers," Gilbert and Sullivan's popular light opera, will be presented Friday night, March 6, at 8:15 in Odell auditorium. Mr. Walter Vassar, voice instructor of the G. C. school of music, is directing the production and taking a principal part. Miss Alia Ross, instructor in the department, will direct the orchestra for the performance. Singing principal roles in the opera will be Misses Hilda Somers, Burlington, as Gianetta; Helen Ownbey, Greensboro, as Tessa; Elizabeth Dickman, Florence, S. C., as Casilda; and Margaret Foard, Lenoir, as the Duchess of Plazo-Toro. Male, all of Greensboro, leads will include Mr. Vassar as Guiseppe; Erlu Neese, as Marco; John Medearis, as Don Alhambra; Bill McIver, as the Duke of Plaza-Toro; and Moir Ayers, as Luiz.

MR. AND MRS. N. F. BLACKWELDER CELEBRATED GOLDEN WEDDING FEB. 18

Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Blackwelder of Bethany township, Iredell county, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary February 18. In the observance of the happy occasion Mr. and Mrs. Blackwelder were hosts at a picnic dinner for immediate members of their family and in the afternoon from 3 until 6 o'clock kept open house so that their many friends had an opportunity to call.

They were married February 18, 1892—50 years ago. Mrs. Blackwelder was the third daughter of the late Wiley M. Harmon and Sara Weisner Harmon. Mr. Blackwelder is the oldest son of the late William M. Blackwelder and Mary Rumple Blackwelder. Mr. and Mrs. Blackwelder have eight children as follows: William P. Blackwelder and Mrs. T. E. Frye of Statesville, Route 4; Clarence Blackwelder and Norris Blackwelder of Statesville; Marvin Blackwelder of Turnersburg; John Blackwelder of Statesville, Route 4; Mrs. Wade Rimmer, Statesville, Route 5; and Mrs. Hoard Holt of Covington, Va.

GEORGE WASHINGTON

A great and simple man—modest, quiet, gentle, wise—in whom partiotism was a passion. Great enough to refuse a crown and live a life of private nobility and public service; picking his way where no path was, amid wild passions and perils; leading his people to victory, peace and ordered honor; leaving his labor as a legacy of inspiration to mankind, and his character as a consecration to his country.—Joseph Fort Newton.

EXCHANGE OF PARSONAGE PROPERTY

The West Market congregation of Greensboro has exchanged their parsonage property at 1000 West Market street for a fine residential property eleven blocks west at 2100 West Market street. The church paid $4,000 in the exchange. It will be a more desirable home for the West Market pastor and all concerned appear to be pleased with the exchange.

J. B. IVEY WRITES AMAZINGLY OF CHURCH ATTENDANCE IN ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

What would you think if you had to go to your Wednesday evening prayer meeting ahead of time in order to get a seat? Believe it or not, that is what we had to do last Wednesday evening when we attended prayer meeting at the First Avenue Methodist church in St. Petersburg. The large auditorium was practically full ten minutes before seven-thirty. Dr. John R. Hortin, the pastor, led the meeting and there were no dull moments. Dr. Hortin first had impromptu prayers and there were ready responses from all over the congregation.

Dr. Hortin next had what he called a scripture reading. He asked them to repeat their favorite scripture verse, and frequently there were four or five standing waiting for their turn to give their verse. About every three minutes the leader would lead a verse of a popular hymn that was apropos to a verse just repeated. In the beginning he stated that he didn't want anybody in their talks to occupy more than three minutes, for, he said, there was some inside mechanism in him that made him break forth into song every three minutes, and he didn't want to embarrass anyone by interrupting their talk by so doing.

During the third part of the service, devoted to testimonies, the leader's admonition was needed for many in their enthusiastic testimonies were tempted to take up their full time, but no one transgressed and had to be interrupted.

During this period of testimony 50 to 75 persons from all over the large audience spoke enthusiastically of their religious experiences, using only a few chosen sentences to do so. It was one of the best prayer meeting services I ever attended.

They believe in going to church in St. Petersburg. Last Sunday morning we (Mrs. Ivey and I) wanted to hear Bishop Leonard preach at this same church. In order to accommodate more worshippers ,two services are held each Sunday morning during the tourist season. One service at 9:15 and another at 10:45. We went early, got in line with a great crowd waiting to enter, when the first great congregation filed out. When we reached the door we with many others were told that every seat was taken, but advised us to go to the open air auditorium in the rear of the church where were loud speakers.

We decided to try Dr. Moore's church, the First Methodist church situated two or three blocks away. When we reached this place we found a rope across the entrance telling us the auditorium was full but seats could be had in the basement where we could hear through the loud speaker. There were several hundred of us thus seated who could not find room in the main auditorium. We were glad to meet Bishop W. N. Ainsworth and wife who drove over from Tampa, where they are spending the winter.

We were glad to see the great drama, "I Made My Son a Criminal," which was presented that Sunday night to a great congregation at the First Methodist church of St. Petersburg. This drama is being presented under the auspices of the General Board of Temperance. It was written by George R. Hammond of Hollywood, who also wrote and presented another temperance drama which has been presented at a great number of churches all over the connection.

The large auditorium seating about 2,000 was filled some time before the hour for the services to commence.

This Sunday we attended services at the White Temple in Miami. Dr. Glenn D. James is the pastor of this large church. Neither in the newspaper notices nor in the bulletin is the hour of service mentioned. They also are accustomed to large crowds, and I suppose they do as George R. Stuart often did at Birmingham. When the church was full he commenced the services whether or not it was the time set.

Anyway, the church was full as far as I could see before 10:45, at which hour the choir made their processional entry and the services commenced. Dr. James preached a very fitting sermon on the subject, "Some Good Signs in Bad Times."

Tomorrow night (Monday, February 16) our own Dr. G. Ray Jordan is to address a large youth conference for this area to be held in the White Temple. Dr. Jordan is making a number of addresses to different youth conferences in Florida. Today he was to be at Orlando.

There has been somewhat a dearth of tourists in Florida this year and there is no trouble in getting a place to stay. I suppose that the war scare on the Atlantic coast has something to do with it, though solicitude for tires is responsible for most of the absence of cars.

This week end, I am told, is the first time there has been anything like a crowd in Miami. J. B. Ivey.

MRS. GEORGE D. HERMAN CLOSED A LONG AND USEFUL LIFE FEBRUARY 4, 1942

On February 4, 1942, Mrs. George D. Herman, the wife of Rev. George D. Herman, ended her career as the wife of an itinerant Methodist preacher. At the time of her death she was at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chess Abernethy at Vidalia, Ga.

Mrs. Herman was the former Miss Alice Deal and was the oldest child and only daughter of the late Pinckney and Sue Sherrill Deal and was born near Lenoir, N. C.

She had been a member of the Methodist church since she was eleven years old, and had been an active church and Sunday school worker for many years until ill health forced her to retire from active service. She had taught Sunday school in many churches, wherever her husband was pastor. And at the time of her death she was a most faithful and loyal member of Oakley Methodist church in the Asheville district.

She was a graduate of Rutherford College and served as a public school teacher before she became the wife of Rev. George D. Herman. She and Mr. Herman were united in marriage on September 25, 1890.

Mrs. Herman is survived by her husband; four children, Mrs. Chess Abernethy of Vidalia, Ga., Ernest K. Herman of Waynesville, Mrs. Nelson Miles of Asheville, and Mrs. T. P. Caraway of Wadesboro; three brothers, A. J. and C. W. Deal of Knoxville, Tenn., and P. G. Deal, Sr., of Charlotte, and several nieces and nephews, and the following grandchildren: Mrs. Guy Barnes of Rocky Mount, Chess Abernethy, Jr., of Atlanta, Ernest Abernethy of Emory University, Herman Abernethy of Wilmington, Del., Miss Margaret Miles of Asheville, Miss Rose Mary Herman of Waynesville, and Misses Hermine, Corneille and Joyce Caraway of Wadesboro, and two great-granddaughters.

The funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon, February 6, at 2:30 in the Oakley Methodist church. Rev. E. O. Peeler, pastor, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent of the Waynesville district, and Rev. Mr. Thomas of Wadesboro were in charge of these services. Burial was in the Green Hills cemetery in Asheville.

DREAMS AND VISIONS ARE SPIRITUAL

I dreamed the other night that I had become a district superintendent. Why should I have had such a dream? The dream came while I was attending the revival in which Rev. Gypsy Simon Smith was the preacher. I did not tell him of my dream, but he preached a sermon one night, using "Dreams and Visions" as a theme. Mr. Smith said: "Some people will laugh and ridicule you when you speak of dreams, but people of old were dreamers. Joseph became a dictator, but one of the best ever known in history." Dreams and visions are scriptural.

Dreaming of becoming a district superintendent. Why such a dream? Is there an interpreter among us? Could my name bear an entrance to the door of the cabinet? such a consideration would bring as much joy as that time when "a station preacher" voted for me to go to "the General Conference." Can you imagine a "country preacher" becoming a district superintendent? I cannot conceive of such a fact. Who offers a solution or an interpretation for my dream?

But I had another dream some time ago. It was during the day and I was in a field at work. We were near the highway and could see people going and coming along the public road. Our pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Clarke, passed the field on their way to the parsonage. That day I had a dream, some day I'll be a preacher and possibly do good. My pastor caused me to have a dream. Not yet interested to its fullest extent. I had a dream of the ministry and of its mission to a discouraged, sinful world. And now another dream—that of becoming district superintendent. Since having the first dream I have traveled over many country roads and several highways. We have had many experiences—"ups and downs"—but still dreaming. Who can interpret my dream of becoming district superintendent? I believe dreams and visions are scriptural.

M. C. Ellerbe.

HAMPTON McRAE JACKSON

Hampton McRae Jackson was born near Dillon, S. C., August 5, 1860, and was the son of James Owen and Margaret Murchison Jackson. He attended Bingham Military School at Mebane, and later he entered Wofford College at Spartanburg, S. C. On November 24, 1886, he married Miss Maggie Aydelotte of Maxton, N. C. To this union were born three children. Two of them survive him, Mrs. S. T. Mitchner of Garner, N. C., and Herbert Kavanaugh Jackson of New Orleans, La. On December 19, 1895, Brother Jackson married Miss Eva Lyon of Edgecombe county. To this union one son was born. He is survived by his second wife, Mrs. Eva Lyon Jackson, and Hampton McRae Jackson of Garner.

For a number of years prior to the time he entered the ministry he was engaged in educational work. While his school work was in every sense a success, he felt called to preach, and the call, as he expressed it, was so strong he could not resist. He joined the North Carolina conference at Fayetteville in 1887. In 1889 he was elected to the office of deacon and ordained. He was elected to the office of elder and ordained in Greenville, November, 1891.

Brother Jackson served as an itinerant preacher 40 years and served the following charges: Cumberland circuit, Goldston circuit, Scotland Neck circuit, Elm City, Kenly, Goldsboro circuit, Gates station, Pantego and Belhaven, Currituck circuit, Plymouth, Magnolia, Youngsville, Epworth in Raleigh, The Straits, Fairfield in Hyde county, and Robersonville circuit. Brother Jackson retired from active service in the year 1929. He made his home in Garner until the time of his death, January 26, 1942. His funeral services were conducted from the Garner Methodist church. His remains were laid to rest in beautiful Oakwood cemetery in Raleigh. A large number of sorrowing friends from Garner and other points were at the funeral to pay their last tribute of respect and love to their friend. Revs. T. B. Hough of Mebane, R. Stancil, pastor of the Garner Baptist church, and D. D. Traynham, pastor of the Garner Methodist church, conducted the funeral.

Brother Jackson was known by everybody old and young in Garner. He was devoted to his church and community, he was a silent influence for good and he had the respect and friendship of the whole community.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

The third formal dinner of the college year was held in the dining room of the college Friday evening, February 20. Dr. Walter Patten presided and acted as toastmaster. The dinner was a joint celebration of the birthday of George Washington and those students who were born in the month of February. Dr. Patten made a short talk on the significance of the life and work of George Washington to the American Republic in the end of the eighteenth century and today.

A male quartette, the "Corny Corners Quartette," sang three numbers, Old Black Joe, You Are My Sunshine, and Good Night, Ladies. The quartette was composed of Hubert Owen, Elizabethtown; J. E. Norris, Jr., Columbia; Billy Andrews, Louisburg; and Ed Smith, Fayetteville.

The new members of Phi Theta Kappa were formally initiated into the fraternity at the meeting of the group held February 19 in the college faculty parlor. Following the initiation ceremony, a banquet was held in the dining room of the home economics department. Decorations were in a partiotic motif in keeping with the birthday of George Washington. Willis Gupton, president of the fraternity, presided. About 30 persons were present.

The World Day of Prayer was celebrated at Louisburg College Friday morning, February 20, when the chapel program was given over to its observance. A group of students portrayed the historical side of the celebration and gave something of the significance of the occasion for Christians everywhere. The students participating were: Frances Terrell, Beuna Vista, Va.; Norwood Jones, Clayton; Forrest Elliott, Nichols, S. C.; Horton Corwin, Ahoskie; Juanita Cannon, Bolivia; and Nancy Rosser, Whitakers.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE ORPHANAGE STUDENTS

Below are several students from North Carolina orphanages on the High Point campus. This is just a part of that group. Various orphanages are represented, but Methodists predominate in the number of students.



Group of Orphanage Students at High Point College

Free tuition is given all children from orphanages. The boys from the North Carolina Methodist orphanages are allowed to work for their room and board during the school year and in the summer at the dairy and on the farm.

These students are among the best enrolled here as to scholarship and extra-curricular activities. Some of them have very high academic ratings. They are represented in dramatics, literary societies, social clubs, and have varsity positions in football, basketball, and soccer. They claim one of the beauty queens as well.

They are not looked upon or treated as an underprivileged group, but are taken for their individual worth. In every sense they measure up to the high standards of the best group on the campus.

TWENTY-SEVEN EVENTFUL YEARS

Twenty-seven years ago today I joined the Methodist church under the ministry of T. W. Lee. That was during World War No. 1. I walked 14 miles to find the Methodist church and kept up my attendance until I went away to college in the same manner. That unforgettable day I bought a Methodist Discipline and subscribed to the Advocate. I think the Advocate this year is superior to any previous year I have been reading it. In those good old days I walked eight miles to school each day. Today in World War No. 2 already the plaintive excuse is coming in volume about walking to church or to school. It might do youth good to have a bit of time to think, ripen and toughen up a bit. Sam Maxwell.

Light for This Darkness

By REV. ERNEST C. DURHAM

Text: "The people which sat in the dakness saw great light" (Matthew 4:16).

During the perfect test blackout a few nights ago—perfect from the standpoint of what men can do with their little lights in homes and factories and streets—I sat near a window in a darkened room and looked out over the homes and streets; and, seeing no sign of light in any building or on any street, except the flood of moonlight over everything, I lookeup into the face of the full moon with gratitude for the fact that there is a light which men cannot extinguish. All was quiet about me, and everywhere. It was a good time to sit in meditation on things beautiful and eternal.

In the first moments of that experience, there was a strange feeling that came over me—as doubtless it came over everyone else; a feeling almost like fear. It was our first blackout in the new world war—the first, in fact, of all our lives to date. Perhaps all were thinking of what real danger some other blackout might bring, as war progresses, with enemies at work over our heads; and how dark everything might be, and what loneliness human beings might experience, without their lights.

But after those first strange moments there was the great consoling thought: How eternal is the light above us! How beautiful the light that no man can put out! We thought of how feeble after all are the efforts of men, over against the eternal things. And I looked out into the future, in imagination, and saw the days of peace again; and this thought was comforting: When all the blackouts are over, and all the destruction is wrought that is possible for all the warriors of the world to bring about, there will be this same moon still shining, and there will be the stars, and the sun—and God.

It was a wonderful experience for those who first looked on Christ in that day of darkness, when he came to show a sinful world what divine light is and what the Father of all mankind is like. Indeed it was true that as they looked on him, even in his infancy, they saw "great lights."

For he was to be, as later he would declare, "the Light of the world."

Up to him mankind can look, out of this darkest of all experiences, and thank God that this is the light and the power that no world force can obliterate.

A great Christian historian, Kenneth Scott Latourette, has recently written a book in which he gives "in brief, compact form an inspiring panorama of the spread of the influence of Christ through nineteen centuries and into all the nooks and corners of the earth." It is most significant right now that he gives to this book the name, "The Unquenchable Light."

All down through these nineteen centuries, hundreds of other great Christians have also written of him as "the Light of the world." And this has been the theme of all Christian ministers throughout the whole Christian era and over the whole Christian world.

Noted painters have thus pictured him. Raphael, one of the most noted of them all, in his immortal picture of the visit of the shepherds to Mary, the mother of Jesus, "represents all the light in the painting as coming from the brow of the infant Messiah." And as Christ is the source of all the light in the picture, he is the source of the world's spiritual light. He is, indeed, the remedy for the world's woe, he is the world's salvation from sin, and he is the eternal light for the world's darkness.

All the atheists have not been able to darken in the least the light that is in Christ. All their efforts to blot it out have only served to add to its brillance, and to cause these enemies of the light to be immortal from the bad standpoint of shame and utter untruthfulness. They stand out like giants of blackness against the unquenchable brilliance of the divine.

And yet, despite the fact that the declaration has been made over and over that Christ is the light of the world, he is, to a certain extent, that light on condition that human beings let his light shine through them and his church; for he said, in his own words, to all who would hear him and follow him: "You are the light of the world."

There was never a greater need than now for humanity to let the Christian light shine through them to the vast multitudes who sit in darkness. What darkness this is today! How men need to turn on the lights for God!

Intelligent men usually respond readily to a sensible call. When the signal was given the other night for turning off the lights in our town, out they went everywhere—immediately. This immediate and complete response is worthy of man's praise; and since then praise has been given frequently and generously by men in positions of authority.

A still more urgent and sensible call, however, is being made to all thinking men now: "Turn on all the spiritual light possible for this day of man's darkness." Why should we not be just as prompt and obedient to turn on the spiritual lights as we were a few nights ago to turn off these physical lights?

Good people are responding in a fine way. There are many parents who are turning on these lights in their homes, as they sit in the presence of their children and youth who face what seems to be a dark future. They are pledging their lives anew to God and right, and to the work of living courageously and cheerfully in the midst of those tender ones who need such helpful influence and example. And many are doing what all of us, all the time, should be doing: they are turning to the church, saying by that, "I believe in this which Jesus Christ promised should survive all tests and all darkness; and as I go I shall be helping to turn on more light to shine on the pathway of my fellowmen, who are plodding along in the darkness and trying desperately to find a way through."

If men fail themselves, their children, their friends, and their church now—well, surely they have trifled with their consciences so long that Christ, the Light of the world, has no further chance in their lives.

If any person has been on the wrong side of things, and knows it, and is willing to admit it, let him remember this modern well phrased beatitude: "Blessed is the

man who is brave enough to take the blame when he is wrong.''

Dr. Henry Hitt Crane spoke pointedly in a recent message when he said: ''In war or in peace, the church must be true to her Master!'' Changing it around a bit, let us say: Especially now, in the time of world war and all its darkness, all Christians should be true enough to the church to help emphasize to the world in a big way that through the church the light of Christ must and shall shine upon the darkened pathway of truth-seeking humanity.

''WITHOUT HATRED''

Now is the time to determine that this war must be won without hatred. The character of the peace will be determined by the manner in which we fight through to victory. From the very first shot unto the end, the conduct of the war will influence the pattern of the peace. The means by which we win the war will shape its end in peace. If we would have a righteous peace—and that is the only kind which will make this war worth its cost —we must fight a war in which we shall never lose sight of righteousness. If we would have magnanimity prevail in the peace conference, we must retain it during the war. Will that make us any the poorer fighters? Hardly. ''Thrice is he armed that hath his quarrel just.'' ''His strength was as the strength of ten because his heart was pure.'' What we may lose by a lack of passionate vindictiveness we will more than gain by the calm determination to set up a world in peace where the likelihood of war will be much reduced. We must wage war without hatred in order to have a peace without hatred. And there will be not real peace if it is colored by hatred.—Birmingham News. Birmingham, Ala.

TESTING THE SERMON

A clerical friend of mine once told me of the most disconcerting experience he ever had in the exercise of his functions. An elderly lady of determined aspect took a seat in a front pew of his church. When my friend began his sermon, she opened a little wooden box and extracted an elaborate hearing device, which she arranged, screwed together, and adjusted to her ear. After two or three minutes, she removed the receiver, unscrewed the mechanism, and packed its component parts snugly away in the box. And the preacher had to preach on.—Charles Hall Grandgent, Prunes and Prism (Harvard University Press).

CHINA'S FIRST LADY CONVEYS TO FELLOW-METHODISTS HER STRICKEN PEOPLE'S GRATITUDE

By Ralph Stoody

All Methodists who made gifts on the Day of Compassion last March or who, either before or since, have given to Methodist Overseas Relief have every right to feel that they are definitely included in the citations of honor pictured in facsimile herewith. In these two certificates China conveys its gratitude to Methodism for gifts totaling $180,000, which is the amount that has been allocated from the funds of the committee for Overseas Relief and aid to China.

In the ''Award of Recognition'' on the right, engraved over her own signature, is the personal message of Madame Chiang Kai-shek to her fellow Methodists, ''for whose humanitarian effort on behalf of the people of China'' she expresses ''deep appreciation.'' The original



colorful parchment in the custody of Bishop Herbert Welch is adorned with a border of characteristic Oriental designs of the bamboo and plum, symbolic of sturdy character and everlasting friendship which survive all trials and hardships. Just above her name in solid red ink is the imprint of Madame Chiang's carved ivory seal. Above is the picture of a **par-lou** or memorial arch of the kind built in dedication to some beloved ancestor or a benevolent magistrate. The Chinese characters on the front panel of the arch mean, ''He is public-spirited and loves justice.''

The testimonial to the left indicates that Methodism has been accorded the highest recognition awarded, the ''Fellowship of the Lotus,'' which may be conferred upon but twenty members of the Relief Legion, of United China Relief. The small lapel bar reproduced across the top is in five colors in the corner of which is the traditional twelve-pointed China sun, jeweled with white jade. There are three lesser ranks of this award: the Fellowship of the White Orchid, of the Wisteria and of the Plum Blossom. Seven great humanitarian organizations are banded together in United China Relief to administer aid to the four hundred and fifty million sufferers in that country.

Eleven Protestant denominations have been accorded one or another of these distinctions, Methodism's contribution, however, ranks first, being more than double that of the next on the list of donors.

The Methodist committee for Overseas Relief is continuing to send gifts for China Relief to Chungking, from which center aid can be given to refugees in fourteen provinces of Free China.

BISHOP BAKER HEADS INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Bishop James C. Baker, episcopal leader of the Methodist Church in the Los Angeles area, has been designated as chairman of the International Missionary Concil—an organization representing national missionary organizations in 31 countries of the world—in succession to Dr. John R. Mott. Dr. Mott, one of the outstanding laymen of American Protestantism, has been named honorary chairman.



Bishop James C. Baker

When he was elected to the chairmanship at Madras, India, three years ago, he announced that he would not serve the full period of ten years because of his advancing years. Dr. Mott was one of the founders of the International Missionary Council in 1910. Acting on the vote of the Council, Dr. Mott has designated Bishop Baker, one of the vice chairmen, to act as chairman until the next decennial meeting of the body, which will probably not be until 1948.

Bishop Baker has been identified with missionary service for many years. Upon his election as a bishop he was assigned to oversight of Methodist mission work in Japan and Korea, and since then has traveled extensively throughout Asia, the Philippines, Malaya, Netherlands Indies, Thailand, and Hawaii. Last year he was on a commission that visited Japan and Korea, studying missionary conditions as affected by the impending war. He is a native of Sheldon, Ill., and a graduate of Illinois Wesleyan and Boston universities. He organized the first Wesley Foundation of his church at University of Illinois.

THREE OF SIX "MOST EFFECTIVE" PREACHERS ARE METHODISTS

A cross section poll to discover the six "most effective" preachers in the United States conducted recently by The Christian Century, undenominational weekly, produced results gratifying to Methodist pride.

Since there are about one-sixth as many Methodists as there are Protestants, the mathematical probabilities would lead to the expectation that at least one of the chosen six might be a Methodist. The tabulation, however, reveals that three of the six are Methodist pastors. They are, alphabetically, Rev. Albert Edward Day, minister of First church, Pasadena, California; Rev. Ralph Washington Sockman, minister of Christ church, New York City; and Rev. Ernest Fremont Tittle, minister of First church, Evanston, Illinois. With a representative from the coasts of the Pacific, the Atlantic, and Lake Michigan, there certainly was no evidence of sectionalism in the choice. All three of these distinguished pulpit voices have been heard in the Lyman Beecher lectureship at Yale.

The other three preachers selected were Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick (Baptist), Rev. George A. Buttrick (Presbyterian), and Rev. Paul E. Scherer (Lutheran). These three all serve New York City churches.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Just recently High Point College opened its new Student Center, a recreation building situated on the campus behind Roberts Hall. The building includes a store, offices, and a large reception room to be called Alumni Hall. When the center is entirely furnished it will have cost approximately $12,500.

The college choir sponsored a concert by the Seminary Singers of the Boston University School of Theology which was so well received that the sooner they make their next trip south the better. The singers were entertained after the program in such a manner that their feelings about the trip seemed mutual.

High Point last Saturday observed home coming day and gave their graduates a treat when the basketball team highlighted the score board with a 59-35 defeat over Elon. After the most heated contest of the season, the student government sponsored a victory dance and the alumni association observed open house in the Student Center.

The literary societies on the campus observed society day last Saturday in conjunction with home coming. All former members of societies were entertained at a tea from four to five-thirty o'clock. Earlier in the afternoon the societies had staged a basketball game for their alumni. About one hundred former students were registered.

Kenneth Crouse, sophomore, was elected a vice president, representing this district, of the State Methodist Student Conference which met recently at Chapel Hill. Three students, Frank Harris, James Auman and Crouse attended the meeting from High Point. "The Student in Christian World Construction" was discussed at the conference, which brought out powerful ideas for a new world order.

NEW ORGAN DEDICATED AT FRONT STREET CHURCH

On Sunday evening, February 15, the pastor of Front Street Methodist church, Burlington, dedicated the new organ in a very impressive ceremony, using the beautiful ritual as prepared in the Discipline. Featured in this most unusual and inspirational service were special musical selections by the choir and organ. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, delivered the dedicatory sermon following the formal dedication by the pastor, Rev. F. S. Love.

The new organ was built by H. P. Moller, Inc., of Hagerstown, Md. The action of the instrument is Moller's improved electro-pneumatic throughout. It is noted for its simplicity and at the same time for its ruggedness of construction, easy playing, prompt response of pipe to touch of keys, and contains refinements in mechanism which are exclusive with the organ builder. The electrical contacts are sterling silver and the new type of electric magnet developed in the Moller plant has been used. Every pipe in the organ has been specially designed and constructed under the supervision of an artist of international reputation, and the pipes are so regulated that when playing full organ the result is one volume of pure organ tone, no single stop predominating. The connection between the organ and the console is electrically controlled.

The installation of this fine musical instrument is a great contribution to the work of Front Street Methodist church as the good people there continue in their service for the extension of the kingdom.

THE MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY OFFERED YOUTH

By Kempton Jones, President National Methodist Youth Fellowship

"The Methodist Youth Fellowship is desirous of doing for the entire country what local church, district, or conference organizations do for the people included in their areas of work," Jones said. "The young people of the Methodist Church are anxious to work in every Christian field, and we have tried to enter each with the same spirit. You can be assured of the fact that we will not fail in our mission work. With your help there is much we can do. Please go back to your home churches and encourage our young people to co-operate in every way with your program.

"In the college field we have pointed out to Methodist student groups the missionary opportunties offered to them in the 8,500 students from abroad who are on our campuses and need an introduction to our Christian program."

Answering the criticism that the youth of the church were being used as puppets to carry out the ideas of older people, the speaker referred to the fact that the first Methodists were a group of college men in England. "The Christmas Conference in 1784, at which our organized church was planned and voted into being, was made up of young men, a majority of whom were still in their twenties." Citing Bishop Joshua Soule as an instance of a young man taking prominent part in the program of his church, Jones continued: "At the age of 27 Bishop Soule presented to the General Conference of 1808 the basic plan of legislation which still stands as the foundation upon which all general conferences are planned. He stood for eleven days on the floor of that general conference and defended his plan before Methodism's strongest and most learned leaders.

"We must dig deeply into each of our hearts and see that a cornerstone of Christianity is mission work, that it is our responsibility to God to do this work above all. That it should not be separate and apart from us, but that it should be a burning torch in each of our souls. Unselfishness and desire for most.

"Who are our dreamers, whose hearts burn brightest with the enthusiasm of our work, whose minds question our every move most critically to see that it is based on the common good, whose wills are strong enough to search out the truth and then defend it, whose bodies are strong enough to bear the burden of the journey? Look around you and you will see that youth is the answer.

"With these qualifications, I should like to urge each young person in our church to join in our work in the mission field and pray over it, work in it, and thank God for the opportunity of service that it gives us.

"I pray that the youthful, pioneering spirit of Joshua Soule is here with us this evening and that we can catch something of his drive and determination to do something not only for our church but for our God."

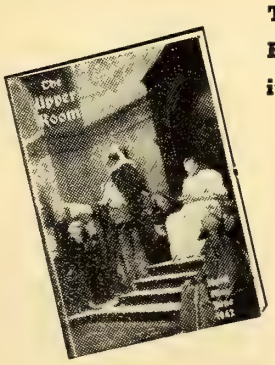


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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. P. N. Peacock, our conference treasurer, sends us the following announcement of interest to local treasurers:

"A record and report book for local treasurers is now being printed and may be ordered from Mrs. George W. Keen, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, for 35 cents. Send cash with order."

A REGRETTED OMISSION

In the issue of February 5 a statement from Mrs. A. L. Thmopson, conference corresponding secretary, was given in the report of the executive meeting at Sunny Acres in which she gave the names of seven districts which are 100 per cent in having a society of every pastoral charge, and much to our regret the Salisbury district was omitted. This district is one of the outstanding of our many splendid districts, and we are anxious to give to it the credit which it deserves for its splendid achievements during the years. So the 100 per cent districts in the number of pastoral charges with a Woman's Society of Christian Service now reads: Charlotte, Gastonia, Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury, Statesville and Waynesville—seven in all. Our heartiest congratulations are extended to each of these districts.—(Editor).

1942 ANNUAL MEETING

As has been stated before on our woman's page, the date of our second annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of our W. N. C. conference will be held in Wesley Memorial church, High Point, March 11-13, and remembering former annual meetings held in that hospitable city, we are looking forward to a great meeting, one that will be inspiring, helpful and informational. Blanks have been sent to the district secretaries and distributed by them to every Woman's Society of Christian Service in the conference, with the request that the names of the delegates be sent AT ONCE to Mrs. H. A. Millis, North Main Street, High Point, chairman of entertainment committee, so that entertainment may be arranged for the delegates while in the city. These delegates should have been elected at the February meeting and names sent in by this time, and if there is a society in the conference that has not attended to these matters, PLEASE DO SO AT ONCE. May we also remind our delegates that each one is expected, when she registers in High Point, to pay a dollar to be used in defraying the expenses of the lunches on Thursday and Friday of the meeting. Let us co-operate with our conference hostesses and have no delay in sending in the names, which will be of valuable aid in planning for the meeting. We are specially fortunate in having with us at the meeting, as special speakers, Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, secretary of work in foreign fields, and Miss Daisy Davies, secretary spiritual life groups. Let us remember to pray daily to the success of this meeting of Christian workers.

AN INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. T. A. Tilden, 607 Montlieu Ave., High Point, president of the High Point chapter of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association, announces that the Greensboro College Alumnae Dinner, for all alumnae and former students of Greensboro and Davenport Colleges, who will attend the annual meeting, will be held at 6 p. m. Wednesday, March 11, in the Baptist church of High Point, which is very near to Wesley Memorial, where the conference will be held. The tickets will be 75 cents. If you can attend please send your reservation to Mrs. T. A. Tilden, 607 Montlieu Ave., High Point, N. C.

ZONE MEETING, STATESVILLE DISTRICT

The Caldwell zone of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Statesville district held its semi-annual meeting at the Whitnel Methodist church, February 11, with Mrs. H. W. Courtney, zone chairman, presiding. An inspirational devotional by Mrs. George Greer of Lenoir opened the meeting and was followed by a solo by Mrs. Wake Myers of Lenoir. Mrs. Prestwood of the Whitnel society welcomed the visitors and response was given by Mrs. Courtney. Previous to the meeting blanks for the reports were mailed to each society, so reports were given briefly but most efficiently. Seven of the district officers were present at the meeting and each made a short talk about her department of work. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by the pastor of the church. After the meeting tea and valentine cookies were served by the ladies of Whitnel church.

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN MISSION MEETS IN ASHEVILLE

A meeting of rare interest, inspiring and uplifting was the National Christian Mission which met in Asheville February 15-20, sponsored by the Ministerial Association of Asheville and Buncombe county, and the department of evangelism, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. Objectives of the meeting were: "To reach lapsed church members and re-enlist them in the work of Christ; to reach the unreached in the community for Christ and the church; to bridge chasms between the church and certain groups within the community, in order that there may be a two-way spiritual traffic and fellowship carried on across the bridge; to undergird our nation with spiritual forces in this time of tragic crisis."

From the Central church bulletin of Sunday, February 22 we quote the following relative to this great meeting:

"Because of our National Christian Mission, February 15-20, the following persons, who spoke so gloriously well, will be affectionately remembered by our people from now on: Dr. Daniel . Poling, Bishop Clare Purcell, Dr. Walter Lee Lingle, Dr. George D. Heaton, Miss Gargaret Tyson Applegarth, Mr. Brooks Hayes, Dr. Joseph R. Sevier, and Dr. Hunter Blakely, Jr.

While former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, scheduled to open the mission on last Sunday night, could not be with us, due to the death two days before of Mrs. Hoey in Shelby, his name will always be linked in our minds with this particular period of special emphasis upon religion. May Governor Hoey and his family continue to receive comforting and strengthening grace from our heavenly Father above!

The fact that such a denomination-wide mission has been held in Asheville is convincing proof and delightful assurance of the religious tolerance and brotherhood of our community.

As a major result of our city-wide mission, surely our people can say with sincerity that they are now better able than before to meet the duties, self-denials, and sacrifices which are re-required, and will probably be increasingly required, of all our people. Sane patriotism, strong will-power, and a fresh experience of religion are now necessary, before any person can feel relatively adequate to meet the demands of the present hour. If the various services of our recent mission have helped our people toward this inner feeling of inadequacy, how fortunate for all of us that it came just now!

Dr. John W. Inez says that, as a result of the recent mission, the Baptists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, Congregationalists, Methodists, and all the rest, love one another a little better than they have ever done before.

Is it not true, also, that Jews, Catholics, and Protestants are a little closer together just now, due to the war emergency and the mission, than they have ever been before?

It is the pastor's hope that the members of Central church now love one another, becouse of the mission, with a little more interest, sympathetic understanding, and affection than in former days. So mote it be! Amen."

COMMUNION PRAYER

Father, help us to so live tomorrow that we and others may be conscious where we have lingered today. If tomorrow our plans are broken, may we be patient, and, thinking of that Broken Life, may we offer the parts of our broken plans as a secrament, a sacred thing, to thee. Holy Spirit, take of the things of Christ, and show them to us, and show them through us that the world may know thee. Amen.—Selected.

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WHAT IS CHRISTIANITY?

In the home, it is kindness; in business, it is honesty; in society, it is courtesy; in work, it is fairness; toward the unfortunate, it is pity; toward the weak, it is help; toward the wicked, it is resistence; toward the strong, it is trust; toward the penitent, it is forgiveness; toward the fortunate, it is congratulations; and toward God, it is reverence and love.

NEW SOCIETIES 1941

In the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service there is perhaps no more thrilling or heartening sign of growth than that of the organization of new societies, thus gaining new recruits for the work of the kingdom. Reports of the district secretaries reveal that in Elizabeth City district new societies were organized last year at Cashie, Pleasant Grove, McBrides, Watson's Chapel, Amity, Holly Grove, and Savage. Cedar Grove was reorganized. In Fayetteville district Hebron and Pee Dee societies were organized. New Bern district gained Roe, Sea Level, Williston, Campbell's Creek, Winterville, Grifton, Sharon, Brownings, Bayboro, Woodington, Woodland, Bridgeton and Harker's Island. Holly Springs in Raleigh district was organized. In Rocky Mount district Sandy Cross, Evansdale and Tabor came into the fold. Antioch, Scott's Hill, Salem and Jordan's Chapel were organized in Wilmington district

HONORARY ADULT LIFE MEMBERS

Each gift of an honorary adult, junior and baby life membership serves to pay tribute to the recipient and to further the cause of missions. In the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. honorary adult life memberships were given last year in every district to the following: Durham district, Mrs. Roger A. Wilkerson, Roxboro; Mrs. Nora Lambeth Park, Durham; Mrs. Carrie Slaughter Crutchfield, Burlington; Mrs. E. C. Stone, Durham; Mrs. Pattie Spurgeon Warren, Chapel Hill. Elizabeth City district, Mrs. Samuel C. Pegram, Washington; Mrs. Minnie M. Gurganus, Washington. Fayetteville district, Mrs. Cora Mabry Sneed, Raeford; Mrs. Eddie Lenora Morris, Raeford; Mrs. W. B. Harrill, Mrs. Charles H. Watson, Mrs. Raymond Capps, Mrs. L. G. McDuffie, Mrs. D. A. Ellette, all of Fayetteville. New Bern district, Mrs. D. A. Yelverton, Stantonsburg; Mrs. Annie Jones, Beaufort; Mrs. T. Frank Jones, Goldsboro; Mrs. Nora Smith Johnson, Goldsboro; Mrs. Mamie Allen, Hookerton; Mrs. J. A. Jones, New Bern; Mrs. Hortense Moye, Greenville; Miss Lil Wilson, Greenville; Mrs. Sam Smith, Goldsboro. Raleigh district, Mrs. Ada Wellons, Raleigh; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. W. T. Carter, Mrs. Mary Fuller Green, all of Henderson. Rocky Mount district, Mrs. W. P. Stephenson, Jackson; Mrs. Hattie Conner, Rich Square; Mrs. Fred Johnson, Milwaukee; Mrs. Mary Barnhill, Enfield; Mrs. W. A. Griffin, Garysburg; Mrs. Bettie Norwood Boyd, Warrenton; Mrs. Hannah Barham Davis, Warrenton; Miss Brownie Coker, Pleasant Hill. Wilmington district, Mrs. R. C. Tucker, Fair Bluff; Mrs. W. L. Rexford, Wilmington; Mrs. Fred Simpson, Roseboro; Mrs. B. F. Joyner, Fairmont; Mrs. J. P. Brown, Fairmont; Mrs. L. O. Ellis, Wilmington; Mrs. Zannie Hatch, Richlands; Mrs. Harvey Boney, Rosehill.

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING

Inspirational addresses, periods of devotional messages, special music, a communion service, reports and recommendations of the conference officers, discussion groups, a pledge service, fellowship luncheons, a dinner at the Methodist Orphanage one evening, are some of the enriching experiences which are being planned for those who shall attend the second annual session of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service at Edenton Street Methodist church on March 10-12.

Speakers will include: Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte; Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem; Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president of Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S.; Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, New York, foreign secretary Board of Missions and Church Extension in charge of work in China, Central and South Africa; Mrs. Paul N. Garber, Durham, who will lead the meditations on Tuesday afternoon and on Wednesday and Thursday mornings; Miss Lucy Steele, professor of Bible, Peace Junior College, who will lead the noon day meditations; Miss Ellen Merritt, former missionary to China. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, will bring a report of the recent jurisdictional meeting in Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh will talk on the work of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, of which she is a member. Conference will convene at 2 p. m. on Tuesday, March 10 and will adjourn with the luncheon on Thursday. All delegates are requested to be in their seats in the church auditorium promptly at 2 o'clock at the opening session.

A FORWARD MOVEMENT

Speaking to approximately 2,000 folk gathered at one of the joint sessions of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. at Nashville, Tenn., last month, Dr. E. Stanley Jones, world-wide Christian, told his hearers that it is his belief that the next forward step will be the union of churches. He challenged that Christians should always do what they CAN'T. Said he: "When times are worst, Christian are better. . . Our religion is social and industrial as well as spiritual. It must be totalitarian and take in man's whole interest or people will not believe in it." Dr. Jones emphasized equality of opportunities for everyone, stating "that does away with racial predominance." Dr. Jones believes that there should not be an imperialism of one church; and that missions in the future must work unitedly and that the missionary movement must be disassociated from force. Dr. Jones said: "The inspiration of the cross has a germ of life in it. Preach this as a realism and not an idealism."

PROGRESSIVE SECRETARIES

A message from Mrs. A. B. Deans, secretary of literature and publications of the W. S. C. S. of First Methodist church, Henderson, states that she and Miss Mary Gholson, her joint secretary, have set as their goal for 1942: "Every officer in the society, each of the ten circle chairmen, every chairman of a standing committee a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. This goal has been reached in the matter of The Methodist Woman subscriptions and the present record for the Henderson society is 60 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and 22 to World Outlook. Mrs. Deans and Miss Gholson are using every opportunity to advance the cause of the kingdom of God in the circulation of the missionary publications. Truly each secretary of literature and publications in the conference shall wish to follow the example of these two enterprising and enthusiastic workers. How any officer in the W. S. C. S. can be indifferent to the value of subscribing to and reading The Methodist Woman and World Outlook is a mystery too deep for your editor to solve, but the fact that they cannot do effective work without doing so is most understandable and evident.

SUPREME FAITH IN GOD

Pastor Ntuli of Chikore, East Africa, is deeply spiritual and has a fine personality. He asked to set aside every Monday night for prayers and a discussion of some of the great Bible themes. On one such night they discussed the gravity of the situation in France and all Europe. Then this African pastor said, "No matter what misfortune comes my way I shall not lose faith in the fatherhood of God." This statement recalled to mind a prayer which he had made on another occasion saying, "O God, help us to love our enemies."—Christian World.

LOOKING TOWARD PEACE

One day a woman who was attending the world missionary conference at Madras, India, was walking down the street and observed two Chinese women in earnest conversation. Thinking that they were discussing the war situation in China, she asked them to tell her of what they were talking. One of the Chinese women replied that they were discussing the time when peace should come and of what they might be able to do to help build a new Christian world order. (A true story told by Miss Ruth Wheaton at the Raleigh district missionary institute on January 20).

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A DECADE OF BALANCE

Reference to our records shows that just about this time ten years ago the Children's Home got out of debt. It has lived on a balanced budget ever since, paying all outstanding bills by the tenth of each month, thus securing any available discounts. Two years prior to the payment of the debt we had outstanding bills amounting to $47,000. During the last decade we have had an annual enrollment of nearly double the number of boys and girls enrolled prior to that time. Our friends have stuck by us in providing the necessary funds and we have tried to use their money wisely and efficiently.

LOOKING AHEAD

Everybody knows that a war is on. Everybody knows taxes have been increased and will be further increased, that priorities and rationing prevail and that great sacrifices must be endured. During such times we must have a lot of faith in God and a lot of faith in one another in order to have sufficient assurance that our boys and girls, already deprived of normal blessings, may not further be deprived of essential and necessary blessings. It is not our policy to get in a hole and then holler for help to be pulled out. Rather, it is our idea to keep from having a hole.

THE HALF-WAY MARK

Our friends have done well by us during the present conference year, the one that started November 1, 1941. Soon after the first of May we expect to prepare an exhibit of what each pastoral charge has paid on the basal ten per cent apportionment, what it has paid on fifth Sundays and what has been sent in as specials. A total of these amounts will be tabulated and figured on the pastor's salary, showing what percentage has been paid by that date. The months of March and April offer a good time for boosting the charges' financial rating and for guaranteeing the sustenance of our large family.

SAVING SLOGANS

Taking a cue from our good friend, Rev. A. S. Barnes, and his Methodist Orphanage boys and girls, our boys and girls entered into a saving slogan campaign. The work on the slogans has reacted in a lot of work on wear and tear. Here are some of the slogans handed in:

Saving is winning—Thomas Horney.

Waste not, want not—Mary Neil Wagner.

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Save your clothes and knock the Japs off their toes—Junior Boyette.

Save the light and win the fight—Herbert Spaul.

Save and be safe—Nelson Parker.

Save and be true to the red, white and blue—Norman Wallace.

FRIENDS OF MANKIND

The going of Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey was a great shock to us. It seemed such a pity that such a fine woman could not have lived at least a while longer to spread sunshine and happiness throughout the land. Both she and her husband, the great Clyde R. Hoey, throughout the years have been friends of many good enterprises, particularly those of caring for orphan children. A letter just received from Governor Hoey, addressed in a most personal way, reads as follows: "I wish to thank you for your gracious message of sympathy and to assure you of our high appreciation. I also acknowledge your several letters advising of the contributions made to the orphanage by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beckham, J. H. Beckham; Mr. J. S. McKnight and Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson, all of Shelby, and Mrs. Minnie Bradshaw Maxwell and other members of her family from Raleigh. We greatly appreciate their thoughtfulness and generosity and I know that Mrs. Hoey would love the idea of making the contributions to the Children's Home in her memory. I wish to continue the support of the boy, Bobby Bacon, which Mrs. Hoey had assumed."

FROM OVER THE LINE

In a warm personal letter Dr. W. D. Roberts, superintendent of Epworth Orphanage at Columbia, South Carolina, owned and operated by the two South Carolina conferences, writes as follows: "We men who are conducting homes for children have as much uncertainty as any other line of work with the grim struggle for life upon us now; our resources all definitely committed to the prosecution of this undertaking, we hardly know where the money is coming from to carry on our most necessary work. But, with faith in God and our Methodist constituency, we will all have to bend every energy to carry on with even more efficiency than in the past. I pray God will give us all physical and spiritual strength equal to the task."

LITTLE AND LARGE

The picture this week is that of our baby cottage family. In addition to the little youngsters there appear the two good women and the six girl helpers who live at this cottage and direct the little youngsters along their growing and developing process. Our big family is composed of little and large youngsters. All they ask for is a fair chance at making good.

THE JOY BELL

Yes, we have some joy bell tidings today. Some of our friends have pulled the joy bell cord and the glad tidings of having paid the Children's Home apportionment in full are wafted throughout the countryside. Join us in grateful thanks to the following joy bell ringers:

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Oak Grove, Mount Airy circuit, Rev. M. W. Heckard.

Cramerton, Rev. L. P. Barnett.

Bethany, Liberty circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill.

Salem, Lowesville circuit, Rev. C. L. Grant.

WEST MARKET WOMEN

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of West Market Street, Greensboro, enrolls as fine a bunch of women as one finds anywhere. For over a decade the women of this organization have sponsored the clothing needs of a youngster at the Children's Home, going along with him until he completed his course here and then taking another. This is a part of their local work, their local budget amounting to some $3,000, this being over and above their liberal giving for which they receive credit in the church missionary organization. A recent letter from Mrs. H. T. Prosser, treasurer of the local budget, says: "I am happy to report that the recommendations of our budget committee were unanimously adopted by both our board and society and that our contribution to the Children's Home this year will be $75. Wish it were more but perhaps next year it can be stepped up a notch."



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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The class spent a pleasant Sunday on February 1 on the Stantonsburg charge. Rev. C. W. Goldston is the pastor in charge, and we gave a sacred concert at ten o'clock Sunday morning in the Stantonsburg Methodist church. At 11:15 we were a few miles out at Lebanon church for another concert. Splendid congregations greeted us at both churches. After lunch in the homes of the Lebanon friends we returned home."

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TUCSON, ARIZONA—At this writing I am in Tucson, Arizona, visiting my son who is a member of the law faculty of the University of Arizona. Tucson is a beautiful city of forty to fifty thousand inhabitants. It is a great winter resort, and there are thousands of tourists here enjoying the remarkably fine mountain air. It is surrounded by towering mountains, some of which are snow covered. The citrus groves are lovely and flowers are blooming everywhere. During my visit here I have met many fine people. After all, however,, there is no place like "the good Old North State."

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SANE ECONOMY — The Methodist Orphanage has been conducted on a sound business basis ever since it was established. Immediately following the meeting of the annual conference plans were made to practice more rigid economy than ever before. The children will not be denied any of the essentials for their physical, mental and spiritual growth and development. There must not be any unnecessary waste at any point. Officers and children are co-operating in every possible way to keep expenses down to the minimum. Because of the war and the mounting prices we are under the necessity of bending our energies to conserve our limited resources.

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DALLAS, TEXAS —The National Association of Hospitals and Orphanages met in Dallas, Texas, recently. Delegates were present from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. There were many outstanding men and women present at the convention. The discussions and public addresses were of a high order and very informative. The fellowship was ideal. Supt. O. V. Woosley, Children's Home, Winston-Salem, was president of this great gathering. He presided over the proceedings with ease and dignity. He more than met our highest expectations, and all felt justly proud of him. His charming wife won her way into the hearts of all the delegates and visitors. The achievements of this meeeing will result in much good to the orphanages and hospitals of the Methodist Church.

INTERPRETING RELIGIOUS CONCEPTS TO CHILDREN

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Mrs. Overton, author of several books on parent education and the home, traces step by step the elements of a child's religious growth and recommends methods of making religious ideas clear to developing children's minds. Several books on parent education are recommended with the course.

The February issue will also include several articles supporting this elective course. Writers will include Bishop Francis J. McConnell of the Methodist Church; Dr. P. R. Hayward, editor, International Journal of Religious Education; Dr. Harry C. Munro, director, department of adult work, International Council of Religious Education, and many others.

The Christian Home is the only magazine for parents in Christendom which carries a special elective course for parents.

A LITERAL INTERPRETATION

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JANUARY 25—World Service
Theme: Church Extension

FEBRUARY 8—Race Relations
Sunday morning service

FEBRUARY 15—Brevard College Day

FEBRUARY 22—World Service
Theme: Evangelism

FEBRUARY 22—Laymen's Day

MARCH 22—World Service
Theme: World Service

MARCH 29—Children's Home

APRIL 12 or 19—Church School Rally Day

APRIL 26—World Service
Theme: Missions

MAY 10—Golden Cross

MAY 10—Rural Life Sunday
Program materials available from Federal Council, 197 Fourth Ave., N. Y. C.

MAY 24—World Service
Theme: Home Missions

MAY 31—Children's Home

JUNE 14—Methodist Student Day
Sunday morning service

JUNE 28—World Service
Theme: Education

JULY 26—World Service
Theme: Ministerial Training

AUGUST 23—World Service
Theme: Retired Ministers

AUGUST 30—Children's Home

SEPTEMBER 27—World Service
Theme: Conference Benevolences

SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 4—
Christian Education Week

OCTOBER 4—Church School Rally Day
(If not observed in the spring)

OCTOBER 25—World Service
Theme: Foreign Missions

NOVEMBER 22—World Service
Theme: Stewardship and Lay Activities

NOVEMBER 29—Children's Home

DECEMBER 27—World Service
Theme: Hospitals and Homes

DECEMBER 27—Student Recognition Day
Sunday evening service

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A FEW COPIES LEFT

We have just learned that some persons who have recently ordered the Lenten devotional booklet for young people have been notified by the Nashville office that no more copies are available. The demand for the booklet has been much greater than was anticipated. It happens, however, that we puchased for our office one hundred copies of the booklet for use by persons who might want to order from our office instead of the Nashville office. We have about 60 copies left and will be glad to make them avaliable for any group or groups that want them as long as they last. As we stated on our page last week this devotional material was prepared especially for young people for this season of the year and we think it meets a real need. And the fact that the supply was so quickly exhausted indicates that our young people want such material. The cost of the booklet is five cents per copy.

YOUTH CARAVANS

Several charges have indicated that they would like to have the services of the youth caravan that will serve in our conference this summer. This will be the caravan made up of two young men, two young women, and an adult counselor which will go into a community to serve for a week in helping to vitalize the youth program of the charge or area. The cost to the local group will be entertainment plus a small sum to help defray the travel expense of the group from one place to another.

This caravan will serve in seven areas in the conference, beginning June 21, and running for seven weeks. It will be necessary to complete the list of places to be served as soon as possible since there is a great deal of preliminary planning prior to the coming of the caravan in order to make the program a successful one. We shall be glad to hear at an early date from any other charges that are interested in this project. Requests should be sent to Robert W. Bradshaw, Director of Youth Work, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

YOUTH WEEKS IN THE LOCAL CHARGE

For several years an increasing number of our charges have been providing a week of emphasis on the youth program of the charge. This is an effort to make possible for all the young people of the conference what some of the young people of the conference receive at the summer assemblies. Last year over 100 churches in the conference made provision for a Youth Week observance.

As a phase of this Youth Week emphasis a number of young people within our conference have been available to go into communities to help with the youth program. During the assembly period they have special training for this type of service and during the summer they help in youth week programs where there are requests for their services. They serve without compensation, and the only cost to the local church is the expense of travel and entertainment of the young people. The number of young people serving in a particular situation varies from one to four, depending upon the request of the local group. These young people try to render the same type of service that the caravan group renders. The chief differences are that the caravans must be young people from outside the conference, they go as a group of four plus the adult counselor, and they serve a full week. The conference youth teams vary in number, are young people from the conference itself, and serve the entire week or a part of it, as the local group desires.

We would like to have as early as possible, the requests of charges that would like to have one of our teams to help in a Youth Week. The sooner we know our needs in this regard, the better preparation we can make to meet them. Requests for this type of service should be sent to Robert W. Bradshaw, Director of Youth Work, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

RED SPRINGS

Two days were spent recently by the executive secretary with the leaders of the Red Springs church of which Rev. Henry G. Ruark is pastor. Three sessions were spent with the workers' council discussing the work in general and making plans for future enlargement of the program. A very high percentage of attendance on the part of the members of the council and a deep interest on the part of those in attendance made these meetings both meaningful and helpful to all concerned. A special meeting was also held with the young people of the church at which time consideration was given to the total youth program of the church.

STANTONSBURG

A charge-wide series of meetings was recently held on the Stantonsburg charge under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. C. W. Goldston. For three evenings representative leaders from the three churches of the charge came together to face and discuss problems relative to their work, to consider new items in the church program, and to make plans for enlarged service by the church school. Definite steps were taken towards setting up a new adult home department and toward developing a full youth program for the charge.



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Sunday School Lesson

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Parables by the Sea

Matt. 13; Mark 4:1-34; Luke 8:1-18

The parables in our lesson may be roughly divided into two classes.

Parables Illustrating Different Attitudes Toward the Truth

The parable of the Sower speaks first of those who correspond to the hardened foot path on which no seed can grow. They are as apt to be sophisticated intellectuals as ignorant outcasts. Then there are those who receive the truth enthusiastically, but as soon as it is difficult or unpopular to stand for it, they wilt. Young people crazy to rate among their school fellows often give up their loyalty to Christ as soon as any one sneers at them. And then there are the thorny ground hearers. They take on too many engagements to give them time to think deeply, pray earnestly and bring good things to pass. Who dares say that in some respects he does not correspond to each of these poor soils?

Finally there are the good ground hearers who are steadfast after the excitement subsides, who get their second wind and reach the goal. These good ground hearers are also typified in the parable of the man who found a treasure in a field, and for joy hid it, and went and bought the whole field. Becoming a Christian is like falling in love with a maiden: in order to win her you must recognize her whole family as your relatives. Many meetings in the church are somewhat boresome, but we attend them because union and co-operation with the brotherhood is the essential condition of spiritual vitality. The parable of the merchantman who sold all his pearls to get the one pearl of great price, shows that everything should be held cheap as compared with the blessing of membership in the kindom of God.

Parables Describing the Development of the Kingdom

So is the kingdom of God as if a man should cast seed upon the earth, and should sleep and rise night and day, and the seed should spring up and grow, he knoweth not how. This parable is enormously encouraging. It tells us that when we sow the right seed the forces of the spiritual world will combine to develop it, just as sun, rain and soil conspire to develop the seed in the earth. It is needless to try to hustle its growth, but when it is ripe then indeed is the time to hustle. Straightway, says Jesus, the wise man putteth forth the sickle because the harvest is ripe (John 4:25-38). But alas! in how many fields has the church failed to reap the golden harvest which God has ripened. When in their eagerness to learn about Christianity the Japanese were camping out around the crowded Christian schools, how supremely tragic it was that we failed adequately to reinforce the missionaries and help them reap the harvest!

The mustard seed parable shows that we should not be discouraged by absurdly small beginnings; and the parable of the leaven assures us that when vital Christians are in a community progress will be going on beneath the surface. The one thing important is that the true leaven should be in close and kindly contact with the flour (John 17:15). As Fosdick says, the leaven does not jump out of the pot because it does not like the unleavened flour (Matthew 5:13-16).

The parable of the drag net shows that Jesus foresaw that when his movement attained momentum, and it began to be a popular thing to espouse his cause, then the gospel net would inclose insincere as well as the honest seekers after God, and it would be necessary at the end to make a drastic separation among his professed followers, just as a fisherman sits down on the shore and puts the good fish in vessels and casts the bad away (Matthew 7:15-27).

The same thought is found in the parable that tells how at night a man's enemy sowed in his field tares that closely resemble wheat. His servants proposed to root up the tares, but no, said the man, lest ye root up the wheat also. At the beginning many disciples who will turn out to be true wheat are ethically undeveloped, and have the queerest notions. We are not to be inquisitors. Let both grow together until the harvest. Then the difference between the wheat and the tares will be perfectly manifest, and the righteous shall shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. That will be the greatest style show in history.

THE REAL HOME

A real home is a gymnasium. The ideal of a healthy body is the first one that should be given a child.

A real home is a lighthouse. A lighthouse reveals the breakers ahead, and shows a clear way past them.

A real home is a playground. Beware of the house where you "musn't frolic" —there mischief is brewing for someone.

A real home is a workshop. Pity the boy without a kit of tools, or the girl without a sewing basket. They haven't learned the fun of doing things—and there is no fun like that.

A real home is a forum. Honest, open discussion of life's great problems belongs originally and primarily to the family circle.

A real home is a secret society. Loyalty to one's family should mean keeping silent on family matters—just this and nothing more.

A real home is a co-operative league. Households flourish in peace where the interest of each is made the interest of all.

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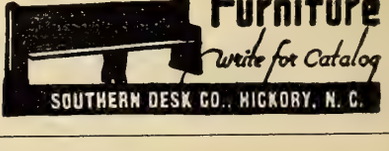
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WHEN THE WORLD WANTED TO PLAY

"I'm tired of washing dishes, of dusting and making the beds. I'm not going to help you today, mother," said Nell. "Mary and Margaret don't do any work at home and have so much more time to play than I have. I'm going to play with them today."

"All right," said mother, "you try your own way for the day. I want none but willing helpers about me."

Nell picked up her doll and her skates and gaily ran out to join Mary and Margaret who always could play. They skated and had lots of fun until Nell fell down and hurt her knee and started to run to the house so mother could doctor and bandage it just as she always had, but she stopped when she remembered that she wasn't helping mother today and couldn't ask her to stop to bandage her knee. It would have felt better but—

"Oh, well," she thought, "it soon will stop hurting if I just go on and forget it." Turing to Mary and Margaret she said, "Let's play dolls now."

Nell's doll had pretty dresses that her mother had made for it, but the other girls had only the dresses that they could make.

"Mother hasn't time to sew for our dolls," said Mary, "she has too much else to do."

Nell thought how tired their mother always looked and wondered if she could not look better and have more time for them, if they helped her sometimes as she helped her mother, but she didn't say anything because she was not helping mother now.

They had a good time, but Nell grew tired of her play long before the day was over. Of course she wouldn't say she was not having as much fun as she thought she was going to have, since she had been the one who had thought playing all of the time would please her best.

At night when she told mother good night, she felt a little bit sorry that mother looked tired, but she went on to bed without telling her so, and after faling asleep she had a dream—

The little moon fairies said:

"We're tired of oiling our lamp and hanging it out each night. Little Nell is playing all of the time, why can't we just play too?" So they didn't shine out.

The little stars said:

"We've been shining every night for years and years and we're tired, let's stop and play and not shine out tonight." What a dark night that was, without any moon and stars!

The raindrops came along and said:

"We want to play too. We've always been so busy making things grow that we haven't had time for play. Let's drop our work and join in the fun," and they didn't rain any more.

All along the street that had been shaded with lovely green trees, there were only old stumps with dead branches. In the flower beds around the house and out in the garden where lately blooming flowers of beautiful reds and pinks, purples and gold had been, now there were withered stalks to show where they had grown.

What a strange place that was, without any green trees and growing flowers, and Nell didn't like it at all; and the darkness frightened her. Suddenly waking, she called:

"Mother, oh mother, I'm afraid!"

"I am here, darling," said mother, as she held Nell's hand in hers.

"Oh, mother! I thought you might have stopped mothering me, too," said Nell, as she told of the dreadful dream.

Then she told of the day spent entirely at play and of how tired of play she had grown before night; and she cried:

"Mother, I'm sorry you were so tired tonight because I didn't help you at all. I'll help you tomorrow, just see if I don't. I know now that play isn't fun if I play all the time. There is work to be done and if I don't do my share someone else must do more. I guess the moon and the rain, the stars and the flowers would like sometimes to play too, but they just keep on working, knowing that their jobs must be done and nothing and nobody can do their parts for them. How bad it would be for us all if they did stop their work to play."—The Presbyterian Advance.

BUTTON UP YOUR LIPS

If you heard a bit of gossip
Whether false or whether true,
Be it of a friend or stranger,
Let me tell you what to do,
Button up your lips securely;
Lest the tale you should repeat
Bring sorrow unto some one
Whose life now is none too sweet.

If you see careless action
That would bring its author woe
If it were constructed unkindly,
Let me tell you what to do,
Button up your lips securely;
'Tis far better to keep silent
Than to cause a tear or sigh.

If you knew of one who yielded
To temptation long ago,
But whose life has since been blameless,
Let me tell you what to do,
Button up your lips securely,
His the secret, God alone
Has the right to sit in judgment.
Treat it as to you unknown.

—Adapted. Marian Times Standard.

THE ONE WHO WAS BRAVE

"Elton Tilton is just the bravest boy you ever saw, mother," said Winfred. "One day a big dog came along with his tongue hanging out, and we thought he was mad and scambled over the fence; but Elton walked right along as calm as ever. He says he isn't afraid of bears or tramps or anything. I wish I were as brave as Elton, but I'm afraid I never will be."

"I heard a story about two boys the other day," said his mother, "and I thought one of them was very brave. They went to school together, and one day they thought it would be great fun to hide a frog in the teacher's desk; but the frog tipped over an ink bottle and spoiled a number of examination papers and other things, and the teacher was very angry. He asked the guilty boy to own his fault like a man and take the punishment he deserved. He put him upon his honor, you see. Well, the older boy, who found the frog and first thought of the joke, sat still in his seat without a blush; but the little boy, though he trembled with fear, went to the desk before the whole school and owned his fault. And he sat for an hour on the dunce's stool,, a target for fifty pairs of eyes."

"O mother," cried Winfred, "I was so ashamed! I'll never do anything so mean again as long as I live. How did you know?"

"I heard two boys talking about it as I rode in the car. I was proud of my boy, Winfred; and I pited Elton Tilton's mother, for I said to myself: 'My boy was brave, but her boy was a coward.' "

"Why, I never thought that was being brave!" said Winfred. — Youth's Campanion.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

A small boy returned home from school and told his father he was now second in his class. The top place was held by a girl.

"But surely, John," said the father, "you're not going to be beaten by a mere girl?"

"Well, you see, father," explained John, "girls are not nearly so mere as they used to be."—Independent Forester.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Leasburg, Salem, 11 1
Milton, Semora, 7 1
Duke Memorial, 7:30 3
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 7
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 8
Brooksdale, Brookland, 3 8
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 8
Chapel Hill, 7:30 12
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 15
Pittsboro, Chatham, 3 15
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 15
Calvary, 7:30 18
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11 22
Graham, 7:30 22
Carr, 7:30 25
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 29
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 29

April

Davis Street, 7:30 1
Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Laurel Hill, Sneeds Grove, 11 1
Pinebluff, Beaver Dam, 3 1
Hay Street, 7 1
Maxton, 11 8
Rowland, Purvis 3 8
Hamlet, 7 8
Gibson, 11 15
Roberdel, 7 15
Troy, 11 22
Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
District Conference at Sanford, 10 to 4 23
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3.....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Fremont, Black Creek, 11 1
Snow Hill, Jerusalem, 3 1
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 1
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 2
Oriental, Arapahoe, 11 8
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 15
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 3 15
Pamlico, Bayboro, 7:30 15
Mt. Olive Ct., Rones, 11 21
Seven Springs, 11 22
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 22
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29

April

Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Grifton, Sharon, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May

La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Princeton, Fellowship, 11 1
Raleigh, Person Street, 7:30 1
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 8
Franklinton, 7:30 8
Louisburg, 11 15
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 15
Bailey, Middlesex, 7:30 15
Erwin, Erwin, 11 22
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 22
Raleigh, Jenkins Mem., Pleasant Grove, 11 29
Oxford, 7:30 29

April

Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11 4
Moncure, Buckhorn, 11 5
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8 5
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May

Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Kenley, Lucama, 11 1
Stantonsburg, 7:30 1
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City..20
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Weldon....22
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April

Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Wilmington, Epworth, 11 1
Faison-Kenansville, Wesley's, 3 1
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May

Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

March

Asbury Memorial, 11 1
Pisgah, Piney Mountain, 3 1
Saluda, night 1
Biltmore, 11 8
Fairview, Tweeds Chapel, 3 8
Tryon, night 8
Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May

Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Prospect, Prospect, 11 1
Marshville, Smyrna, 2 1
Monroe, Central, 7:30 1
Wesley Heights, 7:30 4
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April

Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Helton, 11 1
Warrensville, 3 1
Jefferson, night 1
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 1
Cleveland, Kistler's, 3 1
Kings Mountain, Central, 7:30 1
Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15

Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Oak Ridge, 11 1
Stokesdale, 3 1
Tabernacle, Julian, 7:30 1
College Place, 7:30 4
Pleasant Garden, 11 8
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 8
Proximity, 7:30 11
Spray, 11 15
Stoneville, 3 15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Danbury, 11 22
St. Pauls, 11 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

February

South Davidson, Alleghany, 2 28
Shiloh, Reeds, 7:30 28

March

Linwood, Linwood, 11 1
Denton First, Denton, 7:30 1
First Church, High Point, 7:30 3
Main Street, 7:30 4
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 5
Why Not, Pisgah, 7:30 6
Randleman Ct., 2 7
Seagrove, Seagrove, 7:30 7
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 8
Randleman-Union-Naomi, 7:30 8
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 9
Lebanon, 7:30 11
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30 15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30 15
Asheboro First, 7:30 18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

April

Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 1
Broad River, Tanners Grove, 3 1
Training School, Henrietta, night 1
Avery, Mt. Zion, 11 8
Elk Park, Elk Park, 3 8
Spruce Pine, 11 15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 15
Marion, First, night 15
Glen Alpine, 11 22
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Union Grove, Mt. View, 11 1
Harmony, Turnersburg, 2:30 1
Cool Springs, Rose Chapel, ... 1
Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26
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WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Armon Plains, 11 1
Pigeon Valley, Longs Chapel, 7:30 1
Bethel, 11 8
Inman, 3 8
Meadow Grove, 7:30 8
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 11 15
Laurel Hill, 3 15
Junaluska, 7:30 15
Franklin, 11 22
Sylva, 7:30 22

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 1
Lewisville, Brookstown, 3 1
Kernersville Ct., 7:30 1
Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

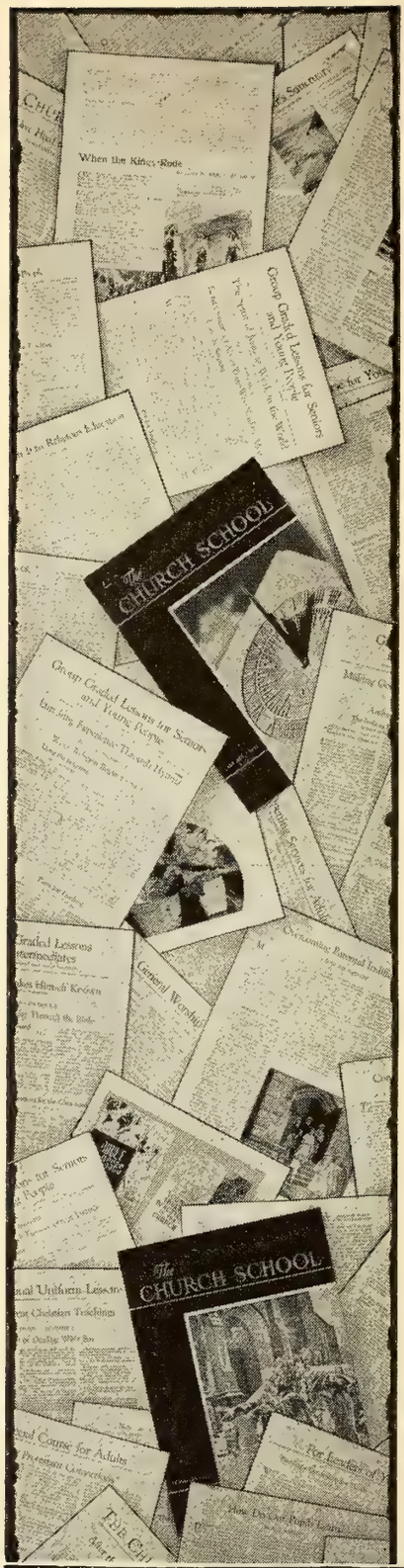
Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3 12
First, West End, 7:30 12
Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
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Three things are known only in the following way—a hero in war, a friend in necessity, and a wise man in anger.—Arabic.

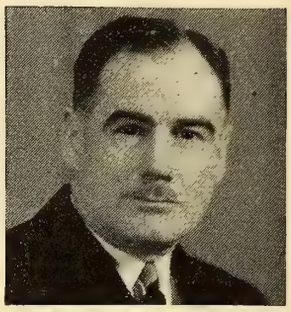
Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength.—Francis de Sales.



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A Land Bright and Fair



MOST needful is it for a people to keep their vision clear and to be able to sing songs in the night. An ancient prophet in Israel told of the good day when children would be playing in the streets of the city. The peace and prosperity of the land would be such as to give happy childhood a chance. The seer of Patmos from his rocky island visioned the far off coming of the new heaven and the new earth. For He that sat upon the throne had made all things new. As forty Protestant denominations have joined in the United Christian Educational Advance a modern dreamer insists that "we are setting ourselves to build a world where little children everywhere can sing themselves to sleep."

Blessed is that people in a war-torn world who can catch a vision of the times to be and sing songs in the darkest night! The sore weakness of many Christian people is they will not sing their songs of victory. Tirades from the pulpit, defeatism in the pew and refusal to sing the Lord's songs in their darkest hours are the sources of the keenest disappointments. Our American democracy can be undergirded only by a victorious religion able to sing because of a living force in the life of every citizen. Even in defeat songs of victory set a new standard of conduct. Truly the mystical element in religion is most essential. God in us and God with us works wonders in making us victors in God's world. Under such an inner urge pulpits flame and pews burst into song. This enabled Methodist saints in the past to break forth into song, "Jesus saves! Jesus saves!" In churches and in chapels, by wayside and in fields, in shops and in kitchens, as they jorneyed on foot and on horseback, they sang, "My heavenly home is bright and fair."

So when that divine something latent in the soul of man is touched, like the lark, he will "sing hymns at heaven's gate." For Methodism still believes that beneath all the litter and debris of life, beneath all incrustations of sin, misery and wretchedness lies the image of the divine—

"'Tis not in the high stars above,
Nor in the cups of budding flowers,
Nor in the redbreast's mellow tone,
Nor in the bow that smiles in showers,
But in the mud and scum of things
There always, always something sings."

Join the Victory Parade!

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A SERIOUS SITUATION AT ARMY CAMPS

Building morale is in these days, next to recruiting the army, navy, and air forces of the country, receiving the closest kind of attention from governmental authorities. We are all being asked to do our best to keep America strong. It is with the deepest regret, therefore, that we note a paragraph in a recent letter written by a man known for honest reporting, keen observation, and patriotic zeal. He says:

I haven't written you since we visited Camp ——. We took —— with us. He was terribly depressed when we came away. There are 26,000 men at Camp ——, and there are seven chapels for these men. I spoke at one of them. The three of us stayed all night in the army guest house within the camp grounds, and went all through the camp. We had 140 fellows at the chapel. There are 26 recreation halls there, and each hall, larger than the chapels, sells beer. There are so many drunks in camp that each battalion has its own drunk "tank." If fellows are able to sober up enough to answer reveille the next morning, there is no charge against them. American soldiers are getting drunk in army camps, on army time, and no marks against them. I do not know what happened in Pearl Harbor—but I do know that if enemy squadrons had attacked Camp —— the night we were there, or the morning after, they would have met scant resistance. The lid should be blown clear off the moral conditions in and around army camps. The army may not be able to control what happens around the camps, but soldiers should not be training on beer and pretzels!

Talk about fifth-column activities' undermining morale! What have the authorities to say about conditions such as are reported by our correspondent? More than half the population of the United States are identified with religious organizations. How will it affect their morale to learn that liquor-drinking is subtly undermining our powers of defense and breaking down the personalities and characters of the men in those camps?—Zions Herald.

Advocate Leader This Week

Rev. A. C. Swofford, pastor of Haywood church, Asheville, is campaign leader this week. Brother Swofford has sent in $32 for the Advocate. Five of these are for renewals and twenty-seven for new subscribers, which puts him on the roll of honor since he has secured his quota of new subscribers with a margin also to his credit. Good for this alert and highly successful pastor who, no matter where he serves, invariably has success camping on his trail. And all of this is without any flourish of trumpets, which makes it doubly to his credit.

Set a Quota of Your Own

The conferences have fixed a quota of one new subscriber for every fifty members. Brother D. D. Broome sent in his conference quota and added, "I have fixed my quota double that." Now this is what I call the two mile religion of which we preachers make so much in our sermons.

Why not many more fix their own quota and join Brother Broome in his victorious march? The reports from day to day give every assurance that ere long many more will have reached their conference quota and thus have laid a good foundation for a fine "personal quota."

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Here is a fine bit of diplomacy that a young man practiced on a widow who asked him to guess her age. After a bit of hesitation he said: "I have several ideas. The trouble is that I hesitate whether to make it ten years younger on account of your looks, or ten years older on account of your intelligence."

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Here is a highbrow version of a little nursery rhyme: "Three rodents with defective vision. Note the manner in which they flee. They all pursued the spouse of the agriculturist who severed their extremities with a kitchen utensil. In the entire span of your existence, have you ever noted such an unusual phenomenon as three rodents with defective vision?" This ought to be a lesson to all men who are partial to big, high sounding words, instead of simple speech.

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The present urgent demand of the government is that everyone do "his bit" in this war. The more urgent does this make the demand of the Methodist Church that every leader do his utmost in the work of the church. Every Methodist preacher in our two conferences is fully expected to get his quota for the church paper and also to reach the other fifteen objectives of the conference. Diligence in this is most needed in times of war. These are indeed testing times for all leaders in Zion with Jesus going on before.

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Many men and women are bemoaning the terrible days through which we shall be forced to pass as the horrors of this present war gather momentum. Why not turn to the prophet Habakkuk for instructions? Listen to his ringing words and be wise: "Though the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines, the labor of the olive shall fail, and the field shall yield no meat, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation."

Eminently good rules will not work in every instance. For example: Little Marjorie, who had been allowed to attend the party, left her chair and walked over and attempted to whisper to her mother. "Now dear," said the mother, "if you have anything to say, please talk so that everyone can hear." "Oh, all right, mummy, but I was going to say the bishop helped himself to more crackers and jam when you weren't looking."

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Frequently, perhaps too frequently, has it been said that the great preachers are all dead. Such may be in accord with the facts. But even if one grants its truthfulness he need not be utterly cast down. For there are compensations. Among these is the important fact that it gives the ordinary man a chance in the ministry. No spectacular gifts are required to do effective work as a preacher and church leader. People are coming to appreciate Jesus Christ the simple teacher who "went about doing good" as the great exampler, rather than the brilliant preacher who flings star dust across the sky.

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Secretary Morganthau says the new taxes will be severe and the burden will be felt in every home. This is a ringing challenge to every minister of the gospel to see that the power of the gospel of the Son of God is felt in every home. The church of Christ is the one sure defense in peace and in war. Men of God in the pulpits and in the homes can help the people to carry the load and to bear the burdens and the sorrows of life. All over America boys are leaving home for camp to be welded into vast armies. Fathers and mothers are sending them away with deep anxiety in their hearts as their boys go soon to be flung into armies over the world. The gospel of the Son of God is certainly most essential in the homes and in the life of America. Morgantheau can call for the dollars until he burdens every home, but the gospel of the Son of God must enable these homes to endure.

Mahatma Gandhi Tells "Why I Believe in God and Prayer"

MHATMA GANDHI, India's most holy man, has a larger personal following than any other man on the face of the earth. Empty handed this man by the might of his personality sways the multiplied millions of India. A little while ago Chiang Kai Shek, China's Christian premier, had an interview with Gandhi. This interview, if one can rely upon recent events and trends of the present war, may result in China and India uniting against the ambition of the Japanese to bring Asia under their wicked dominion. If this should be the final outcome of the conflict in Asia, Gandhi and Chiang Kai Shek would rule approximately two-thirds of Asia and almost one-half of the inhabitants of the world.

These observations are only by way of introduction to this man who tells why he believes in God and prayer.

"I am a firm believer in prayer. Of all things it has been the most important to me in my life. It is my advice to any who come to me in confusion or weakness or with a problem that is driving them to despair. For I believe that it has not only a spiritual but also a concrete, practical value.

"Prayer is all too commonly regarded as a pious ritual, an easy and respectable habit or even as a form of insurance. Considered in this light, it is meaningless, for the act itself is empty. Its tremendous inherent power lies entirely in what is given to it and the quality of the faith from which it comes. The mere attitude of worship, a mere sinking to the knees and bowing of the head, is without significance and devoid of value.

"I have been asked what has made me so profound a believer in its virtues and efficacy. I know myself fairly well. By nature I am timid and anything but a brave man. I should never have been able to face certain crises with courage nor endure them with fortitude had it not been for prayer.

"Perhaps the most dramatic example I can remember is something that occurred a good many years ago in South Africa. There was at that time a law directed expressly against Indians in South Africa, and I had come there to oppose it. My ship was met by a hostile mob and I was advised to stay on board for the sake of my physical safety, for the crowd of men had come with the announced intention of lynching me.

"I went ashore nevertheless. I was stoned and kicked and beaten a good deal; but I had prayed for the courage to face the mob, and that courage did not fail me.

"I do not mean by this that I regard myself as particularly favored by the Divinity and able always to obtain that for which I ask, should I be so foolish, whatever strength I have found in prayer would at once be lost to me. I believe, instead, that prayer has brought me only an infinitesimal portion of what it would bring me were my faith more perfect and my devotion more complete; it is in the individual who prays.

"Prayer implies and demands belief in God; not necessarily belief in God as he is interpreted by one special religion or one sect of that religion, but belief in the existence of Divinity, a wholehearted and firm belief without intellectual reservations.

"Because I believe in God, I believe in prayer. It is the surest means of consciousness of his presence; that is its meaning, its strength, and its reward."

Behind the Combatant Lines

MUCH is being said about our military lines extending around the world. On every sea and on every continent our fighting forces are found. Necessarily the training of soldiers, the building of ships and fighting equipment of every sort enlist the urgent and united efforts of the government. Men and women from every walk of life are called upon to help fight this war.

But back of the fighting front in every war there must be supply lines. These are essential to furnish food and transportation and are also most necessary to maintain the morale of a people. To keep the home fires burning are fully as important as to keep the guns booming. Drafting men for combative service is counted most patriotic and high honor is bestowed upon those who go while those who serve in the less conspicuous ways are sometimes branded as wanting in patriotism, if not of complacency.

We are told that this accounts for the present tendency of local draft boards to rob the farms of needed labor by sending the boys to the camps. The farmers do not insist that their boys be deferred lest they be accused of a want of patriotism. This results in the labor supply essential to the food supply for

the nation—for the nations to suffer depletion.

Equally essential as food, shelter, transportation, information and other elements of this material order, are the ethical and spiritual elements of the nation's life. More than all else are these valuable in sustaining the morale of a people. Just here the church has a function to perform that nothing else can do. So the church these days should be more spiritual, more vigorous and even more commanding than at other times. A formal make-believe religion in such an hour is a fraud and a disgrace to any people. The tendency in the name of patriotism is to neglect the church and to soft pedal on spiritual demands. The Christian church has no business to turn aside to war measures when it should be saving men and keeping fresh and strong the spiritual life and moral vigor of the people. This will help hasten the end of the war and to minister to the peace that is to follow.

The church only can keep supplied the most important line back of the fighting front. Food supplies are most essential, but even then do not forget that man does not live by bread alone.

Momentous Utterance in the House of Commons by Cripps

SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS in his first speech as the Prime Minister's House of Commons spokesman said things not only of great interest to the people of the British Empire, but that concern also people of the United States.

Among other things he pledged the Churchill government to a swift decision on India's political status and declared it vital that the people of India fight and act with Britain in defense of their vast country.

The Associated Press reports that the former Socialist, now official leader of a Parliament overwhelmingly Conservative, injected a spontaneous enthusiasm into the House which has been lacking since Winston Churchill's own great speeches of the summer of 1940.

Facing squarely the grave problems in Asia, he blamed the "Colonel Blimp mentality" of reactionary military and governmental administrators for helping Britain lose part of her colonial empire. The lost lands can only be regained and the rest of the empire held together, he said, "on condition that we hold it in the interest of the world and the people who live in those parts."

The Family and the Fields

GREAT old China has continued through the centuries. Its life for long centuries centered about the family and rooted in the good earth has outlasted most of the empires of earth. Imperial Rome in all its pride and power has had its day and ceased to be. But China lives on. Many feel that her best days are yet to be. For centuries the people without the living conviction of a personal God surrendered to the ethical system proclaimed by Confucius and his disciples. But with such Christian leaders as Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai Shek, who know a living God as revealed in the living Christ, the nation may become a new force in the world.

A people rooted to the soil and devoted to family life, along with vital religious conviction shot through with the spirit and teachings of Jesus, cannot be discounted. America certainly would do well to hold fast to the soil and to exalt together the family. In recent years divorce, in high places and in low, all the way from California to Washington, has done much to rob the home of its sanctity. Then, too, the steady flow from the country to the city has placed a heavy discount upon those who toil in the fields and live in close touch with mother earth.

Since early pioneer times these elements have been potential in our American life. In plain and simple ways, a humble yeomanry laid strong and deep the foundations of this Republic. Without parade and pretense they were married and given in marriage, holding fast to the conviction that those whom God has joined together no man should put asunder. So they tilled the fields, held sacred the heartstone and lived in the fear and favor of God. Something of this same spirit would do much to help us in the part we hope for and the coming of the new heaven and the new earth.

The rugged things of earth are not to be despised. In fact some people find in them much to praise. For example, Ione Steen Keltner sings the following song of praise:

I like the rugged things of earth—
A gnarled old oak, wind-lashed, unbent;
A granite cliff of age-old birth;
The sea whose strength is never spent.

I like the rugged ones of earth
Who go life's way with heads unbowed,
Mature in wisdom spiced with mirth,
Buffeting the years, dauntless, proud.

People and Things

Pelham church has 30 church pews for sale. Address inquiries to Paul V. Fitzgerald, Pelham, N. C.

Hugh R. Smith, secretary and treasurer of Hamlet Methodist Sunday school for 24 years, had an acute heart attack December 27, 1941, and has been unable to return to his office for two weeks.

Rev. J. C. Williams, who was in Wesley Long hospital, Greensboro, for a check-over, has returned home. The doctor reports that his condition is most favorable. This is good news for his many friends scattered over North Carolina.

The Beecher family, among whom were Lyman, Henry Ward, and Harriet Beecher Stowe (author of Uncle Tom's Cabin), produced 137 books and innumerable pamphlets, probably a record not duplicated by any other American family.

The Greensboro Daily News reports that Rev. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville will be a candidate for the approaching session of the legislature of North Carolina from Davie county. We wish that he was a candidate from Guilford county so we could vote for him.

The Gospel is "the power of God unto salvation" when it is preached by men filled with "the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven." The responsibility is ours. Absolutely ours. And, may I ask, how dare we face death and judgment if we fail to meet it? Yes, how?

The ministers' wives' luncheon of W. N. C. will be held at First Baptist church March 13. Those planning to attend notify Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle, 202 Hillcrest Drive, High Point, N. C., not later than March 10. The address is not 141 S. Oakland Street. However, cards sent to that address have been received.

The Declaration of Independence concludes with this sentence: "And for the support of this Declaration; with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor." Such was the faith of our fathers, the founders of the Republic. They had faith in God, and they put a "firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence."

"Those who are taught must share all the blessings of life with those who teach them the Word. Make no mistake —God is not mocked—a man will reap just what he sows; he who sows for his flesh will reap destruction from the flesh, and he who sows for the Spirit will reap life eternal from the Spirit. Never let us grow tired of doing what is right, for if we do not faint we shall reap our harvest at the opportune season. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all men and in particular to the household of the faith."—Gal. 6:6-10 (Moffatt).

St. Paul's Episcopal chapel is the oldest public building in New York City and the city's only British built church. It was completed in 1766 and this fall celebrates its 175th anniversary. It was originally built in the midst of fields, groves and orchards. George Washington, Lafayette, King William IV, Lord Cornwallis, Presidents Grover Cleveland and Benjamin Harrison are among the notables who have worshipped here. Now it is downtown New York and swallowed up by skyscrapers, but that lofty tower for its day still points to the skies and the faithful worship about the altars of St. Paul's.

Be careful to catch step in the victory march these auspicious weeks. The day of march has come. The main stress is on the word, victory!

Nine states of the north and south are represented in the all-girl orchestra of Bennett College, which is making its first tour this week, visiting seven South Carolina cities and Savannah, Ga. This unusual musical group, a cross section of the beauty and talent of Bennett's student body, will appear under the direction of F. Nathaniel Gatlin, music instructor at the college, who founded the orchestra four years ago.

Mrs. Ethel McLean Trolinger, wife of Rev. J. H. Trolinger, fell on sleep in Moore County hospital Monday, February 23. The funeral was held in Coleridge church Wednesday, 11 a. m. Interment followed in Northern cemetery near Rockingham. The writer was assisted in the funeral by Rev. J. E. Pritchard, D.D. Brother and Sister Trolinger have many friends who will deeply sympathize with him in this bereavement.—S. W. Taylor.

According to the American Bible Society the Christian scriptures will continue to circulate in Japan under the direction of the "Japan Bible Society" which has taken over all the translation and publication activities formerly conducted by the American, the Scottish, and the British societies. Circulation figures obtainable in 1941 showed increases in the distribution of the whole Bible over the previous year, but a decline in the distribution of Testaments and scripture portions. This, it is said, is because of the restrictions on traveling colporteurs because of the war.

Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, executive secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches, was the chief speaker at a recent ministers' conference at Columbia, South Carolina, where he outlined the work and progress of the Council which he heads. The conference was called together by representative churchmen looking forward to an organization of a South Carolina Council of Churches, possibly patterned after North Carolina's model. Preliminary steps were taken but the actual organization has not yet been decided upon.

A total of $10,000 has been pledged by the Negroes of Augusta, Ga., to the campaign fund to erect a library building at Paine College, Augusta, as a memorial to the late Bishop Warren A. Candler, reports President E. C. Peters. The campaign was successfully directed by W. S. Hornsby, vice president and general manager of the Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance Company and an outstanding Negro business leader of Augusta. Although Mr. Hornsby is not a Methodist, he recognizes the value of Paine College and not only made a substantial personal contribution, but his company pledged approximately $2000. Results of the campaign among the Negroes is the first step in securing the total amount needed to match the $50,000 appropriated by the Board of Education.

The work on the Weldon charge is moving along nicely. The people have been most co-operative in making the pastor and family comfortable and have received them most graciously. The parsonage has been completely renovated and refurnished at the cost of approximately $2800, and the fine thing about it is that practically all of this was in hand to meet the bills as the work was being done. Open house was held at the parsonage on Friday evening of last week, at which time the pastor and family along with the members and friends of the church enjoyed a delightful evening together. One other achievement of the year is the final payment on the organ of the church, which was made by a friend of the church whose name has not been revealed. Thus the year moves on with pastor and people happily working together as plans are now in the making for the proper observance of the Easter season.—E. D. Weathers.

FAITH AND NURTURE, BY SHELTON SMITH

Carl Hermann Voss in more than a page article in Advance entitled, "Stop, Look, and Listen in Religious Education" closes his review of Dr. Smith's book with this brief paragraph: "Faith and Nurture opens a new chapter in the history of religious education in America." The first four paragraphs of this discussion we append as a sample of the whole paper:

Faith and Nurture by Prof. H. Shelton Smith of Duke university will upset the applecart for religious education as completely as Niebuhr's Moral Man and Immoral Society once threw the social gospel into a tail spin. This succinct, scholarly book is a tour de force.

The world of our fathers is jettisoned. No longer can we teach our church school pupils a simple rationalism, moralistic and humanistic, which proclaims its faith in the steadily evolving kingdom of God "here on earth." We are not progressing in ladder fashion from strength to strength, and glory to glory toward the kingdom of God, that far-off Divine Event toward which the whole creation moves. In short, says Shelton Smith, the "liberal" religious educators have no answer to our present plight.

Has Dr. Smith become a turncoat and reverted to a variation of fundamentalism? No. Scarcely that. It is more accurate to say that this book reveals a real growth in the mind and spirit of Shelton Smith. He is no longer the "liberal" who crusaded as Director of the Leadership program of the Internatinal Council of Religious Education. The humanism of his academic career as professor at Teachers' College, Columbia University, and Yale Divinity School has been left far behind. His past decade of teaching in the piedmont of North Carolina has been plagued by the persistent question of the 1920's and 1930's: "after liberalism—what?" Now, as professor of Christian ethics and religious education and director of graduate studies in the Duke University School of Religion, Dr. Smith publishes a long-awaited statement of his position in relation to the conventional, widely accepted premises of religious education.

Leaders in the religious education movement may regard Shelton Smith as a heretic and lament his fall from grace. But they will know in their hearts how truly he has probed to the core of the problem: religious educators may know the "how" but they do not know the "what." In other words, technique, the pride of religious educators, must be fused with content, a theological outlook. And the present "content" is not enough.

Most Refreshing

The joy that comes to pastors who get their campaigns for the church paper going is most refreshing to us and to them. As they make returns of new subscribers for the Advocate there is a ring of victory in their words. They then have an assistant pastor and also the joy of being a member of the victory parade. We welcome all such into the royal brotherhood. Joy fills the heart of the man who is on the road to success.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT COLTRANE OF BREVARD COLLEGE

With more than half of charges not reported, six thousand five hundred dollars received. Gastonia, High Point, Charlotte districts still leading. Good response from all over conference; contributions from small rural charges quite encouraging. Assurance that total of ten thousand dollars will be more than raised. E. J. Coltrane.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

The Louisburg College A Capella Choir made its first appearance of the spring semester last Sunday, singing at the Methodist church in Battleboro Sunday morning, and at the Methodist church in Whitakers Sunday evening. The choir was under the direction of James Byerly, head of the college music department. Dr. Walter Patten spoke briefly concerning the college during each program.

Last Thursday evening at 8 in the college auditorium the Louisburg College Players presented their first two productions of this year, "Our Neighbors," by Zona Gale, and "The Prince of Court Painters," an eighteenth century classic. The plays were well received by a large audience and were directed by Miss Virginia Peyatt.

Louisburg Trojans were elminated in the first round of the North Carolina Junior College Conference basketball tournament held in Albemarle last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Tommy Wheeler, forward on the Trojan's team, shone so well, however, that he was placed on the all-Conference team. Wheeler has been the Trojan's sparkplug all season and is high scorer for the season.

John Freeman, graduate student in bio-chemistry at Wake Forest College, where he has been teaching for the past three years, has joined the faculty of Louisburg College to replace George E. Badalas, who resigned to take a position in the defense program of the country. Mr. Freeman took up his work Monday, March 2.

FIRST PLACE FOR RATIONING

The News and Observer last Sunday said editorially: "It is estimated that over a million and a half bags of sugar, each containing 100 pounds, were used in illegal whiskey stills last year. Mr. Speed, alcohol investigator, says enough sugar was used to fill 2.071 freight cars. If it takes 2,071 cars for illegal distillers, it must take thousans of cars filled with sugar for other distillers whose product does not help win the war. Here's the first place for rationing."

BOB TUTTLE GOING GREAT AT SYLVA

R. G. Tuttle, who made such a remarkably fine record at Gibsonville, has set the same pace at Sylva. They are erecting an educational building for the Sylva Methodists and Bob has already received 27 new members, and enthusiasm abounds among Sylva Methodists. And these are but intimations of what the future holds in store for the new pastor and his flock. Bob says that he finds the work very stimulating, but failed to name his stimulants.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION MEETS IN CHARLOTTE MARCH 17

The executive committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Western North Carolina Conference will meet at 11 o'clock Tuesday, March 17, in First Methodist church, Charlotte. All who have business with this committee please take notice and be on hand. I. L. Roberts, Secretary.

NEW PELHAM CHURCH TO BE OCCUPIED MARCH 15

On Good Friday, a year ago, we poured the concrete foundation for our new church building at Pelham. The painters are putting the finishing touches on the building now, and we expect to worship in it for the first time on the 15th of March. Jim Fowler.

AN INFORMED LEADERSHIP

A brother writes: "I urge my official board to read the church paper and then I call on each one personally to subscribe." This explains his success in putting the Advocate in the homes of his officials. Such a plan must tell mightily through the years.

CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS AND LEADERS AT CHAPEL HILL, TUESDAY, MARCH 10

The following announcement comes from the executive secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches, Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, regarding an inter-denominational conference on the Ecumenical church and the post war world, scheduled for Chapel Hill March 10.

As ministers and leaders of the church of Christ, we are all concerned with the tragic condition of the world. It is our privilege and our duty to put as much time, thought and prayer as we can toward a Christian solution of these problems.

The North Carolina Council of Churches is happy to serve you in arranging a one-day conference of the ministers and laymen of all denominations within driving distance of Chapel Hill on the topic: "The Ecumenical Church and the Post War World."

We are very fortunate in securing Dr. William Adams Brown, professor emeritus of Union Seminary in New York, to guide us in this conference. You will remember Dr. Brown as the author of nearly a score of books and a pioneer in world-wide Christian fellowship and oganization.

The conference will be held in the Presbyterian church at Chapel Hill on March 10 and lunch will be served to those who desire it. The price will be forty cents. If you desire lunch please notify Rev. C. M. Jones, Chapel Hill.

The program consists of an address by Dr. Brown on "The Origin and Growth of the World Council" at 10:45 a. m. Questions and discussion will follow. At 1:45 p. m. Dr. Brown will again address the group on "Problems of the Post War World: The Church's Contribution Toward Their Solution." Adjournment has been set at 4 p. m.

TRIBUTE TO AN EMINENT CHRISTIAN WORKER AND HOME BUILDER

Mrs. Jessie McWhorter Banks passed away Wednesday, February 4, 1942, at her home in Lakeland, Florida. Hardly any other could have been called from life on earth in the circle of women's activities of the former Southern Methodist Church, the intelligence of whose death would have carried wider sorrow to the noble women of Southern Methodism than has hers. It is a sorrow of the best, on either side of the separating seas. Yet, those who have known her more intimately in the Missionary Council, annual conference missionary activities, have doubtless been most distinctly impressed by the peculiar combination of grace and power which was in her. Every fiber of her being—physical, mental and spiritual—came in to contribute to the intensity and efficiency of her work and utterances. Her noble traits of character brought women in vast numbers to follow her, to trust and to love her.

And yet, with all her fine leadership capacity, she was gentle and kind in all of life's relationships. Tender as the soft and sunny meadow in summer was her spirit. Mrs. Banks was for years one of the distinguished leaders and capable workers in the woman's missionary society, having served as president of her own Florida conference society. She was honored by her co-workers by having been chosen secretary of the home department, Woman's Council, of the former Southern Methodist Church. She was a member of several general conferences.

She was preceded to her heavenly home by her husband, a successful banker and operator of a Florida orange grove. Mr. Bank was, also, a great Methodist layman, having served as a delegate to his own annual conference and was several times a member of the general conference.

Mrs. Banks was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Abbot Milton McWhorter. She was born December 18, 1866, in Gaylesville, Alabama; on Friday, February 8, she was laid to rest at her former home in Gadsden, Alabama. Survivors are a brother, Rev. Euclid McWhorter, 507 Tilden street, Raleigh, an honored member of the N. C. conference; a daughter, Mrs. Edwin Goodue of Gadsden, Alabama; and four sons, Messrs. Nathaniel, Thomas, Horace and Samuel Banks.

A beautiful and useful life has come to the close of its earthly pilgrimage, but I sincerely believe that this tribute today is truly in honor of a noble Christian woman, who looks larger when she is dead than when she was alive. The reason is obvious—death is a great revealer. It turns out some lights. But, in shutting off some lights, others are turned on. Sweet spirited and kind, she had no enemies but a multitude of friends. She was a genuine Christian; her faith never wavered. She was, also, a great home builder. She was the type of mother who made a home heaven on earth.

To all whom she touched her life was a benediction and her memory will keep her sons and daughters and all others who knew her in the way that leads home.

John C. Glenn.

CHURCHES MUST BE READY FOR PEACE

By Mrs. J. W. Mills, Vice President Woman's Division of Christian Service

With the political world in chaos and with education and labor organizations disrupted, the responsibility of Christians for keeping the spiritual bonds intact throughout the world is imperative. There will come a day when wars will cease and the rebuilding of peace will begin. In that day the churches must be prepared.

We must strengthen the Christian home, for there ideals and attitudes are formed; we must strengthen Christian education through the churches. The program of religious education lags behind that of secular and the only faith that millions of youth have is that "of their fathers" and not a vital experimental knowledge of God as their Father.

The community is the testing ground for all we undertake. If we cannot work in the intimate relationships of community life it is useless to look across the seas. Our interests do not end with our own homes and the love of our own children, the world also is ours. From the home the church, the school and community, our responsibilities reach out to the nation. What America and the world will be will be influenced by individual lives this day.

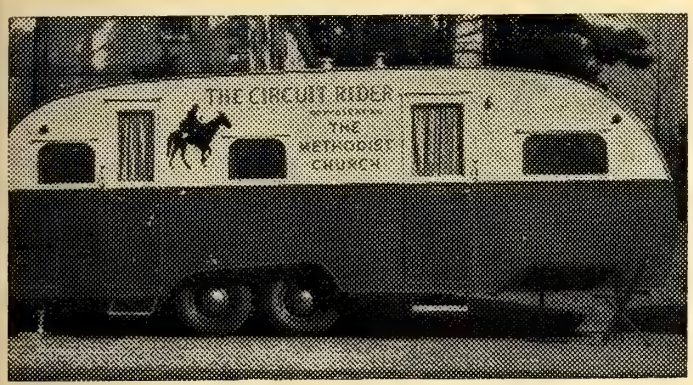
Think of what sixty million individual women in America could do! They could change life throughout the world. The Red Cross enlists them and puts knitting needles in their hands, and what any organization can do, Methodist women can do—if they are willing to readjust their personal programs, giving time, study, prayer, and service to enlistment in the cause which now is so immediate.

The history of women's enterprises has been a history of sacrifice. Let your thoughts run back through the lists —opportunity for education in every land, suffrage, health for the community, her place in the church—and church women have been pioneers in all these movements.

We have had a will to know, for when facts are known the path of action is clear. Both Christianity and democracy must be practiced, as well as believed. While we are hearing so much of the necessity for increased armaments, and all life seems to center on immediate things, our vision of the future is apt to be clouded. The world will be full of bitterness and hate. While women must begin with self-discipline and self-sacrifice she must not stop with her self-adjustment, or her own home, or her own community, or her own nation. She must see the opportunity to set in motion an ever-widening circle of friendship which shall reach from her small home town to the women of India. Citizenship must not be localized; it must be seen in the light of a world that is needy and suffering.

METHODIST GOSPEL TRAILER TAKES THE ROAD

This modern circuit rider on wheels was recently consecrated in Atlanta by Bishop Arthur J. Moore for service in carrying the gospel to isolated parts of his native Georgia and Florida area. It is a three-room trailer equipped with a platform and pulpit on the rear and a public address system for the repetition of sermons and the rendition of sacred music.



It is being manned by Rev. N. H. ("Uncle Nath") Thompson and Mrs. Thompson who, after forty-five years of ministerial slow-motion moving from parsonage to parsonage in what Methodists call the "itinerancy," are now, in their retirement, adopting a speed-up tempo for the propagation of the faith.

The sketch of the peregrinating parson painted on the trailer is to remind audiences of "America's debt to the circuit rider" as described by Theodore Roosevelt in an address on that subject. In it he said:

"The whole country is under a debt of gratitude to the Methodist circuit riders, the Methodist pioneer preachers, whose movement westward kept pace with the movement of the frontier, who shared all the hardships in the life of the frontiersmen, while at the same time ministering to that frontiersman's spiritual needs, and seeing that his pressing material cares and the hard and grinding poverty of his life did not wholly extinguish the divine fire in his soul."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The executive committee of the General Alumnae Association of Greensboro College held its spring meeting at 10:30 March 2 in the student council room of Main building, with Mrs. H. T. Prosser, president of the associaion, presiding.

Following a brief outline of rebuilding plans for Main building given by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, a general discussion period was held by the committee. The routine business session, including several committee reports, was concluded with an announcement of tentative plans for commencement. Committee members were served lunch in the college dining room, after which they were guests at the G. C. Players' matinee performance of "Rip Van Winkle."

Recently elected officers of the three major organizations on the Greensboro College campus will assume their roles as leaders this week when installations will be held for the new members of the student conncil, Y. W. C. A., and the athletic association. The presidents of these organizations are: Miss Margaret Skinner, New Bern, was elected student president to succeed Miss Sadie Wolfe, Mt. Airy. In the Y. W. C. A. run-off election Miss Nell Webb, Cherryville, was elected president, to succeed Miss Lorene Weaver, Asheville. The athletic association board will be headed by Miss Lamar Spencer, Carthage, who replaces Miss Nancy Richardson, Pinehurst, as president.

Friday afternoon, March 6, at 3:30, and that night at 8, in Odell auditorium the Greensboro College Glee Club and the Meistersingers will present Gilbert and Sullivan's delightful comic opera, "The Gondoliers." Mr. Walter Vassar will direct the entire production. Accompanying the singers will be an orchestra under the direction of Miss Alia Ross.

From March 10-15 the Greensboro College Glee Club, under the direction of Walter Vassar, will make another of its annual tours of North Carolina. The trip will compass the western part of the state, including the following towns: Mt. Airy, Galax, North Wilkesboro, Lenoir, Morganton, Hickory, Shelby, Gastonia, Charlotte, Kannapolis, and Thomasville.

G. C. will have its first hospitality week-end of 1942 for high school seniors the week-end of March 6-8.

A formal dinner with the Y. W. C. A. as hostess for the after dinner coffee Friday evening will precede the opera "Gondoliers," to be presented at 8 by the college Glee Club and Meistersingers in Odell auditorium. Saturday the guests will be entertained at the regular chapel period by the faculty and seniors; and that evening after supper they will attend an open house held by the students' association. On Sunday the guests will observe the usual college day with church and dinner at the regular time in the college dining room.

LAYMEN'S DAY AT OXFORD

Some years ago we could hear rumors that some pastors resented the idea of laymen given a place along with the ministry in evangelism. Today we are proud of the zeal and activity among laymen in the program of the church to do the job of calling out men and training them for extending the kingdom to the ends of the earth.

The program the laymen put on here was exceptionally good. C. G. Credle presided, Major T. G. Stem led prayer and our charge lay leader, D. S. Johnson, brought the message. A message based on our Lord's command, Go, make disciples of all nations, teaching them to do the things I told you. The speaker defined the church, not from the point of an architect, but members of a body, living, active, sure footed, fighting the forces of evil.

The services were convincing that the laymen stand shoulder to shoulder with the pastor and Christians in every department of church activity. The services were shot through with "I love thy kingdom, Lord," "The church's one foundation," and give me faith, give me courage for duties of this hour. R. D. Daniel.

CHARLOTTE EDITOR SEEKS TO MAKE A DISCOVERY

The Charlotte Obeserver has been very zealous for the defeat of Hitler and with great zeal has urged the purchase of defense bonds, but some things going on at Washington put him on the fence as a spectator.

For instance, that editor says: "Jonathan Daniels has been doing a lot of literary discovering of the country lately and now the country has its opportunity to make some discoveries of the author's fitness for an $8,000 job in Washington into which he was courteously placed by Mrs. Roosevelt."

WE OWE TO OUR COMMUNITIES

I have no fear for the church and the ministry so long as we can pour out into the communities where we work a stream of redeemed manhood and womanhood. Standing as churches in our various places, we owe to our communities at least three things: First, the inspiration of a high moral standard; second, the example of an ideal brotherhood; third, a continual demonstration of the divine in religion. Let us unite to pay this debt to our community.—Forney Hutchinson.

An Address on Layman's Day at Plymouth Methodist Church

By C. G. MORRIS, Lay Leader

THEME: *Methodist Men and the Mission of the Church*

Jesus came one morning by the Sea of Gallilee and found some fishermen washing their nets. They had toiled all night and had caught nothing. And with astonishment Simon, one of the party possibly felt deep down in his heart that Jesus might not know that he was talking about when he said to them, "Thrust out your boat and cast out your nets for a catch." Nevertheless, he did as Jesus told him and we know the results; the great draft of fishes that was taken into the net. Here was shown not only the interest that the God of the universe had in men but also was shown the interest of the Son of Man in what we are pleased to think of as plain men, men of every day calling of life. I can imagine that in wonder Simon, James and John, who were partners in fishing, heard the wonderful words of Jesus as he said to them, "From henceforth thou shalt catch men."

One day Jesus seeking to find out what men and especially his disciples thought of him, asked them the direct question, "Whom say ye that I am?" Whereupon Simon answering for the group said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered and said unto him. "Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona, for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee but my Father which is in heaven.' And upon this rock (Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God) I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

The church is composed of men but is not man made.

"The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride,
With his own blood he bought her and for her life he died."

The church then must have a far deeper significance than a mere social order. It is the one agency in the world that has for its purpose the recreation of men. Then certainly the mission of the church is to bring men and women in touch with him who is the Saviour of the world, who is the light of the world.

Men are not ushered into the kingdom of God by some magic wand but by a rebirth, a new creation. I still believe with all my heart that the church in travail will give birth to sons and daughters of the king when she again adorns her wedding robes as the bride of Christ, who is and must ever be the head of the church.

Let us not forget that the church must ever be the haven for weary storm tossed men and that here they can find an answer to many of their problems.

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If Jesus was very emphatic about any one thing it was that the old way of formality and creeds was a dead issue, and that he had come that men might live, and that the life he came to bring is abundant. To my mind this life about which Jesus was talking is something transforming and is good for the whole life—mind, soul, and body. He taught that men could now live as free men, not in bondage to sin and despair. He told us that he had overcome even to the last enemy, death, and that it is possible for men under this new dynamic to live as sons and daughters of the king.

I believe the church, spirit guided, should be able to produce in the world men that would demonstrate the truth of Jesus' statement that he who would be greatest among you must be servant of all. I believe the words of Jesus bear us out in the statement that men need to be spoken to in words of conviction. The church will lose her place as salt of the earth when she fails to speak a message against wrong; that there can be no amalgamation of sin and righteousness.

The church should be the alchemist's crucible into which daily are coming those who are seeking to be made whole.

There is something about Jesus that burns out the dross of men's lives and lets the pure gold of righteous living shine. Jesus said to the woman at the well, "If she would drink of the water that he would give her that she would never thirst." The mission of the church again is to teach men that Jesus gives wholeness to life. Jesus can keep us in the world and yet we are not of the world. If we belong to Christ we live and move in this world, but we are citizens of another kingdom, the kingdom of God on earth.

Again, the mission of the church is to carry a message to help men to live and find joy in service and finally, in this day of real misgivings, I believe that if the church is to be the church that Christ wants her to be that she can have a language that is not spoken in war terms. If the church is to be able to offer to men something upon which we can rebuild a world of order at the close of this war, then the church can not use slogans and epithets nor ill feeling toward anyone. There seems to be shipwreck in most all the world of our so-called modern living; and frankly, I am praying and hoping and wishing that amid all this strife the church will adorn herself so that she may be the lighthouse amid all the storms that are sweeping over the world today. My only comment on the thought that one purpose of the church must be to work for peace on earth I quote the following passage from Luke's Gospel, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."

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We Methodist men have had committed to us a heritage that few men since the beginning of the church have had. Under the leadership of John Wesley laymen were called to conviction in their own lives and then were commissioned to go tell the good news of the gospel.

In the first place let me say that I believe that Methodist men today need to be well read—better posted in the work of the church and kingdom. We need to read good books, to keep ourselves abreast of our church's program. We may not agree wholeheartedly with all that she offers, but if because we are posted we are able to speak with authority, then it is our privilege also to offer constructive criticism. Methodist men (and I don't mean to say here that all Christians should not be in this class) should have a family altar where once a day at least the family can hear the head of the family read from God's Holy Word and speak with his heavenly Father in terms of kinship.

Of course this means when we have recognized our place in the church that we will support the same by our means, by our work, by our talk, by our living. I well remember as a young man when I was elected a steward in the Methodist church that I considered it the highest honor that could be bestowed upon a layman. My mind has not changed. I consider it a high calling. If we are what Christ wants us to be we are God's sons; and this brings to my mind the thought that came to me at a conference at Henderson when Bishop Mouzon was speaking to the preachers and he gave voice to these words: "You are to speak for God to men and you are also to speak for men to God, for there are men that feel so unworthy that they do not know how to approach God and are glad to have someone speak for them." The thought as I sat there listening was why not say those words to us laymen; we too should be God's messengers, the heralds of good news. Men, I say again to you that the church is our priceless possession. We are custodians of its usefulness in the world. Not every man has read these words, not every man knows about these words, not every

man has experienced that light which can come into a man's life when Jesus dwells with him and makes his face to shine with a light such as never "shone on land or sea." Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; if any man follow after me he shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life."

Father in heaven, thou who made us;
And our minds with which to think,
Grant us in this hour of chaos
Holy thoughts and lives as well.

Thou to us who gavest voice
May we sing thy praises well.
May we tell to those about us
How our Christ with man may dwell.

Thou who in our breasts did place
Hearts with which to love and bless,
Grant to us along life's highway
Some to show thy loving face.

Thou who didst give to us our hands,
They are thine to work for thee;
But for thee if deeds are done,
Must others' burdens help to mend.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MISS DOROTHY THOMPSON

Dear Miss Thompson:

I frequently read your press articles, and frequently agree with your position. But a few weeks ago you made a statement with which I did not agree because I think it was directly contrary to official figures.

In this article you stated: "Obviously there had been great abuses in the liquor traffic. The saloon was tied up with politics in a most unsavory way. To have regulated the traffic in liquor and enforced restrictions upon it would have been reasonable, but difficult. So we just expropriated the business and outlawed spirits, wine, beer, except a near-beer variety, of which it was said 'anybody who calls this near-beer has no sense of distance.' The result was not temperance, but the **most drunken age** America has ever known (black face mine). Instead of whiskey we got rotgut, and instead of divorcing politics from the liquor business we got rampant gangsterism and a corruption unique in American life." Now, what are the official figures?

Regardless of the fact that none of the three Presidents —Harding, Coolidge or Hoover—or Secretary Andrew W. Mellon made any vigorous effort to secure efficient enforcement, and althought Mr. Hoover stated positively, face to face, to Dr. A. J. Barton and myself, at his home in Washington, before election, that he would, if elected, vigorously and effectively enforce the prohibition law (which pledge publicly stated by him and by us broke the solid South), and that during the entire prohibition era Mr. Mellon, the ranking prohibition officer, never put in the budget enough money to obtain a sufficient force of sympathetic, competent men to secure effective enforcement, and that none of the three Presidents, Mr. Hoover included, demanded sufficient funds—regardless of these facts, which seriously affected the success of the prohibition law, still your sweeping statement, unsupported by facts, published in the press is directly contradicted by the official figures.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (not the Anti-Saloon League, or the W.C.T.U., or so-called prohibition cranks and fanatics like myself) gives figures as follows: Arrests for drunkenness in the United States in 1932 (the last year of the prohibition era) were 381 per 100,000 population; in 1940 the arrests were 1595 per 100,000, an increase of 92 per cent. Arrests for drunk driving in 1932 were 65.7 per 100,000; in 1940 similar arrests were 102.7, an increase of 61 per cent over 1932. Based on these official figures, which was the more "drunken era"—1932 or 1940?

According to the census of 1930 the per capita gallons of distilled spirits manufactured were 1.61; in 1940 the gallons per capita were 2.99, an increase per capita of 85 per cent; in 1930 the per capita gallons of malt beverages were .95; in 1940 they were 12.98, an increase of 1300 per cent. Which was the more "drunken era"—1930 or 1940?

There were 400 old-time saloons in the District of Columbia in 1918, before prohibition, which barrooms had bartenders and few, if any, women customers. The present-day "taverns" (not saloons; perish the thought!) have as fine looking barmaids as can be hired, and in the "taverns," which I have personally visited, nearly as many women as men were at the bar and at the tables, and there were apparently more women than men "lit up," or fully intoxicated. No such conditions existed in the prohibition era. If you, Miss Thompson, think this to be an improvement, I can not agree with you. James Cannon, Jr.

CHANGES IN AMERICA THAT AFFECT THE CHURCH

By Thomas D. Ellis

We must save America in order to save theworld!

The American church must bear a larger part in the Christian work of the world. It cannot do this unless the churches at home receive the type of support that will increase their consecration and contributions to world-wide endeavor. Greater emphasis must be given to fortifying and increasing the efficiency of the church in the homeland.

In a changing world the rural church is forced to face changed and changing conditions. These changing conditions are produced by improved roads, automobiles, consolidated and improved school buildings, and well trained school teachers. A rural community is no longer satisfied with an ignorant preacher and a poorly equipped church building.

We find many schools for mountain children and many speeches are made about the needs of mountain people, but I think we can say beyond question that the preachers who are sent among the mountain people are poorly equipped for their work, or are young men who expect to get out of the mountains as soon as possible. The need for well trained young men, born and reared among mountain people, to make their lives and work out their ministry among these people is very urgent.

It is time that we faced one of the most serious problems for the church. In the Southeastern Jurisdiction we have the cotton mills, rayon mills, the manufacture of tobacco, furniture, the gathering of fruits, and the large number of people working in the mines. All these groups constitute separate and distinct lines within the population, and you have what amounts to a section of people segregated from the great mass and in many instances not sympathetic with the church.

The church is not growing as fast as our cities are growing. The larger the city, the more serious the problem because of downtown congested areas, the cesspools of moral degeneration, where it is very hard for the church to make headway. The city must be saved, but how to save it is a serious problem.

Good roads, automobiles and bus lines have made it possible for people to get out into the country beyond city limits. They do not consider themselves country people, and the city does not consider them a part of the city. A church must be located among them. This constitutes one of the most urgent of missionary and church extension problems of this day.

All of these constitute problems in home missions and in church extension—problems that must be faced by the jurisdiction and by the Methodist Church at large—if we are to save America so that it can save and serve the world.

SELF-GOVERNMENT IN INDIA

Signs multiply that Britain is about to offer some measure of increased self-government to India. What form this offer will take, and whether it will satisfy the demands of Indian nationalists, remains to be seen. But London is throwing out hints about some sort of nationalist cabinet headed by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. The clearest indication of an impending major change in British policy came when Chiang Kai-shek broadcast a message on leaving India in which he said: "I hope and believe that Britain, without waiting for any demand on the part of the Indian people, will, as speedily as possible, give them real political power." The Chinese generalissimo would hardly have spoken so plainly, nor would the British censor in India have permitted the statement's circulation, if some new grant had not been under consideration. It may put a wholly new face on the war, at least in the Far East. And not only on the war; for if India and China, with their 800,000,000 people, can form a comradeship to repel Japanese aggression now, what an enormous transformation they may force in the post-war order in Asia if their comradeship is carried over into the peace! Evidently Nehru and Chiang believe that this can happen. Britain's concessions have come terribly late. Let it be hoped that they are not too late. They may not be, if they are sufficiently generous.

What Pressure Moved Mr. Churchill?

Behind so dramatic a shift in British policy toward India as is now in prospect there emerges a question which will be universally asked. What influence finally prevailed on Mr. Churchill to consent to grant India more self-rule? Through all his years in public life Mr. Churchill has opposed every move which he thought might weaken absolute British control of India. He fought the present mildly liberal Government of India Act to the bitter end. Since he became prime minister he has preserved a stony and forboding silence at every suggestion of concessions. Now, suddenly, his opposition seems to be dissolving. What has done it? Was it the necessity of strengthening his government by taking in Sir Stafford Cripps? It is reasonable to believe that Cripps would demand Indian reforms before undertaking to defend the government's policy in Parliament. Was it the call of Chiang Kai-shek for concessions to a potential ally? China just now is in a position to secure attention for its demands. Or was it the Japanese? Malaya may have taught a lesson on the importance of native loyalty which even Mr. Churchill could not ignore. It may have been a combination of all three which has induced the British prime minister to change his mind. At any rate, the result, if it proves anything more than the shadowy promises of the First World War, may constitute a landmark in modern history. What is happening in Whitehall as the offer to India is given official form is far more important than anything that is happening in Java.—The Christian Century.

MRS. G. C. WOOD ENTERS THE LARGER LIFE

Mrs. Dora Winstead Wood, wife of Rev. G. C. Wood, pastor of the Roper charge of the Methodist Church, died February 19, 1942, in the hospital at Columbia, N. C., after an illness of several weeks. She was born March 26, 1882, in Nash county, a daughter of the late Wesley Atkinson and Julia Wells Winstead. She married Grover C. Wood on October 14, 1906. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Tillman, Rich Square; Eugene, Elm City; Ray, Henderson; G. C., Jr., student at High Point College; Katie, Spring Hope; Evelyn, Roper; also three granddaughters, four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were held from the Elm City Methodist church Friday afternoon, February 20, by Rev. C. D. Barclift, with Rev. Mr. Hodges, a Baptist minister of New Bern, and Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr., assisting. Interment was in the family cemetery near Elm City.

By every meaning of the word, Sister Wood was a good woman. A consistent Christian, her life beautifully portrayed the virtues of patience, humility, fidelity and sacrifice. She directed the affairs of the home with diligence and consecration. The queenly graces of true motherhood showed forth from her life. Making the whole of life a real sacrament, she lived for her family and others. She matched unselfish service with the challenge of each day, and met the sorrows and joys of life with steadfast courage and trusting heart. A tower of strength to her husband and a constant source of inspiration to her children, they rise up to call her blessed and to cherish the memory and lingering influence of her self-denying devotion.

For twenty years she met faithfully and cheerfully all the demands incident to the work of a pastor's wife. The good she did lives on. Dying, as she lived, with faith in God and goodness, she has entered into the rest of the righteous and the reward of the just. C. D. Barclift.

A SOLDIER BOY APPRECIATES HIS BIBLE

Centenary church, Winston-Salem, has sent a great number of pocket Bibles to members of that church who are in the army or navy. These Bibles have been sent by the church through the North Carolina Christian Advocate as agent. Which explains why we received the following interesting letter:

United States Navy.

To My Church Paper:

Dear Friends: At a time like this no other gift could have been better than the Bible that you sent to me. From the bottom of my heart I wish to extend to you my most grateful thanks.

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Love, Don Welborn.

PRAYER

By George A. Buttrick

Many books have been written about prayer, but not until this day has the church had so well thought out and carefully studied a thesis on prayer as this comprehensive volume.

As an early convert to the Christian faith George Buttrick began in his childhood to pray. The years of his ministry have made demands on him for personal prayer. In serving a large city parish, in preaching, public addresses and lectures he has often discussed prayer.

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Prayer is the commonest and most frequently used Christian grace, yet the least understood and perfectly practiced. All men pray. Most of us began praying in childhood. Not all continue to pray. Many who do pray, pray most unsatisfactorily.

Our unsatisfactory praying is our discouragement. "Restraining prayer, we cease to fight." Our failures are in our lack of study and examination of our own soul's needs and an understanding of why and for what we should pray.

Dr. Buttrick has not merely given a series of lectures and published a book, he seems in his extended studies to have sought for himself clearer light on the grace and inspiration of the prayer life.

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FORTY-TWO SCHOOLS FOR RURAL MINISTERS

Forty-two schools, institutes, graduate courses, conferences and camps will be held during the spring and summer for town and country ministers under the sponsorship of the committee on town and country of the Home Missions Council of North America and the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. They range from four days to two weeks in length of term and charges, which are kept at a minimum, are between $15 and $25. This includes room, board and registration. Some schools are planning special activities for women. A number of scholarships will be available for country pastors who should communicate with Dr. A. J. Walton or Dr. A. H. Rapking, of the Department of Town and Country Work, Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, if interested.

The purpose of the schools is to acquaint rural ministers with tested methods of town and country church work, to assist them in securing an understanding of the trends and problems of modern country life, to develop fellowship among ministers, serving this field, and to increase association of ministers with agricultural leaders. Practical courses will be taught by trained leaders. Among subjects to be included are: The Country Church and Our Generation; Inter-Church Co-operation; Weekday Religious Education; Dramatics and Pageantry; Country Church Efficiency; Problems of Rural Youth; Introduction to Mental Hygiene; The Larger Parish Plan; Social Problems of the Modern Family; Religious Education and the Church School; Agriculture of the Old Testament; Women's Contribution to Leadership; Town-Country Readjustments; Leadership Training in Religious Education; Rural Sociology; Rural Values—an Appreciation of Rural Life; Agricultural Economics; Community Recreation; Principles of Social Case Work; Problems of the Public Speaker; The Minister's Message; The Sunday School in the Rural Church; Adult Education in Rural Life.

PLAIN PREACHING NEEDED

If every one would read the 15th, 34th and 37th Psalms, 58th chapter of Isaiah, 3rd chapter of Malachi, 5th, 6th and 7th chapters of Matthew, and the 14th chapter of John and heed what is said, all whiskey or other intoxicant sales would be stopped, all ball rooms and other places where sin is practiced would be closed—such as ball parks, shows—where money is spent for that which is not bread.

Until the evils of our land are stopped there will be more and more suffering. If we win the war there will be other things sent on us. The preachers do not preach plain enough; they do not tell us of evils that we are guilty of. I reckon it's because they are too popular. The majority of the people indulge in them. Some of our leading preachers can't wait to get off the pulpit to tell about the ball games—praising it. Until we wake up!

Mrs. W. H. Gaither.

Keeping Vigil While She Sleeps



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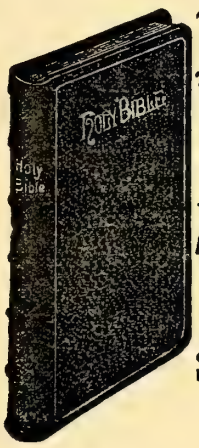
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Most respectfully,

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Most sincerly,

Walter Patten.

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Address:

Walter Patten, Louisburg College Louisburg, North Carolina

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PROGRAM

Second Annual Session of Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference

Place of meeting—Wesley Memorial church, High Point, March 11-13.

Theme of meeting—"Christ's Way, the Only Way."

Wednesday, March 11, Sheraton Hotel

11:00 a.m. Meeting of executive committee.

1:00 p.m. Luncheon.

Wesley Memorial Church

2:30 p.m. Opening of meeting.
Conference hymn. Tune No. 465.
Worship: Mrs. Edmond L. Rice.
2:50 p.m. Organization.
Reports—
Recording Secretary, Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr.
Editor woman's page, North Carolina Christian Advocate, Mrs. W. R. Harris.
Sunny Acres, Miss Hyda Heard.
Southeastern Jurisdiction, delegates.
Appointment of committees.
Announcements.
4:00 p.m. Planning committee meetings.

Wednesday Evening, March 11

8:00. Hymn No. 502.
Worship: Rev. C. E. Rozzelle.
Special music.
Address: Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon.
Special music.
Announcements. Benediction.

Thursday Morning, March 12

8:45. Worship and meditation. Miss Emma L. Madcliff.
Music: High Point College.
Report of research committee, Mrs. J. Dale Stentz.
9:20. Election of officers.
Reports of secretaries:
Conference, Mrs. A. L. Thompson.
Supplies, Mrs. J. W. Harbison.
Missionary education and service, Mrs. J. W. Payne.
Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock.
Pledge service.
10:50. Message of president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver.
Vice president, Mrs. C. N. Clark.
Message from China, Miss Kate Hackney.
Announcements.
Special music.
12:00. Worship and meditation: Miss Daisy Davies.

Thursday Afternoon, March 12

2:00. Hymn No. 481: Christ for the World We Sing.
Scripture and prayer: Mrs. P. A. Mastin.
Report: Secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr.
2:20. District corresponding secretaries' hour.
Report: Secretary literature and publications, Mrs. R. C. Kennedy.
Forum: Mrs. J. D. Bragg.
Announcements. Adjournment.
4:15. Visit to High Point College.

Thursday Evening, March 12

6:30. Wesleyan Service Guild Dinner.
8:00. Worship: Dr. G. I. Humphreys.
Special music.
Address: "For the Living of These Days," Mrs. J. D. Bragg.
Special music.
Announcements and benediction.

Friday Morning, March 13

8:30. Spiritual Life group meetings, Miss Daisy Davies.
8:50. Service of worship.
9:00. Memorial service, Mrs. J. W. Chandler.
9:30. Reports of secretaries:
Student work, Mrs. Walter Lanier.
Scarritt College.
Young women's and Girls' groups, Mrs. E. A. Lamb.
Children's work, Mrs. Geo. Hoyle.
Christian social relations and local church activities: Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Mrs. Henry White, Mrs. Sam Tobias, Mrs. David Jones, Miss Ruby Berkley, Miss Marian Brincefield.
Message from China, Miss Leila Tuttle.
12:00. Worship service: Miss Daisy Davies.

Friday Afternoon, March 13

2:00. Conference hymn.
Scripture and prayer: Miss Sara Smith.
Reports of standing committees:
Spiritual Life, Mrs. C. N. Clark.
Status of Women, Mrs. C. O. Newell.
Missionary Personnel, Mrs. Walter Lanier.
Unfinished business.
Hymn No. 414.
Communion service: Dr. S. W. Taylor.

OFFICERS' TRAINING DAY AT BADIN

By Mrs. Ralph Bizel

The Woman's Society of Christian Service training day for the Salisbury district was held in Main Street Methodist church, Albemarle, Thursday, February 3, with Mrs. George S. Moore, district president, presiding.

The meeting opened with a hymn followed by worship service conducted by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. E. Yountz, whose theme was "The Light of the Lamp in a Dark World" (John 8:15). A song, "Living for Jesus," was rendered by Misses Helen Smart, Betty and Ruby Hatley.

The organization then met in groups and with able leaders much interest was evidenced and much good accomplished. Reassembling, Mrs. C. N. Clark, delegate to the jurisdictional conference in Nashville, Tenn., gave a short and interesting report. Mrs. J. F. Kirk gave a splendid talk on the youth program and the relation the W. S. C. S. bears to this department.

Mrs. Z. V. Moss, district secretary, gave an outline of plans for the year with a short period devoted to questions and answers. The question arose: "Owing to the prevailing conditions and with so many missionaries at home is there need for so much money as heretofore?" Mrs. Clark answered this question most emphatically Yes, and called attention especially to the great need in South America. She also conducted a most inspiring devotional. Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., sang a beautiful solo, followed by the benediction, after which the ladies of the church served lunch to the one hundred or more in attendance.

INTERESTING MEETING IN MORGANTON

Marion district held its officers' training day Sunday afternoon, February 8, at First church, Morganton. The meeting was well attended and great interest shown in the work that had been accomplished and in plans that are to follow during this year.

It has been decided not to have a spring zone meeting, but the zone leaders were asked to begin early to plan their fall meetings and make announcement of them at the district meeting which will be held the first of May or June in the Marion church.

Mrs. H. C. Mangum of Marion was elected delegate to the assembly in Columbus, Ohio, May 19, with Miss Claudia Harbison, district corresponding secretary, as alternate. Selections of music were rendered by Mrs. R. Cloett, organist, and Mrs. Ed Kirksey, violinist.

NEW ORGANIZATION AT WALKERTOWN

Mrs. E. B. Clement sends us the following announcement:

"Am so glad to be able to report the organization of a Society fo Christian Service for young women and girls in Love's church, Walkertown. Mrs. Rex Bishop, Mrs. Staples Waggoner and Miss Mary Elizabeth Poindexter are the leaders."

Congratulations to this new group of workers to whom we extend a most cordial greeting.—(Editor).

WHAT TO DO—FOR SALVATION AND SHARING

What must I do—not only "to be saved"—but to share in the great spiritual adventure of the race?"

First, it is my duty to help hand on "the best we know" and have received from the past, to coming generations.

Second, it is my duty to remain within the fellowship of the religious society to which I now belong, as loyally as I can, and bring up my children within it.

Third, it is my duty to get on beyond the merely critical attitude of the observer, get off the sidelines and into the game, stand up and be counted when the time comes.—Frederick C. Grant.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

The Second Annual Session of the North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service to Meet at Edenton Street Church, Raleigh, March 10-12.

Tuesday, March 10

2:00 p.m. Conference hymn: "In Christ There Is No East Or West."
Meditation: "How Deep Shall I Drink." Mrs. Paul N. Garber.
Prayer hymn: Above the Hills of Time, Mrs. John N. Finlater.
Welcome: Mrs. L. A. Watts.
Response: Mrs. Floyd Johnson.
Report of Recording Secretary, Mrs. S. S. Holt.
Report of Vice President, Mrs. W. A. Thorne.
Report of Secretary of Literature, Mrs. R. H. Broome.
Report of Secretary of Publications, Miss Mary Gardner.
Recommendations for literature and publications.
North Carolina Council of Churches, Rev. Allyn Robinson, Jr.
Address: Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon.
Report of Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. B. F. Boone.
Recommendations for missionary education and service.
Award of Lillie Moore Everette Study Jewel.
Benediction: Rev. L. A. Watts.
8:00 p.m. Organ prelude: Mrs. J. P. Pillsbury.
Hymn, The Church's One Foundation.
Scripture: Dr. John C. Glenn.
Prayer: Rev. R. L. Jerome.
Anthem, Sanctus from Twelfth Mass. Choir.
Sermon: Bishop Clare Purcell.
Holy Communion: Rev. H. I. Glass.

Wednesday, March 11

9:00 a.m. Organ prelude: Mrs. J. T. Pillsbury.
Hymn: Lead On, O King Eternal.
Meditation: "I Have Fought the Good Fight. Mrs. Paul N. Garber.
Prayer hymn: Spirit of God. Mrs. O. S. Slaunwhite.
Report of minutes.
Secretaries' hour: Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.
Durham district, Miss Florine Robertson.
Elizabeth City district, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton.
Fayetteville district, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence.
New Bern district, Mrs. Gertie Matthews.
Raleigh district, Mrs. T. R. Smith.
Rocky Mount district, Mrs. Fred Johnson.
Wilmington district, Mrs. N. P. Edens.
Award of Korean urn and candlestick.
Report of Treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinne.
Annual message of President, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick.
Hymn: God of Grace and God of Glory.
Address: Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon.
Announcements and introductions.
Hymn: Be Still, My Soul.
Noon meditation: Miss Lucy Steele.
Benediction: Rev. W. B. Penny.
Luncheon in social room.
2:00 p.m. Organ prelude: Mrs. H. M. McLamb.
Solo: Goin' Home, Mr. Ed Hill.
Memorial service: Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep.
The General Board of Missions and Church Extension: Mrs. D. S. Coltrane.



Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, will preside at the sessions of annual meeting

Industrial work: Miss Priscilla Stegar.
Student work E. C. T. C.: Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth.
Rural work: Miss Ruth Brooks.
Address: Miss Jane Ellen Nevitt.
Report of Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, Mrs. R. C. Gary.
Recommendations for W. S. G.
Report of C. S. R. and L. C. A.: Mrs. J. H. Cutchin.
Recommendations for C. S. R. and L. C. A.
Report of Jurisdictional Conference, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.
Address: Mrs. E. L. Hillman.
Pledge service: Mrs. F. B. McKinne.
Benediction: Rev. J. H. Overton, Jr.
Banquet at Methodist Orphanage.
8:00 p.m. Organ prelude: Mrs. J. P. Pillsbury.
Hymn: Heralds of Christ.
Scripture: Rev. R. G. Dawson.
Prayer: Rev. H. M. McLamb.
Anthem: Gloria, from Twelfth Mass. Choir.
Sermon: Dr. W. A. Stanbury.
Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign Where'r the Sun.
Benedition.

Thursday, March 12

9:00 a.m. Organ prelude: Mrs. J. P. Pillsbury.
Hymn: Are Ye Able?
Meditation: "Christ for Victory," Mrs. Paul Garber.
Prayer hymn: Breathe on Me, Breath of God, Mr. Barrett Wilson.
Report on minutes.
Report of Research Committee.
Election of officers.
Report of Secretary Young Women and Girls' Work, Mrs. D. L. Fouts.
Methodist Youth Fellowship: Rev. R. W. Bradshaw.
Recommendations for Young Women and Girls' Work.
Report of Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter.
Recommendations for Children's Work.
Report of Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. W. L. Knight.
Recommendations for supplies.
Report of Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas.
Recommendations for student work.
Report of conference committees:
Spiritual Life, Miss Elizabeth Lamb.
Presentation of orphanage interests, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood.
Invitations for 1943.
Announcements and introductions.
Report of resolutions committee.
Conference hymn: In Christ There Is No East or West.
Noon meditation: Miss Lucy Steele.
Benediction: Dr. Joan C. Glenn.

WILL YOU SHARE

In an exhibit at the annual meeting at Edenton Street church on March 10-12? The department of literature and publications will sponsor an exhibit of posters, scrap books and other original items used by local societies and conference officers, district secretaries, zone leaders in the promotion of the various departments of work of the W. C. C. S. If you or your society have attractive and interesting articles to share, we shall appreciate your bringing or sending them to conference. The exhibit will be in the book room in the Poindexter Memorial building.

"LORD, SEND ME"

Send me to the hearts without a home, to the lives without a love, to crowds without a compass, to the ranks without a refuge! Send me, Lord, to the famished whom none have fed, to the sick whom none have visited, to the demoniac whom none have claimed, to the fallen whom none have comforted! Then shall I have the birthright of the first born; then shall I have the blessing of the mighty God. —George Mason.

COUPONS! COUPONS! COUPONS!

The Methodist Orphanage needs battleship linoleum for the dining room floor. Coupons from all Octagon products, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzianne coffee and tea, Health Club baking powder, Rumford baking powder, can be redeemed for cash by the Orphanage. Will you have a share in it? Send coupons to Rev. A. S. Barnes, Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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TWELVE YEARS OF GROWTH

I have just been talking with a girl who has been at the Children's Home twelve years. She was enrolled when she was only a little over two years of age. Consequently most of her impressionable life has been lived here. She is an attractive girl, a bit slow of learning in school but a bit quick in doing things, questionable or otherwise. She is one of those early adolescent girls who acts and then does the thinking afterwards. This little miss has been guilty of a number of misdemeanors, but in the midst of them all is truthful enough to expose the whole situation and frankly state that she does not know why she acted in such a way. The girl has a soul as well as a body.

THE INFLUENCE OF ENVIRONMENT

In talking with this girl we would discuss matters a while and then we would look out the window at the snow coming down so beautifully and covering the ground with lovely whiteness. We discussed the question of whether a girl could be good at the Children's Home. The girl admitted that this is a good place, that most everybody here is good and that a youngster has a mighty good chance of being as good here as she really wants to be. In other words, the environment is plenty good. We did not discuss inherited tendencies, but they enter into the picture very decidedly. They could not be brought up for audible evaluation. They must be considered silently and thoughtfully. There is more than an academic question involved. A real girl is in the picture, sufficiently attractive to be dangerous and at the same time sufficiently attractive to be wholesomely happy.

MANIA FOR IMMEDIACY

We think we have plenty of problems to deal with here at the Children's Home, but some of our biggest are those connected with our supporting constituency. Some of our friends want what they want, and they want it now. They do not understand why there is any delay involved in securing what their applications call for. Pressure is brought to bear and complaints are levied, even to the extent of insinuated threats of non-support. In such situations one has to remember that the matter being pressed upon us is being looked at from a partisan viewpoint, that only one side of the question is being evaluated. Time and fairmindedness come in as a great antidote for the mania for immediacy.

READINESS TO DECIDE

The longer one observes the results of decisions made relative to the upbringing of children the less certain he becomes of his certainty of knowing what is the wisest thing to be done. When one has repeatedly looked into the faces of little youngsters whose friends have told the story of their pitiful condition and their great need for care, and then has come along with them year after year when conditions are not pitiful and their care has been provided, he has ample time to think as to the wherefore of situations. Usually conclusions are delayed just as long as possible. Evaluative thinking tends to serve well so that when a conclusion is made it may be in the neighborhood of right. If we could decide important questions as quickly as some of our friends who are farther removed from the application of the matter we might hit on the right decision and then again we might not.



They work with a smile

REVERSED RATIO

Great questions of world-wide importance are being considered. Battles are being fought for the right settlement of them. But while the world is settling its questions we are trying to come to some sort of a settlement with ours. We do not have battles but we have campaigns. Matters having to do with our world deal not so much with events but with processes. We are finding that about ten per cent of our youngsters consume about ninety per cent of the energy connected with the ongoing of our place. Our children are being called in to discuss whether they think it is right for ten per cent of the children to receive ninety per cent of our efforts, leaving only ten per cent of our efforts for ninety per cent of the children. The children say that they are going to help us change the ratio, that it is not a fair one and ought not to prevail.

A LITTLE BIT OF LOVE

A little bit of love goes a long way in the run of human affairs. It certainly goes a long way with a child. One of the handicaps coming to children living in the congregated way is the denial of sensible, well directed love and devotion. All of us workers here think we love our children most decidedly, but the fact remains that by the time it has been sieved through a lot of annoyances and spread out over a lot of children it is too often like skimmed milk. It is not the easiest thing to love a trouble maker. It is not even easy to transfer from an attitude aroused by a trouble maker over into the right attitude towards a non-trouble maker. Of course the right thing to do is to remind ourselves that we are not here to do the easy thing. The world at large is not doing the easy thing just now.

THE BASKETBALL SEASON

Our boys and girls have played a lot of basketball this winter. The season is closing. The record has been good. The coaches have said that the youngsters have even played "over their heads," meaning of course that their desire to do well has caused a record better than could easily have been anticipated. The girls' varsity team has won the orphanage tournament championship and the South Piedmont Conference championship. The varsity boys are standing in third place in a conference of twelve high schools. The junior boys have won seventy-five per cent of their games and the midget boys have come out on top of their conference. The junior girls have won ten and lost two games, losing to teams of varsity caliber. The winning of the games has been the least value connected with our basketball season.

LEARNING HOW TO WORK

The picture this week is that of a group of junior girls who were beginning to learn how to wait on tables in the dining room. This picture was taken some time ago but the process still continues. At about nine or ten years of age all our girls and boys are assigned some task within their range of ability and begin the operation of learning how to do it well. For this work they receive a monthly payment called "honorarium," half of this being allowed to each youngster for spending as she pleases while the other half is kept in a savings fund against the time of the youngster's leaving the Home to establish herself elsewhere. We think every child ought to know how to work, how to earn something by it and then how to spend the money thus earned.

A CLANGING CYMBAL

Our bell has "busted." It is not the ten per cent apportionment bell, the joy bell, it is the dinner bell. The clapper got lost from its placement and was used by some of the youngsters

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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WORTHY OF COMMENDATION—I returned to the Methodist Orphanage several days ago, after an absence of three weeks. I found that everything had gone smoothly and successfully while I was in Texas and Arizona. Every member of the official staff, and all the boys and girls, did everything they could to make things go smoothly while I was away. The fact that no one took advantage of my absence to "fall down on the job" or to misbehave, is worthy of the highest commendation.

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ANNUAL MEETING — The annual meeting of the Society of Christian Service will be held at Edenton Street Methodist church March 10-11. The Methodist Orphanage extends a warm welcome to all delegates and visitors. The Orphanage is looking forward with great pleasure to having these elect women for dinner at five-thirty on Wednesday evening. Our glee club, composed of forty of our boys and girls, will render several selections during the dinner hour. We are expecting every delegate to be our guest on this happy occasion.

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HEALTH SITUATION — We have had no epidemic of colds or influenza in our big family up till now. So far we have had less sickness among our boys and girls than for several winters. We are hoping to get through the winter and early spring without experiencing an epidemic of any kind. Taking everything into consideration I think our health record is unusually good. The children get a balanced diet and plenty of outdoor exercise, which fortify them against diseases that are so common among young people. The Orphanage physicians, our trained nurses and our staff of workers are untiring in their efforts to build strong bodies against sickness. It is much easier to prevent sickness than it is to cure sickness.

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SOME MISUNDERSTANDING — The annual conference, in session in Durham last November, adopted a new financial plan to meet our operating expenses. The matter came before the conference on the closing day. Due to the rush of things incident to the closing of conference, there was not sufficient time to give the matter the attention that was necessary. Since there seems to be a great deal of misunderstanding about the new plan I have asked Mr. A. W. Pridgen, business manager of the Methodist Orphanage, to write a letter to each pastor and the district superintendent explaining in detail the workings of the new financial plan. I feel confident that his explanation will clear up any confusion or misunderstanding. It is the sincere wish of the board of trustees and the executive head of the Methodist Orphanage to work in perfect harmony with the district superintendents, pastors and churches of the conference. If there is any question in the mind of anyone that is not made perfectly clear in Mr. Pridgen's letter, we shall be more than happy to go into further details regarding the plan.

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IN THE INTEREST OF ECONOMY —The good women of our conference are clothing practically all of our children. The altruistic spirit manifested by the Societies of Christian Service is most commendable. In carrying out this undertaking they have made many sacrifices. The Methodist Orphanage is deeply and profoundly grateful to them for their unselfish devotion to our boys and girls. Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, our head matron, and the superintendent, have decided to request fewer articles of clothing this year than usual. Our youngsters have been told of the many demands being made upon our friends, due to the war situation. Everybody is being called upon to make sacrifices in the interest of defense. The chidlren have been told that they would have to make their clothes last longer now than previously. I am confident that the friends who are sponsoring the clothing of our children will appreciate our efforts to reduce the cost of clothes for our children this spring. I feel a deep sense of gratitude to the societies of Christian Service for the many sacrifices they make in behalf of our boys and girls.

OBITUARY OF A NOBLE DOG

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GASTONIA GOES AHEAD

Our first large training school of the current year was held in Gastonia, February 15-19, with 139 people receiving certificates of recognition for work done during the week. This number shows an increase of eight over the record of the 1941 school. All pastors, superintendents and church school workers are to be congratulated heartily on this advance. In the face of difficulties such as tire shortage, first aid classes, and other defense obligations, these people are standing by their church program in an excellent way. Each faculty member extends sincere thanks for the fine hospitality of Gastonia.

SNOW SNIPS CHARLOTTE SCHOOL

The Charlotte school is usually one of our biggest and best each year. The school opened most auspiciously on Sunday afternoon, February 22, with approximately 500 people in attendance. Classes were still crowded on Monday night. The snow storm of Thursday curtailed attendance considerably, but the final records show that we had a great school. Pastors and superintendents did a fine job of enrolling their workers and the instructors rendered excellent service in face of difficulties. It is always a joy and privilege to be in this school.

CLEVELAND COUNTY SCHOOL MARCH 15-19

The Cleveland county school will begin at Central, Shelby, at 3 p. m. (daylight time) Sunday, March 15, and will continue each evening from Monday through Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Miss Elizabeth Oliver will give The Use of the Bible With Children for workers with nursery, beginner, primary, and junior children. Rev. M. Teague Hipps will give Senior and Young People's Work for the young people ages 15 to 25 and for their adult officers and teachers. Dr. John O. Lee of Emory University will offer The Acts of the Apostles.

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UNION COUNTY SCHOOL MARCH 15-19

The annual school for the Methodist churches of Union county will begin at Central church, Monroe, at 2:30 p. m. daylight time) Sunday, March 15. Two courses will be given by two of our most successful training school teachers. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will give a general Bible course on The Teachings of Jesus. Mrs. E. H. Ould will give Understanding Ourselves for young people 15 to 23 years of age only.

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NORTH WILKESBORO SCHOOL MARCH 16-19

With A. C. Waggoner and W. H. Duhling as pastor and superintendent of the host church, the first training school for a number of years will be held at the First Methodist church in North Wilkesboro March 16-18. Three classes will meet at 7:30 evening through Wednesday. Youth Work in the Church will be given by Robert Stamey. The Work of the Young Adult Fellowship will be taught by Earl Brewer. Church School Superintendents and Their Work will be given by Carl H. King.

Pastors and Superintendents of Participating Churches

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GOOD FRIDAY FAST

It is only a few weeks until Good Friday. This announcement of the annual Good Friday fast is emphasized now in order that every conference or regional leader may begin his program of publicity to enlist the participation of every youth group in his area.

Again this year, each Methodist young person is asked to fast a meal on Good Friday, or to make an equivalent sacrifice, and to contribute at least the money thus saved for the relief of human suffering. (See "A Sacrament of Sacrifice' 'in the March issue of Highroad).

Either during the time of the fast or on Good Friday evening, youth groups are urged to participate in an appropriate service of worship, during which the sacrificial gifts should be received. A service prepared for this purpose by Harold Ehrensperger will appear in the March issue of Workshop; single copies five cents. available for 5 cents.

Local church groups are to send their contributions to the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, indicating that they are part of the Good Friday fast offering. The Overseas Relief dollar goes around the world. It brings relief to stricken men in China and Europe, refuges, stranded missionaries, prisoners of war. Write the committee for leaflets, posters, and publicity materials. Of special interest to young people is the poster packet, containing materials for making your own poster.

Student groups in Wesley Foundations and Methodist colleges are asked to send their sacrificial contributions to the Methodist Student Movement, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., for the National Refugee Scholarship Fund. This fund is sponsored by the Methodist Student Movement, and is a relief project which is of particular interest to students. The scholarship fund is used for the very important and much needed work of training refugee students now in this country.

We pause before the tragedy of this Good Friday. We hear the shuffle of the weray feet of refugees. . . . We see the desperate throngs of the homeless and the hungry. We remember the weary feet of refugees. . . We have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren. . . ." When lives can be saved in China for three cents a day, a conventional contribution is not enough.

Materials Available for Use During Holy Week and Easter

March Workshop:

"The Other Thief," an Easter Radio Play, by Ralph Keesaer.

"Christ Has No Hands But Yours," a Good Friday Fast and Fellowship service, compiled by Harold Ehrensperger.

March Highroad:

"A Sacrament of Sacrifice."

March International Journal of Religious Education:

"Christ Lives On," a dramatic Easter worship service, by Austin and Eva Heuver.

"The Fountain of New Beginnings," an Easter service for senior and young people's departments.

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GREENVILLE SCHOOL

A most successful Christian workers' school was held in Jarvis Memorial church, Greenville, February 15-19. Under the leadership of the church school superintendent, J. H. Rose, and the pastor, Rev. G. W. Perry, careful plans had been made for the school and the workers in the church responded in a most co-operative way. Attendance was very good, interest was sustained, and a fine spirit prevailed throughout the entire session. Church workers from Ayden, Bethel, Grifton and churches in Greenville of other denominations were in attendance upon the school. This was the first school held in Greenville in several years, but the group expressed a desire to make the school a regular part of the church program in coming years.

Course offered in the school were:

"The New Testament: Its Content and Values," by Dr. H. E. Myers, Duke University.

"Teaching Children in Church School" by Dr. Arline McKenzie, Chapel Hill.

"Senior and Young People's Work," by Robert W. Bradshaw, Durham.

JACKSONVILLE SCHOOL

A three-day non-credit school was held at aJcksonville February 23-25. Workers from the Jacksonville, Richlands, and Swansboro charges, with their pastors, Rev. A. D. Gray, Rev. W. A. Crow, and Rev. Warren Pettaway, joined in the school and made it a most satisfactory training experience. Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director of adult work, led the class in the work of the adult division, Mrs. W. F. Walters, district director of children's work in the Rocky Mount distrist, led the class for children's workers, and Rev. R. W. Bradshaw led the young people and their leaders in a discussion of youth work.

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Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 8

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By Rollin H. Walker

Discovering Why People Drink Beverage Alcohol

Genesis 43:34; Psalms 104:14-15; Proverbs 31:4-7; Ecclesiastes 2:1-3, 10, 11; Isiaih 56:12; 1 Corinthians 10:6-7.

Thousands begin to drink when some generous host of high social station sets it before them. They feel it will never do to allow any puritanical scruples to keep them from accepting what he so kindly provides. A great safeguard under such circumstances is to have previously put one's name to a solemn pledge to abstain from all alcoholic beverages In our work among the young we are not emphasizing pledge-signing half enough.

Another reason why men begin to drink is on account of the diabolical shrewdness of the lying liquor advertisements that they see on every hand. These advertisements inspire men to take a drink out of curiosity. They wonder whether a moderate amount of liquor might not add to the richness of life. They say, Of course I will not go to extremes, but let me find the golden mean. This is a very common attitude of youth who have a horror of what they call narrowness. A brilliant young candidate for a bachelor's degree in an eastern university tried to shock his college Bible teacher by saying that he thought he would go and get drunk just to see for once how it felt. He was, however, a little crestfallen at her refusal to be shocked, and her merry advice to carry out this exalted scientific experiment at once. She said it would be so lovely to hear his drunken drivel.

The antidote for this desire to experiment is to get young people interested in testing out the new wine of the kingdom, and engaged in some thrilling adventure for the good of their fellowmen. This will fill up the dangerous times when they have nothing to do.

The writer who for several years was a resident in a college settlement in the poor districts of Boston, was surprised to find poor drunkards so often saying, "I began to drink when my wife died." They took to liquor because there seemed to be nothing to live for. This suggests special attention from the church to those whose home ties have suddenly been broken.

Often the poor become addicts because of sheer wretchedness. It is a well known fact that poor food gives a man a craving for stimulants. And alas! it is much easier for a tramp to get a drink of whiskey than a good meal. If the prodigal had been in one of our big cities, and had come to the condition where he would fain have filled his belly with the husks the swine did eat, he probably could have got a drink of liquor before he got food, and then, alas, he would not have come to himself and said, I will arise and go to my father. All organized efforts to relieve the wretchedness of mankind is manifestly effective temperance work.

Thousands of people begin to drink with the foolish notion that alcohol is a good medicine, a sovereign remedy for a bad cold. And as the first drink is not effective they repeat the dose, and soon they are fighting off colds all the time. Here comes in the importance of scientific temperance instruction.

Others begin to drink to drown their consciences. They cannot bear to take a sober look at their lives. Isaiah represents the false prophets who were hirelings and who exploited the people rather than defended them, as saying, Come ye, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink, and tomorrow shall be as this day, a day great beyond measure. Doubtless they then sang the Psalms with maudlin piety, and felt well satisfied with themselves. No condition is more dangerous than a sense of guilt, and the temperance worker would often be best occupied in proclaiming the love and forgiveness of God, and telling the poor conscience-stricken wretch that if he confesses his sin God is faithful and just to forgive his sins, and to cleanse him from all unrighteousness.

And then last of all there is the sad and wretched multitude who are already alcoholic addicts, and who must drink to satisfy a fiery craving. No pious exhortation will save them. This kind goeth not out save by the most intense and persistent prayer on the part of the church, and the most sympathetic and co-operative effort of good friends who confidently expect God to work a miracle, as he certainly will, and as he so often does when there is co-operation on the part of the victim.

THE SENSE OF GOD'S PRESENCE

In dealing with this subject one needs to learn to sense the presence of the Lord in four ways; first, in an inward strengthening of personality so that one may feel that he can meet any situation—by seeing how Christ after his resurrection in moments of surprise was with his disciples. By exercising faith in the risen Lord, the disciples' experience may be ours.

Second, Christ's presence is recognized in a transcendent happiness, a kind of an infectious gaiety of spirit which others catch from those who knew his presence in their hearts.

Third, Christ's spirit is seen in a deep serenity of spirit and inward peace, a mark which Jesus left as an assurance of his presence. All is well when one is in the hands of a living God.

Fourth, there is an outgoing love. The presence of Jesus meant, and means, a love that goes out to all men, to our critics and enemies; not merely loving and lovable, not only seeing what is lovable, but seeking no reward, a love is creative enough to make something lovable in all men, a love which changes coldness, bitterness, and cynicism into warmth and sweetness and radiance.—Rev. Leslie Weatherhead.

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THE RAIN

By Julia W. Wolfe

"Oh, dear!" sighed Beth, as she looked out of the window one rainy day, "there is nothing but rain, coming down as fast as it can. I know it won't stop, and I'll have to stay in the house when I wanted to go to Aunt Ruth's; it is not right."

"Dear, dear!" said the white-haired grandmother, from the depths of her rocking-chair, "what a pity the thunder clouds will creep inside!"

There were many things outside just pining for that lovely shower! First, came Mr. Duck, who had funny little red rubbers on his feet, and whenever he walked he made a cunning, three-toed track in the soft-muddy ground. He had been warm all day, his throat was full of dust, and he could not eat a bite, for the bits of food he picked up tasted as if they had just come from the oven.

When he saw the storm clouds gathering in the sky he said, "Quack, quack! how glad I am!" and quickly set to work to oil his clothes, so that he might be ready to run about and enjoy the rain. Splash, splash! he went into the puddles, throwing the water in tiny sprays over him.

The pretty yellow buttercups out in the field were hanging their heads under the sun's rays.

"Oh, dear!" they cried, "our roots are dry and the tiny baby buds will surely wither if a shower does not come."

The frilled caps of the daisies that should have been as white as snow were an ugly brown.

The dainty pink goblets that the clover took such pride in keeping full of the richest honey were almost empty, and the poor clover himself limp and weak, leaning against a ragweed for support.

Down came a big raindrop right in buttercup's heart. Eagerly it drank the cool liquid. Faster and faster came the rain. "How lovely!" cried all the parched flowers, as they raised their drooping heads and felt the moisture sinking in their green leaves.

"Pour, pour! I wish it would pour," croaked the little tree-toad, who had been under the shadow of a big leaf all day. "My coat is so dry I am afraid it will burst, unless there is a heavy shower."

The sparkling brook sang a happy song as it danced over the white pebbles: "How fast I grow! If the rain will only keep falling, I shall soon be a river! Ships with white sails will glide over my shining breast."

The rain has given everything outside new life. We think little Beth must have seen how glad the flowers were, for the thunder clouds had rolled away from her face and it was bright and smiling.

"Grandma, dear," she said, "I am so glad the pretty flowers have had their faces washed! The grass smells fresh and sweet, and the birds are singing. I was sorry when it rained, but now I am happy."

"Yes," replied grandma, "the good Lord knows best what we need, and for sunshine and rain, too, we will give thanks."—Alabama Christian Advocate.

SAMMY'S PENNIES

By Mrs. Effie Crawford

"What's the use of saving?" muttered Sammy Grey,
Counting up his pennies as he went to play;
"Pennies are so tiny, such a small amount,
They would never help you make a bank account."

Just outside the garden, underneath a tree,
There he saw a squirrel, busy as could be;
Storing little acorns, hiding them away,
Covered up so snugly, for a winter day.

Soon a buzzing noise from the flower bed,
Honey bee then sailing swiftly overhead;
Back and forth she traveled, carrying bit by bit
Honey, sweet and yellow, loads and loads of it.

Sammy learned the lesson Mother Nature gave,
Honey bees and squirrels taught him he must save;
Counting up his pennies, "Clinkety, clank, clank,"
"If I keep on saving, they will fill the bank."

—The Young Crusader.

PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAP

What has a mouth and runs, yet has neither head nor feet? A river.

What has a face that it never washes and hands that are always in motion? A clock.

What is good on the inside, of little value on the outside, yet the inside would be useless without the outside? A lead pencil.

What can you hear and feel, yet never see? The wind.

What has eyes that it doesn't see with and feet that it never uses for walking? A tape measure.

THE PANTRY SHELF

The following converastion took place on the shelves of a pantry in an old farm house:

A Spoon turning to a Pot of Tea said, "Let's stir up something, I'm getting rusty."

The Pot of Tea replied: "You stir up something, and this is where the Tea Leaves, because I'm altogether too weak, but you might get a rise out of the Old Yeast Cake."

The Yeast Cake, who was very much in love with the Barrel of Flour, replied, "My friend, Flour, and I mix very well, and I'm sure we will rise together in the oven."

A Lamp, who up to this point had been overlooked, wanted to appear bright, so straightway threw some light on the subject, and after a few bright remarks went out, which gave the Coffee Grinder a chance to take a turn.

In one corner the can of Mustard was making a few blistering remarks about the Flour Sifter, who had been sifting the flour question down in fine shape.

Just then the Butcher Knife heard a Ginger Snap, and after a few cutting remarks, sat down in the Knife Box, looking angry but keen.

The Old Coffee Pot stood this arguing very well, but he was getting boiling mad, and claimed he had good grounds to complain, and if he was black, he was strong enough to kick the Vinegar Bottle, who was looking very sour, not having seen its Mother in some time.

All was quiet for a while, then the Fruit Jar Ring, who had been rubbering around, cried, "If I'm not mistaken, I heard the Tea Ball."

"No wonder," spoke up Mason Jar. "I just saw Soda Cracker. "Conditions became so bad in the pantry the Cream, who had turned against the Pitcher, joined the Butter, who was running away.

The Pepper gave them such a stinging lecture that tears dropped from the eyes of an old but Sweet Potato.

The climax came when the Potato Masher, who had been flirting with Peanut Butter, claimed he saw Lemon Squeezer, and in a fit of rage Egg Beater, which caused such a racket the cook came into the pantry, and seeing the shelves so confused decided to give them a thorough scrubbing.

The Old Grandfather Clock standing in the hall looked in and hid his face with his hands in shame.—A. C. Krimbill, in The Sentinel.

Professor (speaking on phone): "You say that Billy Smith has a bad cold and will not be able to attend school today. Who is this speaking?"

Voice (hoarsely): "My father."

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Person Ct., Warren's Grove, 10:30 7
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 8
Brooksdale, Brookland, 3 8
Bahama, Mt. Tabor, 7:30 8
Chapel Hill, 7:30 12
Yanceyville, Shady Grove, 10:30 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 15
Pittsboro, Chatham, 3 15
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 15
Calvary, 7:30 18
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11 22
Graham, 7:30 22
Carr, 7:30 25
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 29
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 29

April
Davis Street, 7:30 1
Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11..19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Wanchese, 11 1
Manteo, 7:30 1
Aulander, Lewiston, 11 8
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 8
Hertford, 11 15
Chowan, Bethany, 11 21
Belhaven, Trinity, 3:30 22
Aboskie, 11 29
Murfreesboro, Union, 3 29

April
Bath, Bethany, 11 5
Roper, Siloam, 3 5
Williamston, 11 12
Windsor, Cashie, 3 12
South Camden, Sign Pine, 8 17
Swanquarter, Soule, 11 19
Mattamuskeet, Bethany, 3 19
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26

May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Maxton, 11 8
Rowland, Purvis, 3 8
Hamlet, 7 8
Gibson, 11 15
Roberdel, 7 15
Troy, 11 22
Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
District Conference at Sanford, 10 to 4 23
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3..... 26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Oriental, Arapahoe, 11 8
Newport, Oak Grove, 11 15
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 3 15
Pamlico, Bayboro, 7:30 15
Mt. Olive Ct., Rones, 11 21
Seven Springs, 11 22
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 22
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29

April
Pikeville-Elm St., Elm St., 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Grifton, Sharon, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 8
Franklinton, 7:30 8
Louisburg, 11 15
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 15
Bailey, Middlesex, 7:30 15
Erwin Erwin, 11 22
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 22
Raleigh, Jenkins Mem., Pleasant Grove, 11 29
Oxford, 7:30 29

April
Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11 4
Moncure, Buckhorn, 11 5
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8 5
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Middleburg, Tabernacle, 11 8
Norlina, Zion, 7:30 8
Halifax, Ebenezer, 7:30 11
Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City..20
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Weldon....22
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April
Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ... 17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, 11 8
Hallsboro, Peace, 3 8
Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April
Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May
Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

March
Biltmore, 11 8
Fairview, Tweeds Chapel, 3 8
Tryon, night 8
Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April
Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Lilesville, Forestville, 11 8
North Monroe, Grace, 3 8
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 7 8
Belmont Park, 7:30 11
Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April
Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Sparta, 11 8
Laurel Springs, 3 8
Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29

Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Boger City, Asbury, 11 8
Lincoln Ct., McKendree, 3 8
Lincolnton, First Church, 7:30 8
Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Mayio-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Pleasant Garden, 11 8
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 8
Proximity, 7:30 11
Spray, 11 15
Stoneville, 3 15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30 15
Danbury, 11 22
St. Pauls, 11 29

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Rankin Memorial, 7:30 5
Why Not, Pisgah, 7:30 6
Randleman Ct., 2 7
Seagrove, Seagrove, 7:30 7
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 8
Randleman-Union-Naomi, 7:30 8
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 9
Lebanon, 7:30 11
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30 13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11 15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30 15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30 15
Asheboro First, 7:30 18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

April

Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Avery, Mt. Zion, 11 8
Elk Park, Elk Park, 3 8
Spruce Pine, 11 15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3 15
Marion, First, night 15
Glen Alpine, 11 22
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Taylorsville, Bethel, 11 8
Hiddenite, Center, 2:30 8
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11 15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night 15
Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26
District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Bethel, 11 8
Inman, 3 8
Meadow Grove, 7:30 8
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 11 15
Laurel Hill, 3 15
Junaluska, 7:30 15
Franklin, 11 22
Sylva, 7:30 22

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Erlanger, Bethesda, 11 8
Trinity-Mt. Carmel, 3 8
Concord-Sharon, Union, 7 8
Welcome, Vernon, 11 15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7 15
Centenary, 7:30 18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3 12
First, West End, 7:30 12
Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29

May

Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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for making a sound as it came in contact with the outside of the bell. This contact was not always made with the right sort of proportion and in the run of time the bell broke. We now have a clanging cymbal. The sound is not pleasing nor is it distinct. We'd like to have a good dinner bell, one that makes us happy when we hear it, giving forth sufficiently strong tones to be heard by the boys and girls out in the field, enabling them to know when to come in to clean up to eat. A bell seems necessary for us when we get scattered around.

MARCH UP AND BE HAPPY

This is March. Towards the last of this month comes a fifth Sunday. We haven't had one of these pleasant days since November. It seems a long time between Children's Home giving occasions. This fifth Sunday will afford a fine opportunity for our church schools to march up and give and be happy over having done a good thing in a good way. It is to be remembered that all fifth Sunday offerings count on the new Children's Home apportionments placed on our pastoral charges. An amount equal to ten per cent of the pastor's salary is the basal apportionment. Supplementary apportionments can be met by fifth Sunday offerings and special contributions. Such will be needed, most assuredly needed.

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Richard T. Riggs.

RANEY—Mrs H. M. Raney, 81, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. P. Bryant, in Rocky Mount on December 15, 1941. Her husband, Alexander Richard Raney, died in 1895. Both were loyal members of First Methodist church. She was a mother beloved, faithful to home and church, and has left a beneficent influence upon all who knew her. After funeral services here interment followed in Round Hill cemetery, Emporia, Va. Surviving are one son, John E. Raney, Randolph, Mass.; two daughters, Mrs. W. P. Bryant and Mrs. A. S. Baer, Floral City, Florida; one sister, Mrs. E. W. Allen, Norfolk, Va.; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

TAYLOR—Following a short illness Mr. J. L. Taylor passed away January 13, 1942. He had recently celebrated his 86th birthday. His had been a long and useful life to his church and his community. He was a prosperous farmer, a good neighbor, active in church work and liberal to church and community activities beyond the average. As a father he was remarkable in the keen interest shown and help given each individual child of a large family of children. Bereft of wife for many years, he was ever loyal to her memory and faithful to his household. To his bereaved family our community extends deepest sympathy.

We are grateful to God for the life and influence of our departed friend. To continue his influence for good, his many relatives and friends would do well to emulate the noble characteristics that made him an outstanding churchman and fellow citizen.

A life long friend,

W. L. Harris.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Bible Class of Norwood Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of its most faithful and loyal members, Mrs. Emma Lowder, who departed this life February 5, 1942.

Mrs. Lowder possessed an admirable Christian character and was devoted to her church, her family and friends. Her regular attendance at Sunday school and church even when she seemed scarcely able to come was an inspiration to all who knew her. We thank God for her life and for our association with her. Therefore be it resolved:

That we extend to her family our sincere sympathy and assure them of our love. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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At the Tomb of Napoleon

A LITTLE while ago, I stood by the grave of the old Napoleon—a magnificent tomb of gilt and gold, fit almost for a dead deity—and gazed upon the sarcophagus of rare and nameless marble, where rest at last the ashes of that restless man. I leaned over the balustrade and thought about the career of the greatest soldier of the modern world.

I saw him walking upon the banks of the Seine, contemplating suicide. I saw him at Toulon—I saw him putting down the mob in the streets of Paris—I saw him at the head of the army of Italy—I saw him crossing the bridge of Lodi with the tricolor in his hand—I saw him in Egypt in the shadows of the pyramids—I saw him conquer the Alps and mingle the eagle of France with the eagles of the crags. I saw him at Marengo—at Ulm and Austerlitz.

I saw him in Russia, where the infantry of the snow and the cavalry of the wild blast scattered his legions like winter's withered leaves. I saw him at Leipzig in defeat and disaster—driven by a million bayonets back upon Paris—clutched like a wild beast—banished to Elba. I saw him escape and retake an empire by the force of his genius. I saw him upon the frightful field of Waterloo, where Chance and Fate combined to wreck the fortunes of their former king. And I saw him at St. Helena, with his hands crossed behind him, gazing out upon the sad and solemn sea.

I thought of the orphans and widows he had made—of the tears that had been shed for his glory, and of the only woman who ever loved him pushed from his heart by the cold hand of ambition. And I said I would rather have been a French peasant and worn wooden shoes. I would rather have lived in a hut with a vine growing over the door, and the grapes growing purple in the kisses of the autumn sun. I would rather have been that poor peasant with my loving wife by my side, knitting as the day dies out of the sky—with my children upon my knees and their arms about me—I would rather have been that man and gone down to the tongueless silence of the dreamless dust, than to have been that emperial impersonation of force and murder, known as "Napoleon the Great."

—Robert G. Ingersoll.

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JUDGE HAYES IN OPEN COURT READS THE BIBLE TO A MODERN PRODIGAL

Federal Judge Johnson J. Hayes of North Carolina's central district will be remembered a long time by Richmond county spectators at his court as a humanitarian jurist who tempers justice with mercy.

The district probation officer had brought a 16-year-old youth charged with automobile theft before the judge and quoted the lad as saying he never would return to his home in Boston, Mass., and never would return to school.

After gentle questioning, the judge inquired:

"Why did you run away from home, son?"

"Just stubbornness, I guess," the boy replied.

"I think I see something good in this boy," Judge Hayes commented, and then asked him, "Do you ever read the Bible?"

"Yes, sir."

"Have you ever read the story of the Prodigal Son?"

"No, sir."

Judge Hayes threw off the robe of judicial dignity, came down from the bench and sat down beside the boy. He picked up a nearby Bible and asked, "Does anyone in this courtroom know where I can find the story of the Prodigal Son?"

For several moments there was no answer from the crowd which filled the room.

Then came the voice of an aged Negro man, timidly, "Yas-suh, Jedge, I knows where 'tis—the fifteenth chapter of Luke."

Judge Hayes turned to the place as he commented, "Now, I want all of you to reflect upon this. The only person here familiar enough with the Bible to find this story was this old darky. I want you to meditate upon this for awhile."

Then he read the story of the young man who left his home, spent his substance in riotous living and returned penitent ,and was received with joy by his father.

Later, Judge Hayes notified the boy's parents to come for him.

The lad remarked that "Never before have I realized so clearly the difference between right and wrong. My parents will have no more trouble with me."

LEADERS THIS WEEK

Brother Z. V. Snipes, Dunn (Rev. O. W. Dowd, pastor), remits $22 new, $7 renewal; total $29. Such a layman is a treasure in any church.

Rev. J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard, forwards $12 new, $2 renewal; total $14. This brother rejoices in promoting his church paper.

Rev. M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw, $14 new. This makes his quota.

Rev. I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union, $10 new, $5 renewal; total $15. Others are to follow. Thanks!

Rev. T. G. Madison, Shiloh, High Point district, $10 new, $3 renewal; total $13. A fine showing. So the record runs in many churches.

A TWO MILE BROTHER

Brother Aubert M. Smith of Jackson Park, Kannapolis, had already secured his quota. This week he adds to his first report $24 with 12 additional subscribers. A wonderfully fine showing! Brother Smith gives credit for this record to Mrs. O. B. Lowdermilk and her most able assistant, Mrs. P. K. Sain of Jackson Park church. With such excellent workers a pastor can enjoy the march of triumph.

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As this world war develops every indication is that China becomes more and more as a force in shaping the world of tomorrow and the British Empire grows less and less. In the words of Dr. Y. C. Yang of Soochow University, "China is no longer remote from the rest of the world, detached from the interests of western nations. The East and the West have met on the highway of the world and are going down the road together. China and her allies have the broad view of a new world system based on justice, righteousness, peace, and order."

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As this war passes from an effort to back up Britain to an enterprise of world significance, the more important does the church of God become in shaping the coming peace. It touches the welfare of all nations with its doctrine of human brotherhood. The fellowship of the Christian church is being continued in a quiet way among all the contending nations looking to the coming peace, said Dr. William Adams Brown in an address at Chapel Hill this week. Devoted leaders are anxious to find what they can do after the war. He insists that this was not so during the first world war.

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Hon. Josephus Daniels, editorially in the News and Observer, says: "General MacArthur invites confidence from men in his army, and this is nothing new in his career. When he was head of West Point Academy he inspired the football team to victory by telling them, when the contest was going against them, that he would soon be ordered to field service, and had such confidence in them that he intended to request each one of them be assigned to duty in his command. That expression nerved them to greater vigor and it turned the tide that threatened defeat. This is reminiscent of the claim of a great British general that the battle of Waterloo was won on the athletic fields of Rugby. Tests in athletic games bring out the strength needed in battle."

In no better way can the church of Christ make its mission felt in these days of agony among the nations than in stressing the evangelistic and missionary advance. To this end should all labor in contributing to the fellowship of world brotherhood. This is the process by which we are to bring in the new heaven and the new earth wherein dwelleth peace and righteousness.

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Dr. A. B. Davidson was Scotland's greatest Old Testament scholar and his mother was one of Scotland's greatest women who in her son's student days would out of her poverty send a hamper of provisions from the farm along with his clean linen. His biographer explains as follows: "In general it would be brought in to him by the carrier, but his mother, always eager to see him, often went with it herself in the stage-coach, and it is a tradition cherished not only in the family but in the whole countryside, that the brave little woman would sometimes take a creel on her back and walk the whole way to town—nearly twenty miles—and hand her son the coach fare which she had thus saved."

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China, the only democracy in Asia, is destined to be a factor which cannot be ignored in the building of a new world order after the war, Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, declared this week in an address at Duke University. Its vast population, great resources, and rich cultural heritage combine to make China a force to be reckoned with, Dr. Yang asserted. Today, said the Chinese educator, China is holding one end of democracy's line of defense, and, despite the terrific punishment it has suffered at the hands of the invading Japanese, China is becoming more unified. The solidification of China's 415,000,000 people, he declared, indicates that the nation is no longer a dead weight but a living factor in the world.

Port of Greater Hampton Roads

TO the up-countryman of North Carolina, Hampton Roads is but a name. Some of these citizens just now know more about Burma Road than they do of those historic waters within the Virginia Capes. Really Hampton Roads is a great base for American naval operations. This is certainly the best and most commodious harbor on our east coast.

In the Hampton Roads area are located the cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth and South Norfolk on the south side; the cities of Newport News and Hampton on the northern side. The naval activities in this area comprise, on the northern side, the great Newport News Ship Building and Dry Dock Company, with its 20,000 or more employees engaged in the construction of men-of-war of all types and ships of the merchant marine which are turned over to the navy for auxiliary purposes. On the south side of the Roads are the Norfolk Navy Yard, the Naval Magazine, the Naval Hospital and the immense naval operating base.

The vastness of the naval activities in the Hampton Roads area, including uniformed personnel and their families, workmen and their families and men employed by contractors engaged in naval defense projects, it is estimated that the population totals approximately 125,000. These figures are sufficient to give the reader a fairly good idea of the magnitude of this base. This section should be of much interest to all Carolinians since Norfolk is sometimes spoken of as a North Carolina town—outside of the state. In a most real way does the whole world around have a stake in the vast enterprises of the Hampton Roads area. From this point naval craft go to the ends of the earth.

Will the Church Bog Down?

ALMOST daily we read of some one of our many rescue agencies having bogged down. These are indeed most trying times for the numerous ventures made. Our chief fear, however, is for agencies fully capable; if properly used. The Christian church is certainly being tested these days of world upheaval. Every prospect indicates still sorer trials. Many indications are that both China and India are to assume another place among the nations. And Japan is going to suffer sore defeat but Japanese people are going to remain—for more than a million are born every year. In China and India are about one-third of the human race—these people being more and more open to the Gospel. The Christian lines of conquest are evermore extending to the ends of the earth.

Our plea is that we keep the church true to her Lord and see that her life is so strong and true as to dominate this war situation. Thus make preparations for days of peace not far away. If our churches in town and country place bog down in these days, what can we expect in the more exacting times ahead? It is suicidal to rest on our oars until the war is over. A gospel that cannot win here at home is not worth carrying abroad to the millions over the seas. It is well to have a spirit of sacrifice sufficient to win the war, but it is better to have a spirit that will win the world as he continues to send us far hence.

Prayer in Time of War

HOW to pray and what to pray for in time of war is one of the old perplexities that confronts the Christian world. Good men have been accused of praying one way in times of peace and another in times of war. Just now war time prayer is a living issue. The Christian Century has at present a symposium on prayer—what it terms an International Prayer Meeting. Last week the prayers of William Yancey Bell, Arthur Cushman Giffert, Jr., George C. Pidgeon and E. Stanley Jones appeared. That by E. Stanley Jones follows:

O God, thou art the Father of all of us gathered here today. But to say that to thee and to each other brings embarrassment. For we are at war with each other—so our nations have decreed.

We feel the essential wrongness of it all. Our sins have brought us to this hour. Our sins are in this hour multiplied a hundredfold. This hour is sin. It is sin in which we all have a part in varying degrees. We humbly ask thy forgiveness.

As a sign of our penitence and repentance we here in thy presence highly resolve that this shall not happen again. We dedicate ourselves individually and collectively to the task of making a new order in which everyone, so-called friend and so-called foe, shall have equality of opportunity. We give to thee our persons, and we give to thee our privileges. Distribute them, lest they rot upon our hands.

When we consult our inmost desires we do not want to see our own nation defeated—and yet we cannot pray for mere victory. We bow our heads, as Jesus did in Gethsemane, and say, "If it be possible let the cup of defeat pass from us, nevertheless, not our wills, but thy will be done." Perhaps thou wilt have to save us by hard refusals. But whether through hard refusals, or through victory, save us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

England's Reliance on America

WEEKS before the meeting of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill at sea in the Atlantic conference this paper suggested that certain elements in England were anxious to pull us into the war. This intimation was rated as outrageous by some who censured America for not plunging into the war. But we all know now on the highest authority that England was eager to get the United States into the war.

In his recent broadcast to the world Mr. Churchill said: "When I survey and compute the power of the United States and its vast resources and feel that they are now in it with us, with the British Commonwealth of nations all together, however long it lasts, till death or victory, I cannot believe that there is another fact in the whole world which can compare with that. This is what I have dreamed of, aimed at and worked for and now it has come to pass." Note the prime minister said, "I have aimed at and worked for." Could anything be clearer?

The Christian Century of March 4 makes this editorial comment on Mr. Churchill's speech:

> Here, it will be seen, are two direct, specific affirmations, from which an enormously important conclusion must be inevitably drawn. In the first place, it is affirmed that it has been from the start a central project in the Churchill policy to bring the United States into the war. In the second place, it is affirmed that Great Britain could not, while under attack in Europe, defend her empire in the Far East. From this the unescapable conclusion must be drawn that Mr. Churchill has all along believed that the United States must be brought into the war to defend the empire. If the empire was to survive, military intervention by the United States became a necessity of British policy.
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> Lord Halifax has recently been stressing the paramount importance of America's intervention in the war. Says the British ambassador: "Upon the resources, valor, skill and energy of these United States largely, perhaps principally, hangs the future of an entire way of life." That may be thought to be the flattery of diplomacy. But Mr. Churchill has been indulging in no flattery. His thought is far too clear, too specific for that. He boldly links the fate of the empire with the requirement of American help. American help is welcome to Britain in Europe, but American help is an absolute necessity to the empire in the Orient. Without American arms in battle in the Far East, the impire must fall.
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> This was the portion of the speech in which Mr. Churchill revealed the relation of the United States to his policy and the further revelation of the responsibility which he has placed on the United States for the preservation of the British empire. No American can meditate long on these sections of the prime minister's broadcast without perceiving that, if they are accepted without examination or allowed to pass without challenge, the United States will be committed to a future foreign policy in the Far East upon which no nation should enter lightly.

Can the Church Save Us?

MANY of us recall the depression following 1929. We had come through the flush times of easy money in the decade following the Armistice in 1918. That backwash of the world war with its emphasis on material things and the moral and spiritual decay incident to the war left the church, both preachers and laymen, largely helpless to deal successfully with the spiritual depletion and the moral collapse that overtook us. There was a persistent sense of helplessness and hopelessness that left the church unable to cope with the situation. Many charged this up to hard times and the scarcity of money. Really, it was the collapse following war. Some of the wisest heads insisted that we would not recover from this war in fifty years. Now we are in the midst of another world war doomed to suffer as before—perhaps more than in that desperate effort to save democracy. Are we going to be able to hold the church so fully to the spiritual functions of the gospel during the war and in the years following that we will be saved from such calamities as those that overtook us before? So far as the church is concerned the coming peace treaty will be simply an incident in the on going life of the nation. The saving qualities of the church must become manifest, both during and following this present conflict.

The Value of Lent

THE annual season of fasting in many of the churches is observed as a preparation for the feast of Easter. Would it not be well to give Lent a larger significance than this in a deeper and fuller expression? True, there should be prayer and fasting for the deepening of the spiritual life. But along with this there should be an earnest and devoted effort for the extension of the kingdom of our Lord.

In our Methodist churches evangelism and missions should receive a fresh impetus. These are the two leading and essential lines along which we move. There should certainly be a large ingathering of young people and children from the homes of the church and community and the offering on Easter should augment the missionary treasury.

People and Things

Dr. W. K. Greene brought our laymen a stirring message on February 1. Some of our folks missed a treat that day. —Bulletin, Burlington Ct.

Keep up the good work that is now being done in the Advocate campaign for new subscribers and we will this year break all records. Let every friend of the Advocate join enthusiastically in the work.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins, superintendent of Waynesville district, writes that $432 is the amount raised on a suggested goal of $505 by the Waynesville district for Brevard College. The other $72 will be forthcoming. Shooting Creek charge has not yet fired its volley which will help on to victory.

Andrews Methodist church has just purchased a new electric organ. Three choirs, children's, adult and young people, have been organized since conference. A fine spirit is manifested and the church is moving forward. Revival services before Easter are being anticipated.—G. M. Carver.

In a ceremony recently held in Atlanta, Ga., the Gideon Society presented 23,000 Bibles to the public schools of Georgia. The ceremony was held in the municipal auditorium, and it is said to have been the largest mass dedication of Bibles in history. Gideon Bibles have already been distributed to schools in California and Oklahoma.

Wide interest has been aroused by the launching of a campaign against liquor and vice to cover all American armed forces, according to Captain Edward Page Gaston, national commander of the Patriot Guard of America. The plan was outlined by him last Sunday evening at the Lincoln Fellowship Forum of New York Avenue Presbyterian church, where Abraham Lincoln attended.

We must say with David of old: "Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee," and with the Apostle Paul, For me to live is Christ," following the admonition of James when he says, "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your ownselves." The paramount need of today is that Christians everywhere translate the Bible into everyday living.—Selected.

March 8 was observed as Layman's Day on the Rougemont charge. All three churches worshipped together in Rougemont church. Mr. H. R. Williamson from the Treasury Department of the State of North Carolina, and who is also chairman of the board of stewards of Person Street Methodist church, in Raleigh, was the speaker. Mr. Williamson used as his subject "Partnership with God." He brought to a clear focus our responsibility to God, to the church, and to each other. Mr. Williamson spoke to a good congregation, who felt that his message was instructive and helpful because it did bring us, in a vivid way, face to face with what a brotherhood church should be.—Pastor.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Sandy Cross sub-district met at Bethlehem Sunday, March 8. A worship service centered around the theme "What I Owe Christ" began the program. Participants in the program were Miss Cora Alice Coggin, Miss Elsie Mae Rich, Misses Martha and Charlotte Boone, Miss Dorothy Tant and Mrs. Roy Boone. Following the worship program Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers of Durham spoke on "Organizing a Methodist Youth Fellowship." Reports from local Epworth Leagues were given, and officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Cora Alice Coggin; vice president, Bruce Baker; secretary-treasurer, Grace Coggin; Program committee, Mrs. Roy Boone.—Sidney Boone, Pastor.

Mrs. Ella Howard Mundy died in a Lincolnton hospital the last day of February at the age of 80. She was a daughter of the late F. W. Howard, known as Praying Frank, a widow of Billy Mundy. She is survived by nine children, two sisters, and a brother, O. F. Howard. She had been a member of Bethel Methodist church from her youth. Since the death of her husband she has lived at Denver. She was buried at Bethel church. Mrs. Mundy is a great-granddaughter of pioneer Daniel Asbury.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Grifton and the Sharon churches held their school of missions jointly last week with the pastor as teacher. The interest and attendance were good. Laymen's Day was observed at the Grifton church yesterday. Messrs. W. C. Evans and R. S. Nelson delivered forceful addresses and the high school glee club rendered several musical selections. Rev. L. A. Tilley of Ayden will be the guest speaker at a pre-Easter revival beginning March 22 in the Grifton church.—E. M. Hall, Pastor.

The missionary women of the Western North Carolina conference are in annual session this week in Wesley Memorial church, High Point. The church during the three days' sessions of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday is being crowded, and they are truly busy days as reports of the closing year's work are submitted and plans effected for the work of the coming year. Among the visitors on the program are Miss Daisy Davies, Miss Leila Tuttle of China, and Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon of the general board. A full report will appear in next week's Advocate.

It appears to us that there is too much talk and not enough action in this war work about which Washington is talking constantly. A recent comment by a reporter of the News and Observer says: "The scrap metal and paper keeps piling higher on the junk yards and automobile 'graveyards' of North Carolina, and the government is still howling for more metal. Many individuals, who have gladly scraped together their scrap metal and materials for the salvage campaign, have said the biggest source of material—the junk yard—is holding back for higher prices. The dealers say it isnt' so, and the state salvage secretary says it better not be so, because the government can and will confiscate the yards for public operation. We took a swing around some of the junk yards in Raleigh. There's no denying the mountains of metal piled high upon all of them, but the dealers say they are moving it as rapidly as they can obtain railroad cars in which to load it."

Expansion of the seating facilities of Myers Park Methodist church was authorized by the board of stewards of the church this week when they approved the purchase of balcony pews. This will be the first time pews have been installed in the balcony of the church, which now has a membership of 950 persons. For the past few Sundays the church has been filled to capacity, making necessary to provide further seating arrangements. Dr. E. H. Blackard is the popular new pastor at Myers Park church. Along with the new pews, were purchased 100 new hymnals and 100 new chairs to be used in the Sunday school and, when necessary, in the church auditorium. The board expressed the hope that the new pews will be installed by March 22. New carpeting in the balcony is due to be laid by that time also. Plans have been completed at the church for a week of services to be conducted by Dr. W. A. Smart of Emory University, Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Smart will conduct the morning service March 15 and will speak each evening, Sunday through Friday, at 7:30 o'clock.

DR. W. A. SMART TO PREACH AT MYERS PARK, CHARLOTTE

Dr. W. A. Smart of Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., will hold a series of special services at the Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, March 15-22. He will preach twice on each Sunday and at 7:30 each evening. Dr.



Dr. W. A. Smart

Smart is an artist in interpreting religion to modern men and women. His subjects are:

Sunday, 11 a.m., "Christian Thinking in Time of War"; 7:30 p.m., "Barriers Burned Away." Monday, "What Did Jesus Think About God?" Tuesday, "What Did Jesus Think About People?" Wednesday, "What Did Jesus Think About Right and Wrong?" Thursday, "What Did Jesus Think About the Kingdom?" Friday, "What Did Jesus Think About Suffering?" Sunday, 11 a.m., "Investments with Large Returns"; 7:30 p.m., "The Impossible Christ."

In addition to these sermons, Dr. Smart will speak at the Central high school, Queens College, several of the civic clubs, and the junior chamber of commerce. Dr. Embree H. Blackard, the pastor, extends a most cordial invitation to every one to hear Dr. Smart's messages.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Greensboro College's first hospitality week-end of 1942 was held last week-end with about forty high school seniors as guests.

A formal dinner with the Y. W. C. A. as hostess for after-dinner coffee Friday evening preceded the opera, "Gondoliers," presented at 8:15 by the college glee club and Meistersingers. Saturday the guests were entertained at the regular chapel period by the faculty of the music department. Saturday evening they attended an open house held by the students' association, with Miss Margaret Skinner, New Bern, presiding.

On Sunday the guests observed the usual college day with church and dinner at the regular time in the college dining room.

Misses Lucille Cox, Asheboro, editor, and Alice Odell Taylor, Hookerton, business manager, were elected last week by the G. S. student body to head the new year's staff for the Collegian, college newspaper. Miss Cox and Miss Taylor will name their assistants this week and will assume office immediately.

The Greensboro College glee club left Tuesday morning, March 10, for its first major trip of the season. Touring the western part of the state, the glee club, directed by Walter Vassar, will give concerts in Mt. Airy, Galax, North Wilkesboro, Lenoir, Morganton, Hickory, Shelby, Gastonia, Charlotte, Kannapolis and Thomasville, returning to Greensboro March 15.

Mark Hoffman, head of the Greensboro College school of music, and president of the State Music Teachers Association, will preside at a meeting of the organization March 20 in Raleigh.

At a community program sponsored by the Greensboro Euterpe Club at Woman's College Tuesday night, March 3, Mr. Hoffman played the piano solo part for Liszt's Concerto, E Flat Major (Allegro Maestoso, Cussi Adagie—Allegretto vivace, and Allegro marziale animate).

In a candle light installation service Sunday night, March 8, at 6:15 in Odell auditorium, Greensboro College Y. W. C. A cabinet took office for the coming year. Headed by major officers, Misses Nell Webb, Cherryville, president; Helen Prince, Dunn, vice president; Mary Virginia Price, Mount Olive, secretary; Peggy Royall, Elkin, treasurer. Committees chosen by the outgoing cabinet were made up of Misses Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs; Kitty Wilson, Warrenton; Eloise Morris, Greenville, S. C., religious education committee; Mary Earle Wilson, Rowland; Mary Neil Ward, Mocksville; Louise Taylor, Oxford, music; Alice Odell Taylor, Hookerton; Jane Brader, Bethlehem, Pa.; Margaret Graham, Greensboro; Isabel Gibbs, Elkin, social service; Mary Spence Thompson, Kinston; Virginia Potts, Mount Olive; Rebecca Powell, Mullins, S. C., social; Wilhemina Strowd, Cooleemee; Dorothy Evans, Lexington; Mary Sharpe, Greensboro, publicity; Frances Thompson, Greensboro; Miriam Callis, Bessemer City; Hilda Key, Ellerbe; Mary Elizabeth Edwards, Clinton, publications; and Annie Hall Estep, Greensboro; Mary Barber, Kernersville; Frances Wolfe, Spray, world friendship.

TRAGIC DEATH OF E. C. McCALL

Such is the tragic death of Mr. E. C. McCall of near Laurinburg. He was the son of the late Rev. F. B. McCall. The vehicle in which he was riding was struck by the train at the railroad crossing in Laurel Hill and he was killed instantly. He was a prominent man in his community and church, being a steward, trustee and teacher of the Bible class in the Snead's Grove Methodist church on the Laurel Hill charge. He was also a member of the school board of Snead's Grove. He will be greatly missed in his church and community. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Calton, who is in the U. S. Navy, and Andrew, at home; two daughters, Mrs. E. P. Gibson of Laurel Hill, and Miss Sadie McCall of Fayetteville.

Funeral services were conducted at the home by the pastor and Rev. J. G. Johnson of Laurinburg. Interment was in the Laurinburg cemetery.

E. H. Measamer, Pastor.

REV. J. H. BUFFALOE PASSES SUDDENLY

Many of the older members of the North Carolina conference will be grieved to hear of the death of Rev. J. H. Buffaloe, Marsten, N. C., on March 3, 1942. Death came suddenly while out walking in his yard. Brother Buffaloe retired a little over three years ago while serving the Laurel Hill charge. He is survived by Mrs. Buffaloe, two sons, James of Marsten and William of Carthage, and one daughter, Mrs. E. J. Aplin of New York City.

The funeral services were conducted from the New Hope Baptist church near Garner and he was laid to rest in a nearby cemetery. Brother Buffaloe and his wife were natives of this section. The services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. D. D. Traynham of Garner, Rev. M. Y. Self of Farmville, Rev. W. A. Parsons of Pine Bluff, and the Baptist preacher of Garner.

E. H. Measamer.

*THE MESSAGE OF THE CHURCH

"We have a three fold responsibility: as citizens of a nation which, under God, is dedicated to human freedom; as members of the church in America, which is called to minister to people under heavy strain; and as members of the world-wide church, which unites in a common fellowship men of every race and nation who acknowledge Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

"As citizens we gratefully acknowledge a priceless national heritage of freedom and democratic ideals for which earlier generations struggled and sacrificed. We cherish this heritage more deeply when we see it attacked by a totalitarian threat. We are resolved to defend it from the menace of rival systems from without and from the degradation of abuse or neglect from within. It is our high obligation to bequeath our heritage unimpaired and strengthened to those who follow us. We rededicate ourselves to the highest purposes of this nation and to its unfinished task of building a more truly free and democratic society.

"As members of the church in America we have responsibilities which only the church can discharge. The church must ceaselessly bring to judgment those individual and social sins, at home and abroad, which are the cause of such disaster. The church must minister in every Christ-like way to men in the midst of war. More than ever, in such an hour, people need its ministry. They cannot withstand the tensions of war-time without moral and spiritual resource. The church must maintain its distinctive service, but now with all the greater devotion and skill. It must inspire men, in the armed forces and at home, with faith and hope and courage. It must bring guidance to the perplexed, and comfort to the distressed —God's strength for our struggle and his peace for our pain.

"The host of young men who in this hour of crisis answer their country's call are a special concern of the church. It encompasses with gratitude and prayer all now summoned to render sacrificial service, whether in the armed forces or in other work of national importance. It honors the sincere conscience of every man. It sends many of its ministers to serve as chaplains and seeks to create a wholesome environment in every camp community.

"In days of trial, the church cleaves to a steady faith. When bitterness and hatred may easily overwhelm us, the church is still the stronghold of good will. It counts dear all basic human rights. It befriends loyal minorities, including those of alien birth or those descended from peoples with whose governments our country is now at war. The church cannot abrogate its Gospel of Eternal Love.

"The church should minister in mercy to those on whom the cruelty of war most heavily falls. To the full measure of its ability it should care for refugees and prisoners of war and all others caught in the appalling suffering of our world.

"The church must be in the vanguard of preparation for a just and durable peace. The great sacrifice of treasure and of life must not be in vain. We must build now the spiritual foundations for a better order of the world. This task is immediate and cannot be delayed.

"As members of the world-wide church, which transcends all differences of race and nation, we have obligations which reach beyond our own country. We must preserve at all costs the world-wide Christian fellowship, without which no free world order of justice and peace can be achieved. In times of war Christians in different nations are still members of the one Body of Christ. They must pray, not merely for their own national interest, but that God's will may be done in and through all nations. They must remember that in every warring nation there are men and women who, in spite of different political allegiances, are one with us in the ecumenical church and who also pray for its fuller realization and the coming of God's kingdom in the world. As this universal church strengthens and extends its fellowship and deepens its loyalty to one Lord and Master it will be the greatest of all forces binding a broken world together."

*Excerpts from the message of the Federal Council of Churches in America. This Council is composed of 24 denominations and this message was sent forth to their fellow Christians everywhere.

HAYWOOD COUNTY NEWS

The churches of Haywood county of western North Carolina have joined in a co-operative program for the months of March and April. Churches of all denominations are participating in this united effort to solicit the support of inactive church members and to reach the unchurched.

Although the idea for this "Forward for Christ" campaign originated in the ministers' association it is also in part a laymen's movement. A Baptist layman, editor of the local newspaper, and the pastor of the First Methodist church in Waynesville, the county seat, are co-chairmen of the drive. Also union services during Holy Week will be sponsored by lay and civic organizations of the county.

As one phase of the program the participating ministers use the same theme from Sunday to Sunday. They meet each week for an inspirational service, at which time the subjects to be used on the following Sunday are outlined and discussed. The same organization for visitation and promotion of church attendance is set up in each church. In all the publicity through church literature and newspapers the go-to-church appeal is emphasized over and over again.

Most everything that is being done today is done in the name of national defense. The Christian people of Haywood county feel that our spiritual defenses need strengthening just as much or perhaps even more than do the military defenses of our nation. In this program the churches of the county are making a united appeal for the revitalization of the spiritual life of our community and country.

G. M. Carver, District Reporter.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Report of Ministerial Support Fund to February 28, 1942:

Receipts

	Ep. Fund	Conf. Clm.	D.S.
Brought forward, 1940-1941..	$ 93.19	$ 362.44	$ 5771.35
From districts, 1941-1942—			
Asheville	299.24	1163.81	1064.24
Charlotte	189.44	736.80	673.76
Elkin	116.00	451.14	412.53
Gastonia	324.82	1263.31	1155.21
Greensboro	328.92	1279.30	1169.85
High Point	325.01	1264.07	1155.92
Marion	254.41	989.48	904.83
Salisbury	308.65	1200.46	1097.75
Statesville	322.01	1252.41	1145.24
Waynesville	118.85	462.26	422.71
Winston-Salem	422.86	1644.61	1503.89
Totals	3103.40	12070.09	16477.28

Disbursements

Episcopal fund, O. W. Auman, Treas.	$ 3103.40
Conference Claimants—on hand	12070.09
Paid each District Superintendent $1497.93	16477.23
Balance on hand	.05
Total	31650.77

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.

Missions Make Goodwill Between Nations

By Dr. Willington Koo, Chinese Ambassador to London

(Editor's note: This is the summary of a recent address by Ambassador Koo, formerly China's representative in Washington, to a group of missionaries in Edinburgh House, London).

I have very great knowledge of the work which the Christian missions and Christian missionaries have been doing in China. Your work, I know, carries a very wide range and a variety of activities.



Dr. Willington Koo

In the field of education, about which I have known something from my personal experience of other days, you have been keeping up the torch of learning and scholarship of life and truth which is so important even in these days when China is engaged in a very great struggle for her existence and her freedom. The young men and women who are being educated in many Christian colleges, universities and schools are being trained to take a prominent part in guiding the future destiny of China. They will be the leaders of tomorrow, and the part which you are helping China do in this most important task in training future leaders of China cannot be over-estimated.

I myself received for a number of years the benefit of an education in a missionary school in St. John's College. On my way coming here I was talking to Dr. Chen and we counted up the number of my collaborators in the embassy alone who were trained in one Christian college or another, and there were at least six. We also counted up the heads of government, the prime ministerships that were held by graduates of Christian educational institutions, and in the few minutes that it took us to get here we recalled at least half a dozen. This work has been not only well done but it has had very great success and it is being kept up.

We in China attach very great importance to the problem of education and to our conviction that notwithstanding the necessity of holding the invader at the front, the importance of training leaders for the future should not be interrupted. I was, therefore, very pleased to hear of the activities in this very important field. I have learned with very great satisfaction that only in June last over three hundred graduates completed their educational training in Chengtu alone, and the enrollment for this year in the twelve universities under your guidance and that benefit by your support reaches the figures of over nine thousand, a figure which shows an increase of over three thousand on pre-war days. It is a magnificent result of which we are very proud.

Humanitarian Service

In the second place there are other members of your missions and collaborators who have been carrying on their work in another field no less important than education. They are doing the humanitarian task of caring for the sick and wounded and the homeless and the needy. The Christian hospitals which are run democratically by Christian missions, and the medical services these institutions have been rendering and are still rendering, are a constant service which is widely appreciated in China. I myself attach the greatest importance to this work because it not only helps to alleviate somewhat the horrors and suffering that are necessarily attendant on the pursuance of war, but which at the same time furnishes a source of great inspiration. It is a work which helps us to maintain and promote the morale of the civil population which is so essential when China is engaged in fighting the invaders.

Then also think of the many other Christian workers who are engaged in diverse other fields. Their work is less conspicuous but none the less important, be it the promotion of rural farms; be it the organization of industrial co-operatives; or be it the promotion of scientific farming to increase the bounties of the earth, and all are doing a very useful work.

Building World Democracy

It is a recognized fact that education can be promoted in many ways, sometimes by instruction, sometimes by precept, much by example. By devoting themselves to work of a humanitarian character, animated by the spirit of unselfishness and regardless of personal danger and hardships, the Christian workers in China, your collaborators over there, are giving an example which I am sure will have a far-reaching beneficent result.

Then from an even broader point of view I feel that this work which you have been carrying on in my country is something that will help greatly in the long run in the promotion of understanding and goodwill not only between China and Great Britain but between nations. It is a work that goes to the heart of the people. The Confucian disciples who believe that within the four seas all are brethren and the Christian workers who preach the fellowship of men have a common ground upon which to collaborate to uplift humanity or to a higher plane of mutual comprehension and mutual aid in order to build up a world which will be better and saner, a world in which all peoples can live in peace and security and enjoy the blessings of liberty and democracy.

The Southeastern Jurisdiction over which the bishops have supervision embraces 17 annual conference divisions with a total membership of 2,007,068.

* Lincoln's Opinion on the Liquor Traffic

Let us look into the temperance speech made by Lincoln, in the Second Presbyterian church of Springfield, Illinois, one hundred years ago today, and see what he thought of the liquor traffic. Hear him as he describes the evil in these words:

"There seems ever to have been a proneness in the brilliant and warm-blooded to fall into this vice—the demon of intemperance ever seems to have delighted in sucking the blood of genius and generosity. What one of us but can call to mind some relative, more promising in youth than all his fellows, who has fallen a sacrifice to his rapacity? He seems to have gone forth like the Egyptian angel of death, commissioned to slay, if not the first, the fairest born of every family. Shall he now be arrested in his desolating career? In that arrest all can give aid that will; and who shall be excused that can, and will not? Far around us human breath has ever blown, he keeps our fathers, or brothers, our sons and our friends prostrate in the chains of mortal death."

And what did he think of legalization? Hear him as he describes the conditions that legal and free distribution of liquor had produced in his day: "It commonly entered the first draught of the infant, and the last draught of the dying man. From the sideboard of the parson down to the ragged pocket of the houseless loafer, it was constantly found. Physicians prescribed it in this, that, and the other disease; government provided it for soldiers and sailors; and to have a rolling or raising, a husking or a 'hoe-down' anywhere about without it was positively unsufferable. So, too, it was everywhere a respectable article of manufacture and merchandise. The making of it was regarded as an honorable livelihood, and he who could make most was most enterprising and respectable. Large and small manufactories of it was everywhere erected, in which all the earthly goods of their owners were invested. Wagons drew it from town to town, boats bore it from clime to clime, and the wind wafted it from nation to nation; and merchants bought and sold it, by wholesale and retail, with precisely the same feeling on the part of the seller, buyer, and bystander, as are felt at the selling and buying of plows, beef, bacon, or of any other of the real necessities of life. Universal public opinion not only tolerated, but recognized and adopted its use."

That is Lincoln's picture of what developed in his time under the legalization of alcoholic beverages, and that is just what we are moving back to under the so-called legal control system. One of the things that will baffle future historians will be why a government that opened the way for unlimited consumption of liquor by the people also endeavored to limit the amount of food grown by the farmer, and why it sought to curtail the consumption of food in time of war, in the name of defense, and permitted an unlimited sale of poisonous alcohol to its soldiers and sailors.

And what did Lincoln advocate as a remedy for the situation of his day. First, love for the man addicted to strong drink. Here is his exact words: "For the man, suddenly or in any other way, to break off from the use of drams, who has indulged in them for a long course of years, and until his appetite for them has grown ten or a hundred fold stronger and more craving than any natural appetite can be, requires a most powerful moral effort. In such an undertaking he needs every moral support and influence that can possibly be brought to his aid and thrown about him. And not only so, but every moral prop should be taken from whatever argument might arise in his mind, to lure him to his backslidings. When he casts his eyes around him he should be able to see all that he respects, all that he admires, all that he loves, kindly and anxiously pointing him onward, and none beckoning him back to his former miserable 'wallowing in the mire!'"

And listen how Lincoln recommended the signing of temperance pledges by individuals: "But it is said by some that men will think and act for themselves; that none will disuse spirits or anything else because his neighbors do. Let us examine this. Let me ask the man who could maintain this position most stiffly, what compensation he will accept to go to church some Sunday and sit during the sermon with his wife's bonnet upon his head? Not a trifle, I'll venture. And why not? There would be nothing irreligious in it, nothing immoral, nothing uncomfortable—then why not? Is it not because there would be something egregiously unfashionable in it? Then it is the influence of fashion. But what is the influence of fashion but the influence that other people's actions have on our own actions—the strong inclination each of us feels to do as we see all our neighbors do? Nor is the influence of fashion confined to any particular thing or class of thing. It is just as strong on one subject as on another. Let us make it as unfashionable to withhold our names from the temperance pledge as for husbands to wear their wives' bonnets to church, and instances will be just as rare in one case as the other."

Lincoln concluded his temperance address in this stirring fashion: "Turn now to the temperance revolution. In it we find a stronger bondage broken, a viler slavery manumitted, a greater tyrant deposed—in it more of want supplied, more disease healed, more sorrow assuaged. By it, no orphans starving, no widows weeping. By it, none wounded in feeling, none injured in interest; even the dram-maker and the dram-seller will have glided into other occupations so gradually as never to have felt the change, and will stand ready to join all others in the universal song of gladness. Happy day, when all appetites controlled, all passions subdued, all matter subjugated, mind, all-conquering mind, shall live and move, the monarch of the world! Glorious consummation! Hail, fall of fury! Right of reason, all hail!

"And when the victory shall be complete—when there shall be neither a slave nor a drunkard on earth—how proud the title of that land, which may truly claim to be the birthplace and the cradle of both those revolutions that shall have ended in that victory. How nobly distinguished that people, who shall have planted, and nurtured to maturity, both the political and moral freedom of their species!"

O that we might hear again the voices of American statesmen championing the cause of temperance!

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*Excerpts of a sermon delivered by E. C. Crawford, Raeford Methodist Church, Sunday, February 22, 1942.

BREVARD COLLEGE OFFERS NEW PLAN OF OPERATION

Brevard College will be operated on a continuous basis during the period of the national emergency, along with a great many other colleges and universities. In addition to the winter and spring semesters, there will be a summer term beginning June 1, and closing September 16, in which the work of a regular semester will be completed. The college will conduct a full program in which all regular subjects of any semester are offered, and largely with the faculty of the regular college year. Provision will be made for special courses in music, dramatic arts, home economics, aviation, health and other activities approved by federal authorities.

As in the case of other institutions, a freshman class will enter at the beginning of the summer term. Graduates of high schools will find it is to their advantage to enter college as soon as possible after graduation. By entering in June and remaining in Brevard four semesters, they can be graduated in September, 1943, in time to transfer to other institutions. Those students not expecting to transfer to senior colleges and universities will be benefited by entering in June and completing their formal education within a period of sixteen calendar months.

The expenses of the summer term will be $140. This will include all fees except the costs of books and supplies. The self-help program of the college will be in operation on a substantial scale. Students who desire to reduce their expenses by part-time employment may have such opportunities in the summer term. A complete program of physical education, including provision for athletic activities and other forms of recreation will be in operation. On account of the wonderful climate in this territory, Brevard offers an ideal opportunity for study in an inspiring and pleasant atmosphere during the entire summer period.

The regular college year will open Monday, September 21. The winter semester will close January 30, 1943, and the spring semester will cover the period from February 1 to June 1.

BOY SCOUT TROOP ORGANIZED AT SKYLAND

Recently the Skyland Methodist church of Skyland through its stewards,, W. J. Cathey, B. F. Barton, C. O. Case, R. W. Roberts, G. L. Clay, Bonnie Lou Roberts, and Marion Case, had the pleasure of sponsoring a community Boy Scout troop. The committee is composed of E. Warrick, chairman, Ben Barton, G. W. Morgan, J. L. Vandiver, and W. A. Shuford. John W. Smith was appointed Scout Master and H. L. Moody, assistant.

The church has realized for some time there is a large field for Scout activity in the Skyland community. The Scouts meet each Friday afternoon in the recreational room of the church. The boys are especially active in Sunday school and church work and are seeking to carry out their motto, "Be Prepared," in all phases of their lives.

The organization of the troop was completed during the first part of February and on Sunday, February 15, before a large congregation the pastor of the church, Dr. N. G. Bethea, assisted in carrying out the official Scout troop organization service.

Mr. Don Young of Asheville gave a talk on the meaning and importance of the Scout movement and presented the church with the charter for Troop No. 33 (Skyland) Boy Scouts of America. This troop is a member of the Daniel Boone Council. Certifiicates to Scouts and Scouters were presented by Mr. Floyd New, assistant Scout executive of Asheville.

The following boys compose the original group of the Skyland Troop No. 33 membership: Burnice Taylor, Kenneth Merrill, Bill Bowles, Ray Shuford, John Israel, Clay Barton, Bill Allen, Jack Ferguson, and Donald Kanupp.

During the service a large American flag and flag stand was presented to the troop, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Israel. An impressive part of the program was the patriotic instrumental music rendered by Mrs. A. G. Wilcox of Enfield, N. C. The congregation joined in singing patriotic hymns.

The church is very proud to sponsor this troop of fine young Scouts and is looking forward to great results from their activities.

District Financial Schedule of the Western North Carolina Conference for 1941-1942

Herewith I send report of the Western North Carolina Conference district financial schedule for the year 1941-42 as reported to this office by the district superintendents. You will note most encouraging increases all along the line. The decrease for salaries and expenses for district superintendents is caused by the decrease in percentage from nine to eight per cent. World Service acceptances were increased $19,040.48. This is most encouraging.

We hope to release a report of progress made on payment of these items early in June. May 31 is the end of Methodim's fiscal year.

Clare Purcell.

District	Pastors' Salaries	District Supts.	Episcopal Fund	Conference Claimants	General Adminis.	World Service Apportioned	World Service Accepted
Asheville	$ 51,375	$4,102	$1,153	$4,491	$322	$18,586.11	$12,964.00
Charlotte	75,085	6,007	1,689	6,570	484	28,678.00	25,100.00
Elkin	36,985	2,957	832	3,232	236	15,444.05	5,954.00
Gastonia	72,885	5,831	1,638	6,366	464	27,586.26	20,849.00
Greensboro	77,052	6,118	1,716	6,684	460	29,290.43	18,444.00
High Point	55,495	4,439	1,255	4,850	359	23,112.81	14,850.98
Marion	49,995	3,995	1,114	4,356	275	19,305.06	8,195.00
Salisbury	73,210	5,857	1,647	6,406	449	29,104.04	22,553.00
Statesville	63,875	5,110	1,436	5,589	435	27,453.12	13,457.50
Waynesville	36,890	2,950	854	3,239	217	13,446.97	6,085.00
Winston-Salem	77,467	6,049	1,743	6,718	528	34,269.80	24,462.00
Totals for 1941-42	670,314	53,415	15,077	58,501	4229	266,276.65	172,914.48
Totals for 1940-41	640,085	57,591	14,309	54,594	4016	148,821.67	153,874.00
Increase	30,229		768	3,907	213	17,454.98	19,040.48
*Decrease		4,176					

*Caused by the decrease in percentage from 9 to 8 per cent.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Last Thursday, March 5, five students were inducted into the Order of the Lighted Lamp, honor society of High Point College. Previous to the induction ceremony, the society was made up of Geraldine Rash of Union Grove, Irene Parker of High Point, and Frank Harris of Carrolton, Ga. These were tapped into the Lighted Lamp as juniors last year. Two juniors were chosen for membership last week, Dorothy Presnell of Asheboro and Grey Mickey of Winston-Salem. Three seniors were honored: Harriet Berry of Charlotte, Virginia Hunt of Gretna, Va., and Darrell Allred of Archdale.

Students are nominated for membership if they qualify in the scholarship, character, service and leadership requirements. A very high scholarship is required and only juniors and seniors are eligible for nomination. Members of the society nominate and the faculty elects. Since the Lighted Lamp was organized in 1935, forty-six students have been honored by membership in it.

Walter Fleischmann, former professor here, has just returned from acting on Broadway to direct the three-act play, "What a Life." This production will include students of the college, but it will be sponsored by one of the High Point civic clubs. The date has not been set for the presentation.

The basketball team of High Point College accepted the invitation to enter the National Inter-collegiate Tournament in Kansas City. The invitation to Kansas City came at the close of the recent North State Conference tournament which crowned the High Point team champions. The team is now in Kansas City and, at this writing, has played but one game, which was won by a score of 44-38. The High Point team won from a South Dakota team.

During the three-day tournament held in Harrison gymnasium the Panther team defeated Lenoir-Rhyne, Elon and Appalachian by big margins to take the state crown. Six-foot eight-inch Bill Keene of Four Oaks was star scorer in the finals when he basketed 20 points for the winners. Hilliard Nance of Thomasville and Marcel Malfregeot, Clarksburg, W. Va., led the great scoring crusade with Keene. Jerry Counihan of Freeport, N. Y., and George Denny, Erie, Pa., did a fine job of holding down the opposing teams from their guard positions. Keene, Malfregeot and Nance were placed on the All-Conference team with Nance receiving unanimous vote of the commitee which was made up of coaches and sports writers. Counihan won a place on the second team.

Dr. Fred P. Corson, president of Dickinson College, which was founded in 1773 at Carlyle, Pa., and Dr. J. Earle Moreland of Randolph-Macon College, founded in 1830, visited the High Point campus recently, representing the University Senate of the Methodist Church. They spoke to the student body at the regular chapel period.

The college choir, under the direction of Miss Vera Whitlock presented a formal concert for the musical arts club at the High Point Country Club. They also sang recently on the regular college music program broadcast over WMFR.

MRS. JESSIE PHILLIPS DIES AT TRINITY

A wide circles of friends of Guy B. Phillips of Chapel Hill and Charles W. Phillips of Greensboro, leading educators of North Carolina who are in the service of the University of North Carolina and prominent Methodist laymen, will sympathize with them in the passing of their mother, who died at her home in Trinity, March 10. Mrs. Phillips was 83 years of age and had been ill two weeks and seriously ill the last four days.

Mrs. Phillips was born in Randolph county August 7, 1858, a daughter of James and Mary Guthrie Waddell. She was married on December 12, 1899, to J. L. Phillips, who survives. Surviving in addition to Guy and Charles are a son, Hugh W. Phillips, Trinity, two daughters, Mrs. D. R. Younts, Trinity, and Miss Carrie Phillips, Greensboro; two half brothers, T. L. Brown of Spencer, and Dr. C. W. Brown of Raeford; one sister, Mrs. Mary Waddell, and a half sister, Mrs. W. A. Andrews, both of Spencer, and 12 grandchildren.

She was a member of the Trinity Methodist church and the funeral was conducted there Wednesday at three o'clock by Revs. R. F. Huneycutt and A. C. Waggoner.

Mrs. Phillips was an excellent woman who with her good husband reared a family that has been not only a joy and honor to their parents, but who are rendering a great service to their church, to the schools and to society generally.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE MISSIONARIES

A cablegram received from Bishop E. F. Lee and Supt. Raymond L. Archer on March 6 from Melbourne, Australia, gives the information that 22 Methodist missionaries who had left Singapore and vicinity for Java just before that city fell into the hands of the Japanese, are now safe in Australia. It is understood that most of them will later tranship for the United States, although some may go to India or even Africa for further missionary service.

From Bishop John M. Springer of Elisabethville, Belgian Congo, comes word that Rev. and Mrs. Leslie Sarah, Miss Helen Everett, R.N., and Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Davis, whose furloughs are due this year, are expecting to return to America for furlough if sailings are possible; while Rev. and Mrs. Earl B. Stilz and Rev. and Mrs. Marshall W. Lovell of the Congo, have decided to remain in Africa during the furlough period.

Rev. Douglas P. Coole of Kampar, Federated Malay States, Rev. Charles D. Patterson of Bukit Mertajam, and Rev. Robert A. Blasdell of Malacca, S. S., have arrived safely in India, according to a cablegram received from Dr. E. M. Moffatt of Bombay. The wives of these three men were reported already in India.

Six missionaries of the Methodist Church, formerly on the Malay Peninsula, are reported in Capetown, South Africa, and are expecting to sail direct to the United States from there. They are: Rev. and Mrs. Charles Mosebrook, Miss Louisa Lambert, Miss Emma Olson, Miss Lila M. Corbett, and Miss Bonita C. Bloxsom.

The Canadian Baptist Board reports the receipt of a cablegram from Mandalay, Burma, signed by Rev. M. A. Clare, Methodist missionary, on February 24, and saying "All Methodist and Baptist missionaries safe in upper Burma or India."

NEWS NOTES FROM LONG'S CHAPEL

The biggest item of news is their special week of preaching scheduled for the week of March 15 to 22. Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, of Franklin is to be the preacher, and Mr. Chas. G. Klopp is to be the song leader. Preceding the week of preaching they are having a week of cottage prayer meetings in the homes located in different sections of the community. They have a special committee of 12 working for this revival by visitation, and hope to make the whole community more conscious of spiritual need.

Then have been doing some finish work in the basement which has never been finished. Plastering, painting and ceiling work is being done. These improvements are very much needed, and when completed will give us much satisfaction.

Plans have been under way for a robed choir. Several robes have already been made by the ladies at a sewing bee, and soon the choir will appear in new robes. The choir is now working on a full length Easter cantata, which we think is going to be extra special

The young people are planning a Lord's Acre project which will be their victory garden. The land is already plowed and ready to plant when warm weather comes. At present the young people have been enjoying winter sports on the golf course.

They are installing hymn book racks, as they have never had them and have long felt the need of them.

G. M. Carver, Reporter.

N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of Rev. J. H. Buffaloe we are issuing call No. 80. Send checks to R. L. Jerome, Treasurer, 2505 Beechridge Road, Raleigh, N. C.

SAVING AND SPENDING

By Lucia Mallory

"The Child's First School Is the Family"—Froebel

(Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th St., New York City).

"Don't these dollars look big, mother?"

My niece, Alice Mallory, held up two dollar bills for her mother's inspection.

"They look very nice, Alice," my sister-in-law replied. "I'm glad you have an opportunity to earn some money this summer."

"I'm taking care of little Bobby Stanton on Wednesdays and Saturdays, Aunt Lucia," my niece explained. I had just arrived for a visit in my brother's home.

"Shall I get some new tennis balls, or put all of this week's wages into the bank?" Alice asked, turning to her mother.

"Havn't you been planning to buy new tennis balls ever since Mrs. Stanley told you she wanted you to take care of Bobby this summer?" her mother asked.

"Yes," Alice replied, "I just wondered if I ought to spend that much money on myself. Maybe I ought to save all of it."

"You can buy three tennis balls with half of your money," her mother counseled, "and then you can put the other half into your savings account. That would be a fair division."

"All right, mother!" Alice's eyes were shining. "I'll go downtown right now and get my tennis balls and put one dollar into the bank! If Kenneth has time this evening, we can play a set before dark."

"You've made a good point there, Harriet," I said to my sister-in-law after Alice had gone. "I believe every child should handle his own money and learn both how to spend and how to save it."

"I want Alice to have a sense of achievement that will make her work worth while. Nothing will give her that more than purchasing a few desirable things for herself with money that she has earned by her own efforts. Placing a part of each week's wages in her savings account will keep her from spending too freely. A savings account is not a very tangible thing to a 15-year-old, yet both Alice and Kenneth have become greatly interested in building funds to help themselves through college."

"Do you know, Harriet," I said, smiling at my sister-in-law, "that I think my niece and nephew have very wise parents?"

"You'd better say that those parents profit by their own mistakes," Harriet replied. "We did not know so much about the need for teaching children to handle money when Kenneth started his paper route.

"At first he was a proud young business man, handing each week's earnings over to his daddy to be placed in the bank.

"It wasn't long, however, before the boy's interest began to lag. He made no effort to extend his route or to increase his earnings. We soon realized that our son wasn't getting much satisfaction from his work.

"Ned decided to try letting Kenneth take his own money to the bank. That made his earnings seem more real to him, but it wasn't until he had made a few purchase with his own money that his interest was really aroused.

"Kenneth wanted some attachments for his bicycle and Ned suggested that he buy them for himself. He began to make purchases for the rest of the family, too, little things that he saw we needed, a tea strainer for me, a key ring for his daddy and a school notebook for Alice. Later on he bought a good kodak for himself.

"Now Kenneth has built up a fine paper route and he has a good income for a boy of his age. I am sure," Harriet concluded, "that nothing gives a child such a sense of independence as having his own money and learning how to spend and how to save it wisely."

BUT ALL ARE NOT ON IT

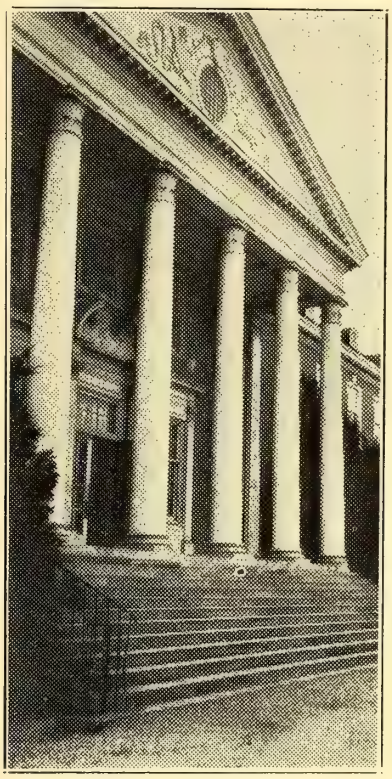
It is common talk how much money some people are making today incident to the war boom in business. When one compares the aggregate of the national income for 1941, as reported by the Department of Commerce to have been nearly $95,000,000,000 to that of nine years ago when in 1932 it was only $40,000,000,000, the conclusion, of course, is inevitable that the American people have been raking it in during the past year at a clip twice the magnitude, and more, of that when the country was at the low of the depression.

But there are multitudes of Americans who are not in on this hallelujah chorus of greater profits and higher salaries—a great block of the middle-classes who are commonly classified as the white-collared brigade!

It is this body of the national public that will be caught between the upper and the nether millstones of this particular economic period—those whose services are unrewarded by proportionate higher earnings which the organized labor ranks are able to demand, and the vaster profits coming to the manufacturing and capital classes from their war industries—and yet have to cope with the Colossus of continually higher costs of living—Observer-ations.

GOD IN HISTORY

The building of a house is an event in history as truly as the battle of Waterloo. If Victor Hugo uttered a truth of the Christian when he declared that it was God who defeated Napoleon ,it is no less an expression of Christian faith to declare that the building of a house is a creative work of God. The carpenter by himself does not build the house. By the exercise of his intelligence and labor, he cooperates with powers which hold stone and board in place, powers which, if he humbly surrenders his plan and purpose to their operation, will sustain his house against wind and storm; but if he ignorantly or wilfully disregards them, will cause the work of his hands to come down in ruin.



THE accelerated program, commencing June 8, permits the student to remain in college twelve months in the year, and complete his work for a degree in two and a half to three years with nothing left cut. Those desiring to follow the regular nine months session and take four years may do so.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE

HIGH POINT, N. C.

A Methodist School for Methodist Boys and Girls

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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ANNUAL MEETING IN HIGH POINT

This week is one of great interest to the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the W. N. C. conference, being the time set apart for the second annual meeting of this organization, and which is in session in Wesley Memorial church in High Point, with a large attendance of representatives from the Woman's Societies of Christian Service and from the Wesleyan Service Guild, all of whom are enjoying the splendid programs arranged for the three days.

The first session was held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30, with Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, presiding. The theme of the meeting is "Christ's Way—The Only Way," and many helpful and inspiring messages will be brought during the days by those whose names appear on the program as given on woman's page in North Carolina Christian Advocate in last week's issue.

Many prominent and outstanding visitors are in attendance upon the meeting, among them Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church, who will conduct a forum on Thursday afternoon and deliver an address on Thursday evening, with the subject, "For the Living of These Days"; Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, secretary of foreign work in China, Central and South America, who was heard in an inspiring and interesting address on Wednesday evening; Miss Daisy Davies, spiritual life secretary, who is giving uplifting and inspirational talks at the noon hour of Wednesday and Thursday; Misses Leila Tuttle and Kate Hackney, missionaries from China, speaking on the missionary work in China, and Miss Hyda Heard, deaconess, who is representing Sunny Acres and the fine work being done there. The worship services for the evenings will be in charge of Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, and Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College, and the communion at the last service on Friday will be conducted by Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of High Point district.

(We hope to give a full report of this meeting in next week's Advocate woman's page.—Ed.)

ZONE MEETING, STATESVILLE DISTRICT

Zone No. 2, Statesville district, met at Catawba February 24, with Mrs. Wade Lefler, the new zone chairman, calling the meeting to order at 10 a. m. with Mrs. George Powell acting as secretary. After an opening hymn the first responsive reading on missions in the hymnal was read and was followed by two numbers, The Lord's Prayer and God Is My Refuge and Strength, sung by representatives from the Catawba high school. It was fortunate that Mrs. Rice, returned missionary from China, was present and gave a most interesting and inspiring message, saying in conclusion that in China today the hymn "God Is our Refuge and Strength" is a great comfort and a great favorite of the Christian Chinese.

The following district officers gave reports of their work: Mrs. W. W. Washam, missionary education and service; Mrs. W. I. Pitts, C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. W. A. Poston, literature and publications; Mrs. G. E. Hayes, young women and girls' work; Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, spiritual life work; Mrs. Roy Lazenby, supplies, and Mrs. Earl Kunkle, Wesleyan Service Guild.

Rev. W. Q. Grigg gave a timely address on "Preparing Ourselves to Be Christians." Mrs. T. V. Goode urged her hearers to stress the efficiency aim this year, discussing every item in detail. She also urged the women to form Bible classes for colored women and assist them in putting on daily vacation Bible schools for colored children ,and to send delegates to the colored training school for Christian leadership at Winston-Salem this summer.

There were good reports from the local societies present and the ladies of Catawba church did their utmost to make the visitors happy and comfortable. Lunch with hot coffee was served in the recreation room of the church.

MESSAGE OF IMPORTANCE

To Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.

Dear Co-workers:

During 1941 I received reports on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 from only 91 societies in the conference. This leads me to think there is a lack of understanding of the work. The goal for 1942 is Every Secretary Active and Sending Two Reports Each Quarter, on Time.

The suggestions I am now making are to help our conference to become as outstanding in C. S. R. and L. C. A. as in other matters.

How to report: There are two report blanks for your use each quarter, in the Local Church Corresponding Secretaries' Book, 35c. This book and all other literature mentioned herein, is available at Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio. You cannot make the right sort of report without the blanks from this book. Please use both blanks each quarter, so that your district and conference secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A. may know what you are doing. Send both reports to your district corresponding secretary, at (not after) the end of each quarter so that she may send on the fifth day of the new quarter a copy of your report to the district and conference secretary. Each district secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A. compiles the report for her district and sends it on the tenth day of the new quarter to the conference secretary, who compiles the conference report from the 11 districts, and sends it to the secretaries of the jurisdiction and the division on the fifteenth day of the new quarter. You can easily see that if anyone fails to do her part on time, it means less than our best.

What to report: Every secretary should major in one of the seven areas of activity of the department each quarter. If you are not familiar with these seven areas, study pages 13-15 of the Handbook of the Department of C. S. C. and L. C. A. (price 10c) which you should get immediately, if you do not have it. Special pamphlets in three of these areas now ready will suggest activities:

Pamphlet No. 1, Local Church and Community Co-operation, 12c.

Pamphlet No. 3, Economic Relations, 12c.

Pamphlet No. 5, Christian Citizenship, 15c.

Watch page 32 of The Methodist Woman for notice and price of pamphlets on the other four areas, yet to be published. In the meantime the three mentioned will give you something to keep you busy. When you have studied these pamphlets you will perhaps find that you have been doing things that are the work of this department that you have not considered reporting as such.

Do not be bewildered at the number of things to be done, but start something now.

Our department presentation, report and recommendations will be made Friday morning, March 13, of the annual meeting in High Point; the conference committee will meet Wednesday p. m., March 11. Come to these meetings if you can.

Remember! I am depending on you to help reach our goal.

Sincerely,

Mrs. R. M. Andrews,
W. N. C. Conf. Sec'y,
C. S. R. and L. C. A.
1405 Northwood St., Greensboro.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS ON MARION DISTRICT

Miss Claudia Harbison, district corresponding secretary, reports the following new organizations on the Marion district: Shady Grove, Rutherford College charge; Bethlehem, Morganton circuit, and Pleasant Hill, Marion circuit.

We extend a welcome to these new societies of Christian Service and wish them sueccess in their new work.

With attention called to another omission and another correction to be made in the number of districts in the W. N. C. conference with 100 per cent of pastoral charges with a Woman's Society of Christian Service, is now eight instead of seven, viz: Charlotte, Gastonia, Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury, Statesville, Waynesville and Winston-Salem. We are glad to give to each of these districts the credit they deserve and wish for them abounding success.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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LORD, SEND ME

Send me to the hearts without a home, to the lives without a love, to the crowds without a compass, to the ranks without a refuge! Send me, Lord, to the famished whom none have fed, to the sick whom none have visited, to the demoniac whom none have calmed, to the fallen whom none have comforted! Then shall I have the birthright of the first-born; then shall I have the blessing of the mighty God. —George Mason.

TWO NEW ZONE LEADERS

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, announces that Mrs. E. R. Clegg of Warrenton has been elected Warren zone leader, succeeding Mrs. J. C. Burwell, also of Warrenton, who has served so efficiently for the past 20 years.

Mrs. Hugh Austin of Smithfield was elected leader of Southern zone, Raleigh district, succeeding Mrs. H. A. Bizzell of Newton Grove. Mrs. Bizzell has also given much of the work of the Master in the capacity of zone leader.

"IF"

If every officer of every Woman's Society of Christian Service were a subscriber to The Methodist Woman the list would number 288,000. If every officer of every W. S. C. S. were a subscriber the effectiveness of the work would be greatly increased. If there is realized this year a two-thirds net gain in subscriptions in every society the goal of 250,000 subscriptions, which has been adopted by the Woman's Division of Christian Service will be attained. If that goal is achieved a more far-reaching and an indescribable influence of the work of the missionary enterprise will result. If the slogan, "Every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman; why not a World Outlook subscription with every Methodist Woman" is put into practice the goal shall be reached. If the women of the N. C. conference set their hearts and minds and actions to it every member of that conference will have untold blessings.

HONORARY BABY LIFE MEMBERS

Recently we published a list of adult honorary life memberships which were presented in the N. C. conference during 1941. We are sharing with you this week a partial list of honorary baby life memberships. They are:

Durham district—Catherine Elizabeth Wilson, Summerton, S. C., Daniel Thomas Earnhardt, Elliott Wannamaker Hardin, Jr., Anthony Hoyle Borland, Jr., Michael Brown, David Pierce Clegg, Thomas Clinton Umstead, all of Durham; Emily Spencer Paschal, Burlington; William Carver, Thomas Marvin Vick, Jr., both of Roxboro; Jerome Morris, Efland; James Watlington, Yanceyville; James William Patterson, Milton; James Monnie Long, Blanch; Johnny Parnell, Mebane; Joan Baber Williams, Saxapahaw; Frances Mae Slade, Purley Church; Effie Kae Nelson, Mebane; Swannie Jean Perry and Berta Joan Perry (twins), Graham; Virginia Baldwin, Vossie Lee Horton, both of New Hill. Elizabeth City district—Willene Louise Hardwick, Plymouth; Martha Rose Gardner, Roper; Sarah Frances Poe, Elizabeth City; Patricia Harrington, Edmund Mann, Jr., both of Washington. Fayetteville district—Nancy Measemer, Laurel Hill; Inman Uber Townsley, Congo, Africa; Priscilla McDonald, Laurinburg; Margaret Farrell, Aberdeen; Margaret Craig, Kings Mountain; Lacy McFayden, Jr., Raeford; Henry Ruark, Jr., Red Springs; Mary Warren, David Pearce, Judith Taylor, Cornelia Everett, James Jessup, Jr., Nancy Jo Ellis, all of Fayetteville. Next week we shall publish the names of honorary baby life memberships in New Bern, Raleigh, Rocky Mount and Wilmington districts.

WELCOME, SAUNDERS CHAPEL

Beginning recently with 24 members, Saunders Chapel W. S. C. S. on the Four Oaks charge, Raleigh district, was organized and is functioning in every department of work. Already two meetings have been held, at one of which a beautiful candle-light service marked the installation fo the following officers: President, Mrs. James B. Creech; vice president, Mrs. James D. Creech; recording secretary, Mrs. L. F. Barnes; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Zeb Hill, Jr.; treasurer, Miss Sarah Hill; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. James C. Creech; literature and publications, Miss Katie Lee Hamilton; children's work, Mrs. Claude Hill, Jr.; missionary education and service, Mrs. J. R. Hamilton; supplies, Mrs. R. Moses Hill; young women and girls' work, Mrs. Ruffin Hill. A further manifestation of the alertness of this new society was the presence of five of the members at the meeting of Southern zone at Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, on February 25. More power to these good women and more new societies like Saunders Chapel is our hope.

SOUTHERN ZONE MEETS

Despite extreme cold and snow a large number of women of Southern zone, Raleigh district, gathered at Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, on February 25 for the spring zone meeting. The open devotional upon the subject, "The Sort of Faith We Need Today," given by Rev. O. W. Dowd, and the noon time meditation based upon the thought of the necessity for maintaining an inner poise and a supreme faith in God in these trying and turbulent times, given in a message by Mrs. H. I. Glass, were two high points of the spiritual aspects of the morning session. Mrs. T. R. Smith of Henderson, district secretary, presided at the business sessions, and other speakers included: Mrs. Gurney P. Hood of Raleigh, conference secretary, who brought interesting highlights of the recent jurisdictional meeting in Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, conference secretary publications, who talked on chilren's work; Mrs. B. F. Boone of Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education and service. At the afternoon session Mrs. A. B. Deans of Henderson, Northern zone leader, led a methods forum, in which many women participated. Mrs. Smith's message stressed every department of the work and reporting. Bessie Alice Prince was presented an honorary baby life membership, gift of Southern and Northern zones. A most enjoyable fellowship luncheon was served by the hostess society.

THE METHODIST MEETING HOUSE

First Methodist church, Elizabeth City, has recently completed a study of "The Methodist Meeting House." At the first meeting a picnic dinner was served in the dining room of the church. Attractive features of the decorations were a miniature brush arbor scene, depicting the Methodist camp meeting; the little log cabin church, erected by Robert Strawbridge near Sam's Creek, Maryland; Lovely Lane Chapel, Baltimore; Saint John's Street church, New York. The guest table held a large white urn filled with American flags, placed on a crocheted rag mat of red, white and blue. Old time red lanterns were at each end of the table; decorated oil lamps were used on the other tables. Mrs. Wesley Foreman led the group in singing The Star Spangled Banner, The Old Time Religion, and Shall We Gather at the River. Mr. Wade Marr talked of the early Methodist Church, as expressed in architecture. Rev. T. M. Grant gave many interesting facts concerning the church miniature models. Mr. John Wells acted as toastmaster. Following the meal it was voted to send the large surplus of food to the boys in the service of the navy at the U. S. O. Other sessions of the study were held, all of which were under the direction of Rev. H. L. Hendricks, pastor, assisted by the members of the W. S. C. S. and a group of laymen of the church.

ZONE MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Zone meetings in the New Bern district are scheduled as follows: Tri-County zone at Aurora, March 17; Wayne County zone at St. Paul church, Goldsboro, March 20; Central zone, LaGrange, April 2; Carteret zone, Beaufort, date to be announced. All meetings will begin at 10 a. m. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, is urging that all societies send representatives.

It was love that had failed in life, determined to succeed in death.—Ecce Deus.

There is none so blind as they that won't see.—Swift.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE HOME FIRES

There is danger of our becoming so interested in war news as to not make any home news. We may become so interested in reading what our fighting boys are doing on the distant firing line as to not be very much interested in what we ourselves are doing on the home sustaining line. During the first world war we prayed and we sang ourselves into keeping the home fires burning. There was an earnestness and alertness which tended to keep us alive to the needs of our challenge. Another world war has come with more world in it than was in the other one. We have a bigger challenge and a greater danger. While our boys in far flung areas are fighting to guarantee the American way of living let none of us at home demoralize this way of living by failing to do our very best.

SUPPORT THE CHILDREN'S HOME

In November of 1941 Bishop Purcell distributed a very interesting leaflet on "Methodist Money," listing financial objectives for the conference year of 1941-42. Under the topic of "Support The Children's Home" Bishop Purcell says: "Our Children's Home at Winston-Salem now has 450 children, which is its capacity. With the increase in cost of living, the income has not been sufficient to care for the necessary budget. The recent annual conference approved an asking of 10 per cent upon all pastors' salaries as the basal figure. The conference also earnestly requests that in addition to the 10 per cent special offerings made on fifth Sundays and other occasions may bring in an extra amount equal to the following:

2% by charges paying the pastor less than $1,500.

5% by charges paying the pastor from $1,500 to $2,500.

8% by charges paying the pastor from $2,500 to $3,500.

11% by charges paying the pastor $3,500 to $4,500.

15% by charges paying the pastor more than $4,500.

This is a sacred fund and our people look upon it with affection. These amounts should be raised easily as a minimum and in many instances they can be increased."

TIME TO DO IT

Bishop Purcell has summarized the Children's Home financial situation mighty well in the foregoing paragraph. Sunday, March 29, a fifth Sunday, offers one of the four annual church school opportunities for meeting these supplementary apportionments. It is hoped that our church schools will look after this matter in a fine way. All contributions now coming from any pastoral charge are credited to the charge's total apportionment. This appears to be a good financial plan. Let's look after it in a good financial way.

THE MAY EXHIBIT

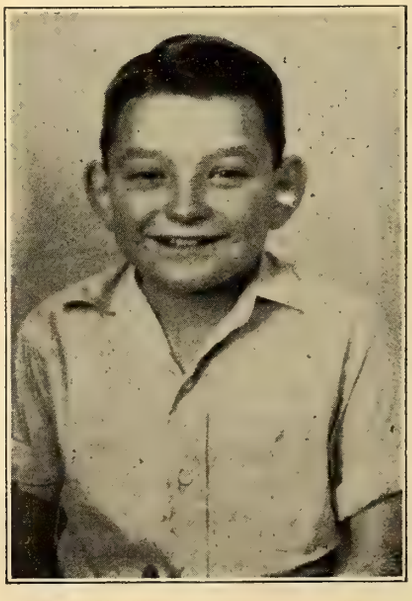
Soon after the first of May we propose to summarize the total cash contributions from each pastoral charge—congregational, church school or any church group—and compare this with the total annual asking. This summary will enable all of us to know what each pastoral charge has done for the Children's Home by the middle of the conference year. The March fifth Sunday offerings and all other contributions will help to swell the total. They will do more than that. They will help to sustain a big family of dependent children.

BOYS TOWN MEETING

We have nearly 250 boys at the Children's Home. Every once in awhile many of these boys, those old enough to readily evaluate, come together for discussing our ways of living. These meetings are very interesting. We have chirpy boys, silent boys, meditative boys and radical boys. We have a few isolationists. One does not see much difference in the reactions to questions on the part of boys as compared to men, except that the boys are franker and more talkative when they get started. In our town meeting some questions were tabulated for further discussion. A few conclusions were arrived at, conclusions that the boys were ready to make commitment on. We do not have student government but we do have a lot of student direction.

ONE OF THE BOYS

The picture this week is that of Clark Blount. Clark has two brothers and a sister here. All four of the Blount children are mighty fine youngsters and are developing into promising young Americans. Clark, an office errand boy, will be twelve years old the 20th of March and is doing well in the fifth grade. He is sponsored by the Young Woman's Class of Fletcher.



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FAMILY WELFARE

Some years ago in an isolated area in the western part of the state a father died leaving a widow and eight children in a one-room house. There being very little provision for this family, the county welfare department encouraged the placement of six of the older children in various foster homes. The mother married again to a mighty sorry man, who proceeded to deal harshly with the two remaining children, causing them to be placed elsewhere for their protection. Then there were eight children in eight different homes.

One of these children, a choice girl, was located in a good Methodist home, from which she went to a Methodist church school and later joined the Methodist church. Conditions changed in this home so that the girl had to be given up and eventually was accepted in the Children's Home. Later a younger brother was found in a boarding home yearing for some word from the other members of the family. Christmas had come and not even a postcard was received from anyone except a warm-hearted case worker who was attracted to the boy. This boy was accepted in the Children's Home and reveled in the joy of being with his sister. From another area now comes the cry of a little six-year-old girl, who has been tried out in various homes, none of which seems to have proven satisfactory. This little blue-eyed, flaxen-haired girl wants to come live at the Children's Home with her sister and brother. During all this time the mother, having started another family, seems not to be interested in any way in her former family. The Children's Home will do what it can in this family welfare enterprise.

TAKING TIME TO WRITE

The high regard held by this scribe for Editor A. W. Plyler was raised a notch when we heard tell of the letter he had written to Don Welborn, one of our boys, in response to Don's letter of thanks for the Bible the Advocate Printing Company sent young Welborn for Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem. In a cordial letter Editor Plyler wrote Don as follows: "I cannot tell you how much we appreciated the letter which you wrote thanking us for the Bible. It speaks well for you and that you have a due appreciation of things that are worth while and above all for the Bible itself. I hope you will find great joy in reading it and that it will be a companion of yours whether in camp, or on the sea, or on the battlefield. You can hardly choose a better companion. I hope you are enjoying army life and that it will not be a great while until you will have won the victory and are ready to return home. I shall be glad to hear from you if at any time you should have time to write."

Thus does a busy man write to a boy busy in obeying orders for keeping our country and its institutions safe.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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A SURE HARBINGER—Those who live at the Methodist Orphanage do not need a calendar to know the approach of spring. When you see dozens of boys down on their knees playing marbles, and equally as large number over the campus flying kites, you know instinctively that spring is just around the corner. Boys, particularly, respond to various sports according to the seasons. Following marble playing and kite flying will be the baseball season, and during the summer tennis and swimming. In the fall football rolls around, and in the winter basketball and skating.

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A MEANINGFUL SONG—At a recent chapel service our young people sang with zest the hymn "God Will Take Care of You." The way our young people sang that hymn impressed me most profoundly. There was no question in their minds about God's unfailing goodness and providential care. While the hymn was being sung I visualized in my mind the one hundred and forty-three thousand Methodists of the North Carolina conference who are co-workers with God in helping him to take care of his children. Such a sublime challenge will not go unheeded in this time of stress and storm.

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CONFIDENT—It is confidently believed that pastors and churches are going to remember the Methodist Orphanage in a generous way by Easter Sunday. If all our churches would pay at least 50 per cent of their Orphanage apportionment by the time of our district conferences, my cup of joy would run over. Quite a goodly number of churches have already responded to our needs, and I feel that the others are going to do likewise. It is needless for me to call the attention of our people to the fact that there has been a big increase in living expenses in recent months. The acid test is being applied to the generosity of our people as never before. Those who face this trying situation with courage and determination will meet the test successfully. There is no spirit of defeatism among our pastors and churches. They realize that the demands being made on their resources can only be met by prayer, consecration and self-giving. The times call for heroic souls who rise to heights under the most adverse circumstances.

NEW PROGRAM—For a long time a number of our pastors and superintendents of Sunday schools have felt the need for Orphanage programs for use on fifth Sundays. Recently several preachers have asked that the Orphanage prepare such programs for us in Sunday schools each fifth Sunday in the year. I am happy to state that a most interesting Orphanage program has been prepared for all the Sunday schools in the North Carolina conference for the fifth Sunday in this month. Three more programs are being planned for the other fifth Sundays in this year. The Orphanage is very fortunate in securing the services of Rev. Jas. H. Overton, Jr., associate pastor of Edenton Street Methodist church, to prepare these programs. Brother Overton preaches to our young people every Sunday and is thoroughly familiar with the Orphanage and its ideals. Being a leader of religious education, and in full sympathy with the Methodist Orphanage, Brother Overton is well qualified to prepare these programs.

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A FURTHER WORD—Brother Overton has drawn upon the history of the Methodist Orphanage, which was recently written by Rev. Allen DeLeon Gray, for the material which has gone into the preparation of the programs. These interesting programs will supply our Sunday schools with considerable first hand information about the Methodist Orphanage. The program for March deals largely with the beginnings of the Orphanage. Each succeeding program will be increasingly interesting and inspirational. Within a few days every church school superintendent and pastor will receive a copy of the program for use this coming fifth Sunday. It is the sincere wish of the superintendent that every church school superintendent appoint a special fifth Sunday Orphanage committee to put on the program each fifth Sunday. The dissemination of such important facts will result in creating and stimulating renewed interest in the Methodist Orphanage that lies so close to the heart of our North Carolina Methodism. I wish to acknowledge my deep gratitude to Brothers Jas. H. Overton, Jr., and Allen DeLeon Gray for making it possible for the Methodist Orphanage to put into the hands of our church schools such fine Orphanage programs.

WISHES

We would often be sorry if our wishes were gratified. Let us recall the tale of Aesop: An old laborer, bent double with age and toil, was gathering sticks in the forest. At last he grew so tired and hopeless that he threw down the bundle of sticks and cried out, "I cannot bear this life any longer; I wish Death would come and take me!"

As he spoke, an angel in the form of Death appeared and said to him, "What wouldst thou, Mortal? I heard thee call me."

"Please, sir," replied the laborer, "would you kindly help me to lift this faggot of sticks onto my shoulder?"—Scrapbook.

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CORRECTION

In announcing the North Wilkesboro training school last week the Advocate gave the incorrect dates. The school will be held at the First Methodist church at North Wilkesboro. It will begin at 7:30 p. m., daylight time, Sunday, March 15, and will continue at the same hour each evening through Wednesday, March 18. Courses will be taught by Carl H. King, Robert Stamey and Earl Brewer. Rev. A. C. Waggoner reports that all preparations have been made. We are anticipating a happy and profitable stay in Wilkes county.

CLEVELAND COUNTY, SHELBY

Brother George B. Clemmer writes that plans are complete for the school to begin at Central church, Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. daylight time. Miss Elizabeth Oliver, M. Teague Hipps and John D. Lee will be the instructors. Response to the school last year was excellent and should be equally as fine this year.

UNION COUNTY, CENTRAL, MONROE

The church school workers of Monroe hase been asking for Dr. Gilbert Rowe for the past two or three years. Beginning at 2:30 daylight time Sunday afternoon, both Dr. Rowe and Mrs. E. H. Ould will offer courses in the Union County school. W. Z. Faulkner and J. H. Armbrust, along with other pastors and superintendents of the county, usually plan and carry out anything they undertake in a fine way.

STANLY COUNTY SCHOOL CENTRAL, ALBEMARLE

With all Methodist ministers of the county but one in attendance, the group voted unanimously and enthusiastically for a training school to be held at Central church, beginning at 7:30 p. m. daylight time Sunday, March 22, and continuing each evening through Thursday, March 26. Two instructors have been secured and a third may be added. Mrs. O. D. Nelson of Greensboro will give The Children's Division of the Church. Mrs. E. H. Ould will offer How Christian Growth Takes Place.

At the close of the business session Dr. R. D. Ware invited the group to visit the sanctuary of his church to see the improvements that have been made recently. Not often does a church succeed in doing as fine a job of renovation as has been done at Central church. With thoughtful planning, careful selection of materials, and excellent workmanship, the people of Central, Albemarle, have completed a beautiful place for worship.

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THE CHILDREN'S DIVISION

In the current periodicals are many excellent articles dealing with church membership for children. Now, when many churches are providing special instruction for juniors, these articles will be of unusual interest to pastors, parents and teachers:

Child Guidance, for February-March

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What Jesus Taught About God. For the enrichment of the personal religious life of any adult, and particularly those entrusted with the leadership of children. In March issue.

The Christian Home

The March issue gives us page after page of the richest kind of help, both inspirational and practical. Some titles:

An Opportunity and an Asset—a discussion of the values of the church school as an evangelistic agency.

A Grandfather Recalls When He Joined the Church—a tribute and an appeal to the church.

When Children Join the Church.

Making Church Membership Meaningful—a study guide for parents.

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It is attractively done in two-color art and its content reveals many ways in which the local church may relate itself more closely to the schools, colleges and universities of the church and may at the same time profit more from the services of these institutions. Numerous suggestions are offered looking to a greater service on the part of the local church to its own youth and to its prospective college students. Plans for making more extensive use of college students in the programs of their home churches and for developing greater student loyalty to the church are also outlined.

This leaflet, one of the first to carry a higher education emphasis, merits a wide reading and continuing use as a reference by program planning groups in local churches. Copies may be obtained through your conference executive secretary, through any Methodist educational institution, or from the Division of Educational Institutions, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

KINSTON SCHOOLS

A four-teacher training school was held at Queen Street, Kinston, March 1-3, with workers from church schools in the Kinston area of the New Bern district in attendance. In spite of bad weather on two nights of the school a very satisfactory attendance was maintained and a great deal of interest was manifested. Major W. A. Graham of Kinston offered a course for church school superintendents, Mrs. W. F. Walters of Halifax a course for workers in the children's division, Rev. O. L. Hathaway of Selma a course for workers in the adult division, and Robert W. Bradshaw of Durham a course for young people and their adult leaders.

ELIZABETH CITY AREA MEETINGS

A series of area meetings for the pastors of his district was held March 4-6 by Rev. T. McM. Grant, superintendent of the Elizabeth City district. The purpose of the meetings was to have an informal discussion about items in the church program of special significance at this time. The executive secretary was privileged to meet with the groups and lead a discussion on evangelism in the church school and a discussion on literature and materials prepared for use in our church. The response of the pastors to each topic under consideration was most satisfactory and gave promise of fine work in the district in every phase of the program. Meeetings were held at Manteo, Elizabeth City and Plymouth for the preachers in these respective areas. A meeting for the Ahoskie area will be held later in the month.

Following a two or three hour meeting a delightful period of fellowship was enjoyed by those in attendance.

WILSON CITY YOUTH UNION

Young people representing all the churches in the city met in First Methodist church in Wilson on the night of March 8 to make plans for the reorganization of their City Youth Union. A large number of young people attended the meeting, together with many adult leaders. The program was under the direction of the youth leaders of the Methodist Church, with Nancy Lucas, Bill Wells, and Burt Gillette having parts on the program. Miss Naomi Morris of the Baptist youth group named a nominating committee to make nominations for officers at the next meeting. Miss Mary Hunter Hackney served as pianist for the meeting. The conference director of youth work had the privilege of meeting with the group and making a brief talk to them. One is impressed with the possibility for good in the building together of the Christian youth of a community in a fellowship of service for the community.

YOUTH CARAVAN REQUESTS

Thus far four requests have come to us for a Youth Caravan for this summer. To insure a caravan for our conference we must have seven places to which the caravan will go, since the caravan serves on a seven-week schedule. Plans for the caravan must be made in a few weeks in order that plenty of time may be allowed for full preparation. We are very anxious, therefore, that any other charges interested in having a caravan for a week this summer will make their application at once.

Two outstanding young men, one a national officer of the Youth Fellowship, have been assigned to our conference for caravan work. Two young ladies and an adult counselor, together with these young men, will make up our caravan team. They spend one week in a community helping to revitalize the total youth program. There is no charge for their services, and the only expense to the local charge is for entertainment of the group and a small amount to help defray the transportation cost of the team in our conference. We shall be glad to answer any questions with reference to the use of a caravan. If a charge or a group of charges is interested in this project we shall be glad to hear from them at an early date.

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Mighty Works of Jesus

Matt. 8:23-34; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:26-56

If a man had told Matthew, Mark or Luke, that the day would come when a call from Jerusalem could be distinctly heard in Rome, and then in answer to the call a man in Rome could mount an airplane and in no time arrive at Jerusalem, they would have had greater difficulty in believing it than we have in believing the gospel miracles.

A geologist said to me, "I only believe those stories in the Bible that can be reproduced today." I asked him if he could breed mastodons. "You have me there," he answered, "but then we have their bones as evidence that they existed." And I said, "Yes, and we have better evidence of Christ than dead fossils, we have his living power in the hearts of men today."

But there is no use in denying that it is very difficult for the modern mind to believe the miracles of the New Testament. But really is it any less difficult to believe that it is safe to follow out the radical teachings of the Sermon on the Mount? They are so much out of harmony with the age-old laws of the jungle written in the instincts of both animals and men. And equally difficult is the teaching that Jesus is no mere product of social evolution, but the manifestation of God reaching down in history to save the world. These doctrines are as much out of harmony with naturalism as the story of the stilling of the tempest. In fact, all of the fundamental teachings of Christianity are hard to believe. They seem like a break in the natural process, but if we accept one of them it seems logical to accept the rest. For if Jesus is the Son of God, instead of being difficult to believe that he worked miracles, it would seem incredible that nature did not yield to him in an unusual way, and it would certainly seem safe to carry out his radical teachings.

How utterly human is the Christ who entered into that boat with his disciples, so exhausted that he soon fell asleep on the pilot's cushion. And yet how superhuman is his calmness amid the wild panic of his disciples, and his command to the waves to be still. Jesus is the Storm King, and he bids his followers like him to be utterly fearless amid the terrors of nature so long as they obey the laws of nature, which of course are also the laws of God.

When they reached the other shore another storm confronted him. It was the storm in the mind of the maniac. Matthew says there were two of them; the other evangelists speak as though there was only one. What is your name? says Jesus to the poor fellow. He would get acquainted with every one, including maniacs. And the man seems to answer, Don't talk to me as though I were just one person; my name is Legion. A legion is six thousand Roman soldiers. Thus picturesquely he describes how he was pulled apart in a thousand ways.

Our difficulty with the story arises from the different explanation of the cause of insanity that is current today from that which prevailed in biblical times. And in this story the divergence assumes its most puzzling form, for we are told that when the devils were given leave to enter into the swine the whole herd rushed down a steep place into the sea. No reasonable man doubts that Jesus had extraordinary power over disordered minds, but the details of this story the writer cannot explain.

After he was healed the man besought Jesus that he might be with him. No, said Jesus, go among the people who have known of your terrible trouble, and bear witness of God and his mercy. The safest place for you is where you do the most good.

The people besought Jesus to depart out of their coast. "They preferred the presence of devils rather than the absence of swine," just as many an American community has preferred the presence of saloons rather than the absence of the revenue derived from them. May the day soon come when the drink evil will be sent into the swine! And we pray day and night that the demons of war may soon hear the voice of the Son of God commanding them to come out, and then humanity may again sit down at the feet of Jesus clothed and in its right mind.

CHRISTIAN LIVING IN WARTIME

By Rev. W. Ralph Ward, Jr.

1. Do not let the war become an excuse for neglecting and ignoring life's normal responsibilities and duties.
2. Take time for counsel and give place to reason before following through on decisions made when the emotions are aroused.
3. Make light of your own sacrifices while being ready to acknowledge the greater sacrifices of others.
4. Maintain a sense of humor.
5. Let there be no hate of persons in anything you think, or say, or do.
6. Do not impute selfish motives to those who differ with you in what they conceive to be their compelling duty in time of war.
7. Hold fast to regular habits of prayer and worship, which renew the soul, strengthen the mind, and keep one morally fit.
8. Learn to surmount fears with faith, to conquer rumors with reason, and to overcome personal grief through sharing the grief of others.
9. Forget not that you are an ambassador for Christ and thereby especially sent to live for peace and universal brotherhood.
10. Set no god above God the Father of all, who is suffering with burdened humanity and co-operating with man in his struggle for permanent peace.

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HISTORY OF A HORNET'S NEST

When boys and girls see a large, gray, oval-shaped structure hanging from the branch of a tree, they at once recognize it as a hornet's nest, yet few know that it is a marvel of architecture. Early in the spring the hornet crawls out of a hole in the ground, a hollow log, or some other cozy retreat, where she has spent the winter; and, after breakfasting on the flies which she can catch, she begins to look about for a good lacation for a nest.

When she finds a place that suits her fancy she goes off to get building material for the new home. She visits the clapboards of unpainted barns, and the tops of old, gray picket fences, and chews off partly-decayed fibers of wood. This she mixes with saliva from her mouth and works into a paste or pulp. Thus provided with building material, she proceeds to the spot where the house is to be erected. To begin with, she makes a thread of the pulp and attaches it to the branch of a tree or other foundation. To the lower end she attaches, with the openings turned down, three or four cells, also of pulp, which she moulds with her jaws.

Around the four little cells that she has made, Mrs. Hornet places a small globe of gray paper about the size of a walnut. The paper which she manufactures will bear comparison in many respects with our own weaves. When so placed as to be sheltered from the rain, her paper is simply composed of wood fiber reduced to pulp. On the other hand, where it is subject to exposure, the hornet covers it with a protective varnish. This paper sheds instead of absorbing water.

In each cell that she has made the hornet lays an egg. Outside the first globe of paper she soon makes a second and a third, always leaving a hole on the lower side for an entrance. When the eggs are hatched into grubs the mother hornet leads a very busy life, for she must continue to make more cells and lay more eggs and at the same time feed the young hornets. She feeds them chiefly on flies which she captures on the wing. It is interesting to watch her turning a captive fly about with her fore feet, clipping off the wings and legs with her horny jaws, then covering it with saliva from her mouth and rolling it into a ball to carry to her young.

In a little while the grubs first hatched become full grown hornets, when they at once begin to help their mother by working on the nest and feeding the younger members of the family. As the number of walls increase the inner ones are torn down to make more room inside for the egg cells. As each brood matures, its members take up the work, and the nest is enlarged and remodeled until cold weather comes, when the hornets desert their summer home. Many of them perish in the cold, but a few find protection from the winter blasts in snug holes and crannies, where they sleep until house-building time comes again.—M. P. Chapman, in Boys' Weekly.

BEING A DADDY TO A SON

By Paul Dwight Stephenson, Sr., and his son

It's great fun
To be the daddy
Of a son—
To walk with him,
To talk with him,
To play with him.

It's great joy
To be the father
Of a boy—
To tell him how,
To teach him how,
To show him how.

But greater still,
A helping dad
I love to be
To every lad—
My neighbor's son,
Your neighbor's son,
His neighbor's son.

Alas, some day
When I am done,
Who'll be daddy
To my son,
To show him through,
To guide him through,
To see him through?

Though stranger now,
When I am done,
Be a daddy
To my son—
To tell him right,
To show him right,
To lead him right.
You know—
It's great fun
To be a daddy
To a son.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Asked to write a brief essay on the life of Benjamin Franklin, a little girl wrote this essay:

"He was born in Boston, traveled to Philadelphia, met a lady in the street, she laughed at him, he married her, and discovered electricity."

* * *

Teacher: "Did your father help you with your problem?"

Willie: "No, I got it wrong myself."

BIG BEN

During the period of German raids on London, the voice of Big Ben, the famous clock at Westminster, London, was hushed. But in recent months its bells have rung out again. And at 9 p. m. the British people listen for its chimes and spend one minute in reflection and prayer. This is not limited to the people of the British Isles.

Thus, for example, the House of Representatives in Wellington, New Zealand, hears the chimes relayed into the debating chamber nightly at nine o'clock. It is understood that members stand in recollection while the chimes are sounding. A group in England, which has taken a keen interest in the Big Ben observance and includes in its membership a number of British M. P.'s, has telegraphed to the Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives in the following term: "We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for inspiring lead given by your House on historic inauguration of Big Ben Silent Minute. Much appreciated by fellow members in House of Commons."

Sweden takes a great interest in Big Ben. "In March last the Gothenburg 'Handelstidning' called upon its readers to 'listen in the evenings to the boom of Big Ben. Its mighty, sonorous voice sounds like a hymn of freedom and justice.'" Reuter's Stockholm representative reported (Daily Mail, Aug. 7), "A writer in 'Handelstidning' claims to have observed a different tone in Big Ben lately. In the dark days the tone was 'consoling, strong, indomitable.' Now, the tone is less dark, and sems to have captured the 'lighter tone of daybreak.' It is possible to realize that the moment is approaching when it can ring in a new age."

A British soldier escaped in a dramatic way, having been a prisoner of war in Belgium. When he eventually arrived in Britain he told how, during three months' hiding in Brussels, he and others stood up every night and kept the Big Ben Silent Moment. They found it a source of strength and encouragement, and said that it seemed to be a voice from England telling them that London was still there.

It is said that many prisoners of war in Germany observe the Silent Minute, although of course they are unable to hear the chimes of Big Ben.

Messages from the occupied Channel Islands coming to Methodist sources in England make frequent reference to the encouragement which Big Ben brings them. There are frequent messages such as: "Remember you all at nine." "Listen to Big Ben." "Don't forget Big Ben. Continually thinking of you all." A writer in the Methodist Recorder adds that this news "may serve to repay the B. B. C. for their inspired, and inspiring suggestion of making 9 p. m. a spiritual rendezvous."—New Church Messenger.

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March

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Pittsboro, Chatham, 3 15
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 15
Calvary, 7:30 18
Mount Hermon, Belmont, 11 22
Graham, 7:30 22
Carr, 7:30 25
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Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 29

April

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Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
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Lakewood, 7:30 13
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Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

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SECOND ROUND

March

Hertford, 11 15
Chowan, Bethany, 11 21
Belhaven, Trinity, 3:30 22
Aboskie, 11 29
Murfreesboro, Union, 3 29

April

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Roper, Siloam, 3 5
Williamston, 11 12
Windsor, Cashie, 3 12
South Camden, Sign Pine, 8 17
Swanquarter, Soule, 11 19
Mattamuskeet, Bethany, 3 19
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Gibson, 11 15
Roberdel, 7 15
Troy, 11 22
Biscoe, Candor, 7 22
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29

April

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
District Conference at Sanford, 10 to 4 23
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3.....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Newport, Oak Grove, 11 15
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 3 15
Pamlico, Bayboro, 7:30 15
Seven Springs, 11 22
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Mt. Olive, 7:30 22
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29

April

Grifton, Sharon, 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Pikeville-Elm St., at Elm St., 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May

La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Louisburg, 11 15
Louisburg Ct., Hill-King, 3 15
Bailey, Middlesex, 7:30 15
Erwin Erwin, 11 22
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 22
Raleigh, Jenkins Mem., Pleasant Grove, 11 29
Oxford, 7:30 29

April

Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11 4
Moncure, Buckhorn, 11 5
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8 5
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May

Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Bethel, 11 15
Robersonville-Parmele, 3 15
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Elm City..20
Church School Institute and Youth Rally, Weldon....22
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 22
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
Garysburg-Spring Church, 7:30 23
Spring Hope, 7:30 25
Nashville, Red Oak, 7:30 26
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warrenton, Macon, 11 28
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April

Tarboro, 11 5
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood, 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTO NDISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Chadbourn, Evergreen, 11 15
Wilmington, Grace, 8 15
Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Tabor City, Tabor City, 11 29
Whiteville, 7:30 29

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Wallace-Rose Hill, Providence, 3 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Garland, Antioch, 3:30 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May

Richlands, Gum Branch, 3 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

March

Fletcher, Skyland, 11 15
Barnardsville, Pleasant Valley, 3 15
Asheville Ct., Riverview, night 15
French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May

Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Unionville, Bethel, 11 15
Wadesboro, 7:30 15
Trinity, 7:30 18
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April

Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Moravian Falls, 11 15
Wilkesboro, night 15
Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Fallston, Friendship, 11 15
Belwood, Knob Creek, 3 15
Bessemer City, 7:30 15
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

	March
Spray, 11	15
Stoneville, 3	15
Reidsville, Main Street, 7:30	15
Danbury, 11	22
St. Pauls, 11	29
Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30	18
Stokesdale, 11	22
Mayodan, 7:30	22
College Place, 7:30	25
Mitchell's Grove, 11	29
West End, 7:30	29
April	
Grace, 7:30	1
Newlin Street, 11	5
Saint Paul, 7:30	5
Flat Rock, 11	12
Leaksville, 7:30	12
Summerfield, 11	19
Calvary, 7:30	19
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11	26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30	26
May	
Moriah, 11	3
Guilford, 7:30	3
Sandy Ridge, 11	10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30	10
District Conference, Midway, Haw River Ct.	14

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Asheboro, Central, 7:30	12
Greer's Chapel, 7:30	13
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 11	15
Liberty Ct., W. C., 2:30	15
Richland Ct., Charlotte, 7:30	15
Asheboro First, 7:30	18
Trinity, Trinity, 7:30	19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3	22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30	22
Calvary, 7:30	25
April	
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11	5
Liberty First, 7:30	5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30	8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

	March
Spruce Pine, 11	15
Bakersville, Oak Grove, 3	15
Marion, First, night	15
Glen Alpine, 11	22
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3	22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night	22
North Morganton, 11	29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3	29
Morganton, First, night	29
April	
Spindale, 11	5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3	5
Bostic, Salem, night	5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11	12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3	12
Rutherfordson, night	12
Forest City, 11	19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3	19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night	19
Rutherford College, 11	26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3	26
McDowell, Nebo, night	26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Statesville Ct., Shiloh, 11	15
Elmwood, Cleveland, night	15
Hudson, Colliers, 11	22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night	22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45	29
Hickory, First, 11	29
Hickory, Bethel, night	29
April	
Statesville, Race Street, 11	5
Granite Falls, night	5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11	12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30	12
Mt. Zion, night	12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11	19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30	19
Newton, 11	26
North Newton, night	26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

	March
Dellwood, Maple Grove, 11	15
Laurel Hill, 3	15
Junaluska, 7:30	15
Franklin, 11	22
Sylva, 7:30	22
Webster Ct., Wesleyanna, 11	29
April	
Macon, Mt. Zion, 11	18
Hazelwood, 7:30	12
Murphy Ct., Ranger, 11	19
Hayesville, Ogden, 3	19
Hayesville, 7:30	19
Robbinsville, 11	26
Maple Springs, 3	26
May	
Crabtree, Davis, 11	3
Junaluska, 7:30	3
Waynesville, 11	10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3	10

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Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

	March
Welcome, Vernon, 11	15
Winston Ct., Hickory Ridge, 7	15
Centenary, 7:30	18
Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11	22
Maple Springs, 3	22
Marvin, 7:30	22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11	29
Morris Chapel, 3	29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30	29
April	
Central Terrace, 7:30	1
Burkhead, 11	5
Winston City Mission, 7	5
Green Street, 7:30	6
Ardmore, 7:30	7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11	12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3	12
First, West End, 7:30	12
Community, 7:30	17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11	19
Thomasville Ct., 3	19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7	19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11	26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3	26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	26

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GRIGGS—It is with great sorrow that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of New Hope Methodist church of New Hope, Bethel charge, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of our friend and faithful member, Mrs. Pickett Gaddy Griggs, who was called home to heaven February 19. 1942.

Mrs. Griggs lived a life of service to her church. She was always present at our meeting when she was able. She loved her church and was always ready to help in its work. We shall miss her at home and at church. We do not understand the dispensations of divine grace, but trusting that God doeth all things well, we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, children and relatives, and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

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Christian Service.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, pause to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Lydia C. Davis, a charter member of the society and of the former missionary society. She was deeply interested in her church. So long as her health permitted, Mrs. Davis was one of our most faithful members and by her kindness and good deeds endeared herself to all around her. An invalid for a number of years, she bore all with patience and fortitude. She never complained and was always cheerful and happy.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones, praying God's richest blessings upon them, and may her patience and loyalty be an example to us in Christian living.

Be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one recorded in our minute book and one sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. James Atkins,
Mrs. J. K. Dixon,
Mrs. C. H. Moser.

MIDGETTE—On the 14th day of October, 1941, Ebenezer M. Midgette died after an illness that had kept him confined to his home for nearly two years. He was born April 9, 1862, at Rodanthe in Dare county. In August, 1884, he was united in marriage to Miss Carolyn Midgette of Rodanthe, who survives him. Other survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Lucetta Willis of Manteo, Mrs. Robert Munns of Norfolk, Va.; one brother, Z. S. Midgette of Rodanthe; one sister, Mrs. Bill Brinkley Midgette of Manteo; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. Uncle Ed, as he was affectionately known, was the father of Rev. Julian Midgette, a successful and well loved pastor of the North Carolina conference who died a few years ago.

He united with the church when he was a young boy at Rodanthe. In 1901 he moved to Manteo and became a member of Mt. Olivet Methodist church, where he was an active, enthusiastic, consecrated leader in the work of the church. During a period of long service he was S. S. teacher, trustee, church treasurer, church lay leader and steward. Speaking of his life of service to the church Rev. J. M. Jolliff, a former pastor, said at the funeral service, "He excelled as a steward." Uncle Eb was well known throughout the North Carolina conference among laymen and ministers. Until two years before his death he was very seldom absent from a district and annual conference. He was a leader of unusual ability with the interest of the church primary, and it was his joy to serve in promoting its work. Truly it can be said of this man he loved his church and his God and gave a life of joyous service.

Funeral services were conducted at Mt. Olivet Methodist church on Thursday, October 16, at 11 o'clock in the midst of a multitude of friends and loved ones who mourned his passing. Assisting the pastor with the service were two former pastors, Rev. J. M. Jolliff, Rev. A. E. Brown, and Rev. B. B. Slaughter, district superintendent. His body was laid to rest in the Manteo cemetery. M. W. Maness.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Centenary church, pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Nina Pierce Murchison, wife of A. B. Murchison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Pierce of Burgaw. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Irish Dale.

By her many deeds of kindness she made many friends who grieve at her passing. She had been in declining health for several years. She bore her suffering with great patience. She died January 12, 1942, and was laid to rest in Harrell's Store cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. W. W. Warren, assisted by Rev. L. Johnson. Special music was rendered by Mr. Tom Waters.

Be it resolved:

First, That in the death of Mrs. Murchison not only our society but the church and community have lost a Christian character.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to her husband and daughter and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy to be placed on the minutes of the society.

Mrs. Sidney Cramerton,
Mrs. Luther Johnson,
Mrs. T. P. Waters.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his all wise providence has seen fit to call home our dear friend, co-worker and inspirational leader, Mrs. David F. McKinne, be it resolved:

First, That we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, Louisburg, do grieve at her passing and shall miss her earnest endeavor, her thoughtful solicitude of others, her untiring zeal for church and missions, her loving companionship, and her generous contributions of self and means.

Second, That we as individuals, and as a society, shall endeavor to live worthy of the high calling to which she has so nobly and unselfishly led us.

Third, That our work and association with her has given us a clear call for greater service, deeper consecration, and a more unselfish adherance to loyalty and service.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to members of the family, put on the minutes of our society, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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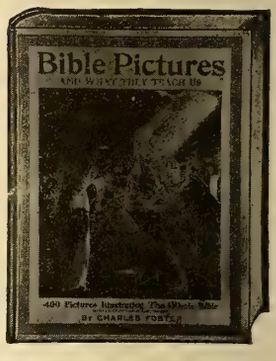
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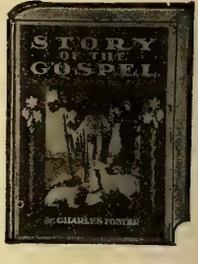
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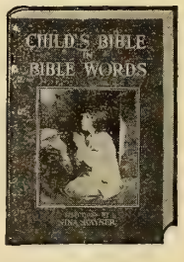
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The Place of Religion in the Present Struggle

By J. SCOTT LIDGETT

WHAT should be the attitude of the Christian religion to the terrible world war now raging? The popular statement in Britain is that we are out in support of Christian civilization. This shows that the heart, if not the mind and the practice of the English-speaking peoples is still profoundly influenced by the Christian religion. The values of freedom and truth, of righteousness and humanity are at stake. All these, if not entirely derived from the Christian faith, have been deepened and enlarged, asserted and diffused, by the Christian church in all the world. The universal church of Christ is still the main factor in the maintenance of these high values and their full appreciation to mankind. All these values are threatened and outraged by the dictators and the totalitarian states. The allies are waging war above all for their preservation, and not for self-seeking territorial or economic gains. This supreme fact determines the attitude of the Christian faith and church to the present struggle.

The supreme values at stake have been conceived, born, and brought up in peace and for peace. They aim essentially at the subjugation of force, at its radical transformation and its impregnation by the values of the Christian inheritance, so that all that is predacious in the exercise of force may be eliminated from it forever. These values are the stronghold, the fortress of humanity and of all that is humane. Hence the revelation and restoration, the maintenance and diffusion of these values was an essential part of the ministry of Christ. For the diffusion of these values, peace is indispensable. Therefore, the great witnesses and missionaries of the Christian faith have never defended themselves. There is no place for a bomber in support of a missionary, no place for the sword in the promotion of the gospel.

Yet two things have happened since Christ appeared. First, the church has become part of the sovereignty of the state, at least in democratic nations, where each individual has responsibility for the government of the whole. Secondly, these values have penetrated the whole fabric of our civilization, and have become part of it. These consequences of His revelation were not dealt with by Christ. He left his followers, under the guidance of his spirit, to decide how best they could serve him by upholding all that which he had imparted to mankind. He did say that "nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom," and therefore he foresaw occasional outbreaks of war in the future. He left his followers, however, to decide their action when they became not only members of his church but also, as citizens, part of the world.

Hence, I have to make my own personal affirmation, which is that in the present situation, concerned entirely with the maintenance of the values of our Christian civilization, there is no alternative but to use in their defense a force that will control, and by and by destroy, the force that seeks their overthrow.

The mystery of man is that he is the meeting-place of two worlds—the spiritual and transcendent, the animal and mundane. Everything depends for his well-being and progress upon the complete control by the higher over the lower. Hence these spiritual values upon which mankind depends are militant. They are not nurtured in isolation from the whole life and struggles of mankind. Faith, hope, and love are not merely inward qualities of the spirit; they are the organs by which man apprehends and molds the universe in the light of the supreme Reality —God as revealed in Christ. Without the influence of faith, hope, and love, even the most earthly life would be impossible. What the Christian faith does is to inspire and uplift them to embrace the Whole, to apprehend its Source, and to direct its process to the satisfying consummation expressed in the Lord's Prayer, "As in heaven, so on earth." For this, the universal church witnesses, contends, and seeks through the present strife, so ruthlessly imposed upon the world, effectively to maintain.

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A. C. SWOFFORD, Haywood, Asheville.
AUBERT M. SMITH, Jackson Park.
W. H. YOKELEY, Mitchells-Vickory.
A. C. WAGGONER, N. Wilkesboro.
R. ODELL BROWN, Pilot Mountain.
H. M. McLAMB, Fairmont, Raleigh.
JOHN W. MOORE, Central, Mooresville.
J. E. PRITCHARD, Ramseur-Franklinville.
G. W. BLOUNT, Spring Hope.
M. C. HENDERSON, Saxapahaw.
O. J. JONES, Madison.
JOHN CLINE, Branson, Durham.
S. A. MAXWELL, Aberdeen-Vass.
W. A. TEW, Riverside-Bridgeton.
C. B. PEACOCK, W. Halifax.
W. B. COTTON, Mt. Herman.
L. E. SAWYER, Marshallburg.
R. S. HARRISON, Southport.
D. D. BROOME, Littleton Ct.
J. W. BRADLEY, Princeton.
W. O. WELDON, China Grove.
C. W. RUSSELL, Summerfield.
O. W. DOWD, Dunn.

LATEST REPORT FROM BREVARD CAMPAIGN

Reports received by Mr. Lloyd O. Hughes, business manager, from pastoral charges in the Western North Carolina conference, indicate Brevard College Day was a great success. With one hundred and forty-four charges still unreported, the college has received a total of $8,268.97. Some charges are increasing the amounts contributed in February, and a few are waiting for a more suitable time for the observance of Brevard College Day. When all reports are in the total amount will be beyond $10,000, in the opinion of college officials.

The response from all parts of the conference has been quite satisfactory. The largest amount from any one charge came from Main Street church in Gastonia—$1,055. Every charge, except one, in the Waynesville district has reported, and some are now increasing their contributions. Only five charges in the High Point district have not reported, and the total in that district will go above $1300. Only six charges in the Statesville district have not reported. This district has shown up remarkably well under the leadership of Brother Joe S. Hiatt.

In districts unreported are many strong charges like Charlotte, Lexington, Greensboro, Reidsville, Lenoir, Morganton, and Winston-Salem. One gratifying result has been the response from country charges. Reports received thus far would indicate that every charge in the conference will make a report.

TO METHODIST YOUTH

During these times of war we are all called upon to show our loyalty to the country. There is also a challenge to us to show our loyalty to our church. Deeds of unusual sacrifice and service should be expected from our youth in their religious lives. One of the finest opportunities to serve the church is through the Methodist Youth Caravan. More than four hundred young people are needed for the coming summer. The opportunity for fellowship, for forming new friendships, and for experiencing personal spiritual growth will be offered.

Interesting information about the caravans may be secured from your conference executive secretary or from Dr. Harvey C. Brown, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. Bishop Clare Purcell.

LEADERS THIS WEEK

In the Advocate campaign this week Rev. R. G. L. Edwards of Fuquay leads in new subscribers secured. He sends $23. This puts him well on towards his quota in that wonderfully fine field among an excellent people.

Rev. T. W. Lee of Middleburg, a wonderfully successful pastor in circulating the church paper, forwards $12 for new subscribers. An excellent start. His quota will be forthcoming soon.

Mrs. J. D. Rankin of Boone (Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor) remits $25 largely for renewals. The people of Boone believe in their church paper and are ready to back up such workers as Mrs. Rankin and Dr. McLarty.

A MOST EFFECTIVE SPEECH

I made a little "speech" to my men of the Fred S. Thomas Bible class, West Durham Methodist church, last Sunday morning. I told them I would refund any man's dollar if he would read the Christian Advocate six months and say to me, "IT wasn't worth it." Result, three of them handed over two dollars each. Money order for six dollars enclosed.

I do not know whether these fellows thought my speech was worth $6, or whether they paid me the $6 to get me to hush. Anyway, all hail to the Advocate and the Plyler brothers! C. E. Phillips.

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Step by step the world came to this present stage of war. Step by step we are told that peace must come, and that the first steps must be taken before the war ends if we are to have a lasting peace.

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Humanity desperately needs today a moral and spiritual rebirth—a revitalization of religion. There is no sure way to this supreme goal save through adherence to the teachings of the Bible—Cordell Hull.

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It is well to remember that all real religious and educational advance is made in the smallest social units such as the home, the church and the local community. In these the foundations of a sound democracy are laid—not in the hurrah of certain national movements.

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The worst of all slavery is the bondage of the unwilling mind. The man who insists that he does only that which he has to do knows not the joy of free and spontaneous life. Really that attitude of mind tends to shorten one's days. The joy of having and the willingness to serve the best possible make for length of days and for happy living.

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The democracies are confident of winning this war, but what about the peace to follow? Never were so many among those who feel confident about the "today of war" more eager about the "tomorrow of peace." Indeed, some count winning a part of the peace as essential to winning the war. The recent words of Chiang Kai-shek are significant: "There is not enough difference between good imperialism and bad imperialism for people to be willing to die to perpetuate the old order. The only thing to rally the people of the Far East is assurance that they are on the way to self-government, to liberation."

Read again the burning query of Chaplain A. L. Johnson: "What of the days when the blood which today throbs crimson from the wounds has dried to a rust-brown stain; when sweat and tears have long since evaporated into air, acrid with the smell of powder smoke; when "Remember Pearl Harbor" is a phrase in history books, and the roar of cannon denotes the jubilance of peace-time holidays, rather than on-rushing death? It is hard to realize, but tomorrow will come: What then?"

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Some of the preachers express regrets that they cannot become chaplains in the armed forces. It is all very fine for a consecrated man of God to render a service to the young men in camp. They certainly need such guidance. But no preacher needs feel that no sacred service calls for him at home. This is a sacred hour of challenge from the churches everywhere. What kind of a church are these boys going to find as they return home? What is the church going to contribute to the coming peace? Any preacher who loiters and neglects his spiritual ministries at home should prostrate himself in the dust before God. He would be useless as a chaplain.

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Churchill's stirring appeal of "sweat, blood and tears" made strong appeal to the people of the British Empire. But the sweat, blood and tears of Gethsemane and Calvary has meant most in the life of the world. Great warriors such as Prime Minister Churchill may lead a people in war but the Prince of Peace, the Saviour of the world, is our last and chief hope in war and in peace. It does seem that the ministers of religion would not allow themselves to be drawn away from the one and only business of the church of Jesus Christ in peace and in war. Why not make real in the church and in the home the Presence that can sustain us as we pass through our Gethsemane and our Calvaries? To many these are just ahead.

Washington, the Capital of Earth's Greatest Nation

WE are accustomed to think of Washington as little more than the seat of the the United States government. And that in itself includes many things of great moment. It is the home of the President of the United States and of the executive department of the federal government. The federal Congress is one of the great legislative bodies of the world and the Supreme Court is without a peer. And in times of war the city is overcrowded with those who work for the Army and the Navy.

But Washington is much more than the political capital of the United States government. It is a city of laboratories, of libraries, of art galleries, of museums, of historic shrines, and monuments of great historic interest.

Washington is pre-eminent as a city of free exhibits which has a large influence in bringing visitors to this American capital.

Albert W. Atwood in a recent study of Washington as a storehouse of knowledge, which appeared in The National Geographic Magazine, says that by actual count 2,505,871 persons in a single year visit the Smithsonian Institution, which is devoted to science and the arts. This was an average of almost 7000 a day. The National Zoological Park has nearly 2,500,000 visitors and the Library of Congress more than 1,000,000 annually.

Mr. Atwood says that the newest of the cities numerous art galleries—the National Gallery of Art presented to the government by the late Andrew Mellon and opened in March, 1941—had a million visitors the first four months that it admitted visitors.

These are but several examples of how the multitudes flock to our capital city to visit the numerous places of public interest. There is no other city on the continent with a tithe of places and things that command the public interest and that provide instruction as does the capital of our nation.

We commend a perusal of "Washington, Storehouse of Knowledge" in the March number of The National Geographic Magazine.

Senator Byrd of Virginia

THE nation owes a debt of gratitude to Senator Byrd of Virginia for his unrelenting efforts for economy in these days of extravagance and mounting taxes. His disclosures of excessive profits in the extravagant expenditures for war, his efforts for a drastic reduction in all non-defense expenditures, and his demand that a stop be put to the foolish expenditures for civic defense and "pork-barrel" disgraces in our national legislature assemblies deserve the commendation of all who have a contempt for national waste. For most of the past decade as everyone knows such has been the reckless use of money that it requires a conscientious public servant such as the Virginia senator to call a halt in this hour when debt and taxes threaten the life of the Republic.

Not only should national economy be urged in the midst of the waste and ruin of war but also in the state and local expenditures. The people of North Carolina should see to it that the next General Assembly makes drastic reduction in all the state levies and that the county and city tax set-up be greatly reduced. The people of the state are not saying much but they are thinking no little about the need for tax reform. And they are also cherishing a quiet contempt for much that is going on at Washington. A reform there would do much to stimulate the sale of defense bonds and to quiet the outcry against the complacency of the American people.

The Women at Raleigh

THREE notable gatherings of the women this past week in North Carolina were the Baptists of the state and the Methodists at High Point and at Raleigh. Judging from the reports fully two thousand of the women so much interested in missions and social betterment came together to report, to plan, to sing and to pray for a better world.

It was our privilege to appear before that notable group at Raleigh in their last session, the close of a wonderful conference.

The machine ran with wonderful precision and smoothness in following the carefully wrought out program. The unusually interesting moments came with the presentation of the children who were to be placed on the "baby roll." A child in the midst always gets close to the human heart. Even the most "high-hatted" and carefully arrayed woman yields for the time being to the occasion. She forgets her "togs" in the midst of such display as was that when the parents and others brought the dear children about the altar to receive the cherished recognition. Smiles and bows were many.

Nothing else has made such progress in Methodism in the past half century as the organized work of the women. In the early days of our church the women counted for much,

but then their contribution was in less conspicuous ways before the organization of the woman's missionary work. All seemed agreed that the gathering at Raleigh was one of the best.

Woman's Conference Assembles in Three Day Meeting

WESLEY Memorial church, High Point, has from time to time been the seat of many great conferences, but none perhaps has surpassed the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference which held its sessions Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week in that church. Morning, afternoon and evening the big church was packed, with others standing about the doors seeking admission. There were few men present and those who were attending could not find room on the inside.

And these women devoted themselves to the work of the conference. This conference was a model for continuous and hard work, and best of all they enjoyed it.

Mrs. W. R. Harris, editor of the woman's page of this Advocate is giving a detailed report of this great conference.

Thursday afternoon at four o'clock the conference visited High Point College in the suburb of the city which is an institution of learning that High Point and the Western North Carolina conference very greatly appreciate, and have reason to do so because it is rendering a great service in the field of Christian education.

Women for War Time Prohibition

WITH decided enthusiasm and determination the women at Raleigh made appeal to the President and called on all women of Methodism to pledge themselves to temperance and to the demand for war time prohibition for protection of our soldiers. In part, the resolution follows:

Whereas, our President has the power to establish "war time prohibition," and our government deems it necessary to ration sugar, which is used in the manufacture of alcoholic beverages; and furthermore, since such beverages are not essential to national defense but hurtful in areas adjacent to our camps, we recommend that all women in united Methodism throughout the United States pledge themselves to the cause of temperance and seek to eradicate the sale of liquors during our national mergency. To this end we urge every sympathetic believer to write personal letters, seeking to influence the President of our nation to use his power to protect us from this great evil which threatens us from within.

For the Old Boys to Ponder

FOR some of the boys along in the fifties and sixties who have not yet gone to repeating over and over the same old jokes and have not formed the habit of musing upon the days of their childhood, but may be thinking that it is about time to "knock off," we prescribe the following tonic which is a brief record of great spirits who were learners until the sun went down. It is an old medicine compounded by some unknown pharmacist: Cato at eighty, took it into his venerable head to learn Greek, and Plutarch, almost as late in life, learned Latin. Theophrastus began his work on the characters of men at ninety. His literary labors were ended only by death. Socrates learned to play on musical instruments when well advanced in life. Colbert, the famous French statesman, returned at sixty to his Latin and law studies, and the great Doctor Johnson applied himself to Dutch but a few years before his death. Then there is the now forgotten Marquis de St. Aulaire, who was once regarded as a remarkable prodigy. At the age of seventy he began to write poetry and contemporaries declared that his verses were "full of fire, delicacy, and sweetness."

Is There Anything in a Name?

SOME people say "no." And they quote you Shakespeare where he says that a rose by any other name would smell just as sweet. But they seem to forget Mandalay, whose chief treasure is its euphonic name. With any other name who would take notice of the place, even if it is the ancient capital of a thwarted nation.

But Kipling's genius immortalized it with his melodious poem, "The Road to Mandalay." Yet if one may accept the statement of R. H. Markham neither mandalay nor the Burma road nor the gifts of Kipling interest those Burmese. Listen to Markham:

"Burma—big as Texas, but with 150,000,000 people—finds itself on a highway where two worlds meet. It is one of the centers of a gigantic world struggle, but the Burmese care little about that. Most of them are uninterested in empires, or the sweep of history, or the change of epochs. They are classic escapists. They would be glad to have all time stand still, all engines stall, and the sound of machines fade away."

People and Things

Scarritt College commencement dates have been announced for May 31-June 4. Dr. E. Stanley Jones will deliver a series of four evening addresses, beginning May 31.

Bishop Clare Purcell will preach in the Ayden Methodist church Sunday night, March 22, at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to hear him.—L. A. Tilley, Pastor.

A Learning for Life school sponsored by the Young Adult Fellowship of the Nashville district, Methodist church, is expected to attract an attendance of more than 400, March 23-26, at McKendree church in Nashville.

The General Education Board, New York City, has appropriated $10,000 a year for a five-year period on a living endowment for Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn. The gift is conditional upon the raising of $15,000 a year for five years by the college.

March 12 to 22 inclusive, revival services at People's Bible School. Rev. John L. Brooks, D.D., a noted Methodist evangelist of Isttallia, Alabama, is the envangelist. Services daily 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. For further information call Jim H. Green, pastor; phone 7713.

On last Sunday, March 15, Troutman church received an offering of $1800 to purchase new pews. As in the debt-paying campaign of last year each person who pledged paid every cent in full. The people were wonderful in this task as they are in many others.—J. C. Reichard.

With all the emphasis for careful and slow driving the drunken drivers infest North Carolina highways. List of revocations of license last week reported by the Safety Division were 228, making the grand total for the state 41,973. Liquor still remains enemy No. 1. In such hour Washington fails to enact "war time prohibition."

Let's have twenty new subscribers to the Norh Carolina Christian Advocate today! The information one needs about the church and its ever enlarging ministry comes each week at the small cost of four cents! Besides the increased knowledge you will gain abiding inspiration, courage and comfort.—Bulletin, Central Church, Mooresville.

Dates and training centers for the 1942 season Youth Caravan movement have been announced as follows: June 6-13, Morningside College, Sioux City, Ia.; June 13-20, Lake Junaluska; June 13-20, Wesleyan College, Fort Worth, Tex.; June 20-27, Epworth Forest, Leesburg, Ind.; June 27-July 4, Camp Innabah, Pottstown, Penn.; June 27-July 4, College of the Pacific, Stockton, Calif. The approaching season is the fourth of the Young Caravan movement in the Methodist Church. Approximately 100 teams will be sent into local fields during the approaching summer, following a period of intensive training. The Youth Caravan movement is a project of the Board of Education.

Mrs. Lou E. Setzer, 76, of the Hartland community, who died in February, 1940, left by her will $4337.99 to the Children's Home of the Methodist Church at Winston-Salem, according to information released by G. A. Tuttle, executor of the estate. She gave her farm home and furniture to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Oliver, young married couple who for some time had lived with her and were overseers of her farm. Mrs. Setzer, together with her husband, the late John W. Setzer, who died in 1929, were faithful and loyal members of Littlejohn's Methodist church during their married life. She was for a long period a teacher in the Sunday school and also a member of the missionary society. Many of her relatives, the Tuttles, the Courtneys, the McCalls, and the Shells will be glad to hear of this good deed of a good woman.

Rev. Y. Yamaka, pastor of the Japanese church in Los Angeles and, according to Supt. Frank Herron Smith, the "dean of all Japanese pastors in America," reports that his third and fourth sons have just joined the United States Army. His oldest son has been stationed at Davao, in the Philippines. A picture of four other enlisted members of churches in the Pacific Japanese Provisional Conference appeared recently in a Spokane newspaper. One had been accepted as a flying cadet. The others entered the army.

Miss Doris Elizabeth Wharton has been engaged as director of Christian education and young people's choirs at First Methodist church, Asheboro. Miss Wharton comes to First church highly recommended by Westminster Choir College, from which well known institution she will graduate the later part of May. Since her sophomore year she has been consistently recognized as one of the best choir directors in the entire student body of Westminster, and for years she has been directly connected with a Methodist church which carries on a program very similar to that sponsored by First church.

The world of Biblical scholarship has lost a distinguished figure in the death of Very Rev. Sir George Adam Smith on March 3 at his home in Scotland at the age of 85. He had been chaplain to the King in Scotland since 1933, and was principal and vice-chancellor of Aberdeen University from 1905 to 1935. Sir George, an authority on the Bible and the Holy Land, was well known in the United States through his books and through the lectures that he had delivered at several American colleges, including Johns Hopkins, Yale and the University of Chicago. In the early spring of 1918, during the first World War, he came to this country as a representative of the Department of Public Information of the British foreign office to speak in the eastern United States on British war efforts and on the moral aims common to the Allies. He lost two sons in the war.—Zions Herald.

List of service men from Wesley Memorial church, High Point: Robert Lee Adams, John R. Albertson, Charles Lee Amos, Jr., John D. Atkins, Jr., Allen Austin, Jr., J. Lawrence Austin, Donald A. Bain, William E. Brinson, Gilbert McCoy Bryant, William E. Clifton, Robert F. Craver, William H. Davis, Jr., James C. Durland, Joseph D. Fambrough, William J. Fraley, Jr., Carl Garrett, Jr., William J. Gregory, Charles E. Harville, John Thomas Huff, John W. Hughes, Percy C. Idol, William C. Jones, Alfred G. Lea, William B. Lea, R. Odell Lindsay, Jr., Winfred J. Little, John C. Macey, J. Arthur Marsh, Jr., O. Peyton Moffitt, Jr., A. Sherrod Morrow, Charles W. McAnally, Alfred A. Oliver, Jr., B. W. Peele, Jr., Ben F. Sedberry, Frank Sizemore, Jr., William David Smith, Geddie B. Strickland, Sam H. Strickland, H. Clarence Terry, Jr., Arthur Upshaw, Jr., L. D. Wagner.

Well done for Hawkins Chapel and Littleton circuit for the quota received for the Christian Advocate. Our pastor should get more praise, for he is an excellent worker to win souls to seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness. He lends a helping hand in anything he sees his brethren in need. There hasn't been anything reported from our church for some time. This doesn't mean we are sleeping on the job. We are planning to dedicate our church on Easter Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. We are proud of our brick church, a beautiful place to worship. We owe much credit to our good pastor for the work he rendered. Our Sunday school is about the same. We are having choir practice each week, directed by our pianist, Mrs. Baldy Greene. Our hearts go out in sympathy to our former pastor, Rev. J. H. Trolinger, in the loss of his companion, Mrs. J. H. Trolinger. —Mrs. Claude Hawkins, Reporter.

LEADERS ON THE PROGRAM OF THE WOMAN'S CONFERENCE AT RALEIGH



BISHOP CLARE PURCELL



MISS SALLIE LOU McKINNON



DR. W. A. STANBURY

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

The Greensboro College Glee Club, led by Walter Vassar, returned Sunday night, March 6, to the college from a most successful concert tour through western North Carolina. Although crowds were slightly smaller because of numerous defense works, very enthusiastic receptions from alumae and friends of the college greeted the singers at every step. Averaging two concerts a day, the 27 girls visited Galax, Va., Mt. Airy, North Wilkesboro, Lenoir, Hickory, Shelby, Gastonia, Charlotte, Kannapolis and Thomasville.

Four members of the G. C. International Relations Club attended a club conference last week-end in Atlanta, Ga., with headquarters in the Atlanta Biltmore Hotel. Miss Elizabeth Kendrick, Cooleemee, club president, and Misses Sara Belle Thompson, Graham, Charlotte Montgomery, Gold Hill, and Elizabeth Cole, Raleigh, were college delegates attending club meetings from March 6 through 8.

Mr. Gordon Maky, now of Montreat, representing the Student Volunteer Movement in America, was the vesper speaker at Greensboro College Sunday night, March 8. Mr. Maky, former missionary to China, spoke on students' life in China. Monday morning Mr. Maky spoke to Dr. Raymond A. Smith's religious education classes and held a discussion group in Main building at 10 o'clock.

Monday night, March 16, at 2 o'clock the members of the senior class were formally capped and gowned by their little sisters, the sophomores, at a special ceremony in Odell auditorium. Immediately after the cap and gowning ceremony the senior class was entertained by the college faculty at a reception in Main building.

Despite cloudy weather and hints of rain, white-clad G. C. girls observed Tuesday the traditional Greensboro College Day emphasizing loyalty to Alma Mater, featuring a chapel service that morning in Odell auditorium with outstanding alumnae of the college as guest speakers. The "G. C. Day" banquet that night at 6:15 in the college dining room closed Greensboro College Week, March 10-17.

Greensboro College Week began Tuesday, March 10, with an informal chat at the regular chapel hour by President Gobbel, who explained the significance of the observance. Student speakers stating various phases of the occasion at the Thursday chapel service were: Miss Annie Hall Estep, Greensboro, representing the junior class in her talk on "Loyalty to the Faculty," and Miss Eloise Morris, Greenville, S. C., freshman, speaking on "Loyalty to Student Government." Saturday morning Miss Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro, senior, urged "Loyalty to the Alumnae," while Miss Betty Janssen, Winterhaven, Fla., sophomore, pledged renewed "Loyalty to Alma Mater."

DUNCAN - HALLYBURTON

In a ceremony characterized by dignity and quiet simplicity, Mrs. Miriam Goode Hallyburton became the bride of Rev. Jesse Rush Duncan Saturday afternoon, March 14, at four o'clock in the Abernethy Memorial Methodist church at Rutherford College. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent of the Marion district, officiated, using the impressive ring ceremony of the Methodist Church.

A program of nuptial music was played by Miss Winnie Davis of Connelly Springs, including The Venetian Love Song by Nevin, and Tramuherei by Schumann.

For the entrance of the bride and groom, who were unattended, Miss Davis played the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin, and for the recessional the Mendelssohn Wedding March. During the ceremony, To a Wild Rose by McDowell was played softly.

White gladioli, gypsophila, and graceful snapdragons were combined in the decorative scheme of the church. Beautiful silver urns filled with gladioli and snapdragons flanked by stately ferns formed the background before which the vows were spoken. Two seven-branched candelabra, holding white cathedral tapers, enhanced the nuptial setting. The tapers were lighted by the chief usher, Mr. Tom W. Mauney, and Mr. Earl Harper.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. T. V. Goode and the late Dr. T. V. Goode of Rutherford College. She graduated from Rutherford College, and also attended Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone, Asheville Teachers College and Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory. She is at present a member of the Valdese Elementary School faculty.

Rev. Mr. Duncan is the son of Mrs. J. H. Duncan and the late Mr. J. H. Duncan of Brooksville, Miss. He graduated from Birmingham-Southern and received his M. A. degree from Emory University. For eight years he served as dean of Weaver College, and for the past three years has been pastor of the Rutherford College Methodist church.

Rev. and Mrs. Duncan left immediately following the ceremony for a short wedding trip. Mrs. L. C. Johnston.

BISHOP PURCELL TO PREACH AT WASHINGTON

A wire from Rev. D. A. Clark, pastor, announces Bishop Clare Purcell to preach next Sunday morning in the First Methodist church, Washington, N. C.

The good folks of First church will greatly appreciate the presence of our bishop.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Keeping the Churches on Even Keel

(Excerpts from an elaborate discussion by Frederick L. Fagley, appearing in Advance March 1, 1942.)

And now we are at war again. The flood has caught us. The levees were inadequate and our high ground wasn't high enough. And what will our pastors and churches do now?

Today, every citizen is called by our government to make his contribution towards the national objective of wining the war against aggressors, for our nation, our culture, and even our freedoms are challenged and in peril. Whether we believe in war as a method of settling international disputes or not; whether we believe the long, tedious chain of events that eventuated in war could have been interrupted and the direction changed or not; whatever may be our personal beliefs now, we as citizens of a democracy have the civic duty of supporting the government.

The prosecution of the war is committed by the people to the government, but we all now are members of a warring nation and no citizen can evade the question of what, according to his own conscience, is his maximum contribution to the state as a citizen. This rests on every individual, whether he belongs to the church or not.

But, as churchmen, we have another range of duties beyond those which we have as members of the civil state. These duties are in addition to those that rest on citizens. It is the responsibility of churchmen that the church shall fulfill its true mission in society to minister to the confused, the sick, the needy, the wayward, in order that each individual shall have the maximum of insight, courage ,and stamina to carry forward his whole duty to society in its full range. This service of the church, while directed to immediate needs, must be done with a long-range view in mind, for the church is ageless and its mission is to the long future as well as to the present.

The principles which underlie our national life had their birth in the early churches; they sprang in many ways from Christian teachings; they were born in the churches and propagated by the church's unceasing advocacy. It was the free Christian church that set the thought patterns, that provided the dynamic for the growth of American ideals. The church in that day was concerned with moral and spiritual aims. With added responsibilities today, it must be even more concerned with teaching Christian principles and with setting the thought patterns for a better day. This is its mission in season and out, in war time and in peace time.

To rebuild the life of society on the clear pattern of Christian teachings, in 1918, was a task for which the people were totally unprepared, and they permitted themselves to be grossly misled. The forces of a narrow nationalism, of selfishness and of greed, knew far better how to achieve their purpose than did those who were responsible for the realization of the moral idealism of Christianity, but who had neglected their full responsibility in order to serve the immediate needs. The churches must continue the permanent work of building spiritual foundations for a just and stable society.

What happpened in 1918 must not happen again. But it will unless we are now wiser than we were. Power will be exerted to force the churches to use again their entire organization and their personnel for the primary and immediate purpose of winning the war. Or course, the war must be won and that is the tragic duty of the state. Let it be said again that the main moral aims of mankind will never be achieved by war. Something may be achieved after the war if, during the war, the churches refuse to yield their God-given charter and their God-imposed task of standing for moral aims of social and political life, in season and out of season, and, all the more steadfastly, in time of war. For war begets hate, and, for those who lose the war, sullen revenge. And this is not the foundation on which peace can be established.

"Force can destroy but it cannot create. It may pull down but it cannot upbuild." As Admiral Mahan said, "All force can do is to hold evil in check until morality can take root."

What, then, shall we do now?

One of our great industrial magazines has employed for the next two years three outstanding university teachers of religion and philosophy as leading writers. Why? Because this magazine believes that for the future business must be established on firm foundations resting on right religious and philosophic thinking. How much more is this task of the church! It must go deeper into the truth of God, to find guidance for these confusing days and those of still greater perplexity ahead. We must have more and better theology, preached with persuasiveness and power, but we must also give our deepest thought to the planning of a better world, based on Christian principles fruiting in Christian social attitudes and action.

What are we doing now for the ten-year olds that will make them the sort of twenty-two year olds whom the church will need twelve years hence? What are we doing now for the sixteen-year olds who will be the young pastors and the young church officers whom the church will need twelve years hence? These and similar questions indicate something of the nature of the long-range planning the church must do now. There are heavy responsibilities that rest upon the church member, in addition to those he has as a citizen.

And let us be assured of the power of God working in and through weak humanity to do these and many other things put upon us. Strange new evidence is coming out of Germany of the power of the Gospel. We are told by those whose opportunity for careful study on the ground entitles their words to great respect, that the Nazis, as much as they fear Great Britain or the United States, fear also the growing power of the "remnant," of those who have not bowed the knee. The heroic and deeply Christian sermons of the Catholic bishop of Munster and of the great Lutheran bishop, Theophil Wurm of Wuerttemberg, circulate through underground channels. A few church groups have been formed secretly for the study of the underlying principles of religion. An interesting sidelight is the fact that sales of the Bible in Germany have outstripped sales of Mein Kampf by 200,000 copies per year. It is reported that the figures on sales of the Bible jumped from 830,000 in 1930 to 1,225,000 in 1939 and to 1,525,000 in 1940. Where else on earth are there so many people who are going to prison and to their execution for the Gospel?

W. R. HARRIS PASSES AT HIS HOME IN ASHEVILLE

W. R. Harris, 84, a retired business man of Asheville, died at his home Monday afternoon, March 16. Mr. Harris who suffered a heart attack had been in good health until Thursday of last week, when he developed a cold. Funeral services were held in Central Methodist church, Asheville, Tuesday afternoon of this week, being conducted by Dr. W. A. Lambeth, the pastor.

We extend our warmest sympathy to Mrs. Harris in the departure of her good husband. Mrs. Harris has been for years the alert and able editor of the woman's page of this Advocate. She is also one of the leaders in the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina conference. The good women of the Western North Carolina conference, where Mrs. Harris is so well known and her work so highly appreciated, will learn with deep regret of the sorrow that has come to Mrs. Harris and her family.

Mr. Harris was born October 24, 1857, in Montgomery county. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Harris and was a clerk of court in his native county for eight years. He moved to Concord in 1895 and with W. L. Bell, he organized the Bell and Harris Furniture Co.

Mr. Harris was secretary of the company until he moved to Asheville in 1910. He entered the furniture business there, operating the Harris Furniture Co. on Biltmore avenue until 1917. Mr. Harris was traveling representative of the Catawba Furniture Co. from 1913 to 1926, when he retired from active business.

He and Miss Laura Brower of Randolph county were married in 1890. Surviving are the widow; three daughters, Mrs. Isabel Bowles of Asheville, Mrs. Arthur W. Davis of Atlanta and Mrs. Robert J. Pearce of Greensboro; two sons, W. Randall Harris of Asheville and Jas. L. Harris of New York City; and seven grandchildren. He was the father of the late Theodore Harris, Asheville newspaperman.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Last week the Methodist students organized themselves into an active religious group at High Point College. Bobby Williams of Rocky Mount was elected president, with Kenneth Crouse of Lexington, vice president, Ela Kinsey of Texas, secretary, and Enola Sue Flowers of New Bern, reporter. One project of the council is to sponsor a religious emphasis week. The date for this has been set for the latter part of April. Dr. Hornell Hart of Duke University will speak each evening and will be available for discussion.

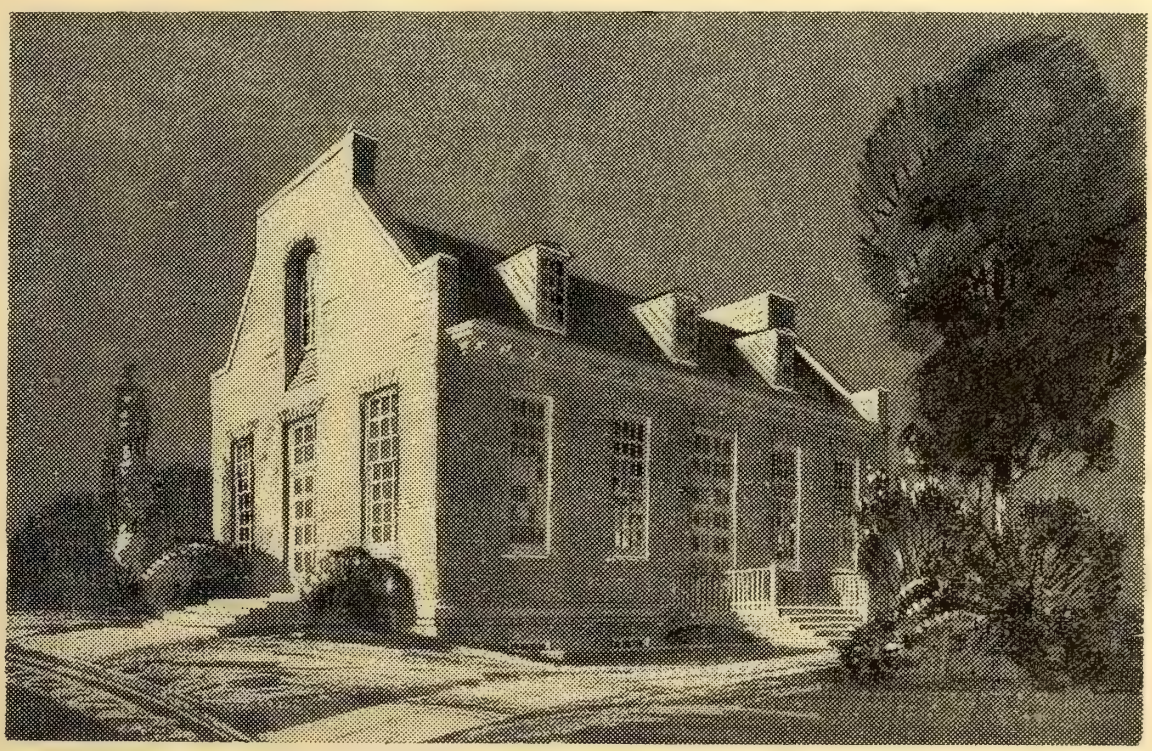
Several High Point College students from the dramatics department took part in the Rotarian Club Revue, a benefit show for the crippled children in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Fleischmann, dramatic teachers, also appeared in the show.

On Thursday, March 12, John Lawrence, Baptist Student Union secretary, addressed the assembly of High Point College. The Baptist student organization on the campus sponsored his talk. Prof. A. C. Lovelace led the devotional period and introduced Mr. Lawrence.

High Point College students have really had advantages of concerts and lectures this season. With the student body's having membership in the High Point Community Concert Association, the students were able to hear more outstanding artists than the college alone could have brought here. Just recently Albert Spalding, famed violinist, was heard by a capacity crowd of townspeople and students. On Monday night, March 16, Richard Crooks, tenor, appeared.

The lecture program of the college was completed on Tuesday evening, March 17, when Princess Paul Aspieha talked. The princess is the American-born wife of a Polish nobleman, and author of "Polish Profile." She and her family had to flee from the invading forces to Rumania, then to Hungary, Paris, and America. She told of these experiences and discussed woman's place in the war. The largest student attendance for any lecture was present for Princess Aspieha's talk.

The debate coach, Mrs. Walter Fleischmann was elected vice president of the North Carolina Association of Teachers of Speech. Mrs. Fleischmann was elected at the South Atlantic States Debating Tournament held at Lenoir-Rhyne. Stanley Freedman, sophomore member of the team, was given an honorary appointment to the North Carolina Forensic Association. Freedman placed third in the oratorical contest of the tournament.



The Student Center building, High Point College, has just been completed and opened for use. The entire first floor is used as a student lounge and recreation hall. The second floor is to be made into offices, while the basement houses the college book store and soda shop. The recreation hall is finished in knotty pine. At one end is a large open fireplace.

Old Father Thames

By F. W. BOREHAM

One of the by-products of the fiery ordeal through which the city of London has been passing has been the rediscovery of its river. Half a century ago, ferry boats plied the Thames, and everybody used them. With the introduction of mechanized vehicles, however, the boats were deemed too slow and clumsy, and most of them went out of commission. But the exigencies of a dramatic and terrible situation have brought them all back, and Londoners have become enamored of their own waterway. They vow that, in days to come, they will avail themselves increasingly of a mode of transport that is at once so restful and so picturesque.

The records of the world's great rivers represent the archives of the ages. It is obvious that the student who has mastered the history and hydrography of the Niger, the Congo, the Zambezi, the Orange, and the Nile has little more to learn about Africa. Stegemann, the German historian, points out that the destinies of Germany are inextricably bound up with the waters of the Rhine.

In the days in which he was president of the Local Government Board, John Burns found himself strolling on the terrace of the House of Commons, surveying, with all the transports of a born Londoner the shining waters of the Thames. His reverie was, however, abruptly interrupted by a supercilious American who was inclined to regard with scornful contempt the object of Mr. Burns' ecstatic admiration. "After all," the American demanded, "what is it but a ditch compared with the Missouri or the Mississippi?" This was too much for a cockney, even though the cockney chanced to be a cabinet minister. "The Missouri and the Mississippi," Mr. Burns exclaimed, in a fine burst of patriotic indignation, "the Missouri and the Mississippi are water, sir, and nothing but water; but tha," pointing to the Thames, "that, sir, is liquid history, liquid history!"

From the times of which Herodotus writes, when Cyrus lost his temper with the Tigris and turned it out of its channel for drowning one of his sacred white horses, rivers have represented the history of nations in solution. Indeed, Professor Shailer Mathews, in his Maying of Tomorrow, says that until very recent times there never was a nation that did not paddle or sail its way into history. Civilization, he affirms, got its first start on water. "In the early days, rivers were thoroughfares and they continued to be thoroughfares until the middle of the nineteenth century. Even the United States was born of water. It was easier to get from New Orleans to Montreal by way of the Mississippi than overland."

Rudyard Kipling has shown, in his "Song of the Thames," that the annals of that river epitomize the spacoius romance of English story. He makes the garrulous waters of the Thames to say:

"I remember the bat-winged lizard birds,
The Age of Ice and the mammoth herds;
And the giant tigers that stalked them down
Through Regent's Park into Camden Town;
And I remember, like yesterday
The earliest cockney who came my way,
When he pushed through the forest that lined the Strand,
With paint on his face and a club in his hand."

One has only to conjure up the wealthy historical traditions that clustered about the names of the Euphrates and the Nile, the Indus and the Volga, the Rhine and the Danube, the Tiber and the Seine, to convince himself that the records of the world's main waterways are ceaselessly interwoven with the annals of hte human race.

In a most singular way, rivers associated themselves with personalities. The name of Shakespeare will always be linked with thoughts of the Avon. We like to reflect that Goethe was never more happy than when strolling among the willows on the banks of the Lahn; that Coleridge was born, and spent the most impressionable years of his life in the beautiful Valley of the Otter; and that Wordsworth, often accompanied by his sister Dorothy, wandered at will through all that delightful scenery adorned by the Emont, and the Wye, the Yarrow, and the Duddon. Nobody can look upon these lovely waterways without recalling the illustrious personages that once sauntered beside them.

Yet, the pity of it is that, so far as our literature is concerned, nothing came of it all. We have a few sonnets and snippets, but nothing more. Tennyson gave us his "Brook," but it is only enough to make us feel how much we have missed. We follow that chattering rill, as Dr. Stopford Brooke puts it, "as if we walked with it from its fountains; by street and town and bridge; by field and flock and fallow; and the gay rhythm of the song dances with its music and glitters with its sun and shade. There is also a little air of human sorrow which, like a delicate wish, faintly sleeps above the poem and, softening its outlines, harmonizes all." If this is possible with a rill, what might not be done with a river?

One of these days a bard of eminence will do for our mightiest streams what Tennyson did for the babbling brook. Until that day dawns, we must keep our eyes wide open in our eagerness to recognize the immense advantages that accrue to us from those picturesque watercourses that lend an irresistible charm to every kind of landscape.

If, however, the poets have disappointed us, our prose masters have done something to make amends. Rudyard Kipling, for example, and John Bunyan. Who that has read Kim can forget the old lama and his long, long search for the river? Our gracious Lord, he thought, once took a bow and fired an arrow from its string, and where that arrow fell there sprang up a river "whose nature, by our Lord's beneficence, is that whoso bathes in it washes away all taint and speckle of sin." And so, through Mr. Kipling's four hundred vivid pages, the most graphic and realistic description of Indian life that has ever been penned, there wanders the old lama, through city and rice fields, over hills and across plains, asking, always asking one everlasting question: "The river, the River the Arrow; the River that can cleanse from sin; where is the river? Where, where is the river?" All India, all the world, seems to enter into that ceaseless cry. It is the

deepest, oldest, latest cry of the universal heart. And it is the church's unspeakable privilege to take the old lama's hand and to point his sparkling eyes to the cleansing fountains.

The arrow and the river! The River of the Arrow! It is a strange conjunction, for, singularly enough, it occurs again in Bunyan. At the end of her pilgrimage, there came to Christiana a post from the Celestial City. "So the post presented her with a letter, and he gave her therewith a sure token that he was a true messenger, and was come in to bid her make haste to be gone. The token was an arrow with a point sharpened with love."

And, one by one, Bunyan brought all his pilgrims to the river. "Its waters, indeed, are to the palate bitter, and to the stomach cold," Mr. Standfast declared, "yet the thoughts of what waits for me on the other side does lie as a glowing coal on my heart." But glorious it was, Bunyan says, to see the welcome the pilgrims received across the cold, cold stream, and the way they followed each other in at the beautiful gate of the city.

The river! The river!
The pilgrims crossing the river!
The pilgrims crossing the river!
The welcome beyond the river!

When Bunyan has spoken, there is nothing further to be said.—Australian Baptist.

CROSS BEARING

By Robert M. Hardee

"Take up your cross and follow me."

This morning I stood here in this little town among the mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, wives and sweethearts of twenty-six young men from Davie county as they said farewell to their loved ones leaving for camp.

I remembered seeing the mothers tell their boys goodbye in the other war, and watching the old train leave our home town with mothers in tears and hearts aching for their boys.

When Jesus lived here on earth he said to his followers, "Take up your cross and follow me." Life is not always easy—we have our trials, our sorrows, our disappointments, our heartaches, and our dark days, but we have the assurance of a Saviour who experienced far more than we have been called on to endure. Jesus suffered. He knew that death on the cross awaited him, yet he was unafraid. He had courage and faith. He was not trusting in himself but in his heavenly Father. We are called on to trust in this same God. You parents who have said goodbye to your boys are bearing your cross. Jesus bore his cross. You may have still a heavier cross to bear, but you are not afraid, you are brave and you have faith. We do not understand all of the mysteries of life and the suffering that we have to bear, but we know that Jesus bore his and made out of it a symbol of our faith. We can make out of our cross, out of our suffering, and out of our sorrows a triumphant spirit of victory and faith that cannot be conquered. Our faith and courage is challenged. Let us bear our crosses remembering that others all around the world in every nation, mothers and loved ones of our so-called enemies are going through the same experiences that we are now suffering. Jesus did not go to the cross in vain. He did not bear his cross that sin would one day be victorious in the world. He bore his cross and suffered on the cross in order to make an atonement for the sin of the world, to conquer and to overcome the sin of the world. One day out yonder in the future there will be no more wars and the spirit of brotherhood and peace will reign in the hearts of men. This is God's promise. Mocksville, N. C.

H. C. BYRUM WRITES INTERESTINGLY ABOUT PREACHERS

Some of the preachers asked me at conference last fall to write a few lines to the Advocate when I got home. In the closing moments of the conference the bishop called for the cabinet to meet at once in the pastor's study. Just as they filed out one dear brother started up that great old hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," but I did not chime in. Well I did not, for when I got to Statesville next day where I had spent the year with a very delightful people and thought I was returning, they informed me that another had my place and on I had to go. Those who had charge had named Waxhaw, down where Andrew Jackson was born, and where I had spent my childhood days.

It turned out that Brother Fred Shinn wanted to try out his theology down where the sons of Wesley had trod for all these years since Methodism invaded that part of the Carolinas. He had been named preacher of the Guilford charge, composed of two M. E. and two M. P. churches. So I fell heir to this lovely charge.

This is all said to let the boys know why I had not dropped the few lines to the Advocate. They wanted me to give some expression on preachers having their wives elected delegates to the annual conference. What could be nicer than a preacher and his wife attending conference together; but what would happen if no one was at a conference but preachers and preachers' wives! So I could not comment on that and will leave it to others. Some wanted me to comment on promoting preachers, and said that Dr. Charlie Weaver had told the bishop that he wanted to elevate all his men and the bishop advised him to take them up. Brother Charlie Kirkpatrick had found one brother greatly distressed over the open cabinet and hoped they would soon return to the closed cabinet so he could find out where he was going. It seemed that everything had gotten out of the open cabinet.

There was one good layman looking over the preachers and said his church had sent him up to get them a young preacher and he was trying to find one. He was not from the Greensboro district. But when I found that Brother Hayes had opened the door for me I cast around to see just what had befallen him, and to my surprise found he already had a fine group of preachers beyond the war age. W. B. Shinn, T. R. Wolfe, R. L. Ownbey, A. L. Aycock, J. W. Combs, E. M. Avett had broken in on Brother Hayes, where he was already housing J. B. Craven, R. M. Courtney, P. L. Shore and A. L. Latham of the old brotherhood, not counting men of the other church. At first it looked as though someone had put it over on our superintendent. But it dawned on me that Brother Hayes was on his job, and concluded that others could have the war-age boys and he would take the patriarchs and carry on while the boys go to war.

So I am right near in and happy with Friendship and Groome churches, two of the good churches taken from the West Greensboro charge, and Hickory Grove and Fairfield, two chaurches of the original Guilford charge. The fellowship is a holy delight and the work going good. A parsonage will be completed this year at Friendship church and all interests of the church are making progress. So with all that has happened since the close of the conference last October and the joy that has come to me in this delightful work, all those squibs I was to write have gone glimmering.

H. C. Byrum.

"I AM THE DOOR"

A traveler once, when skies were rose and gold
With Syrian sunset, paused beside the fold
Where an Arabian shepherd housed his flock;
Only a circling wall of rough, grey rock—
No door, no gate, but just an opening wide
Enough for snowy, huddling sheep to come inside.
So, questioned he, "then no wild beast you dread?"
"Ah, yes, the wolf is near, "the shepherd said.
"But," strange and sweet the word divine of yore
Fell on his startled ear: "I AM THE DOOR!"
When skies are sown with stars, and I may trace
The velvet shadows in this narrow space,
I lay me down. No silly sheep may go
Without the fold but I, the shepherd, know.
No need my cherished flock, close-sheltered, warm,
Fear raving wolf, save o'er my prostrate form."
O word of Christ—illumined evermore
For us his timid sheep—"I AM THE DOOR!"

—Author Unknown.

HIATUS AMONG THE HILLS

We who dwell in the middle Carolinas are just out of sight of the mountains. But we see them all the time: Grandfather, Mitchell, Pisgah, Balsam, Nantahala and the mighty Smokies from Max Patch to Clingman's Dome, all hoary and rugged with age—anchored on the axis of the earth—unshakable and almost everlasting.

Matching these mountains that cradled them we had a race of men, many of them our founding fathers in the ministry who set the standard and became leaders of their generation by the sheer genius of their talents and the power of their preaching. We buried such an one today at Salisbury, Dr. J. E. Abernethy, a true prince of the pulpit, powerful promulgator of the gospel, artificer of words who strung them on his great themes like pearls on a rosary and "at the end a cross was hung," a cross on which the Prince of glory died.

How he loved to preach and at times, in fact, usually there poured from his lighted face streams of thought, beautiful and torrential like sounding cataracts from the cliffs of his native hills. There remains scarcely a man among us with his power for ornamenting the central doctrines of redemption and holy living. Endowed with a voice of strength and resonance he cultivated it until when coupled with his deep seriousness and flashing dark eyes it seemed the very voice from heaven. It was akin to Isaiah's "wild seraphic fire." We call him the last of the old school of prophets who added to the fear and love of God the full power of their own personalities; which if true, alas, we are bereft indeed! Is this hiatus in the hills left by his departure ever to be filled?

To those who would justify prosaic preaching and slovenly address by saying that eloquence is no longer desired, I reply that the old hunger for inspiration and wing borne imagination is still there. The minds of the multitude eagerly await the touch of the master craftsman. As in Charing Cross, the angels keep their ancient places; lift but a clod and we start a wing—'tis we who miss this many splendored thing, and cheat the people of the visions that should break on their spiirts.

The last time J. E. was with me in a funeral we were in a little chapel in Charlotte. The deceased was a personal friend and he with erect posture, solemn mein and graceful gesture, launched his message with arresting words: "If I had my way there would be no death." For a few minutes he berated the grim monster and gave him a mighty drubbing. Then came the note of victory, "Life is ever lord of death and love can never lose its own." The mourners dried their tears and hope lit up the land of pure delight which death like a narrow sea divides from ours.

If his soul was solitary and lonely as a mountain, it was his nature. He could not dissemble well. Chaff and chatter was foreign to his speech; idle gossip he did not know. His tongue was as chaste as a mother's; it was married in utter faithfulness to his calling of telling the richness of grace in Christ the Lord. L. B. Hayes.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Rev. O. L. Hathaway, pastor of the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church in Selma, was the guest speaker for the religious emphasis week held last week, Tuesday morning through Friday evening. Mr. Hattaway spoke twice daily, at 10:30 in the morning and at 7:30 in the evening, and was heard with unusual interest by the students. He dealt with the problems of young people and the Christian approach to the crises that face youth today. Various organizations on the campus furnished special music for each service, and student participation was carried out wherever possible.

The spring holiday will start Friday, March 20, at one o'clock and continue until Tuesday, March 31, when classes will be resumed at 8:30 in the morning.

The May queen for the May Day festival is Miss Ella Lewis of Faison. Following a custom of long standing, as queen she herself chose her maid of honor, her cousin and college mate, Miss Catherine Lewis, also of Faison.

The following young women were elected as attendants for the May court: Annie Sue Barrett, Roxboro; Annie Lee Dorsett, Sanford; Sarah Davis, Louisburg; Margaret Holmes, Louisburg; Grace Johnson, Smithfield; Evelyn Long, Roxboro; Jane Murphy, Louisburg; Catherine Rogers, Wilmington; Frences Terrell, Beuna Vista, Va., and Emily Winn, Henderson. Miss Marjorie Crisp, director of physical education for women at the college, will be the director of the celebration, which will be a theme embodying the ideas of Southern hospitality. This theme will be so developed that every young woman in the college will be able to participate.

John L. Cameron, director of athletics, last week issued the call for baseball candidates, and about 20 boys turned out. Due to the difficulty of obtaining transportation facilities, the schedule for the spring will necessarily be light, and only about ten games have been scheduled.

DR. J. E. ABERNETHY DIES IN ELKIN HOSPITAL

Dr. J. E. Abernethy, a retired member of the Western North Carolina conference and a widely and favorably known pastor and preacher for almost half a century, died in the Hugh Chatham hospital at Elkin, Sunday afternoon, March 15, age 73.

He joined the Western North Carolina conference in 1893 and for forty-seven years rendered continuous and acceptable service as pastor and presiding elder in the Western North Carolina conference. At the 1940 conference in Greensboro he was forced on account of failing health to retire from active service. For the last two and a half years he has suffered much from physical afflictions. Three weeks before his death he entered the hospital at Elkin, where this faithful itinerant Methodist preacher closed his earthly sojourn.

Brother Abernethy served four successful years as presiding elder of the Statesville district, and with the exception of this quadrennium his entire ministry was devoted to the pastorate. He served a number of the largest stations of the conference. He was in demand as a preacher for special occasions and for revival services, and had a number of popular lectures that he delivered many times to the delight of his auditors.

The funeral services were held in First Methodist church, Salisbury, at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon, March 17. These services were conducted by Dr. C. N. Clark, superintendent of the Salisbury district, assisted by Revs. C. S. Kirkpatrick, superintendent of the Marion district, W. B. West, pastor of First church, Salisbury, and L. D. Thompson, pastor of First church, Lincolnton.

A very large number of the members of the Western North Carolina conference attended these services. Interment was in the Salisbury cemetery, where rests a son who lost his life in World War I. Surviving are the widow, who was Miss Susan Virginia Allen of Anson county; three sons and two daughters: Dr. P. M. Abernethy of Burlington, O. M. Abernethy of Wilmington, Dr. W. M. Abernethy of Mayodan, Mrs. Paul L. Cross of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Frederick Spencer of Salisbury.

GENERAL MacARTHUR NOW COMMANDS THE UNITED NATIONS IN AUSTRALIA

America knew about MacArthur before he took his little army to the fox holes of Bataan Peninsula to make one of the greatest stands of American history.

During the past 40 years one might have noted that he was the first of his class (1903) at West Point; that he was millitary aide to President "T.R." (1907-08; that he went into the World War as a colonel and emerged a brigadier, the distinguished, be-medaled commander of the glorious Rainbow division of the Meuse-Argonne.



General Douglas MacArthur

There followed his years as a military prodigy: the youngest (39) superintendent of West Point, the youngest (44) active major general, and the youngest (50) Chief of Staff. President FDR kept Douglas MacArthur one year longer than the usual five as chief of staff. In that time (1930-35) he had the delicate duty of dispersing the bonus army marches in Washington.

When he stepped out as chief of staff, the self-styled "professional soldier" headed back across the Pacific. 1935-40 saw his retirement from the army to become President Quezon's field marshal. He raised a tough native corps of 150,000, built hospitals, forts, an academy; plugged for planes, mobile armies.

He lived in a hotel, became a figure in Manila. In swim trunks or civies, he looked the square-built soldier. Old troopers say for pure drama nothing compared to his fight talks—whispered or shouted.

When war winds blew over the Pacific last July, FDR swept both American and Philippine establishments into the U. S. Army of the Far East, under MacArthur. He and Navy's Admiral Hart battened down for the storm. It broke in December. A 4-star general now, in company with select heroes like Grant, Sherman, and Pershing, he became the brains of a delaying action.

Perhaps a half-million Japanese troops were poured into the Philippines. MacArthur chose Bataan Peninsula for his stand. How many men he took there was a secret, but one of his generals wished for "40,000 trained troops." There MacArthur stood, cutting enemy's raids to ribbons, inspiring sensational heroism. There is more about the perennial hero in "MacArthur of the Philippines."

REAL ADVANCE ON FUQUAY CHARGE

Laymen's Day has been observed in each of our churches. The program put on in the Fuquay church under the direction of R. E. Prince would have done credit in any church in the North Carolina conference. Brother W. J. Cotton, the charge lay leader, had the material put into the hands of each of the churches and in each program real efforts were shown and plans well made.

At Cokesbury church, one of the old landmarks and houses of worship in our conference, there has been going on a complete remodeling of building. Around three thousand dollars is being spent. The Duke Foundation has given or granted this church grand help. Within a few weeks we will be back in the church building. For several weeks we have been holding services in the school house nearby. When we go in the church every dollar of the money spent will have been paid in full, leaving no debt whatsoever.

The charge school of missions was put on this year as last in the Fuquay church. Plans for this very successful school were well made ahead of time. The school was well attended. Stereopticon slides were used, thirty of the mission study books were sold, and the societies of Christian Service in each of the churches did such work as to receive credit for the study. All of this was the result of the well planning of Mrs. R. E. Prince, president of the Fuquay society, together with Mrs. W. H. Proctor and Mrs. J. H. Rice of Fuquay, and the plans were followed completely by the other churches on the charge as well as the Fuquay church. It was a delightful school of missions and one cannot give too much credit to those who planned and those who followed the plans suggested.

Holy Week services will be held in the Kipling church. The subject to follow this year in the Holy Week services will be Characters at the Cross, or Faces at the Cross. On Thursday night before Good Friday the birthday of Holy Communion will be kept. An electrically lighted cross and candles will be used in this service.

We are moving forward at Fuquay and this minister is delighted to be living among such a splendid people. I have never met a finer people anywhere in my ministry. Some one has said, "To know them is to love them." May God bless and take care of those for whom we always pray.

R. G. L. Edwards.

WORKERS' CONFERENCE ON NEW BERN DISTRICT

A church school workers' conference was held at St. Paul church, Goldsboro, Thursday evening, March 12, for church school workers of the Goldsboro area of the New Bern district. A represenative number from the various charges attended.

Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, was in charge of the meeting and conducted the devotions. Following a general assembly, workers of the three age groups gathered in separate rooms to consider their specific problems. Mrs. W. R. Stevens was in charge of the children's workers, Rev. C. W. Robbins of youth, and Rev. W. R. Stevens of adults. The meeting was brought to a close with an open forum period.

This conference was sponsored by the district staff of education and is the first in a series of similar meetings that will be held in the New Bern district during the year.

C. W. Robbins, Reporter.

A SONG FOR LATER YEARS

By Grace Sayre

Let not our lives be colorless at noon
Or parched and dusty when the day shall wend
Down the orbit of its little span;
May we be rich, endowed, each with a friend.

And may we share our hilltops, nor reveal
The scars of striving for a greening June.
Oh, teach our hearts to lift and soar in song—
Though pain and sorrow make a minor tune.

Thus with the coming darkness, may we go
Hand in hand along the sunset way
With sweet remembrance of each summer dawn—
Singing together songs at end of day.

—Advance.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING IN HIGH POINT

Another great meeting was the unanimous consensus of opinion as to the second session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service which met in High Point for three days during the past week, March 11-18.

Several things contributed to the success of the meeting, viz., the genuine hospitality of the Methodists of High Point, all Methodist churches of the city being included in that hospitality; the ideal weather, the presence of distinguished speakers and the large representation of delegates, 104 of whom were young women of the conference, all entering into the activities of the program.

The opening session was held on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president, presiding. After the singing of the conference hymn, the worship service was conducted by Mrs. Edmond L. Rice, who brought an inspiring message. Reports heard during the afternoon were given by Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., recording secretary, Mrs. W. R. Harris, editor of woman's page of the N. C. Christian Advocate, Miss Hydda Heard, deaconess, of Sunny Acres, and from the delegates who attended the Southeastern Jurisdictional conference.

The worship service on Wednesday evening was conducted by Rev. C. E. Rozzelle followed by special music. Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, one of the secretaries of foreign work of the national division of W. S. C. S., gave a talk on "Our Missions in a World at War" which brought to us many facts of interest and was heard with closest attention.

The program on Thursday morning opened with quiet music, followed by a period of worship and meditation supervised by Mrs. C. N. Clark, chairman of spiritual life, who presented Miss Emma S. Madciff, member of the faculty of Pfeiffer College, who led a most wonderfully inspiring and worshipful service, using as her theme, "Why I Believe in God." She gave as her reason for her belief in him—her conception of God as revealed through his teachings—quoting a number of scriptural selections showing his qualities of love, justice, mercy, forgiveness and others. Interspersing this program were selections of inspiring and spiritual music by a choir of selected voices from High Point College. Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, gave an interesting report of her year's work, showing increase along all lines of work—666 societies were reported with 24,464 members, 59 new societies with 2,712 new members and 356 societies observing the week of prayer. She paid a beautiful and deserved tribute to the district secretaries whose efforts and co-operation resulted in eight 100 per cent districts, viz: Charlotte, Gastonia, Greensboro, High Point, Salisbury, Statesville, Waynesville and Winston-Salem.

Mrs. J. W. Harbison gave a report full of interest of the supply work, showing the valuation of supplies for the year as $3,114.86 with Gastonia district first, Asheville second and Statesville third.

In her usual happy manner Mrs. J. W. Payne presented the report on missionary education and service. and when we heard the success of her efforts we did not wonder at her exhilaration of spirit. The Western North Carolina conference led all the conferences in S. E. Jurisdiction with 1,170 classes. Waynesville district attained the record of a study class in every society—not exceeded in Methodism.

Report of conference treasurer is always hailed with deepest interest and this year was no exception as Mrs. P. N. Peacock brought us the results of 1941 work, giving as a total $62,901.99, a net gain of $1,500, with $3,006.70 as week of prayer offering and all districts overpaying pledges. She described the loyalty and devotion of district secretaries as "monumental." The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Peacock, and after a fitting introduction the district secretaries and the secretaries of Wesleyan S. Guild of children and youth departments stood around the altar and repeating a verse of scripture made the pledge for the districts and departments, totaling more than $60,000.

Mrs. Weaver at this time brought her annual message, giving many things of interest and importance in our work and calling attention to the many evils existing today and the problems confronting us in meeeting these conditions. She suggested many ways in which we may serve, stressing especially prayer, our influence as Christians and our attitudes against, and efforts to eradicate these evils.

Mrs. C. N. Clark, vice president, had a busy year in the activities in which she was engaged but reported a year of success. She urged the promotion of peace and suggested plans through which to work.

Mrs. Weaver presented Miss Kate Hackney, who is former missionary to China, who spoke of the educational work in occupied China, stressing especially the Laura Haygood School with which she was identified for many years. She spoke especially of the work of the hospitals and the churches, a work still in existence in spite of war conditions. She gave as a hope for the world—spreading the gospel's message.

The three noon day devotional services were conducted by Miss Daisy Davies, jurisdictional secretary of spiritual life, whose presence was highly valued at this meeting. She spoke on Christ's Way—the Only Way, bringing much that was inspirational, informational and uplifting.

(To be continued next week)

MESSAGE TO SENATORS

The following message was sent by telegraph to Senators Robert R. Reynolds and Josiah W. Bailey from the W. S. of Christian Service in session in High Point:

"The Western North Carolina Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, in annual session at High Point with 360 registered delegates representing 24,460 members, earnestly beg you to do all in your power to have the Sheppard Bill S-860 called for consideration at the earlist possible moment and that you use all possible influence in securing its passage. We feel that our country owes its young men this protection and you are our hope in bringing it about." Signed, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, President, and Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Rec. Sec.

OUTSTANDING VISITORS

The W. S. C. S. in session at High Point was most fortunate in the number of outstanding visitors who contributed greatly to the success of the program. Among them: Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president National Division Wo. man's S. of C. S. of Board of Missions and Church Extension; Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, one of the foreign secretaries of W. S. C. S.; Miss Kate Hackney and Miss Leila Tuttle, former missionaries to China; Miss Emma I. Madciff, member of the faculty of Pfeiffer College; Miss Daisy Davies, secretary of spiritual life S. E. Jurisdiction; Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College.

(The further report of this meeting ill be included in next week's issue.)

MOTHER

By Costen J. Harrell

My mother dear, I love you for your eyes!
They watched with tender care my infant feet,
And through the fleeting years that intervene
You still have kept o'er me your vigil sweet.
Your mother-eyes still watching me,
It fills my soul with joy to see
So eagerly, so tenderly.

My mother dear, I love you for your hand!
By magic art it dried my childish tears;
By strong command it pointed me the way
That I have tried to keep through after years.
My soul is fired with hope to see
Your mother-hand still guiding me,
With surety, so knowingly.

My mother dear, I love you for your heart!
Your love is like the springs whose waters run
Continually. So from your mother-heart
Doth flow unfailing love for me, your son.
This thrills my soul to ecstacy,
To know that you are loving me
Unceasingly, eternally.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

"Christ Binds the World Together" was the theme and "In Christ There Is No East Or West" was the conference hymn for the second annual session of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S., which was held at Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, on March 10-12. Harmoniously with the theme were the many evidences of a spirit of faith, hope, courage and high resolve pervading throughout the meeting. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick of New Bern, conference president, presided at all sessions of the three day meeting and at the executive meeting on the morning preceding the opening sesion of the conference.

The first session convened at 2 p. m. on March 10 with a meditation, "What Have You in Your House?" led by Mrs. Paul N. Garber of Durham. Mrs. Garber also led the morning meditation on Wednesday and Thursday, using the themes, "I Have Fought the Good Fight" and "Christ for Victory." The noon day meditations were conducted by Miss Lucy Steele, professor of Bible, Peace College, Raleigh. Miss Steele chose for the topics of her thoughts "Two Priority Needs in the World—Come, Go," using the words of Jesus, "Come unto me," for her first message and "Go ye into all the world" for her second meditation. Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte preached the conference sermon from the text, "The light shineth in darkness and the darkness comprehendeth it not." Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, delivered a sermon on Wednesday evening, speaking words of hope and a challenge to Christians in building a world Christian community after the war has ceased which will make for a just and lasting peace. Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, executive secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension in charge of work in China, South and Central Africa, brought two messages concerning the work of missions today. Miss Jane Ellen Nevitt of Washington, D. C., missionary to China, told of the work in China today as related to present conditions there. Mrs. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount spoke of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. of which she is president. Rev. Allyn P. Robinson, Jr., pastor of the United Church in Raleigh and editor and commentator of the weekly broadcast, "The Churches Make News," told of the North Carolina Council Churches. Dr. Walter Patten, president of Louisburg College, brought greetings from that insttiution, Dr. M. T. Plyler, joint editor of the N. C. Christian Advocate, spoke of that publication, and Rev. R. G. Dawson, pastor Person Street Methodist church Raleigh, told of the N. C. Conference Brotherhood. Two honorary life patron and several adult and baby honorary life memberships were presented. Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep of Elizabeth City, conducted a most impressive memorial service for deceased members. All reports were encouraging and inducive to even more lofty purposes in carrying on the work of the W. S. C. S. On Wednesday afternoon the delegates, officers and special guests were entertained at a banquet at the Methodist Orphanage. Rev. A .S. Barnes, his staff and the children were most gracious and hospitable hosts. An added feature of the banquet was the exceedingly enjoyable concert presented by the Orphanage glee club, under the direction of Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith, director of public school music in the Raleigh city schools. The children manifested marked talent and training. Mr. Ed Hill, a former orphanage boy and now in business in Raleigh, sang a solo. Hon. Josephus Daniels, a trustee of the orphanage, was present and welcomed the guests.

An invitation for the 1943 sessions to meet at First Methodist church, Wilson, was accepted.

Various features of the 1942 conference will be published on the N. C. conference woman's page during the next several weeks. Watch for them.

AN INTRODUCTION

Mrs. W. L. Knight, having resigned as conference secretary of supplies, Mrs. R. B. Hooker of Kinston has been elected in her stead. Mrs. Knight has served the conference cheerfully and efficiently for many years and it is with sincere regret that we relinquish our claim upon her. We express our gratitude for what she has meant to the conference and wish for her continued fruitful service in her local church and in any field in which she may work.

Mrs. Hooker has a wide and successful experience in the work of her church and is well qualified for the duties of the new office which she has assumed. We welcome Mrs. Hooker to the conference executive committee and covet for her the allegience of every member of every society in the North Carolina conference.

FINANCES 1941

Perhaps there is no greater evidence of our loyalty to and interest in the cause of missions than the generosity with which we support it by our offerings. The annual report of Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, indicates that the women of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. are thoroughly aware of the need for giving and the joy which that sharing brings. Last year Mrs. McKinne received a total of $51,352.47 as offerings on pledges, an increase of $5,126.45 over 1940. Week of prayer offerings were $3,997.04, an increase of $1,140.55 over the previous year; $33,740.27 was raised for local purposes. Durham district led in giving last year, with Rocky Mount district second and Raleigh distrcit having the largest increase in giving.

PLEDGES 1042

The N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. has pledged to the Southeastern Jurisdictional W. C. C. S. $43,000. At the annual meeting in Raleigh the respective districts pledged to the conference the following amounts: Durham district $8,500, Elizabeth City $4300, Fayetteville $7,200, New Bern $6,800, Raleigh $6,000, Rocky Mount $7,000, Wilmington $4,500—a total of $44,300. The Wesleyan Service Guild pledged $2500. Women of the N. C. conference are realizing that the need for missions is greater than ever before and they have recvaled by their generous pledges that they are determined to do what they can to alleviate that need.

HONORARY LIFE PATRONS

An honorory life patron membership represents a gift of $300, which is directed through the regular channels for missions and which is the highest honor that may be bestowed in the W. S. C. S. Such an honor came to two of our conference officers and to three former conference officers last week when at the annual meeting in Raleigh they were presented life patron membership pins. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, was the first recipient and her honor was a gift of her own district, namely, New Bern district. Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, received a life patron membership as did Mrs. S. H. Scott, former conference superintendent of literature. Mrs. J. LeGrand Everett, Washington, D. C., former conference superintendent of mission study, and donor of the Lillie Moore Everett Study Jewel and author of "Seven Times Seven," the Jubilee Year history book, and to Mrs. N. E. Edgerton, former conference corresponding secretary. All of the four latter were gifts of the N. C. conference. Next week we shall announce the baby and adult life memberships which were presented at the annual meeting.

ZONE MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Carteret zone, New Bern district, will meet in Beaufort on March 25 at 10 a. m. Every woman in the zone is urged to attend. Mrs. Jack Neal, Jr., is zone leader.

Mrs. J. H. Gunn, Caswell zone leader, announces a meeting of that zone to be held at Bethel church on the Yanceyville charge on March 29. The churches in the zone are urged to send large delegations. A varied and interesting program has been arranged.

A STUDY CLASS

Warren's Grove W. S. C. S. held an interesting study class recently at the home of Mrs. Sid Wrenn. Mrs. Arch Wrenn opened the meeting with a very helpful devotional. "The Methodist Meeting House" was the topic of study and those partcipating in the morning program were: Mrs. Raney Crumpton, Mrs. Sid Wrenn and Mrs. Elma Morton. following the luncheon hour Mrs. Harwin Harris, Mrs. J. A. Hamlin and Mrs. Ralph Long directed the study. The meeting was closed with prayer.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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STARTING TIME

This is early Monday morning, the time for writing our weekly letter through the Advocate to our friends. The weather is gloomy but the children are chirpy. Following the beautiful day yesterday has come the clouds and the mist. Following the restful day yesterday has come renewed vitality to our family. The youngsters are busy about their learning processes and our working staff is busy beginning another week's operation. Monday morning is a good starting time for many of our activities.

PLANTING TIME

Our truck farming squad is getting a bit restive about the delay in planting the early vegetables. The Irish potatoes have been cut and are ready for planting but the ground is too wet to be stirring in it very much. During the late summer, the early fall and a great deal of the winter our soil was so hard and dry as to cause a keen desire for more moisture. Now we have it and will bide our time for sufficient dryness to plant the seeds for the biggest food growing season we have yet had.

CLEANING TIME

While the boys and the men are busy doing things on the outside, the girls and the women are beginning their spring cleaning. There is much to be done. Things just do not stay fixed in any of our households. They have to be refixed. Thirty children do not sit around as fixtures. They move around a great deal, ceremoniously and unceremoniously. So spring cleaning comes with the storage of the winter garments and equipment, making ready for the new spring outfits and the new spring way of living.

MARBLING TIME

With the passing of the basketball season and for a while before baseball gets right of way there will be groups of boys and girls shooting marbles out of rings. A lot of interest and a lot of fun will come with the hit and miss fashion of pushing marbles off the ends of fingers. True to his custom, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, a member of our board of trustees, came by the other day and left a good sized box filled with marbles with the following notation: "It has been said that men pray for rain and then grumble about the mud, but I have never known a boy to complain because he had too many marbles. Today I am leaving three thousand of the shiney rollers to be disposed of as you think best among the fine boys and girls under your care. Tell the boys to take a good aim when they gather around the big ring for the spring-time playing."

SHARING TIME

Another fifth Sunday is approaching. It is one of the four times in the year when our church school membership is encouraged to share with the Children's Home family. This sharing process can be made very noteworthy and very helpful. All contributions made on fifth Sundays count on the charge's supplementary apportionment.

BELL RINGING TIME

The ten per cent apportionment joy bell keeps on ringing. Those qualified to pull the cord this week, those having paid their ten per cent apportionment in full, are listed as follows. Note them and join us in grateful thanks:

Bethany, Palestine, and Gideon's Grove, Flat Rock circuit, Rev. E. Paul Hamilton.

Mt. Zion, Norwood circuit, Rev. J. E. Rink.

Midway and Trinity, Prospect circuit, Rev. A. M. Faulkner.

SINGING TIME

Ordinarily this would be the time of the year for our singing class to be making trips on Sunday for rendering their programs to desiring congregations. Miss Jones, our music teacher, and the class have been working during the winter on a program that they had hoped to use during the spring. However, the scarcity of tires has caused us to conserve all uses of our rolling stock that are not absolutely necessary. We hope our friends will understand why we cannot be traveling around over the country to visit them. It simply is not the wise thing to do under the circumstances.

GRUMBLING TIME

Most of the messages reaching us are complimentary and full of good cheer. But not all of them are so. Extracts from a letter, sent anonymously, sounds a discordant note and exhibits faulty evaluative qualities: "I think it necessary to inform you of ——— actions and of her having her children in the Home. This is uncalled for. There are others in more need of help. She is quite able to take care of them, seeing as how she has so many men friends. She has plenty of new clothes. She cannot possibly have all the fine things she has had if she didn't accept help from others. This town is full of whiskey and she is always drinking. Behind all of her exterior is a lying and cheating nature of remarkable ability. I think she should take her children."

MEASLING TIME

Our health record during the past winter has been exceptionally good. The only contagious disease visiting our children was that of chicken pox. But now the measles has come. From where we do not know, but it has landed here. When a contagious disease visits us it stays with us a while. Thanks to the fact that most of our children have had measles, measling time will not be such a long time as it would otherwise have been.

TRAINING TIME

Our family is trying to do everything it can in these times of stress. The boys and girls are saving, giving and planing for anything that will help them do their bit at winning the war. Our workers are taking courses at night in Red Cross first aid and as air raid wardens. So far, we are placing emphasis on plans for winning the war than on plans for protecting ourselves from what war may bring.

CHURCH JOINING TIME

In the midst of the uneasiness that comes from the ravages of war our our boys and girls are being reminded of the Prince of Peace and his love for little children. For the past several Sunday afternoons Rev. H. Grady Hardin, our assistant pastor, has been meeting with forty or more of our boys and girls in training them for commitment of their lives to the Christian way of living and the joining of the church. Our youngsters look forward to these occasions with a great deal of anticipation. They want to be a part of the great organization that lends a helping hand to those in need.



The bus does not make long trips any more

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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FIFTH SUNDAY OFFERING—Sunday week is a fifth Sunday. It is earnestly desired that every Sunday school in the conference use the new Orphanage program on the fifth Sunday. I am of the opinion that the program being put into the hands of each Sunday school superintendent, if properly used, will make the fifth Sunday a red letter day for the Methodist Orphanage. According to our new financial plan the offering in the Sunday schools on the fifth Sunday will be applied on the apportionment of each church. The increased expenses, due to rising prices, makes it more necessary than ever that every Sunday school in the conference take a freewill offering for the benefit of our boys and girls.

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DISSATISFIED—During the session of the annual meeting of the Society of Christian Service in Raleigh last week several ladies told me that they were dissatisfied with the small lists of clothing that were sent to them for our boys and girls. A number of them told me that they were going to add more articles of clothing to the lists, so that the children would have more clothes for the spring and summer. It is true that we cut the lists down to the minimum, and if there are those who wish to add other articles to their lists they are at liberty to do so. During these war times many demands are being made on our people for help in many directions. I feel that the Methodist Orphanage should practice rigid economy along with everybody else. I would rather have complaints made about the few articles of clothing asked for rather than to have complaints made about asking for too many. I apprciate the feeling of our good women, and they are at liberty to exercise their own judgment about adding more garments to the lists which we sent to the various societies of Christian Service.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE HONORS CHRISTIAN SERVICE SOCIETY

Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, Mrs. Barnes, the children, teachers and matrons of the Orphanage were hosts last night to the more than 300 friends of the home when they entertained at a two-course dinner for the officers and delegates to the conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service meeting at Edenton Street church.

Josephus Daniels, speaking for himself and for the board, welcomed the visitors to the home and to Raleigh and congratulated them on more than "40 years of service" to the institution.

Mrs. W. C. Chadwick of New Bern, president of the Society, responded to the welcome.

Mrs. Chadwick and Mr. Daniels were introduced by Mr. Barnes, who later spoke briefly, outlining the contributions to the orphanage of the Woman's Society of Christian Service groups from all parts of the state. He told about the large electric stove, electric oven and toaster installed in the kitchen a little more than a year ago; and before that, all the tables and chairs for the new dining room; and about the 500 chairs given for the Vann Auditorium and about more than 40 years of unfailing contributions of clothing for the children of the home.

"Not just clothing," said Mr. Barnes, "but adequate, becoming clothing, selected with the thought of the individual child's complexion and size." He stressed the fact that even more than the clothes the "living link" between the children and "these good women" gave the children a sense of security and well being.

This "intangible thing, this living link" is built up during vacation time when almost every chlid in the home visits members of the society sponsoring group. These visits are sometimes for a day and often for week-ends. Mr. Barnes closed by telling the guests how happy it made the children to receive them in their home.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Lillian Sandlin, principal of the school; Miss Bessie Gaddy, teacher, Miss Madge Nichols, teacher, Miss Monie McDonald, teacher, Mrs. Mary Y. Allred, head matron, Mrs. A. W. Pridgen, matron, and Miss Nellie B. Rives, matron.

Rev. H. I. Glass pronounced the invocation.

The high spot of the party was the singing by the Orphanage Glee Club which is composed of 40 boys and girls under the direction of Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith.

Ed Hill, graduate of the Orphanage, and now connected with the Carolina Power and Light Company and a soloist at Edenton Street church, sang several numbers and everybody sang "America."

Twenty-five or 30 older girls assisted the staff in serving. Potted plants were used in decorating the dining room.

After dinner the guests accepted Mr. Barnes' invitation to visit the kitchen and cottages and arrangements were made for each child to see the delegates from his sponsoring society's group.

The Orphanage and Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have entertained 14 delegates during the three-day conference.

The local society of which Mrs. L. A. Watts is president and Mrs. H. O. Lineberger is general conference chairman, furnished buses for the guests to and from the dinner.—News and Observer.

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WORLD SERVICE IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL

March 22 is World Service Sunday in the church school. Pastors and superintendents of participating schools have received the regular monthly letter carrying program suggestions for this month. The March offering brings us to the half-way mark for the conference year. The fiscal year for the church at large closes on May 31. Considerable emphasis will be given to payments on World Service and conference benevolences between now and May 31. The next report covernig contributions from the church schools of our conference will appear about April 15. Those treasurers who report either monthly or quarterly will want to make their remittances promptly after March 22 in time for the mid-year check-up. The response from our church schools is well ahead of last year and is most encouraging.

Request from Council of Secretaries

The Council of Secretaries of The Methodist Church is asking every agency in the church to co-operate in every way possible in lifting the level of giving to World Service and conference benevolences between the period of Easter and May 31, which is the close of the fiscal year of the general church. At the end of January giving for World Service was considerably under what it was last year, which was also a decrease under the year before.

In addition to a mention of this important matter in your various field contacts, I wonder if you would permit me to suggest that each of you mention this in your bulletin and other mailings to church school superintendents. J. Q. Schisler.

CALDWELL COUNTY SCHOOL
Lenoir, April 12-16

On Monday evening, March 9, a group of ministers and interested laymen meeting at First church voted unanimously to hold their annual training school in April. Three courses were requested, as follows: The Children's Division of the Church, Senior and Young People's Work, and The Growth of the Bible. All indications are that the school will be well attended. Both ministers and laymen frankly faced the problems of tires, first aid classes, and other urgent obligations, but voted unanimously to support the school. An excellent spirit of co-operation prevailed throughout the meeting and all details concerning the school, including the finance, were cleared.

Fellowship Dinner

On Tuesday noon following the meeting on Monday evening, the Methodist ministers of Caldwell county met for a bountiful and delicious fellowship dinner with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Oakley. Those persons who enjoyed the generous hospitality of Brother and Mrs. Oakley were J. C. Cornett, Reid Wall, J. G. W. Holloway, Ebenezer Myers, W. L. Harkey, R. H. Nicholson, Carl H. King, J. Max Brandon, Sr., and R. E. Hunt. Delicious food, rare stories, and fine fellowship were the order of the day.

HICKORY AND MORGANTON PLAN SEPTEMBER SCHOOLS

With one accord ministers and laymen meeting in Morganton and Hickory on Monday and Tuesday voted unanimously to hold their training schools on September 13 and 20. In recent years excellent schools have been established in these two towns. It was the conviction of all persons at the meetings that these activities should be planned and carried through unless later developments should make it impossible or impractical to do so.

Albemarle School, March 22-26

A three-teacher school is planned for Albemarle beginning at 7:30 Sunday night and continuing at the same hour each evening through Thursday. Every Methodist minister in the county has given his assurance that every effort will be put forth to make this the most successful school held in Albemarle for a number of years.

Church School Rally Day
April 12 or 19

Between the Easter program and district conference seems to be the most appropriate time for the observance of Church School Rally Day. Sample copies of available programs have been mailed to pastors and superintendents during the past week. While any appropriate Sunday may be selected, it is hoped that the majority of our schools will have the observance on either April 12 or 19 and be ready for the final report on this item at the district conference.

Reidsville Training School

A most successful venture with an inter-denominational training school has been experienced recently by the churches of Reidsville. Brother E. Lester Ballard was active in making the plans and in directing the school. Dr. R. L. Ownbey gave the course on Christian Evangelism. Thirty-six Methodists attended the school for credit. This is by far the best response to a training school we have had in Reidsville in years.

THE METHODIST YOUTH FUND

Every week brings additional pledges to this fund as our young people become familiar with the unified plan of missionary giving for youth and take advantage of this opportunity to make a personal, direct contribution to the cause of missions. Ninety-nine young people's or intermediate groups in our conference have made pledges totaling approximately $1,000.

The April issue of the World Outlook is to be a youth number and will contain articles and pictures dealing with the Methodist Youth Fund. This will afford excellent opportunity for youth groups to arrange programs promoting the Methodist Youth Fund and acquainting their members with the work supported by their gifts.

TOGETHER THEY DID

A famous organist from "the big city" came to dedicate a fine new organ in a small town. He gave an excellent recital and was quite proud of himself as he walked backstage for a stretch during the intermission.

There he encountered the old organ pumper, who was also strolling around to ease his weary shoulders.

"We're giving them a fine concert!" the old fellow beamed. The organist affected not to hear him. "I say," the old fellow began again, "we're giving them a fine concert!" The organist drew himself up haughtily and replied, "I am giving them a fine concert!" and, whirling on his heels, returned to the console to begin the second half of his program.

His first selection opened with the full organ, he pulled out the necessary stops, opened the swell and crescendo pedals to the limit ,paused dramatically until the audience had become breathlessly silent, and with a flourish brought his hands down on the keys. Not a sound ensued. The organ was as dead as a last summer's romance.

The audience tittered.

Greatly flustered, he pulled out another stop or two, jiggled one here, another there, again made his dramatic pause, again brought his hands down upon the keys. And again not even a sigh came from the mighty pipes, while now the audience broke into genuine, unrestrained laughter.

This time the organist slid off his seat and made his way back to the post of the organ pumper. He found the lod fellow tilted back in a chair, smoking a pipe. He had not laid a hand on the pump handle. There was no wind in the bellows.

In that moment the organist achieved greatness of character. He dropped his pompous attitude, stretched forth his hand, grasped the old fellow's paw, and with great earnestness and sincerity said, "You were right, my friend. We did give them a fine concert, didn't me? Give us some more wind and we'll do even better on the rest of the program."

And together, they did!—The Scrap Book.

THE GOLDEN RULE
By Margery Isabel

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A bright and shining rule;
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At work or play or school.

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Storytime.

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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Church School Rally Day has been set apart by the General Conference as a day for giving special attention to Christian education in the local church. The purpose of Church School Rally Day is to challenge the entire congregation with the importance of the religious training of the children, young people, and adults of the church and the community ;to acquaint our people with the plans and work of our Conference Board of Education, which gives general direction to the entire work of Christian education throughout the territory of our annual conference; and to give every member of our church an opportunity to share in the work of our conference board.

The theme for the Church School Rally Day program this year is "Resources for Christian Living in These Times." Copies of the program have been sent to each pastor and ecah church school superintendent. Additional copies will be furnished free on request. April 19 is the date set for Church School Rally Day in our conference. although another date may be used if it is more satisfactory.

DURHAM SUB-DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

The Durham Sub-District of the Methodist Youth Fellowship started a project in December which is making a definite contribution to the program of all the local churches in this organization.

At each meeting of the sub-district a forty-five minute period has been set aside for a discussion of the work of each commission—Worship and Evangelism, World Friendship, Community Service ,and Recreation. Leaders have been secured and the leader for each commission meets with the chairman and other members of the commission from each local church. Out of these discussion groups have grown renewed interest in the work of the commissions in the local church as well as definite plans for the part of the subdistrict in promoting the work of these areas of work. An effort is being made to show how the work of each commission is but a small part (but a very important part) of the total program of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and how the Methodist Youth Fellowship is but a small but important part of the total program of the church. An attempt is being made to show that the totality of the program of the church is of primary importance, and if each group can see the relationship of that particular group to the total program of the church as well as the relationship of each individual within the group to the total program of the church, beauty and harmony of pattern will result and unity within the church will exist.

The Commission on Worship and Evangelism is planning the program for April meeting of the sub-district. The entire meeting will center around the use of leisure time, the theme for the worship service being "How Jesus Used His Leisure Time." The usual fellowship hour which follows will be in the form of hobby night. Members of the sub-district will demonstrate various interesting hobbies and an attempt will be made to interest others in pursuing such interests. This feature will be planned by the Recreation Commission.

Young people of the sub-district will come together March 22 at Trinity church for a joint Sunday evening meeting, at which time Dr. W. K. Greene will speak. The service is being planned by the sub-district council.

On Good Friday (the Fast Day for Methodist youth everywhere) the Durham sub-district will meet for the annual Good Friday fast and fellowship service, at which time the sacrificial offering for the relief of human suffering will be presented. Methodist youth are called upon to fast one meal on this day and give the price of this meal or some other sacrificial offering for overseas relief. The commission in community service is planning this service.

The World Friendship Commission has taken the Methodist Youth Fund as a special project which is the result of specific study in this field, for they learned that Methodist youth have two opportunities of sharing in the vast missionary program of our church—through the fourth Sunday World Service observance and through the Methodist Youth Fund.

These projects of the Durham subdistrict grew out of a need for the study of the work of the commission areas and out of these studies has grown a working organization which is contributing both to the work of the local church and the lives of Methodist youth in Durham.

John Cline is president of the Durham sub-district and Rev. Harold Simpson is the adult advisor. Leaders for the commission discussion groups are: Rev. W. K. Barrs, LaFon Vareen, Sidney Anderson, and Miss Elizabeth Myers.

SANDY CROSS SCHOOL

The Sandy Cross charge in the Rocky Mount district sponsored a school for Christian workers at the Sandy Cross church March 9-12. The pastor, Rev. Sidney Boone, led the teachers in a discussion group on "Teaching in the Church School." A class in "Senior-Young People's Plans" was conducted for the young people and their workers by Miss Elizabeth Myers of Durham. About 25 attended the school representing two churches. The school closed with a very impressive worship service which was planned by the youth group.

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Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 22

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By Rollin H. Walker

Jesus the Messiah Foretells His Death

Matt. 16:13-28; Mark 27:37; Luke 9:18-25

As we have before noted, the Jews were tense with expectation of the rise of a miraculous hero who would deliver them from the Roman yoke, and eventually conquer the whole world. Toyohiko Kagawa's Life of Christ, in the form of a novel, portrays the state of the public mind with great realism and power. John the Baptist's preaching, like an electric current passing through the nation, had also quickened this hope. Doubtless the first disciples expected Jesus to be the Messiah in this military sense (John 1:40, 41; Acts 1:6). And certainly the Baptist did (Matthew 11:3).

But our Lord's refusal to head a revolution (John 6:15) caused the people to give up this hope, and his excoriation of the scribes and Pharisees made these leaders fear that, instead of driving out the Romans, he would drive them out from their seats of power and influence, just as he had driven out the money changers from the temple.

And now Jesus had gone up the slopes of Mount Hermon into a region mostly Gentile, where he would be delivered from the murderous presence of his enemies and have a little time to prepare himself and his disciples for the grim tragedy that awaited him.

Who do men say that I am? was the question to the little group. And they answered, Some say, John the Baptist; some Elijah; and some Jeremiah or one of the prophets. The multitude sensed that he was a great man in the line of the mighty prophets of the past, but no one any longer called him the Christ.

And then Jesus said, Who do ye say that I am? That is what he says to every man, and the man's fate hangs on the answer, not of course on what he utters with his lips, but on what he says in his inmost mind and in his life.

And Peter, voicing the attitude of the inner circle, said, Thou art the Christ. And this in spite of the fact that Jesus had bitterly disappointed Peter's preconceptions. It was a great intellectual adventure for the apostles still to call Jesus the Christ, in view of the fact that the religious leaders whom they had been taught to revere had all turned against him, and also in view of the fact that thus far he had failed to correspond with the prophetic pictures of the conquering Messiah (Psalms 2; 72; 110; Isaiah 9:6, 7), by which the imagination of Israel had been kindled. Blessed art thou, Simon, said Jesus; you are not echoing the sayings of the crowd, you are responding to the revelation of the Father.

And then Jesus, having accepted their ascription to him of the great Messianic title, at once shocks them by predicting his swift coming martyrdom. Peter who loved him so passionately could not bear the thought, and tenderly protested against his Lord submitting to such a fate. But Jesus turned to him and said, Get thee behind me, Satan. We must not regard this as a burst of anger; we must think of Jesus as tempted by the solicitude of his leading follower, and summoning himself with all his power to resist the temptation. The difficulty is not in saying, Get thee behind me, Satan, to the poor wretches who, as it were, in horns and hoofs, incite us to sin, but to those dearest and tenderest friends who lovingly dissuade us from stern and heroic sacrifice. One has overheard Satan with caresses say, "My dear, you should not work so hard."

But Jesus not only shocked Peter by the prediction of his cross, but he called the multitude together and said, If any man will come after me, let him take up his cross and follow me. Thus he sought to kill off all false hopes in the mind of any one disposed to follow him.

What terrible realist Jesus was! How chemically pure of any optimistic hallucination! But simply because he was such a terrible realist he was also a glorious realist, for he knew that if he died he would rise again, and come in majesty to judge the world; and he knew that all who followed him and lost their lives would find them, and at the last day inherit a glory far greater than that which they had pictured in their carnal hopes. The alternative which Jesus placed before men was death and glory, on the one hand, or pleasure-seeking followed by withering death, on the other.

"THRONGING" BUT NOT "TOUCHING" JESUS

Oh, the multitudes that thronged Jesus without savingly touching him! It is declared that "much pepole followed him and thronged him." Also that "as many as touched him were made whole"; that is, of both spiritual and physical maladies. Doubtless some thronged Jesus because of his popularity or from idle curiosity, and received no profit. Undoubtedly it would be so now were he on the earth today in bodily form. Jesus is presented in the Bible and in pulpits, and yet many do not touch him by faith for the salvation of their souls. Various causes may be assigned for this fact. Thousands attend the house of God without a thought of God without a thought of being saved. And when the Holy Spirit convicts them of sin, they stifle such conviction. Others never seek opportunities by which they may touch Jesus and be saved.—A. W. Orwig.

Not in the clamor of the crowded streets,
Not in the shouts and plaudits of the throng,
But in ourselves are triumph or defeat.
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MEASURING JACK'S TREE

Jack called it "his tree." It was the tallest pine in all that section. It grew, quite alone, in his father's meadow. Jack loved to lie on the green grass and gaze up into the tree's top, wondering just how tall it really might be.

"If you were big like me, and in the advanced classes at school, you could measure it, Jack," boasted Ted Spragg, who was five years his senior.

"Really? How?"

"Oh," said Ted wisely, "you wouldn't understand it now; but by and by you may."

Ted's words made him think hard. Now, how in the world could Ted, or anyone for that matter, measure the height of that pine? Even if he climbed to its top, it would be a difficult job, because the smaller limbs at the very top would not hold even a small boy like Jack himself. He began to suspect that it was just one of Ted's boasts; that the thing really could not be done at all.

Then his cousin, Jane, came from the city for her vacation on the farm. Jane was four years older than Jack, but the two played a great deal together.

Jane, too, liked the tall pine. With Jack, she was fond of sitting near the giant tree. So one day Jack told her about Ted's words.

"But I don't think he really could measure that tree, do you, Jane?" Jack added, "Ted's fond of telling how smart he is."

Jane gazed thoughtfully at the tree, then said slowly: "I'm not sure that he could not—that is, if he knows the right formula."

"Formula? What's a formula?"

"A method of solving a problem in mathematics," Jane explained. "I'm just trying to think—seems to me our teacher told us how that is done, if I can just remember . . ."

"Really? Can you show me, Jane? Oh, boy, wouldn't I like to know how, so I could be as smart as Ted just this once!"

Jane sat still on the grass for a few minutes, thinking. Then she clapped her hands. "I have it!"

"Really? Oh, boy!"

"Can you get me a pole about ten feet tall, and a yard-stick or ruler or tapeline?"

"Sure. Just wait a minute," and Jack dashed toward the barn, in one end of which his father had a sort of workshop. Soon he returned with a pole just ten feet in length, and a tapeline.

"What next?" Jack said.

"Bring the pole out here and stick it into the ground,' 'Jane directed, pointing to a spot near the tree, but where the tree's shadow did not show upon the ground. "Hold it still now," she added.

Then the girl took the tapeline and carefully measured the length of the shadow cast by the pole.

"O. K. You can lay the pole down now," she said, walking to the foot of the tree. Then she began measuring.

Jack followed her, wondering what she was doing that for. Finally she stopped measuring and announced: "Well, Jack, your pine is just one hundred and two feet tall."

Jack gasped, "How'd you find that out? Why, I didn't see you do anything except walk around, measuring."

Jane laughed wisely. "Oh, it was easy. You see the pole is ten feet long, and its shadow at this time of the day measures just half that or five feet. Then I found that the tree's shadow measures just fifty-one feet at this same hour. So you see, if the pole's shadow is just one-half its length, the tree's shadow must be half as long as it is tall. See? Two feet of tree makes one foot of shadow, at this time of the day."

"Boy," Jack cried, "won't I make Ted's eyes open! He thinks he knows so much more than I do."

"I'll show you some other simple formulas some day," Jane offered. "They look difficult, but really aren't."

"Thanks, Jane. When you do it like that it's fun," Jack said grinning.—Religious Telescope.

WELCOME TO BIRDS

By Rena Stateburgh Tarvais

Welcome back to lawn and park,
Robin, blackbird, meadow lark;
Let my garden be your goal,
Warbler, sparrow, oriole,
Seek your trellis nest again.
Titmouse, pipit, chat and wren,
Sing your song at break of day,
Yellowhammer, bunting, jay,
Swing where cherry blossoms drift.
Catbird, grosbeak, flicker, swift,
Send your song across the dale,
Linnet, woodthrush, nightingale.

Welcome back, the sun is bright,
Skylark, skimmer, swallow, kite,
You were not by miles deterred,
Sora, skua, hummingbird.
At no visitor, I balk,
Jaeger, wryneck, wheatear, hawk,
Now the time for song is ripe,
Stonechat, woodpecker and snipe,
Come to houses I have built,
Flycatcher and finch and stilt.

—Our Dumb Animals.

THE DOVES ON THE WIRE

By Isaac Rankin

Just out of reach from my window stretches a wire which carries a heavy current of electricity for light and power. It is carefully insulated at every pole that supports it, and it is carried well out of common reach. If I could lean far enough out to touch it, death would be swifter than the tiger's leap or the serpent's sting—as swift as the lightning stroke.

Yet the doves light on it and take no harm. They fly from my window sill, where I sometimes feed them, to pree and rest upon it in safe content, and then fly off again to their search for food or nesting. The secret is that when they touch the full-powered wire they touch nothing else. They give themselves wholly to it. My danger would be that while I touched the wire I should also be touching the earth through the walls of my house; and the current would turn my body into a channel for escape. But they rest wholly on the wire and experience neither dread nor danger. They are one with it, and they are safe.

So would God have us seek our safety in complete self-surrender to his power and love. It is when we reach one hand to him, while yet we keep fast hold of some forbidden thing with the other, that we are in danger. It is the heart's clasp of earth that ruins prayer. "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." —The Friend.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

A small boy was asked to write an essay on hens, and this is how he did it: "Hens is curious animals. The outside of a hen is generally put into pillars and feather dusters. The inside of hens is sometimes filled with shirt-buttons and such like. A hen is a lot smaller than a good many other animals, but can scratch up more of a garden than anything that isn't a hen. Hens is very useful to lay eggs for plum puddings."—Toronto Globe.

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Little Emma was crossing the desert with her parents in their high-powered, well-equipped motor. She became unusually silent for a while, and then surprised them by saying, "Mother, I never saw so much nothing in all my life."

* * *

Mr. Jones was planting potatoes, and little Joan was following him around.

"Here you are, daddy," she exclaimed when he had finished, "I've picked up all those potatoes you kept dropping."

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April

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Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
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May

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Seaboard, Pleasant Grove, 3 22
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Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29

April

Tarboro, 11 5
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Conway, Severn (dedication), 7:30 5
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Nashville, 7:30 9
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WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Pembroke Parish, Pembroke, 11 22
Lumberton Ct., Pembroke, 7:30 22
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 29
Garland, Epworth, 3 29

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
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Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
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Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May

Grace, Wilmington, 11..... 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

March

French Broad Avenue, 11 22
Ivy, Beach Glen, 3 22
West Asheville, night 22
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29

April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May

Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 22
Calvary, 7:30 22
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29

April

Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Watauga, 11 22
Green Valley, 3 22
Creston, night 22
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant, 11 22
Trinity, Gastonia, 7:30 22
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
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SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Jamestown-Oakdale, 7:30 18
Stokesdale, 11 22
Mayodan, 7:30 22
College Place, 7:30 25
Mitchell's Grove, 11 29
West End, 7:30 29

April

Grace, 7:30 1
Newlin Street, 11 5
Saint Paul, 7:30 5
Flat Rock, 11 12
Leaksville, 7:30 12
Summerfield, 11 19
Calvary, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11 26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 26

May

Moriah, 11 3
Guilford, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 10

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Trinity, Trinity, 7:30 19
ColeridgeRehobeth, 3 22
Ramseur-Franklinville, Ramseur, 7:30 22
Calvary, 7:30 25

April

Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Glen Alpine, 11 22
Table Rock, Mt. Grove, 3 22
Morganton Ct., Mt. Pleasant, night 22
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Hudson, Colliers, 11 22
Rhodhiss-Grace, night 22
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Franklin, 11 22
Sylva, 7:30 22
Webster Ct., Wesleyanna, 11 29

April

Macon, Mt. Zion, 11 18
Hazelwood, 7:30 12
Murphy Ct., Ranger, 11 19
Hayesville, Ogden, 3 19
Hayesville, 7:30 19
Robbinsville, 11 26
Maple Springs, 3 26

May

Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Davidson, Mt. Olivet, 11 22
Maple Springs, 3 22
Marvin, 7:30 22
Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3 12
First, West End, 7:30 12
Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29

May

Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

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In Memoriam

LEE—Kate Lee, eldest daughter of Matthew and Sarah Lewis, was born November 19, 1879, and died February 19, 1942, age 62 years nad 3 months. On August 19, 1901, she was married to John Vernon Davis ,and to this union were born three children—Earl, Harriet and Paul. Earl died three years ago and her husband died in 1909.

"Aunt Kate," as she was familiarly called by her many friends, lived a beautiful and active Christian life. The last few years of her life were marked with sore affliction, but she bore them with a noble spirit of Christian fortitude and died in peace.

Just a few days before she embarked she received the sacrament of Holy Communion, and loosed her moorings in the faith of her fathers.

Father, in thy gracious keeping,
Leave we now thy servant sleeping.

Lewis Edward Sawyer.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of circle No. 5 of the Methodist church, Lexington, N. C., wish to pay tribute to a faithful and loyal member, Mrs. W. T. Jones, who passed away on January 21, 1942.

In the last few years Mrs. Jones was not in the best of health and part of the time confined to her room, but whenever possible was delighted to attend her church services. During the years she held various and important offices in the Sunday school and the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Her devotion to her church, her family and friends has been an inspiration to us and we thank God for her life and our association with her. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the members of circle No. 5 extend to the family our sincere sympathy.

Second, That we remember her for her loyal service and strive to follow her good example.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and one to the Lexington Dispatch.

Mrs. J. M. Hart,
Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr.
Mrs. R. S. Thomas.

EARNHARDT—Mary Lugenia Goodman Earnhardt was born May 9, 1872, and departed this life February 6, 1942, at Saluda, N. C. She was a daughter of the late Daniel and Nancy Goodman of Cabarrus county, Concord. She was married to Rev. D. L. Earnhardt November 21, 1897. To this union were born ten children, four in infancy having preceded her in death. With the husband and father six children, two sons and four daughters—D. R. of Asheville, D. B. of Saluda, Mrs. Daisy Green, Macon county, Franklin, Mrs. Ella Hendry of Clemistor, Fla., Mrs. Ruth McKinna, Etowah, Mrs. Margaret Hendren, North Wilkesboro, a half-brother, Albert Goodman, Concord, and a sister, Mrs. Victoria Moose, Mount Pleasant. She also leaves 17 grandchildren and other relatives and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Sister Earnhardt was converted and united with the former Methodist Episcopal Church in May, 1897, and one of the first women to be licensed to preach in the Methodist Church. With her radiant character and gleaming ministries, robed with grace and living for Christ, she gave out good and gladness to others. Her death was like the sun in its setting—peaceful, beautiful, to rise again. Sunset is one of the moset beautiful sights in nature, but a sudden, stormy hiding of the sun is calculated to fill the beholder with distress. But the life that has been hid from our vision by the darkness into which it has gone down shall rise again and shine in the light of God. Oh, may we join the choir invisible of those immortal dead who live again.

Sister Earnhardt was a loving companion and a devoted mother and grandmother. She was loved by all who knew her. Her life was one of loyalty and devotion to the church—and she did what she could to advance the kingdom of her Redeemer. After the funeral services in the Methodist church at Etowah, her body was laid to rest in the nearby Oak Forest cemetery to await the resurrection morning.

I know that my Redeemer lives:
What joy the blest assurance gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everlasting Head!

He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives, my mansion to prepare;
He lives, to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name;
He lives, my Saviour, still the same.
What joy the blest assurance gives!
I know that my Redeemer lives.

Then let the loud trumpet sound,
Awake, ye nations under ground,
Ye saints, ascend the skies!
And bid our kindred rise;

W. H. Pless.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Mrs. Rebecca Olivia Andrew, wife of the late Rev. J. R. Andrew, having reached the golden age of 89 years, slipped away January 21, 1942.

And whereas, she was a loyal member of Emmanuel Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in southern Maryland for over half a century, and a member of our Woman's Society of Christian Service (formerly the Woman's Missionary Society) for near a quarter of a century.

And whereas, her intellectual interest in all current affairs, her unusual interest in the every day activities of young people, her outstanding loyalty to her pastors, and her untiring devotion to her family were strong traits of her character.

And whereas, we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Rowland Methodist church, wish to express sympathy to her family in their sorrow. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the members of this society feel the deepest sympathy and sorrow in the loss of our beloved member. The vacancy caused by her death will be felt for many years, and her tenacious piety and undaunted loyalty will always be outstanding in our memory of her.

Second, That we extend to her family our heartfelt sympathy and share with them this loss.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our society, a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be sent to the family of Mrs. Andrew.

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China of Today and Tomorrow

RARELY does one hear such an informing and convincing address as that by Dr. Y. C. Yang of Soochow University at Duke University Tuesday, March 10. Most significant is the China of today and most overwhelmingly challenging is the China of tomorrow. No longer is it remote old China. East and West have met on the highway of democracy and of world brotherhood. During five years of war, fifty millions of warring Chinese have been driven from home, yet the nation remains unbeaten. Much water has passed under the bridge of time. This current ran blood red with the carnage of slaughtered patriots, fighting for their land, for a cherished democracy, and for certain cultural and spiritual principles in personal, family and governmental relationships.

Still, the national government remains in charge of most of the country, and it also enjoys the compensation of a rediscovery of the West as an associate in winning the war as well as in securing the peace that is to follow. Then the nation hopes to live once more in peace with her neighbors and to conserve those spiritual and cultural values so esteemed by this people and her allies who are striving for a new world system based on justice, righteousness, peace and order.

Dr. Yang sees China, India and Japan as the three great peoples of the Orient. In response to a query from the floor as to the future relations of these three nations he ventured the suggestion that India might at present sustain a dominion status to the British Empire and that Japan, stripped of her militarism, should be restrained by certain police regulations of the nations. China, he insisted, is no longer a dead weight but a living factor and force among the democracies in holding the line of defense in the tomorrow of the world.

—M. T. P

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LET CHRISTIANS NOW AWAKE

When Jesus answered those Pharisees about the tribute money, he showed that every citizen has a civic duty. He must not only obey the laws of his country and pay taxes, but in a government like ours he is under obligation to vote as his enlightened conscience tells him.

Often we hear people complain about our laws, courts and administrative officers. But whom did this grumbler support in the last primary and election? No citizen should give his vote for any candidate whom he thinks is incompetent, or holds views the voter does not believe to be for the best interest of his country.

It seems that a majority of our best citizens are opposed to the sale of wine and beer. But what are we doing about it? In about two months the members of the General Assembly will be selected in the primary.

The dry forces of our state should get together and select suitable candidates who are pledged to outlaw the beverage traffic in strong drink. The sale of beer, wine and ale was forced upon us without consulting our people just to enrich the brewers and wine makers and sellers. This was about eight years ago. Every observer knows the consumption of all strong drink has increased more than twofold since that time, both legal and illegal. The advocates of ABC stores tell us about how much whiskey is shipped to our dry counties. Ten years ago it was a rare thing to see a man staggering on the street or highway. There were no beer and whiskey bottles thrown by the streets and public roads. No arrests for drunken driving. Now over 41,000 were punished in one year for driving drunk. And the law did not get all of them.

But we have only two counties in N. C. that are dry. When wine and beer are sold in stores, cafes and service stations, that is not dry territory. The brewers are well organized. They even claim to favor temperance. They pose as a very moral organization. If any of their dealers violate the law, they have the officers close his shop. They know that is the only way they can perpetuate their traffic.

There is plenty of sentiment in our state to outlaw the whole liquor business, but it is asleep. What are our preachers and Sunday school teachers doing to wake up the sentiment against the greatest enemy the church has ever had?

The time for filing for the primary will soon close. Let's have an early meeting at some central part of the state. Then proceed to organize each county and select competent candidates for lawmakers who agree to give the voters a chance to express themselves at the ballot box on this question. Sheriffs, policemen, judges and solicitors should be selected to enforce the laws against the sale of intoxicants for beverages.

The purpose of this article is to start something that will help us get rid of present conditions in our beloved state. This will be a good topic for our preachers to discuss at the April meetings. Adult classes in our Sunday schools have a great opportunity to help a good cause. Let us pray, agitate, organize, and vote for prohibiting the licensing the sale of all strong drink in our state. Then elect sheriffs and policemen that are pledged to enforce the laws. South Carolina has made an advanced step in the right direction. Let the Old North State follow suit. What say you, fellow Methodists?

A. C. Sherrill.

Liquor has defeated more men, more armies, more nations than any other cause. The lessons of history should serve as warning against this the greatest of all enemies.

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To ration sugar to families while legalizing the squandering of hundreds of millions on alcoholic beverages borders on an insane policy of economy.

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Someone insists that for a child up to six a home is the best kindergarten. Is it not also true that in later life religion is tested out in home relationships? From such a place emerging youth can build and readjust the life relationships to the world at large. Especially true is this wherever there is an urge to create better and still better homes. So religion in the home is ever of first concern.

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The old preachers had much to say about God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself. Just now we hear much of the equality of opportunity for all men. Would it not be well for us to ring the changes on the glorious gospel of reconciliation as well as to stress the equality of opportunity in a democracy? Bring men to God and then they can practice the demands of a real brotherhood. Such is a need of our world-neighborhood so far gone from a world brotherhood.

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Much of our freedom came from men behind bars. Paul wrote Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and II Timothy when in a Roman prison. Prison chains at times bound his wrists, but they never cramped his style and the freedom of the gospel. Then there was John Bunyan twelve years in Bedford jail, but his book is immortal. The Baptists can never forget Roger Williams and a long line of Virginia preachers who cleared the land, broke the soil and sowed the seeds from which freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, the right of assembly and of petition sprang. Many of these could say as did the prisoner of Rome, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith."

Stanley Jones continues to insist that we must begin with the kingdom of God. This takes us to the person of Christ in whom the kingdom is revealed. He is the revelation of God and also the revelation of the kingdom of God. On this we build the church and the new order of which we are dreaming and striving for. The church should produce new men to bring in and sustain the new order. This comes not by might or by power but by the spirit.

* * *

The eyes of the men now entering the armed forces are wider open than were those who did so in the first world war. They know that war is a dirty, dangerous business that disarranges life's plans. Much loneliness and drudgery goes along with war. It is no picnic. True, there are certain disciplines and satisfactions in enlisting in a cause for the sake of country; but these do not compensate for the cost of it all. It is far nobler to live in peace for all the people in one's day and generation than to die to satisfy the designs of ambitious men on the field of blood. No one knows this better than the boys entering this present war.

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"On December 6 literally thousands of our men in the service, both enlisted and commissioned, augmented by like thousands of defense workers," says Mr. Chris J. Benny, executive secretary of Temperance League of Hawaii, "were spending their first pay day since the first of the month and were crowding the streets of Honolulu in a gay Saturday night. The timing of the enemy's treacherous blow on the first Sunday morning following pay day is believed by many people to have been no mere accident." Immediately after the attack there was a declaration of martial law, and the sale of liquor was forbidden. All saloons were closed; sale of intoxicating liquor, including wine and beer, either by the drink or quantity, was stopped. Why not make this the law at all army posts?

Palm Sunday and the Triumphant Entry Into Jerusalem

NEXT Sunday is Palm Sunday. The ritualistic Christian churches on every continent and many isles of the seas will observe the day with more or less elaborate ceremonials. Flowers and palm trees will decorate the churches. Vested choirs will wave palm branches and sing victory songs. The non-ritualistic churches in a less formal manner will remember the day. Many of them will put great emphasis upon the gospel record of Christ's entry into Jerusalem.

This observance of Palm Sunday has come down through the Christian centuries from the seventh century in the western church and as early as the fourth century in the eastern church. The Protestant Reformation sought to eliminate the observance of Lent and Palm Sunday, which is the last Sunday of Lent, but their observance is returning in many of the churches of Protestantism.

It is one of the amazing facts of human history that a very large part of the human race after almost 2,000 years observe the formal entrance of a young street preacher mounted upon a clay colored donkey into the ancient city of Jerusalem, the capital of a little hilly province of the Roman empire. That empire whose victorious legions marched unhindered to every part of the then known world has for centuries been only a memory, but the Christ rides to the final conquest of the world. Next Sunday Methodists around the world will join with the multitudes in Jerusalem "that went before and that followed, saying 'Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest.'"

To See and Believe It Is Better Further On

IT is great to be given glimpses of a new heaven and a new earth when the old heaven and the old earth seem to be passing away. John on Patmos had about lost the old heaven and the old earth, but he saw a new one coming down from God adorned as a bride for her husband.

As one has said: "There was much to break John's heart and leave him despondent. The seven churches to which he had ministered in Western Asia were in peril. Ephesus had left its first love. Smyrna was being tried by the fire of persecution. Pergamos was tolerant of false doctrine and infidelity. Thyatira was full of fornication. Sardis had a name but was dead. Philadelphia had a great opportunity to bear witness to Christ, but might not accept it. Laodicea was lukewarm. Domitian claimed divine honors and commanded his subjects to worship his person. Those who refused were murdered, exiled or imprisoned. Such conditions were enough to break the heart of a young man, much less an old preacher. But John looked beyond his chains and his narrow prison isle; beyond the day of faithless Christians in the seven churches of Western Asia."

To some of us the present world appears much like John's time. But have we the faith and vision of John on Patmos? If so all will be well with us and we can say with the great apostle to the Gentiles: "For all things are yours: whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come, all are yours; and ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's."

"The Highway of God"

DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN, the eminent Methodist preacher who is pastor of Christ church, New York City, has delivered the most recent series of the Lyman Beecher Lectures on preaching at Yale University. The subject is "The Highway of God."

Dr. L. O. Hartman, editor of Zion's Herald, doubts whether this well known clergyman has ever wrought more splendidly than in this volume. And he is of the opinion also that the "Highway of God" will be the most widely read book on preaching during the year in America.

We quote the following paragraph from Dr. Hartman, which gives one a glimpse of the contents of the book:

"Dr. Sockman has built his six utterances upon Jesus' appraisal 'of the great popular preacher of his day, John the Baptist,' as given in the parallel accounts of Matthew 11:2-20 and Luke 7:19-35. The result is an unexpectedly apt piece of exposition. The author first surveys 'the wilderness' of confused thought and feeling wherein the modern prophet must 'prepare the way of the Lord.' He next employs the expression 'a reed shaken by the wind,' by which to consider preaching in relation to 'the time and place of its delivery'; in other words, to ponder the difference between 'the eternal and the timely.' Chapter III is concerned with the preacher as prophet, the nature of his inspiration and the sources of it. The fourth lecture deals with the implications

of the phrase 'more than a prophet.' 'How is the messenger to prepare the way of the message?' A further portion of the book is devoted to a discussion of John the Baptist's shortcomings and inadequacies as a preacher of the kingdom. What do preachers overlook or forget? Finally, Dr. Sockman contrasts the moods of the Baptist's congregation with those of our day in respect to worldly realism and religious idealism."

A New Orient

SOME think that the Orient never changes. But recent happenings indicate that the nations of the East are to be allowed a new and larger place in world affairs. The British Empire is forced by a chain of events to revise the entire governmental scheme of things. It seems to be getting a start in India. Then, too, the larger place of China in the rest of the world is highly significant. Chiang Kai-shek has won a notable place with the promise of a potential position in the new order that is to be.

In 1898, during American expansion in the days of President McKinley following the Spanish-American war, we heard an interesting debate at the University of Chicago as to our taking charge of the Philippine Islands. Some urged that we needed them for trade considerations; others insisted that we stay out lest we be forced later into a world war. Most of the discussions then, however, insisted that we render aid to that backward people by educational aid and a vital church life, then later to turn the islands back to their own people. So we sent teachers and missionaries to help in bringing in the new day for the Philippines, but we delayed the American release promised. So this is now in the lap of the gods. Evidently before the close of this present century many changes will come.

Militarism Must Go

WE are told that the Aryan peoples came out of the highlands of Asia. One of those ancient migrations of these peoples moved to the southward into what we know as India and Persia; another migration went west into what we know as Europe. These people of the southern migration under the tropical sun turned brown. They adopted a philosophy and a mystical religion which have resulted in the most religious people of earth. The other stream in the west under entirely different conditions of life came under the influence of Christianity with its stress on the personal element in life and in religion. So two distinct types of civilizations have resulted with their own peculiar languages and religions.

In the present vast upheaval among the nations with the meeting of the East and West, we do know that vast changes and radical readjustments must come. Europe and Asia are not as of old. With China and Japan, the two powers of Asia arrayed against each other, and the Americans and the peoples of Europe joining in the conflict the seriousness of the struggle becomes most evident.

If we sense the situation aright, most Americans are agreed that the militarism of Japan and the militarism of Germany must be destroyed so that the quiet and peace loving nations such as China, India, America and much of Europe can be saved from the desolation of war. The nations desirous of peace and good will must be able to enforce their desires so that humanity can be saved from the horrors of famine, pestilence and sword.

Convocation of Churches at Burlington

THE sixth annual convocation of the Council of Churches of North Carolina assembles at Burlington Tuesday evening, April 7. The themes to be discussed, the personnel of those who appear on the program and the careful preparation made by Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, executive secretary, gives every assurance of a successful convocation. Such men from without the state as Dr. Nevin C. Harner, Dr. Elmer G. Homrighausen, Dr. John R. Mott, Bishop Paul B. Kern, Dr. Liston Pope and Rev. Elbert M. Conover will attract many. Then along with these are well known church leaders from within the church such as Bishop Edwin A. Penick, Dr. W. R. Cullum and Dr. John R. Cunningham.

The convocation opens in the First Baptist church, Burlington, Tuesday evening, April 7, and closes Thursday evening, April 9. This council of the churches of North Carolina should do much to unify the efforts of the churches of the state at this time. Themes to be discussed are of vital interest to us all in these eventful days. "What We Christians Should Do in Time of War," "The Challenge to Democracy," "Preaching to This Generation" are themes of universal interest. The churches of the several denominations of North Carolina by this united effort take the lead in the South for church co-operation.

People and Things

Laymen's Day services for the Yanceyville charge will be held at Bethel church Sunday, March 29. Mr. H. M. Turner of Hillsboro will be the guest speaker.—J. V. Early.

Prospect church on the Yanceyville charge is now installing a Holland forced warm air heating system. It will be used this week for the first time during the pre-Easter revival services. Bethel church installed a new Holland system in January of this year.—Joyce V. Early.

The Watchman-Examiner, a good Baptist paper of New York says: "Of course, gasoline can be conserved without wrecking our present social order. We have known boys who refused to walk three blocks. These strong, hale hearty fellows would have been far better off if they had been obliged to walk. We are glad for the return of bicycles, provided they do not run over us."

Started by a noble Baptist family as a boarding school for girls, Hollins Institute of Virginia has developed into Hollins College, and on May 17-19 will celebrate its centennial. Among the speakers will be the president of the University of North Carolina, the president of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, and professors from Columbia University, University of Michigan, Harvard University, University of Virginia.—Watchman-Examiner.

Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of North Wilkesboro Methodist church, has been elected president of the Wilkes county chapter of the American Red Cross. He succeeds J. H. Whicker, local attorney who has been head of the local organization for 11 years. Other officers elected were Rev. Watt M. Cooper, Presbyterian pastor, vice chairman; W. C. Grier, secretary; Vernon Deal, treasurer; Charles McNeill, county welfare officer, chairman of home service.

Razing of the old Hudson Methodist church in preparation for the construction of a new church on the same site has been started and the members of the congregation will hold services at the home economics building of the Hudson school until the church is completed. The new building will have a large church auditorium and ten Sunday school rooms. Cost will be approximately $16,000. Rev. R. E. Hunt is pastor.

We will begin a training school here Monday, April 6, with Rev. C. G. Hefner of Winston-Salem teaching "Highlights of the New Testament." Bishop Clare Purcell will be with us here in Mocksville on Sunday night, May 10, for the commencement sermon. We are planning to begin a revival here the week following the closing of school. Drop in, my brethren, when you are passing through Mocksville. —R. M. Hardee.

Rev. J. W. Harrell requests the change of his N. C. Christian Advocate to 3602 E. 61 Streeet, Huntington Park, California, where he resides at present. He adds: "We greatly enjoy the paper—getting better all the time." He further adds as to their church: "Huntington Park Methodist church is a wonderful church—sharing in the world program in a great way. A singing church, led by a great choir. People received practically every Sunday."

Rev. M. C. Dunn in his first year at Carr church, Durham, is making a wonderfully fine start. After a most successful pastorate for eight years at Bahama he comes to Durham to lead in a great way the good folks at Carr church. We heard him teach the men's class last Sunday morning, preach at 11 o'clock, and also heard so many good things said about the new preacher that we are sure he will do a great work in East Durham. It is most refreshing to listen to a man who rings true and can command the attention and respect of his people in this day and generation.

J. Fred Essary, veteran Washington newsman, for many years capital correspondent for the Baltimore Sun, died of a heart attack in his office in Washington on March 11. Mr. Essary, rated as one of the most eminent reporters of the nation and dean of Washington correspondents, had many friends in North Carolina. He was principal speaker at Duke University for two midwinter newspaper institutes.

The youth revival began at the Hollister Methodist church on Sunday evening, March 9, continuing through March 15. In the presence of a large congregation each evening our pastor, Rev. C. B. Peacock, delivered sane, inspiring and helpful messages. We feel that his messages were most helpful to both old and young. As a result of this meeting we had six to unite with the church and a large number to reconsecrate their lives. We have recently organized a youth organization. The interest is very encouraging.—Evelyn Knight.

More than 300,000 persons have gathered since 1933 for Greater Chicago's annual Easter sunrise service, but the sponsoring committee of 20 laymen expects a record turnout April 5, when Dr. William L. Pettingill of Wilmington, Del., addresses the Soldier Field assembly. The committee is confident that, at a time when the nation is in battle with the Land of the Rising Sun, multitudes of Christians will turn out to worship the Risen Son. Huge letters, 14 feet high and 10 feet wide, will again proclaim, "Christ Is Risen." The Chicago sunrise service last spring drew 60,000 persons. A mixed choir of 2,000 voices will participate under the baton of Professor Talmage Bittikofer of Moody Bible Institute.—Selected.

The work here at Old Fort is progressing in a fine way. We have lost a few of our young men who have been called into the service. Among them is Mr. Harry Swofford, our Sunday school superintendent. We are, however, fortunate in having another fine young man, Mr. T. R. Knipe, to take his place. Mr. Knipe is also church secretary. The minister has offered his service in the armed forces as chaplain and sincerely hopes that the Methodist Commission on Chaplaincy will see fit to recommend. However, we must hold the fort on the home front. What kind of church will our boys return to should confront every minister. So you hold the fort there and we will hold the fort here. We are planning a special worship program for Easter Sunday. The minister will be glad to dedicate any babies to the Lord in baptism at the 11 o'clock hour, also we desire our children to unite with the church at the same hour. Another feature of interest is our union services Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Services beginning at 8:30.—Robt. M. Varner.

If the situation generally is as it is now at Tarboro, there must be a great turning to God on the part of the multitudes in this time of trouble and great spiritual need. At the morning service yesterday more people worshipped in our church than have been present for a service in many months. Attendance has been increasing for quite a while. And at the morning service yesterday four adults and the young son of one of those young parents united with the church on profession of faith. Besides that, we already have the names of approximately a dozen young people who will unite with us next Sunday (which will be Palm Sunday). A few Sundays ago a young man who was to leave for army service the next day came boldly to the altar and joined the church, and with him his two talented sisters who have already finished their college work and are now at work in office and home. We are rejoicing here over the increasing interest in the work of the kingdom, and this preacher has never so enjoyed trying to preach the gospel as right now.—E. C. Durham.

Jacob Simpson Payton in the Christian Advocate declares: "Just now it is not as clear as the noon-day why Mr. Henderson should order a ban on the sale of new and used typewriters, thereby throwing out of business 6,000 distributors and dealers throughout the country, and 1,000 employees in Washington alone, while at the same time the liquor dealers are allowed tires to deliver liquid death to saloonkeepers to dispense to our boys in Army and Navy establishments." Liquor administration at Washington is the answer.

"At the Charlotte conference in December, 1893, J. E. Abernethy stood alphabetically at the hend of a class of ten young men who were admitted on trial into the conference. In this class were such men as J. E. Abernethy, E. L. Bain, R. L. Ownbey, myself, and others. Through the forty-six years of his unceasing ministry J. E. Abernethy stood not only at the head of the class alphabetically, but he stood easily at the head of the class as an eloquent, scholarly, and powerful preacher of the Gospel. Surely there is a 'Hiatus Among the Hills.'" So wrote Rev. H. C. Sprinkle in commending Rev. L. B. Hayes' appreciation of Rev. J. E. Abernethy that appeared in last week's North Carolina Christian Advocate, from which we clip the above paragraph.

The annual spring luncheon of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the W. N. C. Conference was held at the First Baptist church in High Point, March 13. "The Mountains and the Mountaineer" was the subject of the program attractively presented by Mrs. Ralph Taylor, program chairman. The members of the hillbilly band were the wives of the district superintendents, who played home-made instruments. To each of these women was presented a gift made in the mountains and donated by merchants of Asheville. Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., conducted the curb quiz, asking questions pertaining to the church. Each person who appeared before the microphone received a defense stamp. A typical mountain church was the setting for the mountain worship scene which was led by Mrs. F. O. Dryman, who closed the meeting with a prayer for country women. The president, Mrs. M. T. Smathers, presided over the business session. The new officers elected were: Recording secretary, Mrs. Max Brandon, Jr.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. T. W. Swafford; historian, Mrs. C. E. Rozelle. The organization voted to sponsor the tea at Lake Junaluska each summer.—Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, Rec. Sec.

DISTRICT FINANCIAL SCHEDULE OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE FOR 1941-1942

Below is a report of the North Carolina Conference district financial schedule for the year 1941-42 as reported to this office by the district superintendents. The decrease for salaries and expenses of district superintendents is caused by the decrease in percentage from eight to seven per cent. The amount accepted for World Service plus apportionment for sustentation fund would show an increase under this item.

Clare Purcell

District	Pastors' Salaries	District Supts.	Episcopal Fund	Conference Claimants	General Armin.	World Service Apportioned	World Service Accepted
Durham	$82,673	$5787	$1860	$4133	$552	$33,056	$17,884
Elizb. City	50,386	3531	1144	2524	344	20,210	9,736
Fayettevile.	71,789	5014	1607	3582	479	28,830	12,699
New Bern..	59.971	4134	1236	2956	396	24,105	10,815
Raleigh	69,567	5031	1627	3597	484	27,703	12,617
Rocky Mt...	68,780	4783	1543	3430	462	28,368	12,696
Wilmington.	56,433	3875	1251	2767	374	22,296	11,883
Totals for 1941-42 ..	459,599	32155	10358	22989	3091	184,568	88,330
Totals for 1940-41 ..	430,653	34387	9670	17207	2930	169,862	94,427
Increase ..	28,946		688	5782	161	14,706	
Decrease ...		2232					6,097

DEAN LINDLEY HEARD AT KERNERSVILLE

Dr. P. E. Lindley, dean of High Point College, has just completed a most extraordinary series of lectures in Main Street and Cherry Street churches at Kernersville. The pastors, Rev. Charles E. Coble of Cherry Street church, and W. Arthur Barber of Main Street, pooled the interest of their congregations and invited Dr. Lindley to speak in each church, alternating from night to night. This was done and on the opening night Dr. Lindley brought the entire college choir with him. This excellent choir is composed of more than forty voices and is directed exceptionally well by Miss Vera Whitlock. Main Street church was filled for this special attraction, and heard not only the splendid High Point College choir, but also the very able High Point College dean, and the success of the subsequent services was assured on this first night. Dean Lindley brought one of the soloists of his college choir for another service, and on the last evening of the series of services he brought the famed High Point College quartet.

The people of Kernersville have been endeared to the High Point College dean and the choir of that great college. Dean Lindley brought forceful messages each evening, and the Kernersville churches look forward to a return engagement. Already the college choir has been "signed up" for a return engagement to Main Street church for some Sunday morning in the near future, when the entire service will be given over to this excellent group of singers and their capable and talented director.

FIRST SERVICE IN NEW CHURCH AT PELHAM

The first services to be conducted in the new church at Pelham will be next Sunday, March 29. Though we shall not be able to dedicate the building at this time, we are expecting to have a great home coming occasion. We want you, Mr. Editor, to come and enjoy the day with us.

The program will be as follows: Church school and worship service in the morning; dinner in the church dining hall, followed by the home coming service in the afternoon. We want the editor to participate in the morning worship and to speak in the afternoon service. We shall have several former pastors and elders present who will also share in the program. I wanted to invite a guest preacher for the morning service, but the folks insisted that their pastor ought to preach the first sermon.

J. W. Fowler, Pastor.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT YOUTH BANQUET

"Friday the thirteenth" was observed by approximately 175 young people at the annual banquet of the High Point District Youth Fellowship which was held at First Methodist church in High Point on Friday night, March 13. Miss Lena Davis of High Point was toastmistress. The banquet was opened with group singing. One of the highlights of the evening was a mixed quartet composed of Obera Brown, Hazel Comer, David Pulliam and William Rush of Asheboro, who rendered several humorous numbers. Miss Ina Andrews of Asheboro gave a musical reading and Miss Obera Brown rendered a solo. J. Kempton Jones of Duke University, who is president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, was the speaker for the evening. Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pronounced the benediction.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF ELKIN DISTRICT LAYMAN'S ASSOCIATION

Quarterly meeting of Elkin District Layman's Association will meet at North Wilkesboro Methodist church next Sunday, March 29, at 2 p. m.

Devotionals by Rev. R. H. Hardee. Song by quartet from Children's Home. Announcements.

Business: Report from each county by member of executive committee: Davie, R. S. Proctor; Ashe, J. F. Rhodes; Alleghany, Mrs. F. Inskeep; Watauga, Dr. J. D. Rankin; Yadkin, Fred H. Hobson; Surry, Clifton Leary; Wilkes, A. B. Snipes.

Song by quartet from Children's Home. Introduction of speaker. Address.

The Renewal of the Inner Man: An Evidence of Immortality

By H. H. SMITH

In his Second Letter to the Corinthians (2 Cor. 4:16) Paul uses significant words bearing upon the subject of life beyond the grave. He wrote as one who was facing death for the gospel's sake: "Every day of my life I am being given over to death for Jesus' sake." But whether death come from persecutors or from old age, he faces the future with a glad confidence: "Hence I never lose heart; though my outward man decays, my inner man is renewed day after day" (Moffatt's translation). It is this "renewal of the inner man" that causes Paul to take heart. What an inspiration it is to watch a true Christian grow old. He grows old gracefully because the grace of God sustains him, enabling him to shun the common faults of old age: peevishness, despondency, and worry. He bears the infirmities of age patiently, knowing that "our affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

The life of John Wesley exemplifies this truth of "physical decay and spiritual renewal." Fitchett says: "Nothing is finer in Wesley than the cheerfulness of his spirit, while the tired body and brain were thus yielding to the arresting touch of time. The passage of years whitened his head and dimmed his sight; it made his feet stumble, his hand tremble, and his memory hesitate. But all that was noble in Wesley—his calm faith, his serene courage, his flame-like zeal, his masterful will—were exactly as in the days of his prime."

John Wesley was the first "fighting Methodist," and he carried the fighting spirit with him to the grave. All his life he fought against poverty and injustice, so widespread among the poor, against war, slavery, vice, intemperance, and every other sin. Time and again he protested again the government's allowing millions of bushels of grain to be used in making alcoholic liquors, while the poor of London starved for bread. Only one week before his death he wrote his last letter. It was to William Wilberforce, the noted English social worker, who at that time was engaged in a campaign against slavery. Wesley was a feeble old man, almost 88 years of age, with one foot in the grave, but in facing the battle for righteousness there was no diminution of spiritual energy. His letter was a fiery exhortation to Wilberforce, urging him, "though men and devils oppose to go on, in the name of God, and fight that execrable villiany, slavery." Though the "outward man was perishing, the inner man was being renewed day by day."

One of the most remarkable letters Wesley ever wrote, considering the circumstances, was written to an elect lady of the church, Miss Nancy Bolton, who, though once an active Christian worker, had complained of lukewarmness of spirit. The letter was written only a few months before his death, when he was "in age and feebleness extreme," but the flaming zeal of the evangelist burned within his soul. He urged her to resume her Christian duties and God would then restore her former joy. A part of the letter reads: "Woman, remember the faith! In the name of God, set out again, and do the first works! I exhort you, for my sake (who tenderly love you) for God's sake, for the sake of your own soul, begin again without delay. The day after you receive this go and meet a class or band. Sick or well, go! If you cannot speak a word, go; and God will go with you. You sink under the sin of omission! My friend, my sister, go! Go, whether you can or not. Break through! Take up your cross. I say again, do the first works, and God will restore your first love!" Marvelous letter! It reads as if it were written by an over-enthusiastic young preacher instead of an old man tottering to his grave.

Wesley's death-bed was triumphant. Though he was weak and emaciated in body, the inner man was strong in faith and hope and love. Among the words he uttered during his last hours were these: "There is no way into the holiest but by the blood of Jesus." "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath." "The Lord is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge." "The best of all is, God is with us."

PREACHING FROM THE BIBLE

I graduated from the theological seminary back in the bronze age; perhaps a better metallurgical term would be "the age of brass." In those days quite a number of us young Apollos on graduating, having become men, put away childish things as text and Bible stories. I, for one, in the pulpit lived amid the immensities and starry galaxies. But after a while, when the longsuffering congregation had heard my sermon on "The March of Progress" (for progress was marching in those days), and the one on "Science and Religion," and the one on "Pragmatism" (for Pragmatism was going big then), like the Prodigal Son I began to be in want.

Then I came to myself and said, "In my Father's Book are texts enough and to spare." And I said, "I will arise and go to the Bible." I was not the only one with that experience. I found out, as many have, that when we put aside the Bible as the chief source of preaching, we have thrown away the most dramatic material possible, we have sold a great birthright for a mess of generalities.—Halford E. Luccock.

MY LONGING

"When I enter the Beautiful City—
Far removed from earth's sorrow and care,
I want to hear somebody saying:
'It was you that invited me here.'

When at home in those Mansions in heaven,
And the saved all around me appear,
I want to have somebody tell me:
'It was you that invited here.'

To our Saviour alone be the glory,
Whose Spirit the Witness did bear—
Yet I might not have heard the glad tidings,
Had you not invited me here."

—D. H.S.

STEERING COMMITTEE OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON TOWN AND COUNTRY WORK MEETS

The steering committee of the W. N. C. Conference Commission on Town and Country Work met for a morning and afternoon session March 12, First Methodist church, Charlotte.

Following members were present: Rev. John Hoyle, Lexington, chairman; Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald, Charlotte, of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, vice chairman; Rev. Earl Brewer, Salisbury, of the Board of Education, secretary-treasurer; Mr. Guy O. Bagwell, Charlotte, of the Board of Lay Activities; Rev. Dwight Mullis, Walkertown, of the Commission on Evangelism; Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Marion, of the district superintendents; and Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte. Mrs. R. M. Andrews, Greensboro, of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was unavoidably absent due to a conflicting annual meeting of Woman's Society.

Further plans were made for the May planning sessions with town and country ministers in which Dr. A. J. Walton, superintendent of Department of Town and Country Work, Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York, will be the leader. Dates, places, and districts involved in these morning and afternoon meetings are as follows:

Monday, May 4, at Waynesville for the Asheville and Waynesville districts.

Tuesday, May 5, at Marion for the Marion district.

Wednesday, May 6, at Winston-Salem for the Winston-Salem, Greensboro and High Point districts.

Thursday, May 7, at North Wilkesboro for Elkin district.

Friday, May 8, at Charlotte for Charlotte, Gastonia, Salisbury and Statesville districts.

Need for closer co-operation and fellowship among town and country ministers was discussed and the study of the Group Ministry Plan promoted by the Department of Town and Country Work recommended.

Circulating library or ministers' book club was discussed and some plans made to promote the wider use of this sharing of books.

The matter of ministerial support for weaker charges was discussed and a committee composed of Guy O. Bagwell, Dwight Mullis, and Earl Brewer was appointed to study the situation further and make a report to the next meeting of the entire commission.

Promotion of rural life Sunday, co-operation with the conference and general Methodist Rural Fellowship, Rural Church Exhibit, and other matters of concern to town and country ministers were discussed.

Next meeting of the entire commission will be in September. Earl Brewer, Secretary.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

The students who intend to be teachers have formed the Calvin H. Wiley Chapter of the Future Teachers of America. The club has twenty-three holding membership in the State Collegiate Education Club and twelve in the National Education Association, entitling it to full status of Future Teachers of America. Membership in the campus club is to be open for any student who is interested in the teaching profession. If a student should not wish to join the state or national associations, he may pay a small sum each semester for membership in the local club. Regular bi-weekly meetings will be held to discuss practical problems of the student teacher.

Last Monday morning the boys' chorus of the William Penn high school for negroes in High Point gave a program for the college at their regular chapel hour. The chorus, having sung once before for the students, was enthusiastically received and were forced to exhaust their repertoire before they were allowed to stop singing.

The college band gave its annual concert on Monday night, March 23, in the auditorium. The band, under the direction of Olin R. Blickensderfer, is one of the outstanding organizations of the campus. It has grown into a forty-five piece band with a well rounded year's program. The High Point College band has long been noted for its top drum majorettes, Dorothy and Grace Alexander. The Alexander twins replace Emma and Lily Whitaker who graduated last year. The special features of the band were numbers by the cornet trio, including Eugene Connelly of Atlantic City, N. J., Charles Noell of Winston-Salem, and Eugene Wiley of Laurel, Del. The clarinet quartet, made up of Claudia Strange of Florida, Constance Klein of New Jersey, Thomas Beasley of West Virginia, and Olin Blickensderfer of Gary, Indiana, played a special request number. Next Thursday the band begins its concert tour through eastern Carolina, also appearing in Rocky Mount, Henderson and other cities along the route.

PRE-EASTER SERVICES AT CENTRAL CHURCH, ASHEVILLE, DR. W. A. LAMBETH, PASTOR

Bishop Clare Purcell on Sunday, March 15, preached at Central church and the week following held noon meetings in the Imperial theater. Bishop Purcell's subjects follow:

Monday: "Why Men Pray."
Tuesday: "Our Lenten Prayers."
Wednesday: "Purposeful Prayer."
Thursday: "Victory Through Prayer."
Friday: "Christ's Prayer for Us."

On three week-day evenings, beginning the 16th, at 8 o'clock in Central church, Bishop Purcell's sermon subjects were:

Monday: "What Would Jesus Do?"
Wednesday: "What Is This Christianity?"
Thursday: "Are We Christian?"

Other Pre-Easter Services

This week, March 22-27, Dr. John R. Cunningham, president of Davidson College, Davidson, speaks at the noon day service and preached Sunday morning and each night in the First Presbyterian church.

During the closing week, Holy Week, March 20-April 3, of pre-Easter services, Dr. Carey Montague, Archdeacon and rector of St. Mark's church, Richmond, Va., will make the noon addresses and speak in Trinity Episcopal church.

The Note Was Burned

Glory, hallelujah! The memory of the burning note, being dropped by Dr. Raysor into Mrs. Devenlorf's brass urn, is now indelibly fixed in the mind of every person who witnessed this event on last Tuesday evening. Hurrah for the ladies who provided the buffet supper! Hurrah for those who donated the food, including the ice cream by Mr. Byrd! Hurrah for everybody who attended and paid a dollar or more! Hurrah for Dr. John Inzer of the First Baptist church, who contributed the first dollar of the remaining balance due and thereby started something! Hurrah for Bishop Purcell who laid the second dollar down! Hurrah for those who got in line and laid the remaining dollars down!

Mrs. Devenlorf's urn, which used to be in the old Battery Park Hotel, was used here once before to receive the ashes of a burning note. May this same urn be used again when this congregation pays the last dollar of the total indebtedness, which stood at $246,000, was reduced first by adjustment to $100,000 Only $25,000 of the $100,000 indebtedness yet remains to be paid! Hip, hip, hoo-ray! Hurrah for Central church!

LAYMEN'S DAY ON ORANGE CHARGE

Laymen's Day for Orange charge will be at Efland Methodist church Sunday, March 29. Hon. William B. Umstead will make the main address at the 11 o'clock service. The address of the afternoon service will be by Dr. M. T. Plyler, editor Christian Advocate, and short talks by four of our local laymen.

Music will be furnished by the Haw River male quartet and dinner on the grounds. Everybody cordially invited for the day. A. K. McAdams, Lay Leader.

Sixth Annual Convocation of Churches, April 7-9
First Baptist Church, Burlington

Program

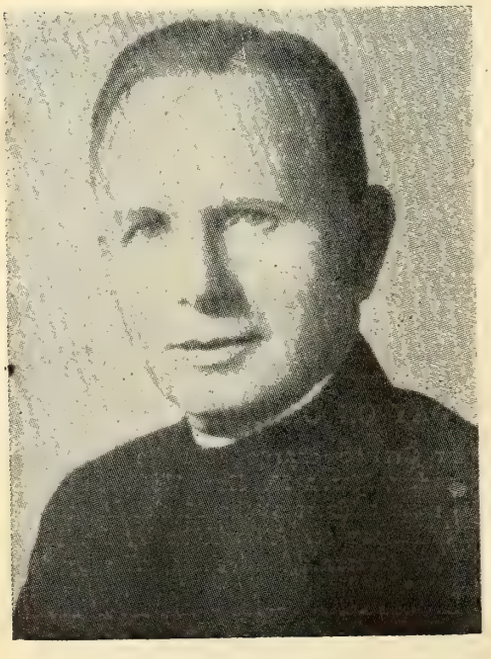
Tuesday, April 7th—Evening Session
Dr. John R. Cunningham, Presiding

7:30—Worship Through Music:
Burlington Men's Chorus
Mr. Clarence Southern, *Director*
7:50—Convocation Hymn
Invocation .... Dr. A. D. Kinnett
7:55—Welcome ..... Mr. J. E. Baker
Rev. W. E. Harrop
8:00—President's Annual Address—
Bishop Edwin A. Penick
8:30—Special Music .... Prof. Loadwick
8:40—Play .... "The Churches of N. C. on Trial."
9:25—Benediction

Wednesday, April 8th—Morning Session
Rev. J. L. Levens and Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, Presiding

9:30—Worship Meditation—
Dr. Elbert Russell
9:50—Address—"Christian Education in a Time of Confusion"
Dr. Nevin C. Harner
10:35—Special Music, Mr. Clyde Keutzer
10:45—Address—"Things That Belong to Peace" ..... Dr. Liston Pope
11:30—Intermission
11:45—Special Music:
Wake Forest College Octette
12:00—Address—"Light in Darkness" .... Dr. John R. Mott
12:45—Benediction

Afternoon Session
2:15-3:45—Group Institutes



Bishop Edwin A. Penick

General Session
Rev. Tilford Swearingen, Presiding

3:50—Worship Through Music:
Burlington High School Glee Club
Miss Eva Wiseman, *Director*
4:10—Address—"The Trek of the Modern Church"
Dr. Elmer G. Homrighausen
4:55—Hymn
Benediction

Evening Session
Dr. F. S. Love, Presiding

7:30—Worship Through Music:
Guilford College A Cappella Choir
Dr. E. H. F. Weis, *Director*
8:00—Invocation, Bishop Clare Purcell
Address—"The Great Commission Still Stands"
Bishop Paul B. Kern
9:00—Hymn
Benediction

Thursday, April 9th—Morning Session
Rev. David W. Yates and Dr. W. R. Cullom, Presiding

9:30—Worship Meditation
9:50—Address—"The Crisis of Western Culture"
Dr. A. T. Mollegen
10:35—Special Music:
Palmer Memorial Institute
10:45—Address—"Christian Faith in the Crucible of War"
Dr. H. Shelton Smith
11:30—Intermission
12:00—Address—"The Pertinence of Jesus in a Day of Confusion"
Bishop Paul B. Kern
12:45—Benediction

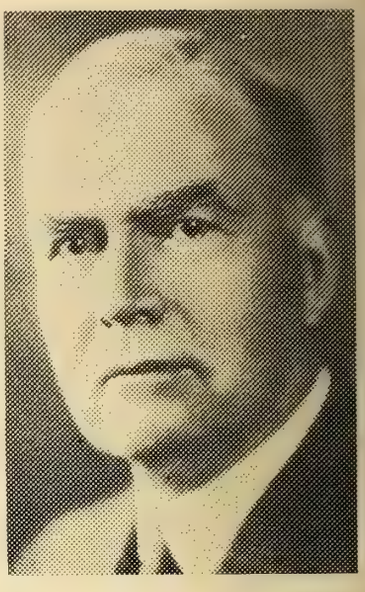
Afternoon Session
2:15-3:45—Group Institutes

General Session
Rev. F. L. Conrad, Presiding

3:50—Organ Recital:
Mr. Kenneth Osborne
4:10—Address: "A Theology for Our Times" ..... Dr. A. T. Mollegen
4:45—Hymn
Benediction

Evening Session
Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, Presiding

7:30—Worship Through Music:
Combined Choirs of Burlington and Vicinity
7:50—Invocation .... Rev. L. B. Hamm
8:00—Address—"They Hold the World Together"
Dr. John R. Mott
9:00—Convocation Hymn
Benediction



Dr. John R. Mott



Dr. Elmer G. Homrighausen



Rev. Elbert M. Conover

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Dr. Nevin C. Harner



Dr. Liston Pope



Bishop Paul B. Kern

WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND?

By William A. Blanding, Jr.

"And God said unto him, What is that in your hand? And he said, A staff."—Exodus 4:2.

When God called Moses to lead the children of Israel out of bondage in Egypt, he asked him, "What is that in your hand?" And Moses replied, "A staff."

The Moffatt translation significantly renders the reply, "A stick." That is, it was no special staff. It was just an ordinary stick that the shepherd had picked up in the field and perhaps smoothed with his knife to serve the double purpose of a weapon and a support. It was nothing that appeared to Moses to be of any special importance to God. Just a stick, only a staff.

But that stick, so humbly appraised, became a staff of great power when dedicated to God's purpose. With it Moses freed the children of Israel and founded not only a new nation but one of the greatest moral and spiritual cultures of all time.

Just a stick, only a staff: But if one should discover that staff today, it would be counted one of the world's most cherished possessions: a reminder of what we know to be one of the most heroic spans in man's upward climb.

As the Almighty called to Moses out of the burning bush, does he not likewise challenge each one of us: "What is that in YOUR hand?"

We may feel that there is nothing much in our hands of any great importance. We might even wish that God would ask that question directly so that we could have opportunity to complain of the fact that there is so little in our hands.

But God's question is persistent: "What IS that in your hand? Do we appreciate how much we do have within our grasp if we should only grasp it?

"Oh," we may say, "if we only had the wealth and the talent of some, we would gladly do great things for God and humanity. But there is nothing in our hand of any consequence, nothing much that we can do."

But the question persists, "What IS that in your hand?" Are we making use of what we do have?

Jesus Christ upon that cross did not appear to have much to give. No military power, no miraculous might—nothing but simple love to pray in his agony, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." And an unconquerable faith to cry at the last, "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit." It seemed a pitiably useless sacrifice.

But that simple love and that unconquerable faith were to transform that very cross upon which he so humbly died until it became the symbol of hope for struggling humanity from that day to this.

History glows like a starry night with the records of very common people who did not have much but who gave all in unreserved service when they heard God's call.

"What is that in your hand?" The Almighty is asking you and me. "Not much," we may say. But are we using what it is for its utmost in the service of God and mankind?—Michigan Christian Advocate.

PLAN, WORK AND GO

Parents and teachers can perform an outstanding service to national morale by helping young people to realize that if they will but prepare, opportunity will come. Let us plan, and work, and go forward in the spirit of the poet, Owen Seaman:

Ye that have faith to look with fearless eyes
Upon the tragedies of a world at strife,
And know, that out of death and night, shall rise
The dawn of ampler life.

Rejoice! whatever anguish rend your heart,
That God hath given you this priceless dower,
To live in these great times, and have your part
In Freedom's coming hour.

That ye may tell your sons, who see the light
High in the heavens, their heritage to take.
"I saw the Powers of Darkness put to flight!
I saw the morning—break!"

—Joy Elmer Morgan, Editor Journal of N.E.A.

WHY SUPPORT THE CHURCH PAPER?

Men always want a reason. Here are some of the reasons for support of church papers:

1. Church papers are at least as important as other parts of church work. We finance our churches, our hospitals, our homes for the aged, our missionary projects. We ought not to put the ministry of the written word in a different category. Church papers are entitled to the support of church people.

2. We ought to support church papers because every Christian ought to take and read such a paper. Every special group has its paper. Lawyers, doctors, farmers read their own papers. Ought not Christinas to do as well by Christianity as farmers do by the interests of the farm?

3. The influence of church papers extends far beyond the borders of the denomination they represent. There is a great spread to what they say. We took a survey of articles copied from Zions Herald. In two months, nineteen papers copied the articles. For one article we had a circulation outside our own list of four hundred eighty thousand people and for another article twenty million people. The church paper reaches far beyond the subscriptiou list.

4. The church should support the paper because the paper strengthens the church. The paper reinforces the word of the preacher and brings techniques to the local church that have worked in other churches.

5. The church paper raises thousands of dollars for the causes and the projects of the denominations. Dare the denominations let the church papers perish for lack of financial backing?

6. The church papers promote fellowship. They keep us from becoming provincial. The paper brings news from all over the world and broadens men.

7. If Christianity means anything, it means understanding. It means faith in one another. It means faith in God. The paper strengthens faith. It fosters co-operation. In our Methodist Church it keeps the parts together.

8. Finally, support the church papers because the church papers mold opinion and opinion is the mightiest thing on earth.—Editor Zions Herald.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Typical of the spring semester are the numerous music and dramatic recitals given by Greensboro College students throughout the term. Last week the college school of music presented Miss Albertine Lefler, Norwood, pupil of Mark Hoffman, in her junior piano recital, Wednesday night, March 18, in Odell auditorium. Friday night, March 20, at 8 o'clock, in Odell auditorium, Miss Annie Sherrill Davidson, Mooresville, pupil of Miss Blanche Burrus, presented her senior piano recital, and Wednesday night, March 25, Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, piano major under Mark Hoffman, will give her junior recital.

Thursday afternoon at 4o'clock in the East drawing room Miss Emma Lee Warner, Ellerbe, major in the speech and dramatic art department read "Rebbeca" by Daphne du Maurier, in her junior speech recital.

Greensboro College art students, under Mrs. Mary-Braeme Seascholtz, department head, won honors in the fifth annual North Carolina school art exhibition which opened in Chapel Hill and Raleigh last week, and will be concluded in Greensboro some time in April.

Miss Trinidad Jeffrey de Mora, instructor in Spanish, read a paper in Spanish, "Spanish Cathedrals, Palaces and Gardens," before the Spanish teachers' group of the North Carolina Education Association meeting in Raleigh Friday, March 20. Other Greensboro College faculty who attended the meeting were Dr. R. T. Dunstan, head of the department of romance language, who was chairman of the modern language group of the association, and led their forum; Elliot O. Watson, professor of history and economics. At the North Carolina Music Association meeting were Mark Hoffman, dean of the school of music, president of the music association; Miss Alia Ross, instructor in music education, who was chairman of the forum on music education; and Miss Mildred Town, professor of organ.

Representing the college Future Teachers' Club, Miss Virginia Clarke, Lynchburg, Va., president, and Miss Velda Mecum, Winston-Salem, attended the education meeting. Miss Mecum participated in the rural discussion in the future teachers' group, discussing "The Need of Dramatic Art in High School."

Dr. H. L. Smith, president emeritus of Washington and Lee University, spoke to the college senior honor society Monday afternoon in the alumnae drawing room of Main building. Discussing "The Wise Use of Time—Hobbies," Dr. Smith listed as the benefits of profitable pastimes, personal breadth, health, variety of interests, social ability, and leadership. Miss Elaine Causey, Liberty, club president, introduced the speaker, who was also the guest of the club in the college dining room.

Speaking on the topic "Christianity Versus Totalitarianism," Dr. Vernon Nash, lecturer, traveler, journalist, and executive director of the National Peace Conference, addressed the student body Tuesday morning at the regular chapel hour.

BROTHER ALBRIGHT HAPPY ON NORTH DAVIDSON CHARGE

North Davidson is a fine charge to serve. Poundings and other expressions of the love and loyalty of the churches have been coming to us ever since we arrived after conference. Then since our accident January 15 we have received uncounted expressions of sympathy from our members and friends. For all of these we are profoundly grateful.

Our work is moving along in a fine way in all departments. We closed a circuit-wide Christian workers' training school at Shady Grove last Thursday night. Enrollment 50, with 30 taking credit. There were 60 or more in attendance. All in all it was a great success, and I believe the best I have ever had from the point of number taking credit. Our instructor was Rev. I. L. Sharpe of Rural Hall, and he did a very fine piece of work and won the hearts of all those in attendance.

On next Sunday night I begin a series of pre-Easter services at Union Ridge, using for the first week Jesus' Seven Words from the Cross.

We are very happy in our work here and hope to be able to do much for the advancement of the kingdom.

I close with a personal word: Mrs. Albright is still in a rolling chair, not able to walk, but improving slowly at home.

W. T. Albright.

WARD STREET CHURCH, HIGH POINT

On Sunday morning, March 18, we had a great service at Ward Street. A large congregation attended the morning service and most of the faithful members were present for worship as usual. Many visitors from in and out of town were present. At the regular worship hour Mrs. H W. McCain (one of the conference officers) of the Woman's Society was present and made a fine speech concerning the great work being done by the good women here. After which she called to the front of the church two of the most faithful members of the society, namely, Mrs. A. E. Sain and Mrs. C. W. Connor, and presented each of them with a gold pin, which awarded them with a "life membership" in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. W. S. Hasty, the president of the society, was also awarded a similar pin a few weeks ago and is a life member. These three pins represent a total of $75 sent to the board for special missionary purposes from Ward Street.

During the evening service Rev. Don Payne, a ministerial student in Asbury College, preached a fine sermon to a large congregation. We are now engaged in a special revival meeting and Mrs. C. L. Steidley is doing the preaching and large crowds are listening to her fine messages.

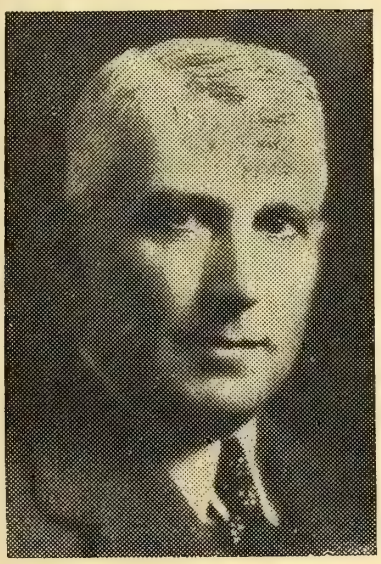
Everything is looking well at Ward Street church.

J. E. McSwain, Pastor.

DR. W. K. GREENE ADDRESSES YOUNG PEOPLE OF DURHAM

The Youth Fellowship of Trinity church invited the Methodist Young People's Union of Durham to meet with them last Sunday evening. More than 150 assembled for the service. The young people had charge of the entire program, with Dean W. K. Greene of Duke the chief speaker. His theme was "A Christian Philosophy of Life."

This discussion was wonderfully well suited to the occasion to stimulate youth. No brief report can do justice to this scholastic utterance.



Dr. Walter K. Greene

By way of introduction Dr. Greene said: "We have a philosophy of government, a philosophy of science, a philosophy of history a philosophy of education, and a philosophy of religion. Why should we not have a philosophy of life? Things can never be so important as human life, although we do not always behave as if we really believe it. A philosophy of life is to life itself what a rudder is to a boat, what a steering wheel is to an automobile, or what a compass is to a mariner on a starless night. It is much better, then, to have a definite set of beliefs and life values than it is to float about in the sea of one's own logic."

The speaker called attention to the following words of a great British philosopher of the nineteenth century: "The most important thing for any one of us is to determine rightly his relation to the universe, his duty and destiny here." "That," added Dr. Greene, "was his way of saying that every person should have a philosophy of life and should live it.' "It is not to be a philosophy handed down to him ready made," Dr. Greene insisted, "but one he formulates for himself out of his study, observation, and experience—a philosophy of life adequate for purposeful, Christian living."

Dr. Greene insisted that a young person, in building for himself a Christian philosophy of life, might profitably consider the inclusion of the three following statements as a part of that philosophy, because his attitude toward each of them would inevitably color his philosophy and might, in large measure, determine what that philosophy is to be: "(1) We live in a spiritual universe; (2) there is power and there is reality in invisible things; and (3) the foundation stone in the pyramid of human greatness is purposeful self-abandon in some great and enduring cause."

After discussing in detail each of the principles, Dr. Greene pointed out what seemed to him to be the highest conception of Christian living of which the human mind is capable: "It is the thought that a real Christian can conceive of himself, in his daily conduct, as a loyal partner, and trusted representative of Jesus Christ." In order to translate that conception into conduct, he said, a person must practice this principle in his daily living: "All I am, all I have, all I know, and all I can do is a trust from Almighty God, to be used for my highest good, for the blessing of my fellowmen, for the glory of God, and for the advancement of his kingdom throughout the earth." Then, added the speaker, one can rightly call himself a loyal partner of Jesus Christ in a world-wide plan of human redemption.

C. E. STARR IS STRICKEN

Charles E. Starr, 62, father of Raymond, Percy, John and Roy Starr of Greensboro, died at a Morganton sanitorium March 18 after an illness of three years.

He was the son of the late John T. and Louise Foust Starr, and a native of the Mt. Hope church community in Guilford county. Until his illness he had been a prominent farmer. He was first married to Miss Maggie Welker, now deceased, and then to Miss Moss Gillam, who survives him.

Other survivors are, by his first marriage, his four sons of Greensboro; six daughters, Mrs. C. E. Phipps, Julian, Route 1; Mrs. C. C. Dixon, Mrs. S. J. DeGram, Mrs. Hattie Joyce, Mrs. Clarence Lowdermilk and Mrs. David Kennedy, all of Greensboro, and by his second marriage, a daughter, Miss Carolyn Starr, and a son, Bobby Starr, both of the home here.

Funeral service was held Friday at 4 p. m. at Mount Hope Reformed church, with Rev. J. L. Levens, pastor of First Evangelical and Reformed church, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

SPRING LUNCHEON OF MINISTERS' WIVES

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina Conference held its annual spring luncheon on March 11 at the Hayes-Barton Methodist church in Raleigh during the session of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The meeting was opened by the Collect spoken in unison, followed by the singing of one of the Wesley graces. The wives were welcomed by Mrs. J. C. Glenn, who introduced the wives of the ministers of Raleigh. Welcomed by the president, Mrs. Ben F. Boone, were two new members and visitors from other conferences. Responding to the welcome for the group was Mrs. O. R. Mathison. The group was beautifully entertained with the singing of "O, Dry Those Tears" and "A Plantation Song," sung by Miss Margaret Waddell, who was accompanied by Mrs. O. D. McLeod. The message of the day was presented by Mrs. W. R. Stevens in her very able way.

Mrs. H. I. Glass, Raleigh, head of the luncheon committee, was asked to speak for a moment. She thanked the women of the church for the lovely luncheon and the favors and decorations.

The keynote of the meeting was the honoring of the older sisters of the organization. Special tables were set for widows and wives of superannuate ministers, and original songs were sung by the younger sisters to the older sisters and vice versa. Mrs. Boone urged that we remember and repeat to ourselves three words—Beauty, Laughter and Love. Special words of commendation were spoken by Mrs. L. C. Larkin to wives of the chaplains of the U. S. Army who belong to the association,

After a short business meeting, the benediction was spoken by Mrs. M. Bradshaw. Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Sec.

DEDICATION OF CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY AT WALLACE

The Methodist church at Wallace will be dedicated Sunday, March 29, by Bishop Clare Purcell. All former pastors, district superintendents and other friends have a cordial invitation to be present on this joyful occasion.

A devoted congregation has made possible the dedication of this beautiful church. It is adequate for all purposes and an honor to this congregation at Wallace. We sincerely congratulate this people on their worthy achievements. This editor regrets that another engagement prevents his enjoying the day with friends.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE PASSING OF MR. W. R. HARRIS

My Dear Friends:

I must be the bearer of sad news to you of the passing of Mr. W. R. Harris, the husband of our editor of the woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, who died suddenly on Sunday afternoon, March 15, at his home in Asheville.

It was my privilege to know Mr. Harris personally, having often been in his home. He was a fine, true Christian gentleman, always interested in and faithful to his church and, when he was able, attended its services. I'm sure you want to join me in expressing to Mrs. Harris and her family our love and sympathy during these dark days. Sincerely,

Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

MISS LORENA KELLY IN AFRICA

A letter from Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, received recently by a friend announces her address as Miss L. Kelly, M.M.C. Wembo Nyama, Lusambo, Congo Belge, Africa.

TWO NEW CONFERENCE OFFICERS W. S. C. SERVICE

As a result of a unanimous decision of the recent conference of W. S. C. Service, to elect an officer for the Spiritual Life department, which has heretofore been the duty of the vice president, Mrs. J. Dale Stentz of Waynesville was chosen for the office

Because of the resignation of Mrs. R. C. Kennedy of Bessemer City as conference secretary of literature and publications, Mrs. D. M. Davidson of Gibsonville was elected as her successor. Congratulations are extended both Mrs. Stentz and Mrs. Davidson.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES AT THE WOMAN'S CONFERENCE

Exceptionally interesting, impressive and inspiring worship services featured the annual program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the 1942 meeting. Those who contributed these programs of services were Miss Daisy Davies, secretary of spiritual life of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, who conducted the noon-day worship, using as her theme, "Christ's Way—The Only Way"; Mrs. Edmond L. Rice, former missionary, who gave the opening devotional on Wednesday; Miss Emma L. Madcliff of the faculty of Pfeiffer College, who brought the message on Thursday morning; Mrs. P. M. Masten, district secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, who gave the Scripture reading on prayer Thursday afternoon; and Miss Sara Smith, pastor's assistant at Lexington Methodist church, who had charge of the Friday afternoon service. The worship for the two evening services, Wednesday and Thursday was led by Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Wesley Memorial church in High Point, and Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of High Point College.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

(Continued from last week's report)

With the Thursday morning proceedings given in our issue of last week we continue our report with the program of Thursday afternoon which was devoted in part to reports of officers, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, and Mrs. R. C. Kennedy, secretary of literature and publicity, being heard in messages of encouragement relative to their departments.

A most pleasing feature of the afternoon was the presentation of district secretaries and recognition of district presidents who participated in a pageant: The Methodist Woman—A Light Bearer. These represenatives entered bearing candles to match their robes in pastel shades, and placed them on the altar, and after the presentation of "Our Challenge—Hold High the Torch" by Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, each district secretary gave the report of her year's work, showing gains and increased interest. The service closed with hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past."

A forum that proved of value was led by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, and many of the problems of the work were clarified. A delightful visit to High Point College to a reception, given by the faculty, was greatly enjoyed.

Thursday evening opened with devotional service by Dr. G. I. Humphreys of High Point College and the feature of the program was an address by Mrs. Bragg; subject, "For the Living of These Days."

A memorial service, honoring those who have passed away since the last annual meeting, was held on Friday morning with Mrs. J. W. Chandler of High Point in charge. As the organist played softly "Going Home," Mrs. Chandler in an impressive manner recited Tennyson's famous poem, "Crossing the Bar," after which she read the names of those who had died and each district secretary placed a lighted candle in the candelabra in memory of these "whom we have loved long since and lost awhile." Mrs. Walter Lanier, secretary of student work, and Mrs. E. A. Lamb, secretary of Y. W. and G. groups, and Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., all made reports of encouragement and progress. Mrs. Andrews was assisted by five others, each of whom represented a department of the work.

A message of interest as to our work in China in war times was given by Miss Leila Tuttle, and after special music the noon day service was given by Miss Davies.

Friday afternoon, closing the meeting were the reports of spiritual life by Mrs. C. N. Clark; status of women, by Mrs. C. O. Newell; missionary personnel, by Mrs. Walter Lanier, each of whom was heard with interest.

Delegates to assembly meeting in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22 were elected as follows: Mrs. C. C. Weaver and Mrs. A. L. Thompson, with Mrs. C. N. Clark and Mrs. R. M. Andrews as reserve delegates. Winston-Salem was chosen as place of meeting for 1943.

The meeting closed with communion service conducted by Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent High Point district, assisted by other ministers of High Point.

GET-TOGETHER MEETINGS

Most interesting occasions during the three days' meetings in High Point featured by delightful fellowship were the get-together meetings arranged by the High Point hostesses. The first of these was a delightful luncheon tendered the conference officers and district corresponding secretaries and a number of prominent visitors by the W .S. C. S. of Wesley Memorial church on Wednesday, March 11, at 1 o'clock P. M. The guests were seated at long tables which were attractively decorated in spring flowers and were served a tempting meal by those in charge of the arrangements. With two exceptions all of the officers and district secretaries were present to enjoy this delightful occasion.

On Wednesday evening at the First Baptist church an attractive dinner meeting of alumnae of Greensboro and Davenport Colleges was given by the alumnae association of High Point, of which Mrs. T. A. Tilden is president. This meeting was attended by 50 or more representatives of the two colleges merged several years ago. Mrs. H. T. Prosser, state president of G. C. alumnae association, presided and greetings were given by Mrs. W. A. Bivins for the High Point alumnae and Dr. L. L. Gobbel for Greensboro College. Musical selections by Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, with Mrs. W. B. Hall at the piano added to the enjoyable program. Each guest present was presented by Mrs. Prosser and gave her name and address and all entered into the spirit of the evening as they renewed old friendships of the college days and made new acquaintances.

Other meetings of this nature were the Wesleyan Service Guild dinner on Thursday evening at 6:30, with Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., conference secretary W. S. G., presiding, and with a splendid attendance of the representatives of the organization present; the district corresponding secretaries' luncheon at First Methodist church Friday at noon, when these "key women" of our conference came together to discuss matters vital to their work and plan for the summer district meetings. All the secretaries excepting Mrs. C. E. Wakefield of Charlotte and Mrs. F. E. Branson of Waynesville were present—both of whom were prevented from attending the meeting because of the illness of their husbands. The closing get-together meeting for the days was the preachers' wives' meeting held at the First Baptist church on Friday with a large attendance of the "mistresses of the parsonages," whom we are sure had a great time together.

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ANNUAL MESSAGE OF PRESIDENT

Always at an annual conference one of the high moments is the time for annual message of the president. This year, when Mrs. W. C. Chadwick brought her first annual message in the capacity of president was no exception. Mrs. Chadwick spoke feelingly of her gratitude for the privileges of Christian service in the Woman's Society of Christian Service and paid tribute to her predecessor, Mrs. E. L. Hillman. She stated that a definite effort is being made to organize a W. S. C. S. in every church in the N. C. conference and that some districts have gone far toward that goal. "The summary of the Woman's Division of Christian Service," said she, "reveals that N. C. conference is one of three leading conferences in Southeastern Jurisdiction, especially in number of new societies, number of new members, number of societies achieving the efficiency aim and number observing the week of prayer." Mrs. Chadwick urged a more informed membership and that the conference attain the goal of a one-third increase in subscriptions to The Methodist Woman, with every officer in every society a subscriber. She told of the Student Loan Fund at Scarritt College which the N. C. conference established last September. Said she: "The opportunities for Christian service are great. The women of the N. C. conference are loyal and each is making her contribution to the work in the W. S. C. S. and through the church. Christ's kingdom is being builded in spite of the war."

MRS. PATTEN HONORED

When the minutes of the 1942 annual meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. are off the press, many hearts will be delighted by the portrait of Mrs. Walter Patten of Louisburg, to whom the minutes are dedicated. As former conference recording secretary Mrs. Patten has served long and well. Her leadership and council throughout the years have been a source of inspiration to all who know and love her. Truly Mrs. Patten is worthy of the honor which has been accorded her.

AWARDS

Wilmington district is steadily taking her place in the top ranks in all departments of the work of the W. S. C. S. It is the only district with a spiritual life group in every society, which perhaps is partially responsible for the interest and activity in mission and Bible study last year. As a result of increased interest the Lillie Moore Everette Study Jewel, perhaps the most coveted conference award, was presented to Mrs. N. P. Edens, district secretary, that she might wear it as a symbol of the fact that her district led all others in the conference in reporting three study classes last year. We congratulate Mrs. Edens and the Wilmington district.

The district having the largest number of societies achieving the efficiency aim and the one contributing the greatest amount of money are awarded the Korean Urn and Candlestick respectively. Last year Durham district won both these honors. Congratulations to Miss Florine Robertson and Durham district. Incidentally, Miss Florine was unavoidably absent from the annual meeting—the first time in 13 years. Needless to state that her absence was keenly felt.

OTHER HONORS

Last week we apprised our readers of the conferring of honorary life patron memberships upon our beloved conference president and treasurer and upon Mrs. N. E. Edgerton of Raleigh, Mrs. S. H. Scott of New Bern and Mrs. L. LeGrande Everette of Washington, D. C. In addition to these high and merited honors, honory adult life memberships were presented to Mrs. Harvey Boney of Rosehill, former conference corresponding secretary, gift of the Rosehill W. S. C. S.; Mrs. Mattie Ellis Gardner of Raleigh, gift of the N. C. conference, and honorary baby life memberships to the following babies: Gary Smith Glenn, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Glenn and grandson of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Glenn; James E. Hillman, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Hillman; Earl Winfree Brian, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Earl Brian—all gifts of the North Carolina conference, and to Jean Gray Jerome, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Robert L. Jerome, gift of the Hayes-Barton W. S. C. S. Nancy Jane Overton, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James H. Overton, Jr., was introduced to the conference, Nancy Jane having received an honorary baby life membership in 1940, gift of Wayne zone.

TWO PRAYER SPECIALS

Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary of spiritual life groups, is suggesting that we add to the list of prayer specials listed on the prayer calendar which she sent out some time ago, prayer for a prayer group in every society in the N. C. conference and that we begin now to pray for the 1942 week of prayer. We should be much in earnest during these days of stress and suspense and these two suggestions from Miss Lamb give us added incentives for our prayer lists.

WANTED, SUPPLIES

Many societies and individuals in the N. C. conference have been cheerful and generous in their donations of supplies and cash to the Soldiers' Town Home in Fayetteville. That these gifts are wisely used and deeply appreciated by the workers and soldiers is manifested in letters from Mrs. J. S. Chandler, one of the enthusiastic hostesses at Town Home. A recent letter of gratitude told of another present need, namely, pecans, peanuts and canned milk. Doubtless a multitude of societies and individuals will desire to share in supplying these needs. Send all donations, either of supplies or cash, to Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Hay Street Methodist Church, Fayetteville.

CENTRAL ZONE MEETS

Wake Forest W. S .C. S. was gracious hostess to Central zone, Raleigh district, on February 26. Rev. M. M. Walters, pastor of Wake Forest Methodist church, led the opening devotional, speaking on National Defense and Spiritual Defense and using Ephesians 6:11-18 as a basis for his thoughts.

Mrs. A. W. Hoffman presided over the business session.

A comprehensive discussion of each point of the efficiency aim was led by Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Henderson, Raleigh district secretary; Mrs. W. B. Penny, Mrs. H. T. Sawyer, Mrs. James Overton and Miss Daisy Waitte —all of Raleigh. Mrs. A. B. Deans of Henderson talked on literature and publications. Mrs. T. R. Smith brought the Raleigh district report. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood of Raleigh gave the highlights of the recent Southeastern Jurisdictional conference in Nashville, Tenn. The noon day meditation was led by Mrs. L. A. Watts of Raleigh, who chose for her topic "The Borrowed Light," and for the scripture background of her talk Matthew 5:13-16. Following the benediction by Rev. M. M. Walters, the Wake Forest society served a luncheon and an enjoyable fellowship hour ensued.

A STUDY CLASS

Mrs. L. W. Hall of Stem writes: "February 24 the W. S. C. S. of Stem finished a most profitable study of the book, "The Methodist Meeting House," by Dr. Paul N. Garber. There was a splendid attendance throughout the meetings. The book was very ably taught by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Lindsay."

THE THING INSIDE

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Where there is no wont of will there will be no want of opportunity.—Spanish

Where your will is ready your feet are light.—Proverb.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE COME AND GO

Monday mornings, the time allotted for writing our weekly letter through the Advocate to our friends come and go. They seem to come more rapidly than they used to. Last Monday morning it was damp, dark and cloudy. This Monday morning it is bright, sunshiny and clear. The atmosphere is bracing. The morning breezes are refreshing. In fact, it is a little too cold for the early spring flowers and bulbs that have come out to celebrate over the passing of winter. A fellow ought to feel good on a morning like this.

SOME ARE SHUT IN

While most of our family are up and about, going to school or doing their chores, some 25 little youngsters are shut in with chicken pox and measles. Three are wondering whether they will get out in time to join the church next Sunday. Some are well enough to be up by the windows from which they send greetings to one on passing by. Following the chicken pox, which struck most of our very young children, came the measles. Taken all in all, we had a very healthy winter.

THE COMING SUNDAY

Next Sunday is a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday in our church schools. We hope the weather will be favorable and the attitude of our friends liberal as they call for an offering to the Children's Home is made. We haven't had a fifth Sunday since November, a mighty long time between fifth Sundays. It will be recalled that all church school offerings now count on the charge's total apportionment. A complete exhibit of congregational, church school and special contributions will be made in May, giving the percentage on total apportionments paid from the combined sources at the half-way mark of the conference year. The March call can help the charge with its apportionment and help the Children's Home with its children.

CHILDREN'S ACTIONS

It would be very untrue to state that we here at the Children's Home never have any worries, never have any anxieties about our children's behavior and never wonder what we can do to change poor situations. We have plenty to worry about if we want to dwell with misbehavior. But we have so much more to be happy about, so very much more. Sometimes a fellow in reviewing some misbehavior finds joy in stopping to think how many bad things the children do not do and how many good things they do do. At any rate, the open weather tends to open up the opportunities for our children's constructive endeavors. We have a family willing to follow good direction and happy to be about constructive endeavors.

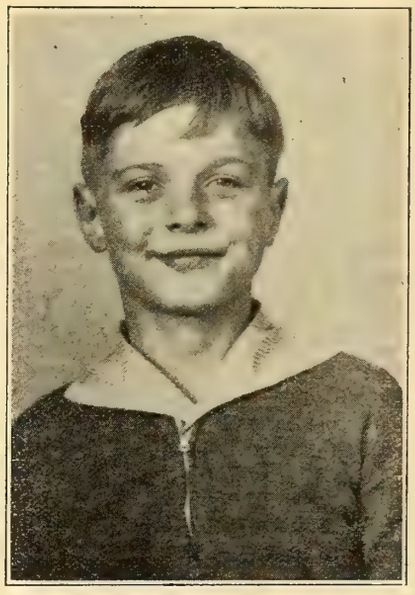
STICKING AT IT

Rev. E. Paul Hamilton, new pastor on the Flat Rock circuit in the Greensboro district, is looking after the Children's Home interest in a very fine way. Four of the congregations on the charge have paid their apportionment in full. In a recent letter Brother Hamilton says: "Enclosed you will find a check for $34.50 which covers more than the ten per cent for Bethel church. The remainder of the extra two per cent will come later."

Let the Hamilton way be your way.

WRITING HOME

We have many boys at camp, in the navy and on the fighting line. Quite a number of them are writing home.



Lawrence Brittain is the name, sir!

Some of them state that they would like to visit the only home they have ever had. All are calling for news about the family. We take time to write to our boys, encouraging them in every way we know how and assuring them of our support and of our desire to do well at home while they do well away from home. The Children's Home's contribution towards winning the war is not a little one. Our fighting boys are a credit to us.

A REIDSVILLE BOY

Mrs. Mary Sterling Swain, who for a number of years has been a talented teacher in the Richard J. Reynolds high school, attended by our high schools boys and girls, write as follows: "I just want to tell you how proud I am that Jim Reed has qualified for membership in our Quill and Scroll. We feel that Jim's conribution to school and local papers warrants his membership. As an dividual, may I say that I wish to congratulate you on your work at the Home and especially your influence with Jim. I feel that he is a credit to anyone. He is one of the best all-round boys that I have taught in a number of years."

A CHARLOTTE BOY

Miss Fannie Bame, who some years ago was a settlement worker in Charlotte, now in charge of the Bethlehem House in Birmingham, wrties: "Last summer as I was returning from North Carolina I had the unexpected pleasure of meeting Buren Blackwelder on the train, traveling with him from Charlotte to Atlanta. I was thrilled to have the opportunity, for this visit with him. I am writing this letter to tell you that I think you and your staff of workers have done an excellent job in training this boy. I have never met a more gentlemanly youth. His conversation and his whole bearing reflected his training. I am proud of him and the work that you and the others at the Home have done."

LOTS OF BOYS

We have 240 boys at the Children's Home. Some are little and some are large, but all are growing and developing. The picture this week is one of those who is now growing very rapidly, one who was retarded for a while with a long spell of sickness. His name is Lawrence Brittain, 13 years of age and in the sixth grade. Lawrence, who once lived in Hickory, is sponsored by the Wesley Fellowship Class of Main Street, Belmont. One of the lad's favorite pastimes is to tell of his happy summer-time visits with his sponsors.

SEVEN AT A TIME

Mention has been made from time to time of our grateful thanks to the good women who during the winter had quilting parties and forwarded the product of their gatherings to us. We have not only had provided sufficient covering but have stored some choice quilts for use when another long winter comes. Among those who helped in a most decided way was the Woman's Club of Olin circuit, which forwarded us seven choice quilts, the leader in this work, according to Rev. D. T. Huss, the pastor, was Miss Mary Allison, 95 years of age. Miss Allison will not have to die to be in heaven.

GEORGE DID IT

I do not know why the expression, "Let George do it," was used so frequently some years ago. But I do know why George A. Tuttle would do the fine thing a quotation from a recent letter explains, this quotation being used without his permission: "You will find enclosed check for $36.75, a tithe of my fee as executor of Mrs. Setzer's estate. You may apply it as you see best."

SHOOTING TO HIT

It is a bit marvelous to me to see how our boys can push a marble off the ends of a couple of fingers and hit so accurately some several feet away. It is also interesting to note with what fairness the marbeling boys play their games. A boy who will fudge soon finds himself outside the recognition of the gang. When Rev. Joe S. Hiatt left 3,000 marbles with us the other day he left some implements for not only some straight shooting, but straight thinking, fair play and competitive comradeship.

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SINGING CLASS — Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "Our singing class visited Knightdale church at the 11 o'clock hour on a recent Sunday. The class was cordially received by the pastor, Rev. M. M. Walters. There was a large congregation present, and the program was well received by our Knightdale friends. Dinner was served on the church grounds,and we had the privilege of a delightful social hour with our friends at Knightdale."

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HONORED GUESTS—The Methodist Orphanage felt highly honored in having Mr. and Mrs. Graham Woodard of Wilson to pay us a visit recently. A special invitation had been extended to these good friends to see a basketball game in the Woodard gymnasium. The game was a double header, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodard enjoyed seeing our boys and girls play. Our young people were delighted to have Mr. and Mrs. Woodard to witness the game. Mrs. Gold, Mr. Woodard's secretary, and Miss Whitley, his nurse, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Woodard to the Orphanage. Mr. Woodard has conferred a lasting favor on our boys and girls by providing a lovely gymnasium for their pleasure and recreation.

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ALL SET—Another fifth Sunday is just around the corner. Every church school superintendent has been furnished an Orphanage program for the observance of the fifth Sunday in this month. The program was written by Rev. James H. Overton, associate pastor of Edenton Street church, and deals, in an interesting way, with the early history of the Methodist Orphanage. The program is very illuminating, and will furnish the Sunday schools of the conference with some very valuable information. I trust that every church school will take a freewill offering on the fifth Sunday. The offerings from the Sunday schools are to be applied on the Orphanage apportionment from each church. I sincerely trust that this coming Sunday will be the best fifth Sunday that the Orphanage has experienced in many, many years.

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SILENCE BROKEN — For several months I have had very little to say in the Advocate, or by correspondence, with reference to finances. I sincerely trust that because of this long silence our pastors and church members will not come to the conclusion that the Orphanage does not need funds. Some of my good friends throughout the conference think that I have overemphasized the need of money. Acting on their advice, I have rarely mentioned money matters in a long time. Due to the increased cost of living I must break my silence and urge the churches to respond to our pressing need. A few of the charges have paid their apportionment in full, and several have paid 50 per cent of their apportionment during this conference year. I want to appeal to the other charges to do all in their power to raise 50 per cent of their apportionment by the time of the meeting of the district conferences. I have a feeling that both pastors and churches appreciate the fact that I have made but very few appeals for a long time.

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AN OPPORTUNE WORD — I want to take the friends of the Orphanage into my confidence. There is an impression among many of our friends to the effect that the Methodist Orphanage is well-to-do. A considerable number think that the Orphanage is largely endowed, and that a great many people of means are contributing generously toward its support. This false impression throughout the conference is working a great hardship on us. We have a small endowment, and a few well-to-do people are aiding us in meeting our financial obligations. The income from our endowment is small, and the total amount which we receive from people of means is very limited. In view of these facts it is readily seen that we are dependent upon the churches of the conference for our support. It is absolutely necessary that each church in the conference pay its full Orphanage apportionment if we are to meet our financial obligations. The board of trustees of the Orphanage feels that our revenue must be increased or we shall be forced to reduce our present enrollment. Because of the increased cost of living and the lack of adequate financial support, we may be forced to decline the admittance of any more children until the situation improves. It would be a tragedy if we should be forced to shut the door of opportunity in the faces of a large number of children who are seeking refuge in the Methodist Orphanage. I am of the opinion that if our Methodist constituency knew about our financial embarrassment there would be a spontaneous response to meet our need.

"THE THING INSIDE"

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YOUNG ADULTS IN ACTION

Although the basis unit in young adult work is the local church, hundreds of young adults are finding spiritual strength and encouragement in the wider fellowship of sub-district meetings. These sub-district young adult fellowships are being formed in counties or cities under the direction of the district directors of adult and young adult work and the conference board of education.

Some of the purposes of these fellowships are:

To promote more effective work by, for and among young adults in local churches, with special emphasis on reaching non-attending young adults in the community.

To provide Christian fellowship among young adults within the area.

To relate young adults in local churches to larger aspects of young adult work in the sub_district, the district, the conference, the nation, and the world.

To promote general aspects of church school activities which relate to young adults.

The sub-district Young Adult Fellowship is set up by the district director calling together representative young adults from churches within an appropriate area to discuss the matter and to elect officers. The number and types of meetings are determined by the group in consultation with the district director. It is recommended that there be occasional meetings of a young adult council which will be composed of at least one young adult representative from each church in the area covered by the fellowship. These councils might meet quarterly to discuss the purposes of young adult work in the churches represented and other such matters.

Sub-district Young Adult Fellowships are related to the conference-wide Young Adult Fellowship which was organized last summer with the following officers:

President—Zeb E. Barnhardt, 112 S. Main St., Winston-Salem.

Vice President—Mrs. Wilson Nesbitt, Denton.

Secretary—Miss Hulda Whiteley, Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point.

Treasurer—Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas.

Dean Summer Assembly—Charles P. Bowles, Wadesboro.

This is a relatively new emphasis, but the fellowship groups have had initial meetings and are now functioning under the leadership of their young adult officers:

Rowan County Young Adult Fellowship—

President—R. M. Andrews, Granite Quarry.

Secretary—Franklin Page, RFD, Salisbury.

Mecklenburg County Young Adult Fellowship—

President—Loyal Miles, 2141 Commonwealth Ave., Charlotte.

Secretary—Mrs. Earl Howie, 2508 Westmoreland Ave., Charlotte.

High Point Young Adult Fellowship—

President—Hal Stallings, 610 Lindsay St., High Point.

Secretary—Mrs. Virginia Bryant, Archdale.

Stanly County Young Adult Fellowship—

President—Mrs. James Avett, Norwood.

Secretary—Mrs. Frank Turner, Albemarle.

The last meeting of the Rowan County Young Adult Fellowship had a splendid program dealing with problems facing the Christian home in our nation today.

The set_up meeting for the Cabarrus County Young Adult Fellowship has been set for April 12, Central church, Concord, four o'clock. Other groups are making plans for young adult meetings during the spring.

Young Adult Summer Camp

One of the purposes of these sub-district meetings will be to promote attendance at the Conference-wide Young Adult Fellowship Camp, June 21-25, 1942, at Camp Carlyle. Each church should send delegates. The cost is $6.00. A splendid program is being planned. Further information will be available. Earl D. C. Brewer.

Stanly County Young Adults

On Sunday afternoon, March 8, representatives from Methodist churches in Stanly county met at Central Methodist church in Albemarle to organize the Stanly Young Adult Fellowship. Rev. James Rink had performed a fine job in preparing for this meeting. Despite a pouring rain there was a good representation. After devotions by Mr. Rink, district director, Courtney B. Ross, explained the purposes of the new organization and called attention to the coming high spot of the year—the summer session for young adults of this conference to be held at Camp Carlyle, June 21-25. Mr. Rink then organized the group and officers were elected. Mrs. James Avett of Norwood was elected president; Mrs. Wilmer Tolle, vice president; and Mrs. Frank Turner of Albemarle, secretary-treasurer. The meeting adjourned after deciding to hold the first county-wide Young Adult Fellowship at Main Street Methodist church, Albemarle, on Sunday afternoon, May 17, at 4:15 o'clock Courtney B. Ross.

Such is the status of life that none are happy but by the anticipation of change. The change itself is nothing: when we have made it, the next wish is to change again.—Dr. Johnson.

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METHODIST YOUTH FUND

We are publishing herewith a list of the youth groups in the North Carolina conference that have made pledges to the Methodist Youth Fund and have sent in their pledges to the conference office. We are sure there are other groups that plan to make pledges, and some that have actually made pledges and have not sent in a statement of their pledges. These statements of amounts pledged should be sent to Miss Elizabeth Myers, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

Our pledges run to August 1. At our assemblies in June and July, and during the month of July, each youth group will be given an opportunity to make a pledge, or renew their pledge, for the next year. We hope that more and more of our groups will pledge for the balance of the current year so that they will be already enlisted in this effort when the new pledge year starts. If your group has not made its pledge we hope it will do so at once. We remind you that payments on the pledge should be made—one-half to Miss Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, N. C., and one-half to the treasurer of your local Woman's Society of Christian Service.

PLEDGES TO THE METHODIST YOUTH FUND

(Pledges made by the month unless otherwise indicated).

Charge—Church	Amount
Brooksdale, Brooksdale	$ 1.00
Cedar Grove	2.86
Durham—	
Branson Memorial (per year)	20.00
Duke Memorial	4.00
Person, Oak Grove	1.50
W. Burlington, W. Burlington	1.00
Yanceyville, Prospect	.!50
Yanceyville (per year)	5.00

Elizabeth City District

Bath, Bath	1.25
Chowan, Anderson (per year)	10.00
Hertford, Hertford	3.00
Manteo, Mt. Olivet(per year)	5.00
Mattamuskeet, Amity (per year)	5.00
Engelhard (per year)	5.00
Mattamuskeet (per year)	3.25
North Gates, Parker's	3.00

Fayetteville District

Aberdeen, Page Mem. (Senior)	1.00
Page Mem. (Intermediate)	.50
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground (per pear)	6.00
Jonesboro, Jonesboro (per year)	15.00
Maxton, Maxton (per year)	6.00
Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead	.50
Red Springs, Trinity	2.00
Rockingham, Rockingham	1.00
Rockingham Ct., W. Rockingham	1.00
Sanford, Steele St. (Senior)	3.00
Steele St. (Young People)	6.00

New Bern District

Atlantic, Atlantic (per year)	5.00
Goldsboro Ct., Ebenezer (year)	2.00
Hookerton, Hookerton	.70
Franklinville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel	.25

Raleigh District

Dunn, Divine St.	2.00
Erwin, Erwin	1.00
Franklinton, Franklt'n (quarter)	3.00
Henderson—City Rd_White Mem.	
White Mem. (Int.)	1.00
Louisburg, Louisburg (year)	15.00
Louisburg Ct., Bunn	.50
Bunn (Int.)	.20
Raleigh, Edenton St.	11.50
Fairmont (6 months)	5.00
Person St. (year)	50.00
Selma, Edgerton Mem.	2.00
Tar River, Plank Chapel	1.25
Trinity	1.00
Vance, Harris Chapel	1.00
Wendell-Zebulon, Wendell (Int.)	1.40

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Milwaukee	1.00
Zion	2.00
Farmville, Farmville (year)	5.00
Halifax, Hollister (Int.)	.25
Littleton Ct., Tabor	.71
Norlina, Norlina (year)	5.00
Zion	1.00
Rocky Mount, First Church	13.75
Scotland Neck, Hobgood	.80
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	3.00
Tarboro, Tarboro (year)	10.00

Wilmington District

Burgaw, Rocky Point	.50
Fairmont, Bethesda	.30
Olivet	.50
Trinity	1.00
Garland, Epworth (quarter)	1.50
Garland (quarter)	2.50
Kenansville-Faison, Faison (year)	5.00
Lumberton, Chestnut Ct. (Int.) (year)	10.00
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Sunday School Lesson

MARCH 29

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Transfigured Christ Meets Human Need

Matt. 17:1-29; Mark 9:2-29; Luke 9:28-43a

Jesus needed every possible source of strength for his coming martyrdom. So he took with him three of his most vigorous and aspiring disciples, and scaled with them the heights of Hermon for solicitude and for the sacrament that can be taken from the huge masses and the far-stretching mountain vistas (Psalms 36:6; 125:2).

When they reached one of the summits the disciples fell asleep from sheer exhaustion, but Jesus gave himself to prayer, and as he waited upon God and consecrated himself to the great sacrifice of redemption, the inner glory of his love shone through his body, as we have seen it, in a lesser degree, shine through the faces of those who were making some willing sacrifice for others.

Suddenly the apostles were roused, and when they were fully awake they saw his glory, as is always the case with any of us when we are fully awake. And lo, Moses and Elijah, the two prophets most revered by the Jews, were speaking with him. And strangely enough, they were not speaking of his coming triumph, but of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem. The Greek word translated decease is exodus. Jesus, like Moses, was to take the race out of bondage through his suffering. In a word, the tragedy at the end of his career was not a failure but a consummation foreseen in heaven.

As Moses and Elijah began to vanish Peter, desiring to retain them, said, Lord, let us make here three tabernacles, one for thee, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. But suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from out of the cloud said, This is my beloved son; hear ye him. As though to say, You need not seek to retain Moses and Elijah, for all the revelation which came from them is in Jesus ,and far more.

It was doubly necessary for the apostles to hear this voice in order to prepare them for the terrible shock of our Lord's crucifixion, and it was also doubtless a heavenly dispensation to strengthen our Lord himself and prepare him for the ordeal. We today are facing stern experiences that seem to put the lie to our faith and hope, and it is extremely important that we also see Christ transfigured. Let us spare no pains in scaling the heights.

As they went down the mountain the apostles said, How say the scribes that Elijah must first come, and argue that you cannot be the Christ because he has not come? Jesus answered, If you are able to receive it, Elijah has come already, and they have put him out of the way. Jesus knew that in spite of the spiritual majesty of John the Baptist, to believe that he fulfilled the prophecy concerning the return of Elijah required a difficult mental adjustment, because the rulers had rejected him, and because John worked no miracles. And that is like the adjustment that we today are often called upon to make. God wonderfully fulfills his promises, but in a way different from that which we had expected. But just as the Baptist was really a greater figure than the miracle working but fierce Elijah portrayed in the Scripture (1 Kings 18:38), so God fulfills his promises in a better way than we had pictured.

On the next day when they got down into the valley, a father came beseeching him and telling him that he had brought his epileptic son to the disciples, and they had failed to cast out the demon. And Jesus exclaimed, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? The failure of even his intimate disciples to utilize the power that was at their disposal tried him unspeakably. It was as though a member of the family was wasting away with malaria, and quinine was at hand, but they had not used it. Or as though a town was dying with typhoid, and no one was giving attention to purifying the water supply.

When they were alone the disciples asked him wistfully, Why could we not cast it out? Jesus answered, This kind goeth not out save by prayer. And by prayer, of course, Jesus did not mean saying pious words, but wrestling with God in prolonged and humble persistence. Those busy but ineffective disciples typify the thousands who hustle, but do little more than raise the dust because they do not find time for earnest prayer.

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Children's Storyland



PETER'S PETS

By Lima L. Henderson

Peter liked pets. He liked them better than anything. That is why he was so glad to get the little field mouse.

It happened this way. Peter was walking home from school. He had taken the short cut through the fields when he saw the Smith's spaniel dog nosing about. When the dog lifted his head, he had something in his mouth.

"Drop it, Duke," shouted Peter. Duke laid his find at Peter's feet. It was a fat little field mouse.

Peter picked it up carefully. Its velvety coat was wet from the dog's mouth, but it was not hurt.

"I can't leave it here," thought Peter. "Duke would find it again and kill it. I'll take it home with me."

He held the mouse tenderly in his hands.

"It is not afraid of me," said Peter, talking out loud as he ran along. "Maybe I could train it to be my pet."

The first thing Peter did was to make a home for the little mouse.

He took a bushel basket full of dry leaves and hollowed out a nest. Then he brought out some crumbs for the little mouse to eat.

The mouse stayed very still in his new home. Even when the time came for Peter to go to bed, the little mouse had not moved even a tiny mouse ear.

"Now I must put my pet in a safe place for the night," thought Peter. So after looking about, he lifted the basket up on a box in the garage where brother Bill kept his car.

"Nothing can harm you here, mousie," he said, and went into the house.

The next day Peter had to go to school, of course, but every now and then he would remember about his mouse. When school time was over, he ran all the way home.

He hurried down the driveway to the garage, and what do you think! There on the driveway lay the basket tipped on its side, the leaves scattered all about. The little mouse was gone.

Peter felt so unhappy that if he had not been seven years old he would have cried. But he threw his cap on the grass and sat right down in the middle of the driveway.

Just then brother Bill came around the corner of the house.

"Sorry about your mouse, Peter," said brother Bill. "When I backed out of the garage my fender hit the basket. I stopped the car right away, but I saw the little mouse run off into the grass. So he wasn't hurt."

Peter didn't say anything. He couldn't. And brother Bill went away.

But soon Bill came back.

"When I drove down the road awhile ago," he said, standing beside Peter, "I saw a little turtle crossing the road. How would you like to go find it?"

"We couldn't find it," said Peter, gloomily. "It wouldn't be there now."

"If I know anything about turtles, it is still crossing the road," said Bill

"Maybe I could have the turtle for a pet," thought Peter.

Bill was right. When they got there the turtle was still crossing the road.

Peter picked up the turtle and they brought it home. Then Peter went to work to make a home for the turtle, but of course different from the one he made for the mouse. This time he took a pan and put some water in it for the turtle when it should feel like swimming, and some stones in it for the turtle when it felt like being dry.

Then Peter begged his mother to let him keep the turtle on his window sill.

"If you are sure he can't get out," said mother.

"Oh, I am sure," said Peter.

When Peter woke up the next morning the first thing he thought of was his pet turtle. But, my goodness, the turtle was gone.

Peter looked everywhere. He looked under the bed, and chairs, and bookshelves.

Mother shook all the pillows before she lay on the sofa. Sister Sue drew her feet up under her in the rocking chair.

"I don't believe you ever liked my turtle,' 'gloomed Peter, standing before Sue.

"Oh, I did," assured sister Sue. "I wish we knew where he was. I will be so glad when you find him."

But do you know Peter never did find that turtle? He never knew where it went.

At last Peter gave up looking and went out to play. Then he had an idea. He was gone for a long time and mother had begun to say, "Well, I wonder where Peter is."

Then Peter came to the door. His face and hands were hot and grimy, but he seemed very happy.

"Look," cried Peter. Everybody came to see what he had. Was it the mouse or the turtle?—Star of Zion.

THE MIRACLE

Far under the ground I planted a bulb,
Which all through the winter lay sleeping;
Then spring came along and waked everything,
And all the green blades came a peeping.

One day when the bluebirds were building their nests,
And cherry trees blossomed on the hills,
I came to the garden to look for my bulb,
And behold, there were bright daffodils.

NO LOOSE ENDS

By Mary S. Stover

Louise was spending a week with her great-aunt Hilda, who weaves beautiful rugs. "You work every minute, Auntie," she said. "Not quite that, but I'm doing something most of the time. I don't like to leave anything at loose ends."

The words puzzled Louise a little, but watching the brisk old lady made them clear. Aunt Hilda had picked up the rug she just cut from the loom. At each end there was a fringe of work about three inches long. Aunt Hilda made these ends even and began knotting the warp fringe in groups of six strands. When this was done she folded the rug and laid it away.

"Suppose you brush up the litter and then we'l go to the other room," she said.

Louise likes to sweep, but sometimes she does not remember to put her broom and dustpan away! This time she did, because she knew just how auntie herself would have done. "I didn't leave any loose ends," she told herself proudly as she went to sit beside Aunt Hilda who had taken her mending basket now. That made Louise recall that she, too, had stockings to darn.

"It's good for me to visit Aunt Hilda," she thought, for Aunt Hilda is wise enough to see that she has a habit of leaving many things unfinished. What trouble both she and brother Carl have because of the things they "leave at loose ends." Much of their work and even their play to be done over because of being left like that scarf the kitten unraveled so easily. Aunt Hilda knows better than to make herself so much extra work. Everything she does counts, because it is finished right.

Fretful hours, shame and danger still come from leaving things unfinished. Girls and boys are wise to train themselves to better ways. The difference will show quickly and will also be a help to them their whole lives long.—The Lutheran.

Jackie: "Our teacher certainly looks out for me."

Mother: "How do you know?"

Jackie: "I went to sleep this afternoon, and you know what she did? She said she'd whip any kid who waked me up."

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Cedar Grove, Walnut Grove, 11 29
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 7 29
April
Davis Street, 7:30 1
Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11..19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Aboskie, 11 29
Murfreesboro, Union, 3 29
April
Bath, Bethany, 11 5
Roper, Siloam, 3 5
Williamston, 11 12
Windsor, Cashie, 3 12
South Camden, Sign Pine, 8 17
Swanquarter, Soule, 11 19
Mattamuskeet, Bethany, 3 19
Pasquotank Newbegun, 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26
May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Rockingham, 11 29
Laurinburg, 7 29
April
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26
District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Aurora, Campbell's Creek, 11 29
Grimesland, Providence, 3 29
Ayden, 7:30 29
April
Grifton, Sharon, 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Pikeville-Elm St., at Elm St., 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26
May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Raleigh, Jenkins Mem., Pleasant Grove, 11 29
Oxford, 7:30 29
April
Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11 4
Moncure, Buckhorn, 11 5
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8 5
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26
May
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Warrenton, Warrenton, 3:30 27
Church Sch'l Institute & Youth Rally, Warrenton, 4:30 27
Warren, Bethlehem, 11 29
West Halifax, Union, 3 29
Rocky Mount, First Church, 7:30 29
April
Tarboro, 11 5
Littleton, Hawkins Chapel, 3:30 (dedication)..... 5
Conway, Severn (dedication), 7:30 5
Spring Hope, 7:30 8
Nashville, 7:30 9
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 29
Garland, Epworth, 3 29
April
Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Richlands, Gum Branch, 8 14
District Conference, Richlands, 9:30.... 15
Pocosin, Beulah, 11 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Clinton, 7:30 26
May
Grace, Wilmington, 11 3
Shallotte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

March
Hot Springs, Paint Rock, 11 29
Marshall, Marshall, 3 29
Mills River, Mt. Zion, night 29
April
Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26
May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

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CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Hickory Grove, 11 29
Brevard Street, 7:30 29
April
Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
West Jefferson, 11 29
Todd, 3 29
Millers Creek, night 29
April
Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March
Belmont, Park Street, 11 29
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, 7:30 29
April
Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
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GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March
Mitchell's Grove, 11 29
West End, 7:30 29
April
Grace, 7:30 1
Newlin Street, 11 5
Saint Paul, 7:30 5
Flat Rock, 11 12
Leaksville, 7:30 12
Summerfield, 11 19
Calvary, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11 26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 26
May
Moriah, 11 3
Guilford, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 10

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March
North Morganton, 11 29
Drexel Ct., Bethel, 3 29
Morganton, First, night 29
April
Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12

Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 29
Hickory, First, 11 29
Hickory, Bethel, night 29

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

March

Webster Ct., Wesleyanna, 11 29

April

Macon Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 12
Macon, Mt. Zion, 11 18
Hazelwood, 7:30 12
Murphy Ct., Ranger, 11 19
Hayesville, Ogden, 3 19
Hayesville, 7:30 19
Robbinsville, 11 26
Maple Springs, 3 26

May

Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

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Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

March

Crews-Sedge Garden, 11 29
Morris Chapel, 3 29
Mt. Tabor, 7:30 29

April

Central Terrace, 7:30 1
Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6
Ardmore, 7:30 7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3 12
First, West End, 7:30 12
Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29

May

Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

A TRIBUTE

My dear loving husband, Daily E. Stowe, quietly passed to his heavenly home December 3, 1941. Had he lived until next September 7 he would have been 81 years of age.

He was converted at an early age, Having been reared at Engelhard, he served as steward of the Methodist church there, and he also taught the Bible class for a number of years. Truly we can say he was a good man. As proof of his consecration are the many Bibles which he has worn out learning God's will. To the best of his ability he lived by the Word of God.

He leaves to mourn their loss his wife, four sons and four daughters: Ben, Guy and Thomas Stowe, Washington, N. C., Howard Stowe, Newport News, Va., Josie Witley, Elizabeth Braddy, Synthia Spencer, Washington, N. C., Patsy Marshall, Engelhard, besides 30 grandchidren and a host of friends.

A loving husband and father from us is gone,
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled.
But we shall meet beyond the river
Where the surges cease to roll,
Where in all the bright forever
Sorrow never shall press the soul.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The board of stewards of Trinity Methodist church in session Monday, February 9, 1942, desire to express their love and appreciation for the life of their beloved member, Herbert E. O'Keef, and their great sorrow in his death.

Mr. O'Keef was a most valued member of this board for 25 years, and in his death the board has sustained an irreparable loss. His consistent Christian life was ever an example and inspiration to all those with whom he came in contact. His sane judgment and wise counsel were ever a guide in the business affairs of the board. His generous, even sacrificial giving was evidence that his was no lip service only.

He never spared himself in the work of his Master—many times teaching his Sunday school class, singing in the choir, or attending the board meeting when he was not physically able.

His bright smile, cheery greeting, and good natured banter always left one lifted on the road of life. His passing is mourned in all walks of life—whoever his life touched was the better for the contact.

But we do not mourn as those who have no hope, for because of our faith in God, and because of his life we too shall see him again in that brighter world where he is enjoying his rich reward.

We extend to his beloved wife, son and daughter and loved ones our abiding love and sympathy. We realize, with them, the rich heritage that is theirs.

Isaiah 25:8—"He will swallow up death in victory and the Lord God will wipe tears from off all faces."

E. R. Clarke,
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by Mrs. S. M. Duvall

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HOME: How important is it today? Most of us care tremendously about our families. Our deepest concerns involve our loved ones. Our greatest triumphs, our sharpest pain originate in family life. "Yes, my family comes first" expresses for most of us our conviction that of all the pressures and pulls of our vast changing world home comes first in our loyalty and devotion.

Good homes are the real victory. We live in a world of violence. The prayer of freemen, the very soul of liberty are being challenged by gigantic forces that crowd closer with each passing hour. Total victory calls for more than military success. Lasting protection of our way of life depends upon the day by day growth of people who care about each other.

We parents do not build planes or drive tanks. We hold a mightier power. We build manpower. That manpower is as strong as the homes from which it comes. Broken homes, disrupted families, indifferent parents, neglected children are the weak links in the human chain of Christian democracy. Here is the greatest sabotage. Here lies your challenge and mine.

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Strong family life is no accident. It doesn't just happen. It is the result of years of patient application of the best that is known. It begins with devoted preparation for marriage. It flowers in the loving guidance of children that sets their feet sturdy and free on the road of life. The skills of building a strong family are far more intricate than those involved in constructing a long-range bomber. Well-wishing will not build a plane, nor will good intentions suffice for a home that would be truly Christian.

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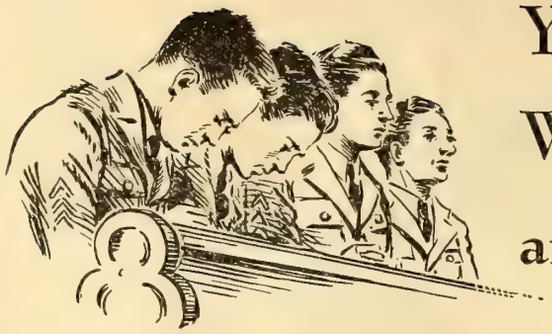
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The war puts two great human needs before the Church. Large numbers of our young men are called to military and naval service: the ministry of the church must follow them in their new surroundings and difficult days. Overseas, millions of war victims are hungry, homeless, without medical care, separated from family, discouraged over the future. To many of them can and must go a demonstration of Christian love. Our Bishops call all Methodists to join, sacrificially, in a Fellowship of Suffering and Service, for these two needs, through the Communion offering. Dr. O. W. Auman, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, is the treasurer.



THE FELLOWSHIP OF SUFFERING AND SERVICE

EASTER AND A WORLD AT WAR

The Christian colleges in China have thrived on adversity. They were founded in one of the most troubled eras of China's history. The leaders they have given China have done much to bring their country out of confusion and suffering. For a generation each recurrent crisis has given the colleges new opportunities to serve the people.

This indestructible vitality has always been an outstanding quality of Christianity. In the early centuries persecution and suffering acted as nourishment; out of destruction and death came new faith, and a greater determination to conquer evil.

This is one of the truths of the Resurrection; out of the worst comes the best; out of death, new life. Now while empires crumble, and old wrongs are wiped out by new and greater wrongs, we must remember the message of Easter.

In caverns, in lowly places beyond the reach of the destroyer, His truth shall prevail, and shall blossom forth gloriously in times to come. Our friends in China will not be halted by anything war can do. Theirs is the pure and invincible strength of the early Christians.

Let us keep faith with them.

BISHOP WARD AND PARTY RELEASED

A cablegram from Dr. Chester B. Rappe, Methodist missionary superintendent in Chungking, West China, by the the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, states that Bishop Ralph A. Ward and a party of ten missionaries who for the past two months had been inturned by the Japanese military on the compound of Wuhu General Hospital, in Wuhu on the Yangtze river, have been permitted to return to their respective places and mission stations and that they are all well. The party had been attending sessions of their annual conference when war broke out between Japan and the United States. Up to that time they had been treated as neutrals in Japanese-occupied territory, but when they became "enemy aliens" they were not permitted to return to their stations.

It is understood that Bishop Ward will return to his administrative office in Shanghai, and that others of the party will return to Nanking, Sunkiang, and Shanghai.

Besides Bishop Ward, the party consisted of Dr. Hyla Watters of White Plains, N. Y.; Miss Harriett Whitmer of Burr Oak, Mich.; Miss Jessie L. Wolcott of Spirit Lake, Iowa; Miss Lillie Stephens of Farner, Tenn.; Miss Bessie A. Hollows of Menthuen, Mass.; Rev. Francis C. Gale of Oakland, Cal.; Rev. John C. Hawk of Blountville, Tenn.; Rev. Albert N. Stewart of Omak, Wash.; Miss Pearle McCain of DeValles Bluff, Ark.; and Dr. L. C. Morgan of Chicago, acting superintendent of the Wuhu Hospital.

LEADERS THIS WEEK IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN

Rev. S. F. Nicks of Hillsboro sends $25. This makes his quota. Yet others are to follow. Not strange is it that this good brother ranks as the leading church builder in the state. He joins in every constructive effort. The church paper with him has a first place.

Rev. C. B. Culbreth of Siler City remits $25. He is another Methodist preacher who puts the N. C. Christian Advocate to the front. More is to follow the present report.

Rev. W. F. Elliott's check for $13 gives Stedman charge its quota. Nothing succeeds like success, so Brother Elliott never dreams of failure in circulating the church paper.

Rev. R. H. Taylor of Asbury Memorial, Asheville, in remitting $14 takes his place with the leaders this week.

So many of the pastors have been busy with pre-Easter services that they could not do much for the Advocate. We expect to make a full report next week of Easter and the report for the church paper.

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The new life and the larger outlook that comes with Easter as people crowd about the altars of God should result in fresh and enthusiastic efforts in the life of the world about us. Every home and every church should strive for larger conquests.

Kate Smith, nationally admired radio singer, says: "Through all history, through all trials and tribulations, there has never been anything like music and song to support morale. At this critical moment music will immediately fortify our national morale."

We are witnesses of the resurrection power in our souls. Some can testify as did those on the first resurrection day. Along with this we have the consolation testimony of nature, God's oldest book. Our faith is rooted deeply in mother earth. This Easter time the earth is waking into newness of life. Life springs eternal.

It has been said that a man is like an egg: if kept too much in hot water he becomes hard boiled. It may be said truthfully that a bad man is like a bad egg: a little taste of him is apt to let one know that he is bad through and through. This Easter time when children, and grown folks too, are thinking of eggs is a good time to learn a lesson from eggs.

Dr. William Adams Brown in an address at the Baptist Seminary, Louisville, on the theme, "The Christian World in Time of War," begins with this paragraph: "What I want to say on this subject can be said very simply. I can put it in a single sentence, It is this: The supreme need of the world in time of war is the supreme need of the world in time of peace —a simple and compelling gospel, preached by men who believe it with all their minds, feel it with all their hearts, and demonstrate the sincerity of their faith by their works."

On Easter Day, if any day in all the year, one ought to be able to say:

The sun is shining on the sea,
The wind is whispering to the tree,
The lark is singing to the sky,
The fleecy clouds are sailing by;
I am as rich as I can be,
For all these things belong to me.
No one can take these joys away,
For in my heart they ever stay.

The editor of the New York Times has drawn a vivid picture of the present scourge of Europe in the lines that follow: "Hitler has overrun and occupied most of Europe. He has disarmed its garrisons, subdued its peoples, dispersed its governments, robbed its banks and eaten up its food. He has not conquered a single country. He cannot leave unguarded a single door he has burst open. Until now he has gained nothing by his enormous efforts but new enemies. He has only to look at Yugoslavia after a year of 'subjugation' to see that the business of conquest is always unfinished business. Hitler's wars never end."

"Wesley's Notes on the New Testament" was at one time in the conference course of study for young preachers, and some of these young theologians who were just out of "Brush College" or perhaps fresh from a theological cemetery were inclined to speak lightly of John Wesley as an expositor of the New Testament. These fledglings had never heard the story of John Wesley, when he heard that one of the preachers was in very needy circumstances. He wrote this letter: "Dear Tommy: Trust in the Lord and do good and verily thou shalt be fed"—and enclosed in the letter a five pound note. When Tommy replied here is what he wrote: "Reverend and Dear Sir: I have often been struck with the passage you quote, and I am bound to say that I have never found such a useful expository note on it before."

Oldest Record of the Resurrection of Jesus

AND when the Sabbath had passed Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought some spices in order to go and anoint him; and very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb, after sunrise. They said to themselves, "Who will roll away the boulder for us at the opening of the tomb?" (for it was a very large boulder). But when they looked they saw the boulder had been rolled to one side, and on entering the tomb they saw a youth sitting on the right dressed in a white robe. They were bewildered, but he said to them, "Do not be bewildered. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified? He is risen, he is not here. That is the place where he was laid. Go you and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He precedes you to Galilee; you shall see him there, as he told you.'" And they fled out of the tomb, for they were seized with terror and beside themselves. They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Now after he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary of Magdala out of whom he had cast seven demons. She went and reported it to those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept; but although they heard he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. After this he appeared in another form to two of them as they were walking on their way to the country. They too went and reported it to the rest, but they would not believe them either. Afterwards he appeared at table to the eleven themselves and reproached them for their unbelief and dullness of mind, because they had not believed those who saw him risen from the dead.—Mark xxi:1-14 (Moffatt Translation).

How to Preserve America

ON the bulletin board in front of Duke Memorial Methodist church in Durham last week appeared these words: "We can preserve America only by preserving Christianity." In other words, the church of Christ is the hope of America. Those words should be blazoned abroad across the land and displayed in every church. This theme should be the burden of the weekly messages heard in all pulpits filled by men of God.

The organized forces of civil government are enlisting man power and collecting all available money as well as mortgaging the future for funds to carry on in all lands. Money and man power are most essential in waging war and also in the efforts of civil governments in times of peace. But these are not all by any means. The moral and the spiritual elements count for most in the course of the centuries. We all do know that the church must lead in all moral and spiritual conquests. The leaders of the spiritual forces of a people are the real arbiters of destiny.

How absurd then is it for the leaders in the church and the watchmen on the walls of Zion to allow themselves to be turned aside to less important matters! In World War I we suffered much in this way. Churches were used for ends foreign to those for which they were built and ministers of God proved false to their ordination vows that they feed and care for the flock of God. Some of them became most secular and worldly indeed, being guilty of profanity in the pulpit and the glorification of war about the altars of God. Most fortunate will we be in this day of another world war if we will lay to heart the words: "We can preserve America only by preserving Christianity." This is an obligation that rests upon the ministers of God and the church of God.

The Power of the Resurrection

POWER to the limit, and still more power, is the cry of the present hour. Power of armed might, power of all-out war for the nation, and the power of money furnish destructive agencies on which the nations rely to carry out their several designs. All these resources are primarily in the realm of the material—we call it being realistic in a time of war. But we all do well know that the future and the final conquests are with and belong to the ideal and the spiritual. That which is spiritual is eternal—the material is temporal. The power of the resurrection makes Easter the chief festival of the Christian church and fills the world with the hallelujahs of the Easter anthems. This means life—larger and fuller life.

The early Christians overran the Roman empire with the gospel of the Resurrection. Its first great missionary made answer in his plea before the Roman officer and sang songs in the dungeon of a Roman prison because of his hope of the resurrection. The power of the resurrection this good hour gives us greater assurance of ultimate victory than bombing planes and war craft on the seven seas. This Easter time, with death and destruction in

every land, we should exalt as never before the power of the resurrection as we suffer anew with our Lord.

The resurrection power becoming manifest in forest and field tells of the new life that gives us the assurance of food to feed the nations that walk on the brink of starvation and keeps hope alive as death stalks the battlefields of earth and hell bursts forth out of the skies. Only this assurance of a new life in the earth and this power of the resurrection in the soul of man keeps hope alive among men.

St. Paul and the Risen Christ

PAUL had no peer among the disciples of Jesus in the first century and with equal confidence one may add, or any other of the nineteen centuries that have followed. He wrote approximately one-third of the New Testament, the most influential book of our holy religion. His evangelistic passion has been a model for every generation. Paul was the first follower of the Nazarene that dared to proclaim the new religion as world-wide in its scope, and with a zeal that never failed he sought to make this gospel known unto all men everywhere.

Yet this incomparable disciple of the Galilean staked everything upon the risen Christ. Jesus who rose from the dead was the great theme of his preaching and writing. Listen to Paul, apostle to both Jew and Gentile: "If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain and your faith is also vain. But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept."

A Great Modern Scholar's Easter Message

HORNACK says in words that glow with confidence: "Whatever may have happened at the grave and in the matter of appearances, one thing is certain: This grave was the birthplace of the indestructible belief that death is vanquished and there is a life eternal. It is useless to cite Plato; it is useless to point to the Persian religion, and the ideas and the literature of later Judaism. All that would have perished, and has perished; but the certainty of the resurrection and of a life eternal which is bound up with the grave in Joseph's garden has not perished, and on the conviction that Jesus lives we still base the hopes of citizenship in an eternal city which makes our life worth living and tolerable."

Australia

UNTIL several weeks ago Australia was to the average American an unknown land. Even its size and location was not very well fixed in his mind. To some it was a small continent, to others it was a huge island far off in the Southern hemisphere. Many would not have ventured even a guess as to whether it lay within the tropics, in the South Temperate Zone, or did it reach beyond the Antarctic Circle. Or did a part of this continent stretch northward to the Equator?

But all this has changed since our armies are now encamped there and Australia has become a base of operations for the allies as they plan to chastise the Japs for their treacherous attack upon Pearl Harbor and for such treatment of China as to put them beyond the pale of civilization. We are now learning that Australia has almost the same area as the United States of America, and that two-fifths of this smallest of the continents lies within the tropics north of the Tropic of Capricorn. It is worthy of note that these 1,150,000 square miles of tropical Australia contain only 200,000 of the 7,000,000 population of the entire country.

Australia is a country of city dwellers. More than half of the 7,000,000 live in the seven principal cities. It is said that Sydney and Melbourne make one think of Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal. These cities are largely the result of industrial developments since the first world war.

While half the people of Australia dwell in cities, sheep raising is and has been the very backbone of the nation's industrial life. The 113,000,000 sheep that produce a billion pounds of high quality wool annually is the most valuable product of the land.

The inhabitants, whether they dwell in the cities or upon the farms and ranches, are remarkably homogeneous in race, language, manners and customs. They are distinctly British-English, Irish, Scottish and Welsh—and one need not be told what manner of people they are. It is said that democracy is bred in the bones and they have a capacity to stand square upon their feet and be counted. They possess the self-confidence of the pioneer. Their standard of education is said to be as high as any in the world. These characteristics may be explained in part in the fact that the more energetic and stronger of the British people migrated to Australia and went unhampered by outworn traditions.

People and Things

With the consent of Bishop Purcell, G. S. Eubank has been appointed pastor of the Mt. Olive circuit to take the place of Rev. J. L. Joyce who has been appointed a chaplain in the U. S. Army.—J. A. Russell.

Some one has divided church members into three general classes: The wish bones, the jaw bones and the back bones. The wish bones languidly hope that the church will prosper without their help. The jaw bones do the criticizing. The back bones—they just get under the load and carry it along. Our "kneebones" belong with the back bones.

The Presbyterian refers to Dr. W. Graham Scroggie as a "winsome preacher and sturdy believer." Those of us who know Dr. Scroggie realize how true this is. Dr. Scroggie is still pastor of Spurgeon's Tabernacle, in London, and despite the fact that the Tabernacle has been twice bombed and that its young men are in the army, the church is still going forward.

The ministers' wives of the Charlotte district will have a spring luncheon at Efird's, Friday, April 10, at 12 o'clock We hope we can have a large attendance and an hour of fun and fellowship together. Please reply to Mrs. G. T. Bond, 1101 Queens Road, before April 9, so we shall know how many plates to serve. The cost of each plate will be fifty-two cents.—Mrs. Earl H. Brendall, Sec.

Rev. K. K. Lyu was the guest preacher at Lee's Chapel last Sunday morning. He also led a discussion group at the Youth Fellowship meeting. Mr. Lyu is from Seoul, Korea. He has been in this country for seven years. Mr. Lyu has his A.B. degree from Chosen College, his B.S. and M.A. from Syracuse, and he is now doing work on his last year toward a B.D. degree from Duke divinity school. Mr. Lyu's visit with us has meant more to us than we can express in words.—J. J. Powell, P. C.

I have no fear for the church and the ministry so long as we can pour out into the communities where we work a stream of redeemed manhood and womanhood. Standing as churches in our various places, we owe to our communities at least three things: First, the inspiration of a high moral standard; second, the example of an ideal of brotherhood; third, a continual demonstration of the divine in religion. Let us unite to pay this debt to our community.—Forney Hutchinson.

Laymen's Day for Orange charge was observed Sunday, March 29. The theme of the day was "Methodist Men and the Mission of the Church," with A. K. McAdams, lay leader, presiding. Rev. C. P. Morris, the Haw River quartet, Dr. S. Carl Forrest, Hon. William B. Umstead, T. O. Pender, G. A. Brown, O. G. Thompson and Dr. M. T. Plyler had a place on the program of the day. Following the delightful luncheon spread on long tables on the sunny side of the church, the afternoon hour was given to the theme, "Definite Things Methodist Men Can Do." Lay Leader McAdams is alert and eager to lead the laymen into a larger service.

The annual spring luncheon of the Ministers' Wives' Association of the W. N. C. Conference was held in High Point March 13 at the First Baptist church. The women of the church gave us a very lovely luncheon, using yellow rosebuds and snaps in yellow and rose as the centerpieces for the table. Mrs. M. T. Smathers, our conference president, presided in her usual efficient and gracious manner. Mrs. Ralph Taylor, the vice president, with her helpers, had planned a very attractive program on the Mountains and the Mountaineer. There were 123 of the wives who were present to enjoy this happy fellowship.—Mrs. F. O. Dryman, Cor. Sec.

A painting program had been started by a struggling Methodist church near a camp of the 113th Infantry which aroused the interest and co-operation of the service men. Sufficient funds had been raised to paint only the exterior of the building. Soldiers not only raised $32 for additional paint for the inside of the church, but helped with the work. When the sum collected was found to be inadequate, the boys arranged a special service and $40 was collected, which not only covered the cost of all paint, but left a surplus in the church treasury. Soldiers participating in this project included Catholics and Jews as well as Protestants.

Rev. Walter J. Miller of Mt. Airy, beloved former pastor of Forest Hill church, preached for us at Forest Hill the week of March 22-29 in a series of pre-Easter services. Large congreations heard his eloquent messages, and I feel that our church has been genuinely revived by this meeting. Brother Miller's preaching is of a superbly high quality. The hearts of all of us were stirred and lifted up by his great sermons. As I listened to him preach I felt that I was hearing a prince of the pulpit, one on whom the mantle of Bishop Mouzon had fallen. We expect to receive 15 or more new members by vows on Easter Day.—C. C. Herbert, Jr.

Dr. J. D. Rankin, dean of the Appalachian State Teachers' College, filled the pulpit at Bethlehem church on Cherryville circuit Sunday, March, 29 at 11:30 a. m. in the opening service for the second quarterly fifth Sunday circuit-wide all day program announced by the pastor, Rev. J. E. B. Houser. Dinner was served by the Bethlehem congregation with the other churches of the charge, Bess Chapel, Beulah and St. Paul participating. At 2 p. m. the presidents of the woman's societies presented a program of their work. Bess Chapel church was host church to the first quarterly fifth Sunday services November 23 when Dean P. E. Lindley of High Point College was guest speaker.—J. E. B. Houser.

Rev. James Henry Potts, associate editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate from 1877 to 1885 and editor from 1885 to 1917, died recently in Algonac, Mich., where he made his home. Dr. Potts would have observed his ninety-fourth birthday had he lived until June 12. His ministerial career covered a period of 73 years. He was a delegate to five general conferences, from 1888 to 1904, was fraternal delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada in 1894, and was a member of the Ecumenical Methodist Conference at Toronto in 1911. Seventeen books are credited to his pen in the latest edition of "Who's Who," the last one, "All Things New," appearing in 1937. While still in his teens, Dr. Potts served in the Civil War in the Sixth Michigan Cavalry.—Zions Herald.

Six years have passed since Bishop William F. Oldham attended the Golden Jubilee of Malayan Methodism. At that time the missionaries and their colleagues were able to present to him a church of 12,000 members. In 1941 they numbered 17,000 members. Among the goals set at the Jubilee celebration were the training of indigenous leadership and a renewed program of evangelism. Since that time the Chinese Mission Conference has been set up, and all of its districts were put under Chinese district superintendents. In the Malaya annual conference, composed chiefly of the Tamil and English churches, four of the eight district superintendents were Asiatics. Hence it will be seen that the popular trend was indigenous leadership. The immediate future of the church rests upon these leaders. Methodism can depend upon them to carry on the work in this crisis when all missionaries are out of the country, it is generally believed.

Hawkin's Chapel, Littleton Circuit, to Be Dedicated on Easter Sunday



Hawkin's Chapel Church



Rev. D. D. Broome, Pastor

HAWKIN'S CHAPEL TO BE DEDICATED EASTER SUNDAY

Hawkin's Chapel was founded in 1840 by the late Colonel Zollicoffer, Captain Simmons and Dr. Johnson. The first building was erected about three miles east of the present building near Marsh Swamp. This building was destroyed by fire during the Civil War. After the war another building was erected, known as the Academy. Years later the membership became divided. One division went south and built Pierce's Chapel while the other division went west two miles and built. At first a brush arbor was built, following a great revival in the Hawkin's community. Some years later a framed structure was built, true to the early Methodism. Some years earlier than 1894 a larger building was started by Rev. W. L. Harris and completed in 1894 by Rev. H. S. B. Thompson.

In 1907 under the pastorate of Dr. S. W. Taylor, now serving as district superintendent in the High Point district, more improvements were added to the building.

In 1924 under the pastorate of the late Rev. J. B. O'Briant other improvements were added.

Under the pastorate of Dr. T. M. Johnson (retired minister in Western N. C. conference) in 1936 plans were made to build Sunday school rooms. Again in 1940 under the leadership of the present pastor a brick building was erected, which includes five Sunday school rooms and an auditorium with equipment.

One minister, Rev. J. Leo Pittard, has gone out from this church and is serving as chaplain somewhere in the Pacific Isles as U. S. Army chaplain.

Following is a list of ministers who have served this church:

Rev. R. W. Gigram, R. H. Wills, C. A. Pickens, W. L. Harris, D. A. Fishel, Dr. Johnson, H. S. B. Thompson, C. H. Whitaker, H. L. Powell, J. E. Hartsell, Dr. S. W. Taylor, R. C. Stubbins, J. A. Ledbetter, C. J. Edwards, Dr. W. E. Swain, D. M. Loy, J. B. O'Briant, N. M. Harrison, C. I. Smith, P. E. Bingham, R. L. Vickery, Dr. T. M. Johnson, J. H. Trollinger, and D. D. Broome.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

MRS. W. P. IVEY OF LENOIR DIES IN ASHEBORO HOSPITAL

Mrs. W. P. Ivey, 82, died Saturday night, March 28, in an Asheville hospital after an illness of six years, and the funeral services were held in the Lenoir Methodist church last Monday afternoon. Rev. J. C. Cornett conducted these services and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Ivey was born in the Sherrill's Ford community of Catawba county on August 23, 1860, a daughter of the late Elbert L. and Mrs. Julia Nantz Sherrill, both of Sherrill's Ford. She attended Greensboro College and later became a teacher in her home town.

Mrs. Ivey was married to Dr. W. P. Ivey of Lenoir in 1887, moving shortly afterward to Morganton when he was appointed resident physician at the state hospital there. Dr. Ivey went to Lenoir to begin practice a year later, continuing to his death in 1912.

Surviving Mrs. Ivey are four daughters, Mrs. M. H. Courtney and Mrs. Paul M. Sherrill, both of Charlotte; Mrs. Marvin of Spartanburg, S. C., and Mrs. B. F. Williams of Lenoir; two sons, W. R. Ivey of Charlotte and Dr. Hubert Ivey of Legion, Texas.

TO THE CHURCH WOMEN OF NORTH CAROLINA

Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, executive secretary of the N. C. Council of Churches, writes:

"It is our pleasure to announce that on the afternoons of April 8 and 9, at our Convocation of Churches in Burlington, we are to have with us Mrs. Andrew Dale of Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. Dale is the vice president-at-large of the newly organized United Council of Church Women. She is responsible for the Southeastern district, consisting of Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

This newly organized United Council of Church Women represents some 70 denominations and more than 10,000,000 Protestant church women.

It is our hope that every denomination of the state will have its representative leaders present for both afternoon sessions, when Mrs. Dale will present the plans and programs of the United Council of Church Women. Mrs. Walter P. Sprunt of Wilmington will be the presiding officer."

MINISTERS WIVES OF ASHEVILLE DISTRICT TO MEET APRIL 6

The ministers' wives of the Asheville district will meet Monday, April 6, at the S. & W. Cafeteria in Asheville for the regular quarterly luncheon. The business session will be held before lunch, beginning at 11 o'clock, lunch at 12 o'clock. If you plan to attend please notify Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., 25 Balm Grove Street, West Asheville.

Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., Sec.

DEDICATION ON CONWAY CHARGE

Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate our church at Severn, April 5 at 8 p. m. All former pastors are invited to be present.

L. C. Brothers, P. C.

India's 46th Century

Forty-five centuries ago there were cities gray with age in the Indus Valley in Northwest India. Women with bracelets of silver, clad in garments of cotton or wool, bearing on their heads pottery jars to fill at tinkling fountains and walked past buildings fantastically sculptured. There were wise men setting down stringed instruments, there was peace in a world torn, then as now, by violence.

India must have fascinated the imaginations of remote peoples, in 2500 B. C. as in A. D. 1942. The richness of her past, the majesty and charm of her associations, have been a magic in men's minds. Her conquerors bowed before her: the Aryan-speaking warriors of 2000 B. C., Alexander and his Macedonians, the Persians, the Greeks, the Mongols, the Turks. She was the mother of languages and of religions. The dreadful reality of life on the baked plains, the sublimity of the great northern hills, drove her toward mysticism. Gods, great and small, haunted and still haunt the minds of her inhabitants. Siva and Vishnu stood in the silence behind the great commanders. Amerlane, the Mahrattas, Clive, Hastings, Dyer of Amritsar—these went by, but even in our own day Tagore wrote poems more powerful than deeds, and a handful of man named Gandhi ruled the thoughts of millions of East Indians.

Freedom, complete and unquestioned, India never found during historic time. She was not free when the British came. She has not been united except under the British Raj. But the longings for freedom has grown among her millions of inhabitants, speaking their scores of languages, adhering to their two major religions and their dozens of minority faiths. The quest for the eternal and the struggle for the handful of grain that keeps a man alive have been India's opposing preoccupations. The grain she has secured—why else should the population have more than doubled since the Mutiny? The eternal begins to take a temporal form—how shall this birthplace of civilization again be made fruitful and independent?

This is the question to which not only India but Britain and the United States and the rest of the united nations, must find an answer. Sir Stafford Cripps is trying to bring an answer on behalf of the British government. But it is not easy to find a formula that will keep more than 70,000,000 Moslems and nearly 300,000,000 Hindus from each other's throats.

What is certain is this: that if India does not unite, with the help of the united nations, to save herself, there is grave danger that she will become the victim of another barbarian invasion. The defeat of the Axis powers will open her road to freedom. Their victory would close it for endless years.

An Indian nation may or may not be possible. Whether India is internally one people, or two peoples, or many peoples, is perhaps of less importance than whether she is allied, or not allied, with the forces on this earth now fighting for civilization. Her races, her religions have at least the motive for at least a temporary submergence of their differences.

As for Britain, whatever rule of force she has had in India is dying. The rule of good-will must supplant it. —Editorial N. Y. Times.

A NEW CRUCIFIXION

By Walton W. Rankin

One of the common practices of Christians in the Lenten season is to reflect on the sufferings of Christ, his crucifixion and death. In addition to recalling Christ's temptation in the wilderness, Lent summons up the events of the last days of Jesus' earthly life. In the trial and crucifixion of Jesus, Christians will discern a prototype of world events today.

The confronting of Pontius Pilate by Jesus was one of those dramatic moments in history which sum up in a single instant the ways of men over thousands of years. The fundamental conflict was not between Jesus and the Jews, but between Jesus and the Roman authority. There should be no confusion on the point. Modern critical and historical scholarship have relieved Christians of the unfortunate and painful notion that the Jews were responsible for the execution of Jesus, a notion which has persisted for hundreds of years. The blame for the crucifixion is fixed solely and squarely on Pilate.

Crucifixion was the Roman method of execution. Had Jesus been executed by the Jews (and it is known that at this time the Jews had the right of executing for religious offenses) he would have been stoned or decapitated. This fundamental fact, which cannot be reiterated too much or too often, should influence the Lenten meditations of Christians in 1942.

In the trial, as in the crucifixion, of Jesus, there is a prefiguring of what is happening in these times. Pilate in the Praetorium, backed by the emblems of the fasces, symbolizes the totalitarianism which is in our day seeking to crucify Jesus afresh. Pilate was typical of totalitarian authority in any age. He had no conception of, or desire to find out, what Jesus' message was.

For Pilate religion, in so far as it entered his life, was an affair of the state, to be administered by the state, in the interest of the state. As far as Jesus was concerned, there was only one thing which Pilate wished to know, namely, whether Jesus had any pretensions to being "King of the Jews." In the end Pilate preferred to believe that Jesus did wish to become King of the Jews and had him crucified.

The religion which Jesus preached in the world was essentially the religion of democracy. Its characteristic notes were freedom, equality, brotherhood. It spoke of the infinite worth of every individual human person and of God as the earnest Father of forgiving love.

To the pagans of old and to the Nazis and Fascists of today this religion is unintellgible, meaningless. Hatred of democracy inevitably carries with it a hatred of the Christian religion.—The Christian Leader.

SPRING LUNCHEON OF MINISTERS' WIVES

The annual spring luncheon of the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference was held at the First Baptist church at High Point, March 13, during the conference session of Woman's Society of Christian Service.

A most unusual program was given on the Mountains and Mountaineers. A mountain worship service was given by Mrs. F. O. Dryman. A very humerous feature of the program was a hill-billy band composed of the wives of the district superintendents. A curb quiz was conducted by Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. A very attractive menu was planned by Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle, and served by the ladies of the First Baptist church.

The following officers were elected to serve for this year: Mrs. J. M. Brandon, Jr., recording secretary; Mrs. T. H. Swofford, corresponding secretary; Mrs. C. E. Rozelle, historian.

The Great Chinese Migration

Cruelty of Japanese Armies Move Millions from Their Homes and Results in Great Suffering

By CHAS. A. LEONARD, SR.

Never in the history of mankind has there been so great a movement of men, women and children as during the past few years in China, where the Japanese armies have fought the defenseless Chinese and brought about such trying conditions that they have had to leave their homes, farms and places of business.

The Chinese are a peace loving people, as we are, and did not prepare for war, even as we, too, had not prepared. Chinese troops have had to fight well-equipped forces both along the coastal regions and also interior far up the Yangtze river. When retreating, these Chinese have found it advisable to use the "scorched earth policy," the allied armies are doing in the Netherland East Indies, Burma, and elsewhere. Everything of value to the enemy is destroyed, thus making it hard for the Japanese to find suitable shelter, food and fuel; also railways, bridges and roads. Even the carts, wagons and animals are sometimes destroyed so these will not fall into the hands of the invaders. This, of course, works a hardship on such people as are left behind. Then when the Japanese are sometimes driven back they, when retreating, destroy whatever is left. This is done because they hate the Chinese, and so these will be put to a disadvantage. The people are, it will be seen, left with almost nothing.

But worse than all this, wherever the Japanese soldiers go they often seize and outrage the women, and then frequently kill them. They kill off many young men who may not have fled, and all men of military age are slain, if thought to have worked against the Japanese, or they are forced to take up arms against their own people as soldiers for Japan. The Japanese took no prisoners in Manchuria, but killed all who fell into their hands. Then, too, where the Japanese get control they take from the people everything of value. When they entered northern China during World War I to attack on land Tsingtau, the German port on the coast of Shantung Province, though traveling through a neutral country, the soldiers occupied the best homes, forced the Chinese to furnish food and serve them, the Japanese government providing only a little rice. There was much looting. When the Chinese offered opposition to this and to the outraging of their women, they were sabered or shot. When we exposed these atrocities through the Associated Press and papers in China, the Japanese military not only sought to arrest us, but certain prominent people in America, duped, decorated, and otherwise favored by the Japanese government, called upon the American public not to believe such reports, claiming that the Japanese could not posibly be guilty of such things, and that the missionary making such charges was evidently a spy working for the Germans. When later the facts became better known, these people neither opened their mouths nor moved their pens. Japan has spent millions of dollars on taking parties to Japan for propaganda purposes, and here in America to lead our people to believe that she could do no wrong.

Now that China has been entered as an enemy country, Japan is bleeding the people and the country to the very limit, as she has bled Formosa and Korea. In Manchuria, where we have now labored these past 16 years, the 35,000,000 Chinese, Korean and Russian inhabitants are virtually slaves. All firearms have been taken from them, so they are defenseless. The people have been so cruelly treated and intimidated that they fear the Japanese as they would devils. Not only was the country seized politically, but everything that brings in money has been taken over by the Japanese people or by their government. Yes, conditions there are indeed very bad; but in China proper, where Japan has met with greater resistance and the people poorer, the state of affairs can be described only by the expression "hell on earth," a terrible situation involving such destruction and distress as has never before been known in the world's history.

Under such conditions does one wonder that some fifty millions of people have fled before these terrible, cruel, ruthless armies which have invaded the most densely populated regions of China? Is there any wonder that Baptists of the South, have determined to contribute this spring thousands of dollars to save from starvation the millions of China who have been so mistreated and are dying for lack of food, clothing and shelter?

WHAT IS SUCCESS?

It's doing your work the best you can,
And being just to your fellow-man;
It's making money, but holding your friends,
And staying true to your aims and ends.
It's figuring how and learning why,
And knowing where the pitfalls lie.
It's dreaming a little and doing much;
It's keeping always in closest touch
With what is finest in word and deed;
It's being thorough, yet making speed;
It's daring blithely the field of chance
With making labor a brave romance;
It's going onward despite defeat,
And fighting staunchily, but keeping sweet;
It's being clean and playing fair;
It's laughing lightly at Dame Despair;
It's looking up at the stars above,
And drinking deeply of life and love;
It's struggling on with a cheerful grin,
It's heeding the cry in the tempest's din;
And making better this good old earth;
It's sharing sorrow, and work and mirth;
It's serving, striving, through strain and stress;
It's doing your noblest—That's Success.

—Author unknown.

Henry Drummond said—"Ten minutes spent in Christ's society every day, aye two minutes, if it be face to face and heart to heart, will make the whole life different."

The greatest of faults, I should say, is to be conscious of none.—Carlyle.

Mid-Year N. C. Missionary Conferences, April, 7-9

JARVIS MEMORIAL CHURCH
Greenville, N. C., April 7, 1942

DR. J. M. ORMOND, Presiding

Morning

10:00 Worship: Rev. Leon Russell, pastor Centenary, New Bern.
10:40 World Missions in World Reconstruction: Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University, China.
11:35 For the Living of These Days: Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president Woman's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Church.
12:25 A Ministry for Today: Bishop Clare Purcell, presiding bishop in North Carolina.

Afternoon

2:00 Report of President Woman's Society of Christian Service, N. C. Conference, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick.
2:15 Conference Missionary Program: Rev. F. S. Love, conference missionary secretary.
2:30 Channels of Missionary Action: Mrs. J. D. Bragg.
3:10 Future Missions in China: Dr. Y. C. Yang.

Evening

F. S. Love, Presiding

7:30 Worship: Rev. W. C. Ball, pastor Queen Street, Kinston.
7:45 China Today: Dr. Y. C. Yang.
8:20 The Great Commission Still Stands: Bishop Paul B. Kern, presiding bishop, Nashville Area.

GRACE METHODIST CHURCH
Wilmington, N. C., April 8, 1942

DR. J. M. ORMOND, Presiding

Morning

10:00 Worship: Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville.
10:40 For the Living of These Days: Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president Woman's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Church.
11:35 World Missions in World Reconstruction: Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University, China.
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EDENTON STREET CHURCH
Raleigh, N. C., April 9, 1942

DR. J. M. ORMOND, Presiding

Morning

10:00 Worship: Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor Duke Memorial, Durham.
10:40 World Missions in World Reconstruction: Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University, China.
11:30 A Ministry for Today: Bishop Clare Purcell.
12:00 The Present World Situation: What Is the Way Out? Dr. John R. Mott, honorary president International Missionary Council.

Afternoon

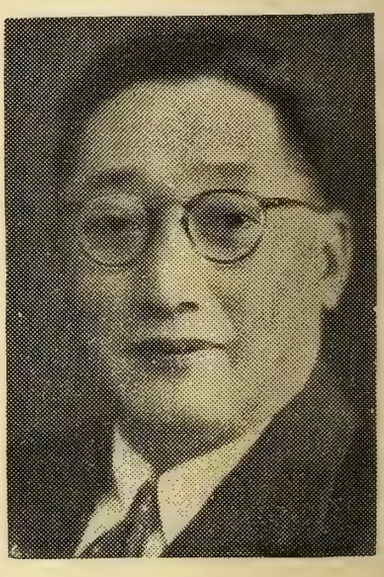
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7:30 Worship: Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, executive secretary N. C. Board of Education, Durham.
7:45 For the Living of These Days: Mrs. J. D. Bragg.
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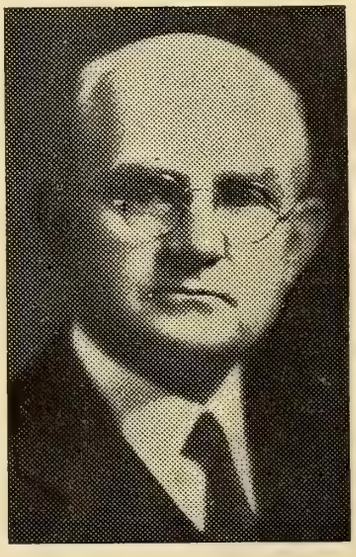
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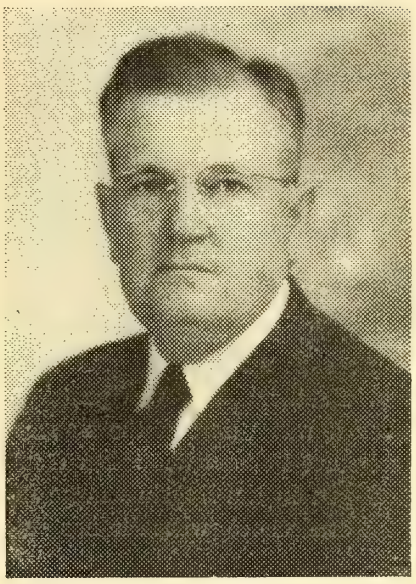
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Bishop Clare Purcell



Mrs. E. L. Hillman,
President Jurisdictional Woman's Society of Christian Service



Dr. F. S. Love

Easter

By REV. J. S. HIATT

Life is never so beautiful as when it comes up fresh in the spring, when the birds, with their beautiful songs, return from the southland. The plants wake from their long winter's sleep and come forth in search of air and light. The trees that have apparently been dead spring into new life as the sap rises and the buds burst into growing leaves. On the 21st of March spring came across the hills wearing her golden slippers, with her breath exhaling the sweetest perfumes and with the pussy willow blossoms decked in her golden hair. Spring brings a message of the newness of life. Easter day is one of the happiest seasons of the year, because it was on this day, in the spring time, that Jesus rose from the dead. The date of Easter like the Jewish Passover depends upon the moon. Easter always comes on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the 21st of March, when the sun crosses the Equator on its journey northward.

1. Why are eggs and bunnies associated with Easter? In olden times and even today in some countries, the rabbit is a symbol of the moon. Why we cannot tell. Perhaps it is because the bunny comes to eat at night when the moon is shining. When we see Easter rabbits displayed in store windows we can ascertain at once that Easter is coming. But the Easter egg is more popular than the bunnies. The practice of giving eggs to friends is much older than Easter. Why the custom originated we do not know. It was practiced among the Hindus and Egyptians long before Jesus came into the world. We are told that three thousand years ago many of the ancients had a custom of placing eggs on the tombs of the dead or paint them on coffins. The reason for this, they believed in that far off day that just as the bird or chicken is hatched out of the egg, in some way another life would come out of the old dead one. To them the egg symbolized immortality or life eternal.

2. Ways and customs of celebrating Easter. At Mt. Rubidoux Riverside, California, thousands of worshippers gather each year to greet the sunrise of Easter morning. At Asheville many of the young people from the churches climb Sunset Mountain to celebrate at sunrise the glad story of His resurrection on Easter morning. Our Moravian friends send their musicians over Winston-Salem, playing beautiful Easter music. At sunrise a beautiful service is conducted by the Moravian bishop, commemorating the death and resurrection of our Lord. In all of our churches it is a day of joy, beautiful music, high resolve and confession of faith.

3. What does Easter mean to the church and the believer? Charles Frohman standing on the deck of the sinking "Lusitania" said to his friends, "Death is the most beautiful adventure of life." He was going out but not without hope, a port was in sight. Why? Because Jesus died and rose again. The prophet Job struggling toward the light asked, "If a man die shall he live again?" Jesus has answered the question that puzzled the mind of the man of patience. He says, I am the resurrection and the life." Easter to the church and to the believer means gladness. We have hope, because he lives we shall live also. The scientist says that man may live again, for harvest follows seed time and if God can bring to life the tiny seeds that lie buried in the earth, will he neglect the soul of man made in his own image? Jesus says: "I have tasted death for every man. I have brought life and immortality to light." "O grave, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?" The beautiful lilies that adorn our pulpits at Easter time speak to us of life; death has given way to the more abundant life in nature. We do not have to prove immortality, it is here. Jesus is saying to his followers, "In my Father's house are many mansions, I go to prepare a place for you. In a city foursquare his servants shall serve him: and they shall see his face."

"Some day the silver cord will break,
And I no more as now shall sing;
But oh, the joy when I awake
Within the palace of my King,
And I shall see him face to face
And tell the story, Saved by grace."

MESSAGE FROM CHAS. W. CLAY

Many of our friends are probably wondering what has happened to us, as we were supposed to have sailed for Brazil the first of this year.

Back in January and February we made several attempts to get out of the country by boat, but without success. When it became apparent that it would be practically impossible for us to return by ship, the board of missions decided to send us by plane from Miami to Rio. We came immediately to Miami and have been here a month, waiting for space on a plane to carry us back to our work. There is no way of telling how much longer we will be here.

The Florida sunshine is fine, reminding us of Brazil, but in our anxiety to get back to the work which awaits us we can hardly appreciate it as we should.

The people here have been lovely to us. They have asked us to speak so many times that I am afraid Miami Methodists will never again want to hear about Brazil! Besides ourselves there are two more of our Brazilian missionaries here, one having already flown to Brazil.

Chas. W. Clay.

FIRST SERMON LAST SUNDAY IN NEW PELHAM CHURCH

Rev. James Fowler, the pastor of the Ruffin charge of which Pelham is one of the churches, delivered the first sermon in that beautiful church last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The people of Pelham had said that their pastor, who had led in the building of the church, must preach the opening sermon. In this their judgment was sound. The big congregation was happy to be in their new church, which is first class in every way and will meet the needs of the community for years to come.

Rev. J. H. Shore, retired member of the North Carolina conference who lives in Roxboro, preached in the afternoon. Brother Shore was pastor of this church years ago when it was a part of the Yanceyville circuit. About 20 years since Pelham was taken from the Yanceyville circuit and put on the Ruffin charge in the Western North Carolina conference, where it has remained.

J. H. Shore in speaking of the Cleveland panic in the nineties when he was pastor of this church, said that the Yanceyville people gave him so many things that at one time he had ten hams hoarded in the parsonage. That sounded to us like a tall story when we recalled that most people could not get corn bread and molasses even for breakfast in that panic, which was the greatest of all panics.

Brother Jim Fowler promised to send a description and picture of the church for this issue of the Advocate, but it has not arrived. He perhaps is holding these for the dedication which is just ahead, as the church is practically all paid for. We know of no man who has wrought so excellently as this young Methodist preacher who went to Ruffin three and one-half years ago, and now each congregation has a new church and no debts. The other two churches have already been dedicated and this soon will be.

This scribe is indebted to District Superintendent Hayes for the privilege of attending the afternoon of that great day at Pelham, because he has auto tires and we have none. It is great to have that sort of superintendent.

NEW CHURCH AT HUDSON UNDER CONSTRUCTION

We have had practically all the money in hand since the middle of December, but one complication after another has arisen to block us. Now it can be said that work has definitely started. Practically all the excavation has been finished, part of the material is on the ground, the contractor is on the job with a good force of workmen, and the walls will have begun to rise before this appears in print, unless the weather interferes.

The plans were drawn by Mr. H. N. Haines, architect for the Duke Foundation. The Foundation has been very generous in granting aid for this enterprise. (Aside from the Foundation gift more than 99 per cent of the funds were contributed by the members of the congregation). The building will be in the shape of an L, with the entrance at the point of the angle. The auditorium will have a seating capacity of 180 which can be increased by 75 or more by opening folding doors. The pulpit will be at the front of the auditorium. There will be three large departmental rooms, eight class rooms, vestry and kitchen. The rear of the buliding will be two stories and basement with lavatories on each floor. The walls will be constructed of cinder block and brick. When finished it will be a credit to the little band of Methodists at Hudson who have, many of them, really sacrificed in order that they might have an adequate plant in which to worship and serve.

Methodism was organized in this village about the beginning of the century. The building which is being displaced by the present structure, and on the same site, was built about 35 years ago.

Old Collier's church, one of the oldest Methodist churches in Caldwell county, has recently provided three additional class rooms, and installed a heating plant that really heats.

The Hudson charge is made up of a fine and loyal people. This preacher is enjoying himself even if the work is hard.

Robert E. Hunt.

IN BEHALF OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

The attitude of the country as a whole toward the conscientious objector may be described in a word commonly used by the doctor in reporting the condition of a patient, "satisfactory." One reason is that the church (our branch at least) is on record as upholding him. Likewise the United States government is committed to a consideration of his case. The second reason is that comparatively there are so few of them that they can apparently have but little effect on the final outcome of the present world struggle. However, while they are few it seems most likely they represent many others who do not have the moral courage to take a public stand, those who have no faith in war in this respect. But for the vast majority, no doubt, there seems to be nothing to do now but fight it out although it may mean something akin to the Dark Ages again. The position of many, both for and against, has been made clear to them. They know where they stand and why. The conscientious objector is sure of his stand against.

Why tolerate the conscientious objector? What hope does he hold for the world? While I am not fully committed to his viewpoint it seems to me he ought to be tolerated, and more, because it is a healthy sign for Christ's cause to have those among us who are so opposed to the principles of war and its evil results as to take the hard way to prove their convictions. I feel that they definitely hold out hope of our arriving at some time at a Christian order because they have literally the account of Christ in renouncing war and going to the cross.

Personally knowing at least one CO I am convinced that he is willing to suffer for anything even to the giving of his life so strongly does he disbelieve in the way of war. Who knows but that this kind of spirit will be the means in the hands of God of bringing about final and complete cessation of wars? How else will it be done? In "The Story of the Art of Building" by P. Leslie Waterhouse, M.A., pages 68 and 69, the author, commenting on the Colosseum in connection with the gladiatorial shows, says: "Such a building, persistently devoted to the most brutal contests, was a typical product of Roman civilization. For more than 300 years it was the scene of bloody contests of gladiators and prisoners, and echoed with the multitude's 'loud roared applause, as man was slaughtered by his fellowman,' until the year A.D. 403, when the better feeling of the people was aroused by the self-sacrifice of a monk named Telemachus. His story is the one redeeming feature in the long history of the Colosseum. In order to protest against the wanton cruelty the monk rushed on the arena, and fell a victim to the rage of the spectators; but the moral effect was such that slaughter in the arena was discontinued." If young men are willing to expose their lives to the point of death itself in the hope of offering an effectual means of bringing about, once and for all, of human slaughter by war do they not deserve the full support of the Christian people? Perhaps they, regarding all other means as having failed, see this as the only way with hope that is left.

As far as I know Calvary Methodist church, High Point, of which I am pastor, has the only Methodist CO in this conference in a civilian service camp. He is a well-prepared and most promising young layman who has meant much to his church and his district. His unshaken convictions have taken him to this camp. His expenses are $35 per month. His family is providing a good portion of the amount. Friends have brought the pledges to a total of $26.50 per month and a few have made small gifts. Quite a number of the pastors of the conference have made pledges. It has been suggested to the writer by several interested persons that others who are interested in the matter might help if they knew of the case. The Advocate can carry this report easier than any other medium.

John R. Brown (no relation of mine) is the young man I refer to. Some who do not wholly agree with him are coming to his relief financially because they have faith in him and faith in Christ to lead him aright. Pledge cards will be mailed by me to any and all communicating with me about the matter. The cards explain themselves. When sufficient pledges have been made a notice to that effect will be inserted in the Advocate.

O. L. Brown.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

The Charlotte district check-up meeting will be held in First church, Charlotte, Friday, April 10. The meeting will convene at 10 a. m. and adjourn for luncheon at 1 p. m. at Efird's dining room. All pastors are expected to attend. In addition to the pastors, the following churchmen will be with us: Bishop Clare Purcell, J. B. Ivey, chairman of committee on hospitals and homes, J. J. Akers, treasurer district ministerial support fund, F. A. Wilkinson, treasurer of the district fund, and Guy O. Bagwell, district lay leader.

G. T. Bond, D.S.

Join the Victory Parade!

PASTORS WHO WIN THEIR QUOTA FOR THEIR CHURCH PAPER WILL WIN A PLACE IN THE VICTORY PARADE

Already some are out in front and are still marching onward, so fall in the big parade along with these

A Few Who Have Reached Their Quota (One for Every Fifty Members)

E. L. KIRK, Cliffside-Avondale.
J. W. SNEEDEN, Mebane.
J. O. ERVIN, Farmer.
J. G. WILKINSON, Dallas.
T. V. CROUSE, Haw River.
C. H. HILL, Liberty Ct.
J. C. GENTRY, So. Davidson.
J. J. BOONE, Graham.
J. F. STARNES, Carver's Creek.
E. A. BINGHAM, Albemarle Ct.
F. A. WRIGHT, Mocksville Ct.
J. R. WARREN, Indian Trail-Stallings.
S. F. NICKS, Hillsboro.
A. C. SWOFFORD, Haywood, Asheville.
AUBERT M. SMITH, Jackson Park.
W. H. YOKELEY, Mitchells-Vickory.
A. C. WAGGONER, N. Wilkesboro.
R. ODELL BROWN, Pilot Mountain.
H. M. McLAMB, Fairmont, Raleigh.
JOHN W. MOORE, Central, Mooresville.
J. E. PRITCHARD, Ramseur-Franklinville.
G. W. BLOUNT, Spring Hope.
M. C. HENDERSON, Saxapahaw.
O. J. JONES, Madison.
JOHN CLINE, Branson, Durham.
S. A. MAXWELL, Aberdeen-Vass.
W. A. TEW, Riverside-Bridgeton.
C. B. PEACOCK, W. Halifax.
W. B. COTTON, Mt. Herman.
L. E. SAWYER, Marshallburg.
R. S. HARRISON, Southport.
D. D. BROOME, Littleton Ct.
J. W. BRADLEY, Princeton.
W. O. WELDON, China Grove.
C. W. RUSSELL, Summerfield.
O. W. DOWD, Dunn.
W. F. ELLIOTT, Stedman.

DR. HENRY CLAY MORRISON COMPLETES HIS CAREER ON EARTH

Friends of Dr. Morrison in Greensboro several days ago picked up a broadcast from Asbury College in Wilmore, Ky., which announced that Dr. H. C. Morrison, president emeritus of Asbury College, died Tuesday, March 24, at some point in Tennessee, where he was holding a revival meeting. He had preached Sunday and Monday and died early Tuesday morning. Dr. Morrison was 85 years old, and had worked to the last in his loved employ of calling sinners to repentance as he was accustomed to say.

The funeral services in the presence of a congregation that packed the spacious Asbury College auditorium was held Friday, March 27, and interment was in the Wilmore cemetery.

Asbury College stands as a monument to Dr. Morrison, who did more than any other man for that college which has sent Christian missionaries to every part of the earth. E. Stanley Jones is Asbury's most eminent alumnus and missionary, but there are others.

Even after he retired from the active presidency of the college and became president emeritus, Dr. Morrison's interest continued unabated in the institution to which he had devoted so many years of his life. While interested in education his most passionate interest was in preaching in revival meetings. He was an ardent believer in mass evangelism.

Henry Clay Morrison was a very unusual man in many respects. His personal appearance attracted attention in any and every assembly. And upon the platform or in the pulpit he was representative of the best that Kentucky, noted for its orators, has produced. He was well known in North Carolina. When Bishop U. V. W. Darlington was the bishop in charge, he secured Dr. Morrison as conference preacher, and he delivered lectures on preaching repeatedly at the Duke pastors' school. Dr. Morrison being a member of the Kentucky annual conference, was for years a well known and influential member of our general conferences, and continued to serve till a few years ago when he asked to retire from the work.

NEWS FROM GASTONIA DISTRICT

Dr. Frank S. Hickman of Duke University met with the ministers of Gastonia district in their annual retreat at Main Street church, Gastonia, Monday, March 23, at ten o'clock. He brought two penetrating and spiritually enriching messages that were followed by a round table discussion in which a number of the ministers participated. Thirty-four of the thirty-eight pastors of the district were present.

Rehobeth church on the Polkville charge has recently paid off a debt of $1560 and is now ready for dedication. Mt. Harmony church on the same charge recently burned and plans for rebuilding are already under way.

George W. Clay of the Fallston charge boasts one of the finest parsonages in the district. It was recently erected at a cost of $6000.

King's Mountain, Central, is refurnishing its parsonage at a cost of more than $600.

The Lowesville circuit has plans well under way for a new parsonage, has doubled its World Service offering, and in other ways has shown much improvement to the delight of its pastor, Rev. C. L. Grant.

Our district conference meets with Brother Grant at Hill's Chapel May 7.

Rev. A. L. Rayle continues very ill at his home in Stanley, Rev. J. M. Morgan, pastor of the Bellwood charge, is undergoing treatment at the Gamble Hospital in Lincolnton.

J. G. Wilkinson, Reporter.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THE RISEN CHRIST

Beside an open tomb there stands
The risen Christ with outstretched hands.
It is yet early but the dawn
Is surely, slowly, coming on
With all the light on land and sea
Gathered in its intensity.

And He who had been sacrificed:
The living, loving(loyal Christ,
Who has proclaimed, "I am the Light."
A torch set burning high and white,
Stands in the shadows, cool and dim,
Waiting to draw all men to Him.

The moon may wane, the sun grow pale,
But His white light will never fail.

—Grace Noll Crowell.

INTERESTING INFORMATION

Mrs. V. F. Devinney, executive secretary of the Woman's Section of Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, gives us the following interesting statistics of our Woman's Societies of Christian Service, taken from reports from the various conferences. These reports total the following:

Total number of societies 25,719; number of members 1,250,009; number of new societies 2,690; number of new members, 119,336. Including in these reports those received from the Wesleyan Service Guild, organizations and members, the grand totals are 27,669 societies and 1,285,648 members.

Mrs. Devinney says: "Let us thank God and take courage for our organizational growth and the growing unity and solidarity evidenced in this new organization gives assurance that the Woman's Society of Christian Service has passed the stage of experimentation and is now a stable organization. With confidence in God's leadership and our own high purpose, we are now ready to undertake vaster enterprises for the kingdom of God."

MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY OF MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

Dear Co-Worker:

The study work for 1941 was "the best ever" and I thank you sincerely for your splendid co-operation. I am sure you are already planning your classes for 1942 and I am glad there will be little change in our methods. We will continue to have both jurisdictional and conference classes. The time requirement for the jurisdictional class is the same—at least four sessions of 1 1-2 hours each. If your women will give this much time for classes, then write to me at once for a jurisdictional report blank. Study the requirements printed on the blank and see if you can't meet them. It is not as difficult to have a jurisdictional class as many secretaries seem to think. This class is made up of the women who read the book and try to come to each meeting. The other women who attend are counted as visitors.

Of course you know that a conference class is any good class (using one of our textbook) that does not measure up to a jurisdictional class—such as an all day study. Your report blanks for your conference classes are in your corresponding secretary's book. Please report promptly each quarter, even if you have not had a class.

We have such a wide variety of topics that I am sure you can find several especially suited to your group. Last fall more than 200 societies studied "A Christian Imperative" and it can be used through 1942. You will find "Christian Roots of Democracy in America" particularly interesting and suitable at this time. The new series under the topic "The Christian Home" is fine and so are all the Bible studies. Also you can get jurisdictional and conference credit on "The Methodist Meeting House," the book the pastor will teach in his school of missions.

Each society that studies three books during the year will get on the conference honor roll for study and make Point Five on the Efficiency Aim. To encourage the new and weaker societies, each society that has an increase of one study also makes Point 5 on the Efficiency Aim. For example, if they have never had a study before this year, they can make Point 5. Next year they would have to have two studies and the third year have three studies. No society is required to have more than three studies, though many now have four.

Begin now planning to attend our training class at Duke University during the Pastors' School. We will have a splendid five-day training course and the cost for registration, room and meals will be about $5. The date will probably be the first week in June. In times like these we need so much to know just what Christianity is facing and what we may do to help, so urge your women to study more than they have ever done before.

If you need help about your work, write me or write your district secretary of missionary education. We will be so glad to help all we can. We are counting on you to do your best and we know you won't fail us.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. J. W. Payne.

A PERSONAL INVITATION

Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, issues the following invitation to the Woman's Societies of Christian Service throughout Methodism. She says: "At the opening session of the assembly in Columbus, Ohio, May 19, there will be a communion service, conducted by Bishops Lester Smith and Robert E. Jones, both residents of Ohio—a service, which it is anticipated will be a high spiritual hour, setting the tone for the entire meeting." Mrs. Bragg is personally inviting members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service wherever they may be, to enter into this service through meditation and reading of the Scripture. The communion will be observed between 3 p. m. and 4 p. m. Eastern Wartime, so each one will know the hour in her own time zone, at which she should join in the service. "These are days," Mrs. Bragg says, "which require renewing and strengthening of the spiritual forces in the life of every Christian. Methodist women are called to unitedly bow in penitence and humility as they face the challenge of the days ahead. The invitation of the Lord is heard again, 'Whosoever will, let him come.' Anyone wishing to follow the communion meditation which will be used in Columbus may receive, upon request, a copy to be sent in ample time for May 19, 1942. Address Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President, 3666A Montana Street, St. Louis, Mo."

SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN WOMAN'S WORK AT LENOIR

Mrs. W. I. Pitts, recording secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of First church, Lenoir, writes us most interestingly of the achievements of her society for the past year and the splendid prospects for another year of success. She says: "We have a good working organization with a good president in the person of Mrs. S. T. Ingram, who is always on the job. All phases of the work are functioning properly, according to reports given at monthly meetings and each officer is interested and zealous.

"The society has seven circles and the week of prayer programs were put on in the circles, and in that way almost 200 women were reached and donations almost trebled the usual amounts. Pledge services were held at the January circle meetings instead of at the church meeting, and every woman pledges and is a part of the W. S. C. S. Each circle adopts a family at the beginning of the year and tries in every way to bring that family to a higher plane of citizenship as well as seeing that the children are well fed and in church school.

"Our C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities department is most active with Mrs. L. A. Spurling as secretary. In addition to meeting its financial obligations in full, this society gave generous donations to Red Cross and to T. B. fund."

We congratulate this group of efficient and interested women on their success in the past year and wish for them still greater achievements in 1942.—Mrs. W. R. H.

He who overlooks a fault invites the commission of another—Ephream Syrus.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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ORGANIZATION 1941

When Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, made her report at the annual conference in Raleigh last month she revealed the fact that the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. number 494 local societies with 20,628 members and that a net gain of 33 societies was realized last year. That is a most gratifying report, and yet there are many churches in the conference where the women are not organized. The women in those churches are lacking a vast amount of joy of Christian service in the cause of missions and this year every effort should be made to organize a W. S. C. S. in every church in the conference—certainly in every charge. Some districts have gone far toward reaching that goal and the district secretaries are desirous of assisting in any possible way in organizing unorganized churches.

WRITE TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

On page five of the March 19 issue of the N. C. Christian Advocate the readers were apprised of a recommendation by the department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities of the N. C. Conference, which was presented by Mrs. J. H. Cutchin and adopted by the annual conference in session in Raleigh. We are grateful to Dr. Plyler that he gave this vital item so prominent a place on the editorial page. Women of the N. C. conference would deem it a joy and a privilege—even a duty to write President Roosevelt concerning this matter of using the powers of his influence to protect our nation from the evils of legalized liquor, also to pledge ourselves anew to the cause of temperance. Let's see to it that President Franklin Delano Roosevelt is aware that the women of North Carolina are thoroughly awakened to the evils of alcohol and to their determination to do something to eradicate these evils.

MID YEAR CONFERENCE

Rev. F. S. Love of Burlington, conference missionary secretary, announces a three day event in the N. C. conference which will bring to those attending much information, pleasure and inspiration. The mid-winter missionary conference, in which the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. is co-operating will be held at Jarvis Memorial Methodist church, Greenville, on April 7; Grace Methodist church, Wilmington, April 8, and at Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, April 9. The program will be practically identical in every place, with the exception of the fact that at Wilmington there will be no evening meeting and the personnel of the leaders of the worship periods will vary. Of particular interest to the women will be the two addresses by Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, Mo., president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. Mrs. Bragg is a forceful speaker and a possessor of a most pleasing personality. She will address the conferences on the subjects: "The Channels of Missionary Action" and "For the Living of These Days." In addition to Mrs. Bragg other speakers will be Dr. John R. Mott, world-wide Christian; Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University, China; Bishop Clare Purcell; Bishop Paul Kern; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, and Rev. F. S. Love. Women of the N. C. conference should avail themselves of the opportunities of these momentous days and should attend the conference in the churches in the respective areas. All meetings will convene at 10 a. m.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The service of memorial for deceased members of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. was held during the annual meeting and was led by Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep of Elizabeth City. Impressive and heart searching was Mrs. Sheep's presentation of the theme: "Immortality, Or Continunity of Life." She said: "The finest way we can honor those who have gone before us is to continue the tasks which they began toward a better understanding of God's creatures, mankind. . . . There is only one way to prepare for immortality and that is to live this life and live it as bravely and as cheerfully as we can. Remember, God does not hold us responsible for success, but for faithfulness." On the communion table in front of Mrs. Sheep was placed four silver candlesticks in each of which was a silver candle and on each candle was a letter, the four making the letters W. S. C. S.. Mrs. Sheep gave several meaningful phrases for these initials, among which were: "World-wide Sisterhood Communion," "Satisfied," "Womanhood Seeking, Claiming Salvation," "World Sisterhood Creates Safety," "World Sympathy church's Solution."

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS

Mrs. W. J. Watson of Moncure writes some interesting experiences as former zone leader in the Elizabeth City district and gives some helpful suggestions concerning worth while zone meetings: "My opinion of the zone meetings," writes Mrs. Watson, "is to develop the women for greater service. During the four years I served on the zone the chairman, vice chairman and secretary met and arranged the program at least two weeks in advance of the zone meeting. We endeavored to have every society represented on the program. The zone secretary notified the presidents of every society of the time and place for the meeting. The zone chairman wrote the presidents, informing each of the part which had been assigned to her society. This method increased interest and developed local talent. We urged each society to have a written report and these were recorded in the loose leaf ledger. Much credit is due Mrs. L. L. Gibbs, Mrs. U. H. McClees and Mrs. E. J. Brickhouse for the fine way the minutes of the zone were kept. The zone chairman co-operated with the district secretary in securing a guest speaker. The women of the local societies could be used effectively in presenting all phases of the work and in giving the devotionals. The conference officers co-operated in sending the information to individuals for their special topics. The Methodist Woman, World Outlook, and the woman's page in the N. C. Christian Advocate are full of helps adapted to all lines of woman's work. This plan might not prove helpful in all zones, but it did stimulate interest in the Plymouth zone. The spiritual part of the work was also emphasized. I know of no finer way to create and train the women of local societies than in using them on the programs of the zone meetings. On our previous work we organized one society and re-organized another. It was gratifying to see the number of women taking part in the monthly meetings and in the mission study classes."

NORTHREN ZONE MEETS

One hundred and forty members of Northern zone, Raleigh district, and guests bringing the attendance to approximately two hundred, gathered at First Methodist church, Henderson, on February 27 for the spring meeting of the zone. The morning session was inspirational from the worship service, conducted by Rev. B. C. Reavis, to the noon hour meditation of Mrs. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount, president of Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. Her theme was: "Methodist Women in This Hour of Crisis." The theme for the day was "For the Facing of This Hour." The various conference and zone leaders emphasized this in their messages. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood of Raleigh, conference secretary, gave a report of the recent jurisdictional meeting in Nashville, Tenn. Mrs. T. R. Smith, district secretary, made a report of the district work. A group of young people from Louisburg College and Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the board of Christian education, N. C. conference, presented the four-point program for youth. Miss Gloria Van Dyke sang "I Would Be True." Bonnie Louise Holloway and Scott Parker Peace were presented honorary baby life memberships, and honorary adult life memberships were presented to Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. W. T. Carter and Mrs. Mary Green. The afternoon session, following a bountiful luncheon, was featured by a talk by Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, and an open forum led by Mrs. A. B. Deans. Dr. Walter Patten spoke on Louisburg College. The attendance prize of a subscription to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook was awarded to White Memorial society. Rev. E. D. Dodd of Tar River circuit, pronounced the benediction. Mrs. A. B. Deans, zone leader, presided.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THE BOARD MEETS

Our board of trustees met in semi-annal session at 10:30 Thursday morning, March 26, and for an hour and a half reviewed matters having to do with the welfare of our Home. Following adjournment of the meeting they took a bus ride over the place, including the farm lands, and then had lunch with Mrs. Woosley at the superintendent's home. Those present were R. G. Stockton, Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, George F. Ivey, E. R. Bucher, Rev. R. M. Courtney, T. Austin Finch, James A. Gray, Charles W. Gunter, James G. Hanes, Rev. T. B. Johnson, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, Rev. J. W. Moore and Dr. J. E. Pritchard. They, as usual, attended the meeting at their own travel expense, C. W. Gunter coming from Gastonia by bus in order to conserve tires. Drs. G. Ray Jordan and J. E. Pritchard were welcomed as new members of the board. Other members were detained by sickness or important business engagements that prevented their coming.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Among other matters evaluated by our board of trustees the following facts were presented to them:

The present administration is beginning its thirteenth year of operation.

During the past twelve years 708 children have been received and 488 have been placed into new situations, making a turnover of 1196 boys and girls.

Seven substantial brick buildings and a similar number of wooden buildings have been constructed, the total construction item amounting to well over $200,000.

Over 100 acres of land have been added to our holdings and our farm operations have doubled.

Our capital assets have increased over $400,000, the total now being $1,691,807.79.

A debt of $47,000 was liquidated and for ten years we have run on a balanced budget.

The Home is now entirely free from debt and it is expected that its operations can continue without having to borrow money, our amount of service being determined by the amount of available income.

During 1941 a total of 166,141 days of care were recorded, a day of care meaning all that has to do with the rearing of a child through 24 hours.

The consolidation of the High Point and Winston-Salem Children's Homes has been completed, apparently to the satisfaction of the vast majority of our constituency.

The family was reported to be in a good state of health and growing and developing in a very fine way.

Fifty of our boys were reported to be in the service of our country, none of our young men appearing before a board of examiners having been turned down for physical defects.

The new financial plan for covering expenses was reported to be working in a very fine way.

Buildings were reported to be in a good state of repair and farming and truck farming operations for the present year are expected to be the largest ever attempted.

The family is conserving its resources and entering into every project tending to fit the family for the trying times in which we live, the family not only saving for itself but contributing liberally to worthy causes.



Jean was a star performer

SHE ACTED WELL

The cut presented this week is taken from a snapshot picture of Jean Williams, nearly 14 years of age and in the eighth grade. Jean was a star performer in a very interesting play presented at our school building last Saturday night. She acted her part well, spoke distinctly and made a good impression upon the audience. Jean is sponsored by the Daughters of Wesley Class of First church, Rutherfordton.

THE GIRLS PLAY TOO

A good deal has been said recently about the play life of our boys, how they shoot marbles, pitch horseshoes, play baseball and the like. The girls also have a great deal of organized play life. The younger ones still are practicing basketball while the older girls have completed their scheduled games and have turned to soft baseball. This baseball is taking such a hold on the girls as to make it work hardship on our grass and shrubbery at some places on the campus. Our challenge has been to find sufficient playing space for our big family to be busily engaged at play between four and six o'clock each afternoon.

EASTERN WAR TIME

We are still eating breakfast by the aid of electric lights. The new time does not prove a saving to our family, since our hours were already early. However, in order to tie in with surrounding situations, we are going on Eastern War Time. We have breakfast at six-thirty and supper at six. Some of the youngsters of our family will soon be going to bed before the chickens go to roost. We are not making any complaint, because we want to do everything that helps the sum total of value in the winning of everything that is best for us and everybody else.

JOINING THE CHURCH

Forty-six of our boys and girls joined Centenary Methodist church yesterday. For several preceding Sundays they had received instruction by Rev. H. Grady Hardin, our assistant pastor, as to what it means to be a Christian and how fine it is to be a member of the Methodist Church. Our youngsters look forward to joining the church as a most noteworthy event and a great opportunity in becoming a part of a good organization. The boys and girls were received into church membership by our pastor, Dr. W. A. Stanbury, assisted by Rev. H. Grady Hardin.

NEW BELL RINGERS

The following congregations have paid their ten per cent apportionment in full and are entitled to be listed among that choice company of givers who have met their first obligation. These congregations will continue their giving until they have met their entire quota—the ten per cent apportionment and the supplementary apportionment. In fact, some have already done both. Kindly join us in grateful thanks to these good friends who have made the joy bells ring in our souls:

Bethel, Flat Rock circuit, Rev. E. Paul Hamilton.

Newlin Street, Greensboro, Rev. A. L. Latham.

Pleasant Hill, Candler circuit, Rev. C. W. Bates.

Yadkin, East Spencer-Yadkin, Rev. F. L. Setzer.

BASIS OF ADMITTANCE

A good friend in making application for the admittance of some children into the Children's Home, uses as the chief argument for their admittance the contention that his area is not getting the amount of benefit he thinks should come to it on the basis of the contributions forwarded us. The facts reveal that this particular area is getting twice as much in service as its contributions warrant. But this is not the basis for the admission of children. Social and religious need should and do detrmine decisions relative to our intake more than the amount of money contributed by friends in a given area. However, our intake is right fairly distributed on most any basis that can be raised for reasoning.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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MANY REQUESTS — There are many requests coming to me for sacred concerts by the singing class. Due to the shortage of automobile tires and the curtailment in the use of gasoline, we shall not be able to fill but very few engagements this year. We shall endeavor to fill all previous engagements and, if conditions improve, we shall be glad to make new engagements. I appreciate the fact that so many of our pastors want to secure our singing class for sacred concerts.

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COUPONS—I am confidently expecting to secure battleship linoleum for our large dining hall. I have a feeling that since spring has come our friends are going to become more active in helping us to reach the goal. I am deeply grateful to the Societies of Christian Service for their co-operation in securing hundreds of thousands of coupons. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood heads up the campaign to secure the battleship linoleum for our dining hall, and her valuable service is appreciated by the Methodist Orphanage.

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ACCIDENT—One of our Orphanage girls, Lois Jean Bland, happened to a slight accident on Glenwood avenue several days ago. I am happy to state that the accident was not at all serious, and that she has fully recovered without any bad after effects. The city authorities are co-operating with the Methodist Orphanage in trying to prevent speeding on Glenwood avenue, particularly in front of the Orphanage. We have very stirct rules about the children crossing Glenwod avenue, but accidents sometimes happen in the best regulated families in spite of all you can do.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER—May I tell you how very much I enjoyed my visit to the Orphanage. It was nice to see my friends and to feel as if I were at home again. Too, it was gratifying to observe so many improvements for which, I am sure, the people of the conference are deeply appreciative. The banquet, which was so beautifully served, proved to be a happy occasion. To hear the Honorable Josephus Daniels speak is always a privilege. In addition to the delicious meal I liked the selections from the glee club. All of the music was lovely, and I am glad to know that Ed Hill is finding a place for himself in the musical world. For everything which you and the other members of the staff did for my welfare and happiness during my recent visit, I wish to thank you. With all good wishes for you and Mrs. Barnes, I am,

Yours sincerely,
Helen W. Evans.

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EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION—Since the annual meeting of the Society of Christian Service I have received many expressions of appreciation for the courtesies that the Methodist Orphanage extended the elect women who compose the societies. It is highly gratifying to know that they were pleased with the reception given them. The good women of our conference have done much for the Orphanage ever since it was established, and because of the investment they have made in the lives of our boys and girls, they are keenly interested in the successful operation of the Orphanage. I wish to assure the members of the Societies of Christian Service throughout the conference that a warm welcome awaits them at the Methodist Orphanage any time they can come our way. I am taking the liberty of publishing in this week's Advocate notes a letter from a lady who was a delegate to the woman's meeting, and who was at one time a member of our teaching staff.

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Emmett K. McLarty, Jr.

THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER'S PRAYER

By the Rev. Thomas Tiplady

Honorary Chaplain of the Forces
Superintendent, The Lambeth Mission
London, England

Saviour, make my heart a temple
For thy worship day and night;
May its altar fires keep burning
With a clear and steady light!
Sanctify me! Sanctify me!
Make my heart thy temple, Lord!

Take my body, mind and spirit—
Every latent power in me—
In thy fires and on thy anvil
Fashion, Lord, a sword for thee!
Sanctify me! Sanctify me!
Fashion, Lord a sword for thee!

Yet, Lord, in the heat of battle,
Still a temple be my heart
Where the altar fires keep burning,
And thy peace shall ne'er depart:
Sanctify me! Sanctify me!
Make my heart thy temple, Lord!

President Walter Patten
Louisburg College
Louisburg, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Patten:

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who is a member of our 1942 graduating class has applied to your College as a self-help student next year. I am glad to recommend her as a very capable girl. She has been doing N. Y. A. work in our school this year. She is the secretary to the teachers and also helps in the office and in the library.

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Very truly yours,
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CALDWELL COUNTY SCHOOL

Plans are now completed for the Caldwell county school to be held at First church, Lenoir, April 12-16. The following courses will be given:

Children's Division of the Church, Mrs. O. D. Nelson.

Senior and Young People's Work, M. Teague Hipps.

How the Bible Came to Be, Reid Wall.

Union County School

With Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe and Mrs. E. H. Ould as instructors, several churches were represented in the training school at Central, Monroe, March 15-19. While first aid classes, choir rehearsals and other responsibilities in connection with the government project took many of the people from Monroe, a good number attended the training school. Special mention should be made of the fine delegation in attendance from Brother Mitchell Faulkner's charge. Approximately 60 people enrolled in the school, with 42 doing the work for credit.

Wilkes-Surry School

With approximately 100 people enrolled in the school and with 66 completing the work for credit, the Surry-Wilkes school was a third larger than last year. Nowhere in the schools held this year has the interest been finer. Two groups drove 40 and 50 miles each night. Brother A. C. Gibbs, district superintendent, and A. C. Waggoner, W. J. Huneycutt, J. C. Stokes, Herman Duncan, G. C. Graham, and J. M. Green were present with their people each night. With North Wilkesboro as host church, Mr. and Mrs. Waggoner did an excellent job entertaining the school. Thirty-three people from the North Wilkesboro church received credit. This is something new in the State of Wilkes.

North Davidson Charge Has Excellent School

A recent letter from Brother W. T. Albright tells the story and evaluates the school in a fine way: "Our training school held at Shady Grove, March 16-19, was charge-wide and was one of the most successful I have ever had. Fifty people enrolled and 30 completed the work for credit. Brother I. L. Sharpe did fine teaching and our people fell in love with him. He thoroughly understands the problems of the small country church and is a helpful leader."

This letter from Brother Albright carries a fine personal testimony as to the value of such classes in the rural church and commends Brother Sharpe as a teacher. Other pastors or superintendents interested in such classes may have them. Our board of education is more than glad to provide this service for the rural church. —Carl H. King.

Clevelond County School

The school for Christian workers, held in Central church, Shelby, closed on Thursday evening, March 19. This school was pronounced by many the most successful ever held there. The decided increase in number of persons taking the course for credit was indicative of the excellent work which had been done in preparation for the school. Ninety people, enrolled in three classes, did the suggested work and received recognition cards. There were many others who attended classes, and were interested, so that about 140 persons were reached. These represented 14 churches in Cleveland county.

The spirit of co-operation shown during these days was most encouraging. There was genuine good will, excellent work done, and such gracious cordiality that the instructors were sorry indeed to see the school come to a close. The following courses were given:

Acts of the Apostles, Dr. John D. Lee, Jr.

Senior and Young People's Work, M. Teague Hipps.

The Use of the Bible With Children, Elizabeth Oliver.

Elizabeth Oliver.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Requests for Church School Rally Day programs are being received on nearly every mail. Some districts are giving a good general response, while very few replies are coming from other districts. Requests for programs were received from the following churches up to March 27:

Charlotte district—

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
T. G. Highfill, New Hope-Bethel.
E. O. Cole, Derita.
R. B. Hardison, Morven.
Howard G. Dover, Duncan Memorial.
Mrs. J. L. Rayle, Pineville.
H. W. Eason, Hebron.
Mrs. John Spencer, Forestville.

Elkin district—

Kay L. Eller, Warrensville.
F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.

Gastonia district—

Russell Handsel, Stanley.
Miss Lucile Eaker, Concord.

Greensboro district—

Miss Jo-Marie Thompson, West Market Street.
George H. Roach, Centenary.

High Point district—

Ivon L. Roberts, St. Paul's.
Ivon L. Roberts, Naomi.

Marion district—

Wayne Gosnell, Mountain Grove.
Mrs. Rena Noblitt, Bethlehem (Old Fort).

Salisbury district—

W. C. Sides, Jr., New Mt. Tabor.
W. C. Sides, Jr., Oak Grove.
C. D. Sides, Anne Street.
John R. Hamilton, Love's Chapel.
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J. G. Alley, Crews.
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TRIBUTE TO SUB-DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP

We want to share with our readers the following letter from one of our young men who has left home to assist with defense work of his country:

Miss Virginia Burris, President,
Cabarrus County Youth Fellowship,
Concord, N. C.

Dear Virginia:

One of the things I regretted leaving most in North Carolina was the Youth Fellowship, and one of my most treasured possessions is the friendship, inspiration, and spiritual guidance I received from it.

I accepted a Civil Service position in the Navy Department, Washington, D. C., and reside just outside the District in Maryland.

Already I have begun to take part in Princes George County, Maryland, Youth Fellowship, my church being First Methodist church, Hyattsville.

May I extend my very best wishes and godspeed to you and the young people of Cabarrus county in the fine work you are doing. My thoughts are ever with you. Sincerely,

Bill Nash.

WORDS

By Paul Dwight Stephenson, Sr.

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Beautiful words,
Words to declare my affection,
Words to mutter my hate,
Words to proclaim my triumph,
Words to admit my defeat,
Words to plead my innocence,
Words to confess my guilt,
Words to bewail my sorrow,
Words to shout my joy,
Master words,
Is at your feet.
No! 'tis not well.
Words are my friends,
Not my slaves.
Words are my comrades,
My helpmates,
My bodyguards,
Not hirelings,
To be driven,
To be leashed.
Court words,
Coddle words,
And the world
Is at your feet.
Words,
Beautiful words.

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WHAT NEXT IN MISSIONARY EDUCATION?

April and May, 1942, should be marked in a special way for missionary education by leaders of children throughout the church. Why? Here are some reasons:

1. Where the Closely Graded Church School Courses are being used with primary children, leaders will plan for additional sessions for missionary education following Easter. They will need these texts for the grades indicated.

Grades I and II: Some Children of America by Lindsay, 25c.

Grade III: Come Everyone and Worship by Keiser, 60c; and A Primary Teacher's Guide on Worship; Around the World by Gardner, 25c.

2. Where the Closely Graded Church School Courses are being used with juniors, leaders will also plan for additional sessions immediately following

Grade IV: Plans for Additional Sessions and the Junior Group Lessons for Jannary, 1942. These are printed in Child Guidance in Christian Living. If desired, one fifth grade class may use the materials suggested for Grade IV.

3. Where the Group Lessons are being used with juniors, additional sessions should be planned with them during April and May, immediately after Easter. The Plans for Additional Sessions, printed in these issues of Child Guidance in Christian Living.

4. If leaders of primary children who are using the Group Lessons desire to conduct additional sessions for primary children during April and May, they will use Come Everyone and Worship by Keiser (60c), and A Primary Teacher's Guide on Worship Around the World by Gardner (25c).

Every leader of children during the months of April and May will need to make frequent use of Child Guidance in Christian Living for April and May, 1942, and World Outlook for September and December, 1941. Other issues of each of these magazines will also be helpful.

Pictures ready for mounting are available on the two emphases of the year. These are entitled, "Child Neighbors" (10c) and "Children at Worship Throughout the World" (10c).

As groups make plans for vacation church school, they should examine the work of the year to make sure that adequate attention has been given to missionary education. Have missionary units been used in the Sunday morning sessions of the church school? Have additional sessions been held for missionary education? Have the children grown in their understanding of World Service during the year? If not, leaders may decide to round out the year's program by using one or more missionary units in the vacation church school. Such leaders will find the above mentioned materials suitable for short units. Other courses are listed in the leaflet, "Vacation Church School Materials—1942," available from the Department of Christian Education of Children, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or from the North Carolina Conference Board of Education, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

In checking over the reports of the fourth Sunday offerings to the conference treasurer we found a number of offerings sent in November prior to the November fourth Sunday. We are not listing these amounts by charges but are listing them by districts. We are also giving the total reported by districts for the conference year:

District	November	Total
Durham	$ 94.26	$ 1701.35
Elizabeth City	132.69	2084.10
Fayetteville	48.09	1189.92
New Bern	19.07	1162.34
Raleigh	69.35	1460.65
Rocky Mount	35.85	1396.65
Wilmington	94.57	1504.97
Totals	493.88	10499.98

It will be noted that the total amount sent to the conference treasurer designated as fourth Sunday offerings was $10,499.98. The amount listed in the conference journal for Fourth Sunday Offerings is $12,336. This means of course that a number of fourth Sunday offerings were sent to the conference treasurer without a proper designation. From our observation of the amounts sent to the conference treasurer for the first quarter of the new year, we are inclined to believe that some churches are sending in fourth Sunday offerings on benevolences without making a proper notation on the remittance blank. We hope that more care will be exercised in this matter in the future in order that we may have an accurate figure for our fourth Sunday offerings.

We are publishing next week the report for the first quarter of the new year for fourth Sunday offerings.

"INVITATION"

O God, who hath no dwelling-place
Except the human heart,
We pray that thou wilt enter in
To bid our fears depart.

Help us to open wide the door
Which keeps thee out, us in,
Then make our heart thy earthly home
And keep us free from sin.

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christ and Life After Death

Mark 12:24-27; 1 Cor. 15:50-58

The Sadducees came to Jesus with the question, Whose wife in the resurrection shall the woman be who has had seven husbands in succession? One can see their beady eyes glisten. Now we will have him! they said. But Jesus answered, The trouble with you is that you do not know the Scriptures, and you have never felt the power of God in your own lives. It must be confessed that these are slight handicaps for a thelogian.

The question of these men represents one of the principal difficulties in believing in the resurrection. It is so difficult to picture. We cannot paint it with colors on the palette of our present experience. Therefore some feel compelled to conclude that it is not real. But if one were to stop a moment and consider, he would realize that we accept a great many things as real that are unpicturable. Just how does the current of electricity unseen and intangible, lift a loaded elevator to the tenth floor of a hotel, run its laundry, light its rooms, convey messages over its telephones, and play a waltz on its radios? No one can picture that. So. says Jesus, is the resurrection. In the world above the environment and the conditions of life are altogether different. In heaven they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God.

The Bible often speaks as though the believer at death is immediately ushered into the presence of Christ. To be absent from the body, says Paul, is to be present with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:23, 24; Luke 16:22; 23:42, 43). This was in harmony with the way the Greeks, to whom Paul in our lesson is writing, pictured the future. But the Jewish members of the church with their Old Testament background were familiar with such passages as In death there is no remembrance of thee; in Sheol who will give thee thanks (Psalm 6)? So sometimes Paul speaks as though the believer sleeps until the resurrection morn (1 Thessalonians 4:16).

The one thing that the whole New Testament is sure of is that the believer will have a final and glorious union with Christ. It is a waste of time to try to piece the various details of the Scripture references to the resurrection together. The one practical thing is to fulfill the conditions for having a vivid sense of the presence of Christ with us here and now. When a man has that, he is sure that the Lord will never desert him (Psalm 16:6-11; 23:4-6; John 10:28).

Our faith in the resurrection depends also on our sense of the greatness and glory of God. The Sadducees who were trying to trap Jesus accepted only the five books of Moses as authoritative, and these books contain no explicit assertion of the future life after the grave. But Jesus calls attention to the fact that their conception of the majesty and glory of God makes it unreasonable to believe that he will let his faithful ones moulder away into nothingness. Hear God. says Jesus, when he says, I am the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. How absurd and irreverent to make him mean, I am the God of graveyards!

You ask, says Paul, How can we conceive of the body being raised? Look around you at nature. See that little decaying seed in the ground, and note the beautiful green thing that springs from it. God gives the decaying seed a new body. It is a fresh creation. So he will give his loved ones a glorious body which will transfigure all that is beautifully human in their natures, and add to it a heavenly glory.

How absurd is the communist's sneer at the Christian, who says that our religion forgets ministry to man's social and economic needs in this world, and dwells exclusively on the next. The writer has recently heard a professor of biology in a state university echo this ignorant taunt. Whereas Jesus and Paul both use faith in the resurrection as a powerful dynamic for good works in this present life. They realized that hope in a great future in the presence of God attaches us to a current whose voltage is so high that it will run all the machinery of this life with redoubled power. Instead of encouraging us to fix our minds on heaven and forget social service, Jesus says that social servise in this world determines our fate in the next (Matthew 25:3-46).

A HINT TO MINISTERS

My news of him came from America, where he is a successful Presbyterian minister. Always he carries in a waistcoat pocket a little book, labelled on the outside, "Complaints of Members Against Other Members," and whenever one of his people begins to bring a railing accusation against others, out comes the book.

"This is my complaint book," he says, "I'll write down what you say, and then you can sign it. Then if I have eventually to take the matter up officially, I shall know what I may expect you to testify to."

The sight of the open book and the ready pen always has the same effect. "Oh, no," the complainants say, "I could not sign anything like that," and at once their complainings cease and there is no entry in the book. He says he has carried it in his pocket now for forty years, and opened it probably a thousand times, but never written a word in it.—Methodist Recorder (London).

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"Well, daddy, we don't have clocks in all our classrooms at school, and sometimes I want to know when the period will be over. I think a watch would help me to be on time with my furnace jobs next winter, too."

The voices floated up to me from my neighbor's back yard. Merrill Banks and his family had seated themselves on a bench below my open window. They were resting after a game of tennis.

"It sounds absurd to talk about furnace tending on a warm day like this," the father's voice answered, "but it won't be long before you'll be building fires and carrying out ashes instead of mowing lawns and raking leaves."

"Yes, I have the promise of two furnaces to take care of, daddy. That will give me two dollars a week. Don't you think it would be all right for me to buy a good watch with my own money? Of course I could buy a cheap one, but you've always told me never to put my money into shoddy things that won't last long."

"Yes, that's true, son. You'd better buy a good watch if you buy any. But do you need a watch badly enough to mortgage your wages from now until next spring to get it?"

"Why, daddy, it wouldn't take long —and it wouldn't cost much!" Merrill exclaimed. "Just a dollar down and a dollar a week—"

"Wait a minute, son! Those watches that you showed me in Keith's window were priced from twenty to forty dollars each. This is the second week in September. How long would it take you to buy the cheapest one of those watches at that rate?"

Several minutes of silence followed, and then the boy's voice arose in an exclamation of surprise. "Why, daddy, I wouldn't get it paid for until the middle of February! I didn't know it would take that long!"

"That's one of the worst features of installment buying," his father declared. "The buyer seldom realizes how long or how much money he will actually spend."

Merrill's next remark showed that he had been thinking. "It wouldn't really be my watch until next February, would it, daddy?"

"No, it would take you that long to pay for a twenty dollar watch."

"If I kept on every week putting part of my money into Defense Savings for college, there wouldn't be much left to spend on anything else, would there?"

"No."

"I wouldn't have enough money of my own to buy Christmas presents for you and mother and Janet," the boy concluded. "Daddy, I'm not going to buy a watch until I have the money to pay for it."

"I'm sure you'll find that a more satisfactory plan, son." There was a note of approval in the father's voice. "Buying on credit has a useful place in the modern world, when the goods to be purchased are so essential that it is necessary for the purchaser to sign away a portion of his income for a given length of time to obtain them. But too many people make the mistake of buying practically everything on credit, so that, when the first of each month comes around, their salaries are never really their own. I am glad you have decided to wait until you can pay cash for your watch!"

"So am I, daddy. I'm going to begin saving for it right away."

As the two walked away from my window, I was glad that I had inadvertently overheard a father giving such good counsel to his son.—Lucia Mallory, National Kindergarten Association.

GRAND OLD AMERICA

By Mrs. E. H. Harrelson

Grand old America—land so free,
Where we are happy, content to be.
A beautiful flag floats proudly high,
May its colors never fade or die.

Grand old America—gift of God.
No foreign foe, this fair land shall trod,
Where beauty floods in glowing light,
In this our land of truth and right.

Grand old America — most blessed land.
Let us pray that she may always stand.
America, 'tis of thee, we sing.
Song of liberty must ever ring.

LITTLE BOY WHO LOVED PETS

About eighty years ago a little boy, named Eugene Field, but commonly called Gene, lived in Amherst, Mass. His home was with his Aunt Mary and his little brother Roswell whom everybody called "Rosy," and his cousin Mary.

He couldn't have been very old when he first showed his love for pets. First, it was a snapping-turtle he brought home when he went on a stroll for wild flowers with Cousin Mary. "Gene" had never seen anything more curious, he thought.

Then he felt sorry for a poor stray cat and gave it a home in the loft of his aunt's barn. But it wasn't long before the cat had a family of three lively kittens, so Gene had more animals on his hands.

When Aunt Mary's good friend, the Deacon, gave her nephew six baby chicks, Gene decided to bring them up properly. He gave each one a name, and a queerer lot you never heard—"Finniken," "Minniken," "Winniken," "Dump," "Poog" and "Boog." Their master even taught them to answer to certain whistles, and soon they responded to their own special calls.

More pets came soon. In a hollow oak stump another boy showed Gene two baby squirrels—tiny orphans, for their mother was dead. But when Gene wanted to bring them home, Cousin Mary wouldn't hear of it. But this boy loved them so much he hid them in his room. One morning Cousin Mary told Aunt Mary she was sure she had heard mice in the house, but Aunt Mary said it couldn't be. After that Gene left his window open and in no time at all the little squirrels had grown to be big squirrels and had run off without even saying goodbye to their young friend.

A week later a kind man made Gene a present of a mole. The boy put this in his bureau drawer and liked to watch it feel its way around with its funny little nose. It must have had a "sweet tooth," for it seemed to like honey.

Gene had so many pets now that people began to speak of his "menagerie." A proud addition was "Dooley," a stray dog, who looked so grimy and dusty when Gene first found him out by the barn that he had taken soap and water and given him an even harder scrubbing than he gave himself Saturday nights. Then, to make the dog attractive to Aunt Mary, Gene sprinkled plenty of his aunt's perfume over its furry coat, Aunt Mary couldn't resist a dog like that, the boy was sure, and when she found out how much Gene loved him, she let him stay.

After a while Gene was sent away to school. When he grew up, he became a famous writer. He worked on newspapers in St. Louis, Denver and Chicago. But wherever he lived, he always had pets about, and his heart went out to stray cats and dogs.

One time, when he was running his famous column "Sharps and Flats" in a Chicago paper, Eugene Field wrote of how lonely his home had become since his little fox terrier "Jessie" had run away. He was sure Jessie was an educated dog, for he wrote, "We have tried our poems on Jessie, and she always liked them; at least she always wagged her tail approvingly."

Almost all children today have read some of Eugene Field's lovely poems.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Trinity, 7:30 7
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McMannen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11..19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Bath, Bethany, 11 5
Roper, Siloam, 3 5
Williamston, 11 12
Windsor, Cashie, 3 12
South Camden, Sign Pine, 8 17
Swanquarter, Soule, 11 19
Mattamuskeet, Bethany, 3 19
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26

May

Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Colington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 11 5
Ellerbe, Concord, 3 5
West End, Eagle Springs, 7:30 5
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3.....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

May

District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Grifton, Sharon, 11 5
Pink Hill, Woodington, 7:30 5
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Tarboro-Elm St., at Elm St., 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May

La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Newton Grove, Mt. Moriah, 11 4
Moncure, Buckhorn, 11 5
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 8 5
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May

Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Tarboro, 11 5
Littleton, Hawkins Chapel, 3:30 (dedication)..... 5
Conway, Severn (dedication), 7:30 5
Spring Hope, 7:30 8
Nashville, 7:30 9
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Ebbood 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Richlands, Gum Branch, 8 14
District Conference, Richlands, 9:30..... 15
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May

Grace, Wilmington, 11..... 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

March
April

Weaverville, 11 5
Swannanoa, 3 5
Central, night 5
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May

Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Yadkinville, 11 5
St. Paul, 3 5
Trap Hill, night 5

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Shelby, Central, 11 5
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 2:30 5
West Shelby, 4 5
Kings Mountain, Grace, 7:30 5
Main Street, Gastonia, 7:30 7
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April

Newlin Street, 11 5
Saint Paul, 7:30 5
Flat Rock, 11 12
Leaksville, 7:30 12
Summerfield, 11 19
Calvary, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11 26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 26

May

Moriah, 11 3
Guilford, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 10

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer, 11 5
Liberty First, 7:30 5
Farmer, New Hope, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April

Spindale, 11 5
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 5
Bostic, Salem, night 5
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Statesville, Race Street, 11 5
Granite Falls, night 5
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April

Macon Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 12
Macon, Mt. Zion, 11 18
Hazelwood, 7:30 12
Murphy Ct., Ranger, 11 19
Hayesville, Ogden, 3 19
Hayesville, 7:30 19
Robbinsville, 11 26
Maple Springs, 3 26

May

Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Burkhead, 11 5
Winston City Mission, 7 5
Green Street, 7:30 6

Ardmore, 7:30	7
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11	12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3	12
First, West End, 7:30	12
Community, 7:30	17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11	19
Thomasville Ct., 3	19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7	19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11	26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3	26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30	29
May	
Walkertown, Love's, 11	3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3	3
First, 7:30	3

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with sorrow that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central Methodist church, Concord, pay tribute to our departed member, Mrs. Grover C. Love, who was recently called home.

She was faithful to her church, her Sunday school and her missionary society. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to God's will.

Second, That we extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the husband, a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy to the Concord Tribune and a copy be placed in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. H. S. Williams,
Mrs. G. A. Batte,
Mrs. M. N. Hennessee, Jr.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Rose Hill Methodist church pay loving tribute to the memory of our dear Mrs. Catherine Parker, who died on February 28, 1942. The members of the society do resolve:

First, That as a faithful and devoted member of the Rose Hill Methodist church she was greatly loved by all who knew her.

Second, That we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family. We join with them in their sorrow and bereavement at her passing.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy to the family and a copy be placed on the minutes of the society.

Members of W. S. C. S.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Rose Hill Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of its honored members, Mrs. Eveline Turner Bradshaw, who died December 8, 1941. The members of the society do resolve:

First, That her life of loyal service and work for the advancement of God's kingdom and the missionary cause be an inspiration to the members to do greater things.

Second, That we wish to express our deepest sympathy to the family of the deceased.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be placed on the minutes of the society.

Members of W. S. C. S.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Aulander Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to our very faithful and sincere member and co-worker, Mrs. W. H. Modlin, who passed to her reward on January 1, 1942.

Mrs. Modlin suffered a severe attack on the afternoon of December 31, from which she died about 9 o'clock the following morning. Final rites were held from the Methodist church, of which she had been a faithful member for many years, on Saturday afternoon, January 3, by her pastor, Rev. Matt. R. Gardner, assisted by Rev. W. P. Milne, Jr., pastor of the Aulander Baptist church, and burial was made in the family plot in the Aulander cemetery. Members of the church choirs of Aulander rendered special music.

Mrs. Modlin was one of our most faithful members, and was always ready and willing to help in the work of the society and church. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in her death we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, as well as the church and community, have lost a good and faithful member.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the aged and ill husband and to the bereaved children, and commend them to Him who alone can give peace and comfort in their hour of sad bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family of the deceased and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate; also a copy be placed on the minutes of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Aulander Methodist church.

Mrs. John W. Knight,
Mrs. W. M. Peele,
Mrs. J. R. Williford.

CHILDREN'S STORYLAND

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"Winniken, Blynken and Nod," "The Sugar Plum Tree," "The Night Wind" and "Little Boy Blue"—these and many more are familiar to little people and grown-ups alike. A fine statue of this beloved writer stands in a Chicago park. The pennies of thousands of children helped to build it. It is a lovely memorial to the man who found a place in his heart for so many children and homeless animals.—Vincent Edwards, in Our Dumb Animals.

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In Memoriam

IN MEMORY

Of my beloved mother, Mrs. Johnson Sutton, whom God called to live with him August 31, 1937. Truly I can never forget her smiling face. Her voice, too, is still ringing in my ear. The many prayers made for me I cannot forget. For I trust to meet her another day—for where she is I trust to be also. J. P. Sutton.

McKINNE — The going of Mrs. David F. McKinne January 31, 1942, was a deep loss to our community and church life in Louisburg. As her pastor I can pay no greater tribute than to point out that her loyalty to her church was indicated by the fact that if she were unable to attend either the regular church service or mid-week prayer service, she would call the parsonage and indicate the necessity of her absence. Her devotion to her church and home was her life.

In her absence from the church services, the Lighted Cross which hangs in the arch back of the pulpit speaks eloquently of her life. This beautiful cross was presented to the church last Easter by Mr. and Mrs. McKinne in memory of their son Clarence, who died a number of years ago. But her place in the heart of the church is not dependent on any physical symbol. She was and is a living example of the fact that the spirit of the Master can live again in the hearts of human beings. Forrest D. Hedden, Pastor.

BAILEY—Walter Edgar Bailey was born in Burke county, North Carolina, July 13, 1875, and passed from this life to his heavenly reward February 23, 1942, at his home in McDowell county. His age was 66 years, 7 months and 10 days. He was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude Gardin Bailey October 7, 1900. To this union were born four sons. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. W. E. Bailey; four sons, Robert, James, Ivey, Ralph Bailey, all of Marion, Rt. 1; two brothers and four sisters, John and Robert Bailey of Charlotte; Mrs. Lillie Queen and Mrs. Lalie Morgan of Morganton, Mrs. Tom Rogers of Charlotte and Mrs. Gardin Bailey of Nebo.

He professed faith in Christ 28 years ago and united with Pleasant Hill Methodist church, where he remained a faithful member. Brother Bailey had served on the official board of his church for 25 years.

The funeral services were conducted at Pleasant Hill Methodist church on the afternoon of February 25, 1942, by the writer, assisted by Rev. F. R. Barber of Cross Mills Methodist church. A congregation which completely filled the church attended the funeral.

H. W. Bell.

CARPENTER—Mrs. Lillian Alderman Carpenter, daughter of Laura and Archie Alderman, was born in Wilmington, N. C., August 18, 1864, and was called to her eternal home to join her loved ones who have gone before on February 28, 1942.

On December 18, 1883, she was happily married to W. F. Carpenter, who survives. To this union were born four children, Morris, Mary Eve, Lillian and Laura, who survive.

Sister Carpenter was a life long member of Epworth Methodist church. In early life she was very active in the work of the kingdom of God, whom she loved and whom she served faithfully. When the call came we have every reason to believe she was ready to answer—she passed out just like she had lived, quiet, peaceful and unafraid.

The funeral was conducted from the home on North Fifth street by her pastor, assisted by Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor of Grace Methodist church. She was laid to rest beside those that she loved and lost long since and for a while in Oakdale cemetery.

C. N. Phillips.

PYATT—Mary Ida Holland Pyatt was born December 20, 1869, and departed this life on January 4, 1942, age 72 years and 15 days. On October 14, 1888, she was united in marriage to Samuel Pyatt. To this union there were born three daughters and five sons. She is survived by her husband, and Mrs. W. E. Morgan and Mrs. Harvey Morgan of Nealsville, and Mrs. Eula Bowman of Rosman; Rev. J. D. Pyatt of Leicester, Tate Pyatt of Akron, Ohio, George Pyatt of Copley, Ohio, Charlie and McKinley Pyatt of Nealsville; two sisters, Sallie and Hattie Holland of Marion; three brothers, Millard, Tom and Frank Holland of Marion; 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, and a host of friends.

She professed faith in Christ in early womanhood and joined Glenwood Methodist church, and remained a faithful member as long as her health would permit.

She was a faithful wife and mother. She lived a quiet, peaceful, friendly and truthful life. She loved all her friends and neighbors, for a true friend loveth at all times.

Funeral services were held in Glenwood Methodist church, conducted by her pastor, assisted by Rev. J. M. Brown, pastor of Glenwood Baptist church. The body was laid to rest in Glenwood cemetery. May the God of all comfort be with her dear loved ones who feel so keenly their loss.

H. W. Bell.

NUCKLES—Canetta Edwards Nuckles, wife of the late J. T. Nuckles, passed to her reward on February 16, 1942. She was confined to her bed about 16 months, but she bore it patiently and was always ready to greet you with a smile.

Mrs. Nuckles was born June 4, 1860, having nearly reached her 82nd milestone. She had labored long and finished her course and was ready to take up her new work in heaven.

She leaves to mourn her loss three children: C. C. Nuckles of Dabney, with whom she lived; G. E. Nuckles of Henderson, Route 3; Mrs. Sam Hicks, Henderson, Route 2; Bettie Daniel, a niece whom she reared; three grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; two half sisters, Mrs. J. A. Adcock, Mrs. S .W. Finch, and a host of friends.

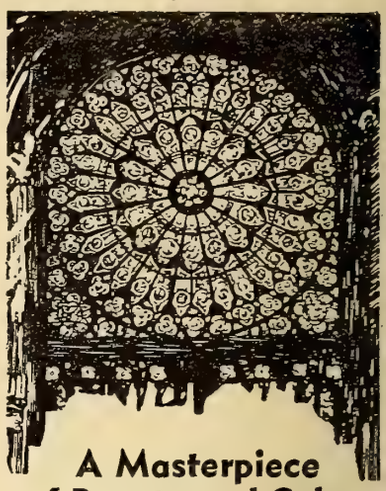
Funeral service was held at Harris Chapel church at Dabney, conducted by Rev. O. W. Matheson, her pastor, assisted by Rev. J .D. Cranford, a former pastor.

Mother, dear, we miss you
Since you went away;
But the Lord knows best
And did not bid you stay.

We would not call you back
To this place of pain and woe,
For we know you are safe
On the happy golden shore.

One from us is gone,
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

By a Daughter-in-law,
Mrs. G. E. Nuckles.



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Some Precepts for Preachers

By W. R. MALTBY, in The British Weekly, London

1. Preaching without emotion is not preaching, but beware of the cheap substitute. Synthetic unction may impress simple souls, but it corrupts the preacher.

2. Remember Penial and wrestle with the great themes, even if they throw you. Jacob was not Israel until he shrank a sinew.

3. Be loyal to your text. Be aware of the context; if you leave it, be courteous and ask permission. Possibly the writer had bigger thoughts than your own.

4. There is always water if you bore deep enough.

5. Motorists and preachers should remember that the aim is not to cover the ground, but to see the country and seeing, love.

6. Illustrate; but don't illustrate the obvious. One good illustration is worth ten bad.

7. The well is deep, and you must have something to draw with. But there is no need to make people drink out of the bucket, still less to chew on the rope.

8. In preaching—no demand without the gift; no diagnosis without the cure. One word about sin; ten for the Saviour.

9. Irrelevance is sometimes an infirmity; usually it is a sin.

10. Emotion arises out of the truth. Emotionalism is poured on to it.

11. Listen before you speak. See before you say.

12. Aim at being independent of the Concordance, but do not disdain it until you are.

13. Love simple speech as much as you hate shallow thinking.

14. Polysyllables are not the sign of profundity. Often they are the cloak of poverty, bought at a jumble sale.

15. Never talk **down** to your audience; they are not there.

16. Beware of the abstract noun. The abstract puffeth up, the concrete buildeth up.

17. By your consonants people will know what you say; by your vowels where you come from.

18. Be audible, but don't shout. Clearness carries farther than clamor.

19. Be sparing of gestures, but do not be a post or a robot. If your hands can talk, let them; if not, give them a rest.

20. Be not like the brook; pause sometimes.

21. One cannot always finish, but one can always stop. If the flow ceases, do not dribble.

22 **A preacher's damnation.** "He spoke of great things and made them small; of holy things and made them common; of God and made him of no account."

A Letter All America Should Read

• **By Norman O. Schlichter**

The following letter appeared in the New York Herald-Tribune of January 29, 1942:

"I was interested to hear over the radio that there are military minds in Hawaii that do not think an Army or Navy can drink and generally carouse its way to victory.

We talk democracy, but who gave us the pattern of our democracy? The answer is Cromwell and his Ironsides, and what was his method? Listen to Macaulay and recall as you read that Cromwell had to fight a trained Royal Army with raw recruits. To quote: 'That which chiefly distinguished the army of Cromwell from other armies was the austere morality and the fear of God which pervaded all ranks. It is acknowledged by the most zealous royalists that in that singular camp no oath was heard, no drunkenness or gambling was seen, and that during that long dominion of the soldiery the property of the peacable citizen and the honor of woman was held sacred. . . . In war this strange force was irresistible. . . . His troops moved to victory with the precision of machines.'

"Is it not possible," the writer of this letter, E. Tilton of Winter Park, Florida, says in closing, "that the way to victory for us is abstinence from indulgence all along the line: austere morality behind every gun, tank, and airplane?"

I want to salute the writer of this letter, whom I do not know. I cannot see how the need for more temperance emphasis as respects our armed forces could be better stated.

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To Methodist Young People

In a day when loyalty to our country is stirring us all, particularly our youth, to our most strenuous efforts in the service of America and of democracy, it is timely and significant that our church should also call young people to deeds of unusual sacrifice and service.

Through the Methodist Youth Caravan our church offers to 425 selected young people eight weeks of high adventure and sacrificial service, an opportunity to travel, to meet many new people, to form new friendships, to give of their strength and talents in service, to experience personal and spiritual growth, and to become parts of a mighty fellowship which numbers in its ranks 600 Caravaners of former years.

The rapid growth of the Caravan Movement, through its three years of history, has constituted an increasing demand for competent and consecrated young people, a demand which has reached such proportions as to call for the services during the summer of 1942 of every Methodist young person who possesses the requisite qualifications.

The confusion and uncertainty of the present hour add to the opportunities open to Caravans and multiply the needs for Caravan service. Methodism must not allow these needs to go unmet.

Caravaners should be young people of sound judgment and proven leadership, and should be trained and experienced in Christian service through the church.

Young people are invited to consider the opportunities which Caravaning offers them and parents, pastors, and church school officers and teachers are asked to recommend Caravan service to outstanding young people, urging them to apply at once for appointments to Caravan training centers.

Applications, recommendations and inquiries should be addressed either to our Conference Executive Secretary, D. V. Snapp, Paris, Ky., or to Doctor Harvey C. Brown, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.—U. V. W. Darlington, in Kentucky Methodist.

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Our National Emblem An Eagle Not A Turtle

• **Babson has his say about the tire situation**

Hon, W. C. Sherman,
State Rationing Administrator.

Dear Sir:

Your letter in a franked envelope condemning my public appeals for a saner treatment of car owners received. As you ask for "some constructive suggestions," I hereby give them as follows:

(1) When the federal government suddenly makes such revolutionary regulations as it has regarding tires, it should itself carry on extensive research to give people a substitute. It should not ruthlessly strand 100,000 tire dealers and 30,000,000 car owners and tell them to "go hang."

(2) Instead of pleasing the English by sending our boys to Asia, Africa and all over the world, why not first concentrate on restoring our vital sources of the rubber and tin and protecting the shipping lanes thereto? With our navy and our air force it seems incomprehensible that it need be two or three years before we could recapture Malaya. I guess if Teddy Roosevelt had the job he would reopen this source of rubber and tin in six months. Remember that our national emblem is an eagle—not a turtle.

(3) The American people approve the government's consideration of the British. They deserve all the help they are getting. Our people at home, however, who are furnishing the boys and paying all the bills, deserve some consideration also—at least common courtesy. "Don't bite the hand that feeds you."

Please remember that there are 40,000 communities in this country which have no railroad, bus or other means of communication but the so-called "pleasure car" which you decry."

Respectfully yours,

Roger W. Babson.

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In Honolulu December 7, 1941, there were one liquor saloon to every 363 persons and 55 per cent of them were operated by Japs. Was it surprising that hell broke loose in Pearl Harbor?

In 1797 a few Spanish marinos by way of the Cape of Good Hope reached Sydney, Australia. From this first little flock of a choice breed of sheep Australia has become the largest sheep-producing country in the world. With 120,000,000 sheep at present Australia contributes one-fourth of the world's supply of wool—as much as the United States, Argetine and Union of South Africa. And it is said to excell all other countries in its quality.

All around the world there is talk of a new order. The Germans make much of this for Europe, the Japs for Asia, and we are exalting the coming of a new day in the Americas. What is this new age and how is it to come? Many answers are given, but for the most part the agencies are futile. They are destructive and confined to the realm of the material. Destructive war is the final word in this materialistic age. But a new heaven and a new earth is the ideal of the Bible.

President Hutchins of Chicago University says: "Victory cannot save civilization. It can merely prevent its destruction by one spectacular method. Since civilization was well on its way to destruction before the war began, success in the war will not automatically preserve it.... Civilization is the deliberate pursuit of a common ideal. Education is the deliberate attempt to form human character in terms of an ideal.... To formulate, to clarify, to vitalize the ideals which animate mankind... this is the incredibly heavy burden which rests, even in total war, upon the universities. If they cannot carry it, nobody else will; for nobody else can. If it cannot be carried, civilization cannot be saved."

The vast areas recently overrun by the Japs in the Far East is the monsoon country, visited by tropical deluges as our spring advances. The rainy season has already begun. What will be the effect of these torrential rains upon the pending military campaigns is a subject that, so far as we have noted, the experts have said little. Will the allies profit by the approaching rains of that tropical country?

On the Mount of Transfiguration the inner glory of Jesus and the regnant quality of his spirit shone through his body as Moses and Elijah, the two prophets of the ancient dispensation, surrendered their prerogatives at his feet. As he began to vanish from sight out of the clouds came a voice, "Hear ye him." More of the transfigured Christ must shine through the utterances of the ministers of God if they are to command a hearing in this day. Too much of the preaching is wanting in a divine urgency. Hearers go away treating it as idle tales.

"Beneath the rule of men entirely great,
The pen is mightier than the sword." So wrote Bulwar-Lytton years ago. Many who count themselves great have reversed Bulwar-Lytton's order of might. How could it be otherwise with the present exaltation of the material over the spiritual and the return of vast masses to modern barbarism? The delight of jungle life on the screen and the display of nudeness and unrestrained sex relations in the cinema indicate how far gone we are on the road to savagery. Our boasted civilization is largely a veneer. The naked savages of Africa put on clothes when they become converts to Christianity, while much of our American Christianity fails to take a firm stand for common decency and fidelity to marriage vows. Moral and spiritual realities are counted of little worth. Not strange then is it that the sword is counted mightier than the pen and the material has a place above the spiritual.

After Easter—What?

FOLLOWING the first Easter day many things began to happen. There were the marvelous forty days during which the risen Lord made those appearances to his followers. Unexpectedly would he appear to those who knew him so well before the crucifixion. Then most mysteriously of a sudden he would vanish out of sight. It would seem that in those days he was building up their faith in the reality of a risen yet invisible one. Though out of sight he remained real and would often be with them. So he came and went, appearing in various forms until at the end of forty days he vanished out of sight.

Ten days later came the Pentecostal outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the beginning of the mighty conquests of the first three centuries of the Christian conquests as his followers went everywhere preaching the gospel.

Should we not learn the real need? Instead of a period of repose following Lent and the Easter anthems, as so often happens, new life and fresh efforts should mark glorious days of conquest. In every country and city church all of us should gird ourselves afresh and bend to the tasks at hand. Then we would certainly win fresh victories in every field of endeavor. Too often Easter is followed by careless rounds of conduct and idle hours of ease with the approach of slothful summer heat.

Diligent in business, fervent in spirit make the ideal Christian able to render effective the glorious days following Easter.

A Tough Religion

AN urgent need of our times is a tough religion. Let us first determine what we mean by the word "tough." Webster defines the term as follows: "Having the quality of flexibility without brittleness; capable of resisting great strain, hardship, or severe labor."

Among the athletes of the present day it has become a popular and complimentary word. When a football coach or player says of an opposing team, it is going to be tough, he means that a hard game is ahead. In these times when armies are being trained no little is being said about tough, strong bodies to withstand the hardships of army life. The same must be said about the moral and spiritual qualities of men and women of these present days with the hard, exacting demands from which there is no escape. A soft, complacent, comfortable religion will not be sufficient for the present hour, and has not been for many periods of human history.

It is easy to sing about the "old rugged cross," but to shoulder that cross and carry it up the slopes of Calvary is altogether a different matter. "Are there no foes for me to face? Sure I must fight if I would win. Increase my courage, Lord," should be our prayer.

A Truly Gifted Man of American Methodism

THE other day Dr. James Henry Potts, in his ninety-fourth year and forty years editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate, died at his home in Algonac, Michigan. He was one of the outstanding men of American Methodism.

Born on a Canadian farm he early learned the joys of a hard day's work. At the age of nine he moved with his parents to "the States" where he began his life's work and where his name became a household word in the Methodist homes of Michigan, and The Michigan Christian Advocate during his forty years' editorial career was known throughout the length and breadth of American Methodism.

His biographer says of him: "Dr. Potts was more than an editor and preacher. He was the possessor of an artistic spirit. He loved beauty wherever he saw it. Whether it be the beauty of a human face, or the beauty of a sweet spirit; the beauty of a sunrise or sunset; a storm, a rolling sea, flowers, fruit wherever he caught it, he sought to make it immortal with his brush and canvass, and his work of art adorns many a home and brings uplift to human souls."

Citizens of North Carolina!

APRIL is of serious moment to every citizen of this state. Candidates for the legislature in every county will be offering themselves for election. Every one of these should let the people know how he stands on taxes and on liquor legislation. With more than fifteen million dollars surplus in the treasury and a liquor situation in North Carolina that is a disgrace good and true men should be selected to make the laws.

Strict economy should be the slogan of the day and this present sale of liquor for tax money should be stopped. Taxes for war must keep mounting, so taxes in the state should be reduced. This increase of sale of liquor to the

boys about the camps amounts to a national disgrace. Demands for" war time prohibition" is the urgent need of the hour. So is economy here in North Carolina.

We are pressing women into all kinds of war service to fill the vacancies made by the boys going into the service. This is a fine time for the women to make themselves felt in an unusually effective way as citizens at the ballot box. Protect the boys at the camps and urge that strict economy in all things and that low taxes be the slogan of the next General Assembly. So let all see to it these April days that the candidates tell how they stand on these vital issues in the state.

Bibles in Camps and on the Battlefields

THE United States is distributing Bibles by the thousands to the armed forces of this country. Many churches are also furnishing the Word of God to our soldiers. Some of the largest churches of North Carolina are sending beautiful and convenient pocket Testaments to all of their members who are in the service of our country. This we know of a certainty, for these Bibles have gone out from this office which has become an agent for their distribution. And it is worthy of note just here that more than 700 chapels have already been erected in camps at government expense for the use of the chaplains in their services and for the soldiers whenever they choose to use them for social meetings.

All this is well pleasing to everyone who is interested in the moral, spiritual and social welfare of our soldier boys.

It has been often said by men and women who are acquainted with the teachings of the Bible that it has a message for every condition of life. And few people would question the accuracy of such an observation. But it applies with pecular force to a soldier in an army camp where life is often rough and hard.

For example, note the following words from the eleventh chapter of Hebrews: "And what more shall I say, for the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also and Samuel and of the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens."

God's Approach to Man

IN a little child as the angels filled the skies with songs of peace an earth and good will to men God made universal approach to the heart of the world. As the man of Gallilee went about doing good to all classes of our common humanity, God became an organic part of the common lot. The carpenter of Nazareth made God real to and sympathetic with all who toil. Class and condition, color and creed, poverty and riches, must ever give place to this laborer in whom dwelt all the fullness of the godhead bodily.

On the mount of transfiguration glories as Moses and Elijah, prophets of the old dispensations, surrendered their prerogatives at the feet of the Nazarene, the dominance of the spiritual over the material and the superiority of the new to the old order, lifted God into the ascendant. And as the shadows of the garden deepened and the agonies of the cross became more and more certain, Jesus made clear the chief purpose of his coming: "To give his life a ransom for many" enabled all the aftertimes to say, "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself." So all the long, weary way from Bethlehem to the open heavens he made appeal to man and gave assurance of a triumph over sin and death. This journey on earth was that of a God-man. Truly, God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself.

Spring Approaches

VIOLETS in the gardens and wild violets in the fields. Dogwood blossoms in the woods and the pink apple blossoms in the orchards are the harbingers of spring. That time when—

> Every clod feels a stir of might,
> An instinct within it that reaches and towers,
> And, groping blindly above it for light,
> Climbs to a soul in grass and flowers.

It is not surprising that spring poetry finds its way into every editorial office of this broad land. But we have always been perplexed by the crude and unpoetical rhymes which struggle out of these human spirits and have wondered why it isn't better. Every voice of earth except the voices of the children of men speak a surprisingly perfect language. Will somebody explain why the birds, the flowers, the trees, and the hills that clap their hands amid vernal joys are better poets than these human authors of our spring poetry?

People and Things

Rev. R. M. Laughlin, pastor of Bessemer church, Greensboro, received 11 new members Easter.

Dr. G. Ray Jordan during the Easter season received 64 new members into First Methodist church, Charlotte.

We had fine services Easter. Good attendance; fine spirit; holy communion; $415 raised on benevolences.—S. J. Starnes.

William Allen White, eminent publicist and journalist, says: "The nation that can sing and make a joyful noise before the Lord has the spirit of victory in its heart."

Mrs. W. E. Hauss of China Grove has been in the Rowan Memorial Hospital of Salisbury for the last few weeks. She hopes to be at home soon. She will be remembered as the widow of the late Rev. W. E. Hauss.

Chaplain Leon M. Hall sends this note from Melbourne, Australia: "Please remember me to all my friends of the two conferences. I attended a Methodist conference here yesterday."

Grace church, Greensboro, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., pastor, at Easter received 12 new members on profession of faith and 12 by church letter, which makes a total of 55 for this conference year.

Rev. L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district, left last Sunday afternoon for Florida, the land of flowers, where he expects for some time to enjoy that beautiful Florida springtime.

Mrs. I. L. Sharpe is seriously ill at the Methodist parsonage here at Rural Hall. For several months she has been in declining health, but a few days ago she took a turn for the worse. Brethren, pray for us.—I. L. Sharpe.

We have just completed two weeks' series of services in First church, Washington, N. C., with good results. The church was filled to overflowing on Easter Sunday and our self-denial offering totaled $1,425.—D. L. Clarke, Pastor.

The Glen Alpine Methodist church will begin construction soon of a new parsonage to occupy the site of the present pastor's home. An eight-room brick veneered residence will be constructed under the direction of a building committee composed of N. O. Pitts, J. H. Giles, C. V. Lael, Conley Orders and Arnest Scott.

Rev. Howard McLamb, pastor of Fairmont church, Raleigh, received an Easter offering of $840.52 for the new church fund. The building fund now stands at $11,004.37. Fairmont church expects to erect a building as soon as the war situation will permit. Services are now being held in Pullen Hall, the State College auditorium.

Rev. J. R. Hutton of Greensboro, and a retired member of the Western North Carolina conference, has just returned from a four months' stay in Florida. He made Fort Pierce headquarters during his stay. He looks well and he talks well. The primary theme of his discussion is the fish he caught and those that got away. His friends expect to take a night off to hear about the fish. Those stories are whoppers.

In order to be nearer family and friends I am transferring from the Black Mountain Sanatorium to the main division at Sanatorium, N. C., near Aberdeen. It will be good to get back within the bounds of the N. C. conference, even if I am not ready to take up my work. I shall be happy to hear from friends, and to have visits from them as travel permits. Address me: Sanatorium, N. C.—Rev. Carlos P. Womack.

Camp Free camp meeting will be held August 2 to 9. Workers: Rev. J. W. Carter, general evangelist, Revs. John Kenyon, C. H. Capps, Jim H. Green, Philip L. Green, and others. For particulars write Rev. W. J. McDaniel, Connelly Springs, or Jim H. Green, Rt. 3, Greensboro.

Rev. D. A. Clark sent us an account of the successful Easter day at First church, Washington, N. C. For some cause it has not reached this office. We have it on the side that the offering amounted to more than $1400. Evidently First church had one of its best Easter Sundays.

Please announce that Dr. and Mrs. Z. Paris are still confined to their beds after six weeks of critical illness in their home at Lake Junaluska. Bishop Purcell made a special trip over from Asheville last week to visit Dr. Paris, thereby proving the high esteem in which Dr. Paris is held throughout conference.

This pastor was the recipient of a most gracious Easter "pounding" from the hands of Prospect church, Yanceyville charge. It came as a complete surprise following one of the revival services last week. Needless to say we are very grateful to these fine people for their kindness.—J. V. Early.

Rev. F. E. Howard assisted Rev. L. E. Mabry, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Lexington, in services from March 22-29, and with the services through Holy Week, closing Easter Sunday. Twenty-eight were received into the church on Easter Sunday morning, 26 on profession and two by letter.

As a result of its loyalty program during the Lenten season the Myers Park Methodist church in Charlotte has received 130 new members since conference and has paid its World Service apportionment in full for the year In a beautiful christening service Easter Sunday afternoon 25 infants and young children were dedicated in baptism.

The Religious Telescope says: "The junk man, we are told, is now to be designated as a 'Victory Collector.' Pity we didn't think of that while we were giving the Chinese our sympathy and selling our junk to Japan to enable them to kill the Chinese and to stock up on materials with which to kill us."

On Easter Sunday morning West Market Street church, Dr. J. B. Craven pastor, the World Service offering amounted to $3900. There were almost one thousand envelopes in the morning offering. This offering was a voluntary offering over and above pledges to the church budget. Seventeen new members were received into the church.

Rev. A. J. Groves, retired member of the North Carolina conference, is ill at his home in Sanford. Mrs. D. L. Lawrence, for the benefit of his numerous friends who will be glad to hear from him, writes as follows: "He has been confined to his bed for several weeks, suffering from neuritis and arthritis. He is a little better perhaps now. Being in his 86th year, you realize the seriousness of his condition."

Some important events on the Methodist calendar are: Board of Church Extension, former M. E. Church, South, Louisville, Ky., April 30; Curriculum Committee, May 7-8, Nashville; Board of Education, Nashville, May 19-22; Council of Bishops, Nashville, May 22-26 Assembly Woman's Society of Christian Service, Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22; annual meeting Associated Church Press, Hotel Prince George, New York City, May 5-7; commencement Scarritt College, Nashville, May 31-June 3.

PROGRAM OF ANNUAL MEETING ASSOCIATED CHURCH PRESS, NEW YORK, MAY 5-6-7

Tuesday, May 5

6:00 p.m. Dinner and round table discussion.

"Review and Preview," led by L. O. Hartman, president of the Associated Church Press and editor of Zions Herald, Boston.

Wednesday, May 6

10:00 a.m. "Editorial Trials and Triumphs."

(a) "One Hundred Years Ago." Ralph Stoody, director of Methodist Information, New York City.

(b) "Today." A. W. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C. Discussion.

7:50 p.m. "What's the News?" Sam Welles, editor of Time, New York City.

8:15 p.m. "Publicizing the Church in the Secular and Religious Press." Osborn Hauge, in charge of publicity for the United Lutheran Church, New York City. Discussion.

Thursday, May 7

10:50 a.m. "Publishing the Truth in War Time." Ralph Ingersoll, editor of PM, New York City.

11:50 a.m. "Training for Journalism." A discussion led by Dean Carl W. Ackerman of the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, New York.

2:50 p.m. "Free Press: Is It Too Much and Too Free?" R. H. Markham, staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor, Boston. Mass. Discussion.

5:45 p.m. Business and election of officers.

OPEN HOUSE AT NEW PARSONAGE OF DAVIS STREET CHURCH, BURLINGTON

Open house in the form of a silver tea was held in the new parsonage of the Davis Street Methodist church, Burlington, Saturday evening, March 28, from seven until nine o'clock. Flower arrangements were made through the courtesy of Trollingers, also Moorefield Florists. Throughout the evening musical selections were rendered by Mrs. H. W. Wade, Buddy Wade and Clarence Southern, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Clarence Southern.

Miss Swannie Coble received at the front door. Mrs. Walter Williamson stood at the living room entrance and introduced to the receiving line which was composed of church offficials. In the receiving line were Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Long and their son, John, Jr., Mrs. A. T. Glenn, Mrs. Edwin Moore, H. W. Wade, J. G. Rogers, Vance Jones, Miss Arthula Cheek, Miss Margaret Miller Wade and Harvey Mitchell.

Mrs. Glenn Huffman directed into the dining room, where Mrs. D. D. Demoss and Mrs. J. B. Cheek presided over the punch bowl. Members of the Golden Rule Class, Miss Carleen Crutchfield, Mrs. Wade Montgomery, Mrs. Clyde Hall, Mrs. Sam Storey, Mrs. Raymond Simmons and Mrs. Nathan Forrester, served punch and brown edge cookies. The punch was made by Mrs. E. C. Dixon, Miss Mamie McPherson and Mrs. Curry Isley.

Miss Dora Thompson directed to the kitchen, where Mrs. C. C. Durham and Miss Donnie Clapp assisted. Miss Betty Thompson stood in the hall and directed to the stairs. Mrs. Melvin Wilson and Mrs. Pauline McPherson had charge of the second floor. Miss Susie Stafford directed from the stairs into the study, where Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Garrison presided at the silver platter. After registering, the guests left through the door of the study.

A very delightful evening was spent. Around 300 friends called. It was very interesting to note the things that were donated by classes and individuals. Each item was marked accordingly. A very fine spirit of co-operation was displayed.

Mrs. Melvin Wilson.



New parsonage of Davis Street Church, Burlington

ALTAR PIECES DEDICATED EASTER SUNDAY IN GRACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

The family of the late pastor and friend, Dr. Samuel K. Spahr, presented to Grace Methodist church the altar set, consisting of a cross and two large silver vases, which was used for the first time on the communion table Easter Sunday, when it was appropriately dedicated by the pastor. The cross bore the following inscription upon the base:

Given to Grace Methodist Church
Greensboro, North Carolina
in loving memory of
1924 — Samuel Kyle Spahr, D.D. — 1942
By his wife and family
Easter — 1942

REV. KENNETH GOODSON AND MUIR'S CHAPEL

At the last annual conference Muir's Chapel, in a suburb of Greensboro near Guilford College, was made a station and Rev. Kenneth Goodson, the gifted young pastor who had served three years as associate pastor of West Market Street church, Greensboro, was appointed pastor of this new pastoral charge.

Last Sunday an Easter offering was made for World Service. Muir's Chapel had been asked for $450 and Sunday's offering amounted to $800. This is what we call a great beginning for Mr. Goodson's new pastorate. Congratulations to both pastor and people.

THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN ON WITH FRESH EMPHASIS AFTER EASTER

The Advocate campaign for new subscribers has gone with fine success thus far, and our plan from this time forward is to increase the emphasis upon this important work of the church.

April and May have hitherto been two of the best months of the entire year to secure new subscribers, and we expect this year to be no exception to the rule.

Look out next week for the report of new charges that have reached their quota, and better than this, let your charge be among those that go on the honor roll.

NEW BERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The New Bern district conference will be held April 16 at Smith's Chapel church on the Mt. Olive circuit. This church is located about five miles west of Mt. Olive on highway 55. The program will begin promptly at 10 a. m. war time. All interests of the church will be given consideration.

J. A. Russell.



Bishop Purcell Will Dedicate Walnut Grove Church Next Tuesday

Walnut Grove church, on the Cedar Grove charge, will be dedicated on Tuesday, April 14, the same date of our district conference. Bishop Purcell will be present.

The church was built with the native flint rock gathered from the fields of the farmers. Much of the labor was given by the members under the leadership of Rev. S. F. Nicks. The church was almost finished when the present pastor, Rev. J. C. Williams, came to the work. There was a little carpenter work to be done and about $1500 to be raised to pay off the debt. The approximate cost was $18,000.

History of Walnut Grove Church

More than a century ago, in the year of 1841, an early Methodist circuit rider, whose name is not known, and who was very anxious that the people be brought to the knowledge of the power of God, came to a section of Orange county, N. C., ten miles north of the town of Hillsboro in Cedar Grove township and organized a church. A strip of land was given by Samuel Woods, about one-half mile south of the place where the present structure stands, for the purpose of building a church. This first meeting house was a long time being completed. At one time during its construction it was sold for debts. David B. McKee bought the property and gave the people permission to use it as long as it was used for worship. This church was finally completed in 1870 by adding window lights, benches and ceiling. It was perhaps never formally dedicated. Some of the pastors of this church were: Rev. Messrs. Webb, Martin, Guthrie, Stone, Thompson, Nelson, Lauder, and maybe others.

In the year of 1890 the land for a new church was bought from Mr. A. W. Cole on which houses of worship, number two and number three were built The second Walnut Grove church was completed and dedicated by Rev. Mr. Bishop, October 29, 1893. Nehemiah 4:6 was used as the text. The following served as pastor of this church number two: Puckett, Rose, Bradley, Brists, Ross, Yearby, McFarland, Caviness, Terrell, Fox, Hester, Grant, Ormond, Blalock, Durham, Lupton, Dimmett and Nicks.

In the fall of 1936 Rev. F. S. Nicks asked of the fourth quarterly conference an order or privilege of building a new church on the present site of the old church. This old church has been in use for 46 years. For some years some of the members had seen the vital need of a modern house of worship at this place. And after much thought and prayer, with Brother Nicks as pastor the work was begun with the following chosen building committee: Charles E. Berry, chairman, Luther C. Tilley, secretary, J. E. Hawkins, J. V. Roberts, Gorman Wilkerson, Brodie T. Blalock, Andy Johnson, N. N. Jordan, J. D. Woods, S. J. Parker, John H. Brown, Hubert G. Laws, treasurer, H. N. Haines, architect.

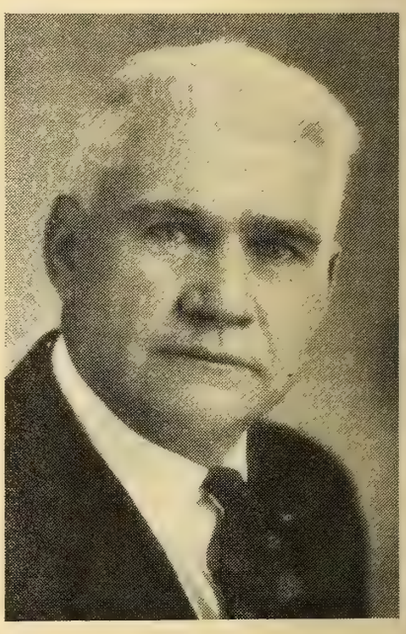
The Duke Endowment gave to this work $2500. Money and timber were donated to the amount sufficient to begin building. Something like 60,000 feet of lumber was sawed on the yard by Berry's mill and more than $1000 given by members to begin the work.

More than $1000 was donated from the farmers by giving what they realized from the farmers by giving what they realized from tobacco planted on a bag of guano. The work began on May 4, 1937.

The winds and the waves are always on the side of the ablest navigator.—Gibbon.



Dr. A. J. Hobbs, Dist. Supt.



Rev. S. F. Nicks, Builder



Rev. J. C. Williams, Pastor

DURHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE ASSEMBLES AT WALNUT GROVE

The Durham district conference meets April 14, 9:30 a. m., at Walnut Grove church. Theme: "Evangelism for These Days." The new stone church will be dedicated by Bishop Clare Purcell. This is one of the best country churches in all Methodism.

Some of the discussions:

Making Men Spiritually Fit, D. E. Earnhardt.

Evangelism and Missions, M. C. Dunn.

Evangelism and Woman's Work, Miss Florine Robertson.

Evangelism and Christian Education, R. W. Bradshaw and T. M. Vick, Jr.

Evangelism and the Army Camp, R. E. Brown.

Evangelism and Temperance, J. J. Boone.

Evangelism and Lay Activities, Aldridge, Lentz, and Greene.

Evangelism and Christian Literature, M. T. Plyler.

Evangelism and Our Colleges.

How to Reach the Church

Those coming from Hillsboro on highway 87 take to the right at Kennedy's lumber plant, five miles north of Hillsboro. Those coming from the north going south on 87 will turn at a sign marked to Walnut Grove.

DR. DUREN'S TRIBUTE TO DR. H. C. MORRISON

In a brief, but comprehensive and glowing tribute to Dr. H. C. Morrison, recently deceased, Dr. W. L. Duren, editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, says:

"The death of Dr. Henry Clay Morrison on the night of March 24, ends the career of a noble Christian and a picturesque figure in Methodist life. The veteran preacher, educator, publicist, and evangelist completed his 85th year on March 10. He was at the center of one of the great theological storms which swept the Methodist Church a generation ago, and to the end of his days he was a tower of strength in his opposition to a subversive liberalism and in his defense of the fundamental doctrines of Christian faith and experience. A great Christian soldier has fallen and a great apostle and promoter of Christian education at its best has entered into eternal rest. His was the fame of a devoted heart, not that of intellectual daring. Long will his spirit brood over Asbury College as that of founder and guardian angel."

HOLY WEEK AT CARTHAGE

Observance of Holy Week began in the Carthage Methodist church on the fifth Sunday in March, closing with Easter Sunday. Services were held each evening through Thursday, Rev. W. G. Farrar doing the preaching.

An impressive union service commemorating "The Three Hours on the Cross" was observed Friday afternoon. Rev. Walter Wafford of the Baptist church occupied the pulpit, the first period using as his theme the first and second sayings of Jesus on the cross. Appropriate music and prayers were interspersed. Rev. W. S. Golden, pastor of the Presbyterian church spoke on the third and fourth saying, and Rev. Chas. Plybon, local retired Baptist minister, used the fifth and sixth sayings for his theme. Rev. W. G. Farrar ended the discussion with the seventh and last. The intermingling of all these godly people was an inspiration in itself and each of the messages were full of thought, hope and comfort.

It was really a week of spiritual feasting. Easter morning services were somewhat out of the ordinary. At the conclusion of the sermon the large congregation were asked to bring their gifts and lay them on the altar. Special gift for this occasion was a self-denial offering for our superannuate preachers. This special was laid on the open Bible. The plates for the regular collection were placed on the chancel rail. Practically every one present stood around the altar for the dedication service. In the words of Peter we, too, "felt 'twas good to be here." Mrs. J. D. Downing.

YE ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

They were not the wise men who had worshipped Him in his infancy; they were not the Caesars who had conquered the world; they were not the statesmen whose policies had brought peace to the world; they were not merchant princes whose goods were gathered from distant lands; they were not the poets who had sung the epics of Greece and Rome; they were not the orators who had held the multitudes of that far-off day spellbound by their matchless eloquence; nor were they the philosophers who had made Greece and Rome famous for learning to whom Jesus said: "Ye are the light of the world."

The world was in desperate need of light. The lights of the world had failed and gross darkness covered the people. Judaism, with its law and Temple, its priests and prophets, its forms and ceremonies, had failed. Paganism, with its gods—Hercules, the gladiator, Mercury, the robber, Jupiter, the debauchee, and Venus, the courtesan, had failed. Philosophy, though it had exposed the fallacies of the ancient faiths, had failed. Tiberius, a cruel, jealous and despotic Emperior, reigned in Rome, the hub of the world, and Pontius Pilate, a weak opportunist, was governor of Judea, the heart of the Jewish nation.

The world was hopeless. Luxury and splendor, wealth and poverty, slavery and degradation, mercilessness and cruelty, vice and immorality held undisputed sway. Paul's letter to the little church in Rome, which, in its fetid environment, had lost the ardor of its first love, lifts the curtain on the social life of that great city. But historians claim that the vices and immoralities in the capital city were surpassed by those in the provincial cities.

Jesus looked out on the darkness of the world and said to his disciples: "Ye are the light of the world." How prophetic! Surely, no human would have dared so to speak. His disciples were without background, training, money, influence, experience or numerical strength. But they lighted their torches at the Cross and at the Empty Tomb and began lighting other torches. These were made of smoking wicks and brought together in cities noted for their wealth and influence in which churches were founded, pastors were chosen, missionaries and evangelists were sent out and a Christian literature developed.

In the heat generated by the Light of the World humanity is passing through the birth-pains of a new era. The seed pods are being broken by the terrible winds of war from the scattered seeds of which a co-operative community of nations will grow; for its roots strike down through Golgotha to the Empty Tomb in the garden of Joseph of Arimathea.

"Ye are the light of the world." That is the hope that sustains humanity as the race is drenched in blood.

"Every tiger madness muzzled, every serpent passion kill'd,
Every grim ravine a garden, every blazing desert till'd,
Robed in universal harvest up to either pole she smiles,
Universal ocean softly washing all her warless isles."

—The Christian Index.

On Growing Older

By HUGH STEVENSON TIGNER

These words are addressed specifically to the middle-aged by one of them. Middle age is an ill-defined zone with disputed boundaries. But whatever its correct limits, it contains a spot where one looks down the road ahead and feels and acts like a balky horse.

This critical place varies with the individual traveler. It is reached through certain experiences rather than through a definite number of years. Somewhere along the middle of the way one comes to a vivid realization of the brevity of his own life. It is borne in upon one that he has used up at least half his allotted span, that he is being swept along by a current of time toward old age. And after old age comes death. The instinctive reaction is to balk at this prospect, to protest against it in some way: to become depressed, to pretend a false youthfulness, to drive the thought out of one's mind as if it were a nightmare.

My message to the middle-aged is: Stop deceiving yourself about the evils of growing older. And stop doing what amounts to the same thing: attributing values to youthfulness that it does not, never did, and never can, possess. This is no pumped-up pep talk, but the testimony of one who believes sincerely that he is speaking unvarnished, profound, incontestable truth.

Of old age I cannot speak with any firsthand authority. It seems an unfortunate thing—to young people. That is natural and proper. But I do know that I have been unable to find any evil in growing older. In fact, my experience is quite the opposite.

Yes, it was something of a shock when I waked up to the fact that I had become a staunch member of the middle generation, the generation that is bearing the heat and burden of the day, and showing some signs of the strain. A few years ago I took up residence in the village where I had gone to college. I made my entry feeling just like a college student again. The first of my former classmates I met on the street looked the way I thought his father ought to look. I made a worried inquiry about the state of his health. The next one I met showed signs of weathering too. Then school opened. How young the students appeared these days! I tried to meet them on common ground. Their reactions to my approaches baffled me. When they made polite efforts to respond by seeking a common ground, I discovered from their questions that they thought I had fought in the Civil War.

And I confess to moods that bear a close resemblance to sadness when certain sights and events say to me, "All flesh is grass, and all the beauty thereof like the flower of the field." Taking down the old year's calendar and putting up the new has become a solemn ritual for me.

But these things do not justify any balking on the road. One gets shocks from the day he is first surprised by breath and light. The jolts and melancholies of middle age are not a whit more unpleasant or evil, nor do they signify any more for life than the rude awakenings of childhood and the melancholies of adolescence. They devalue neither the present nor the future; and most decidedly they do not justify those romantic phantasies about what a surpassingly splendid thing it was to be young. Today's problems do not entitle one to lie about those of yesterday.

George Henry Borrow, that gifted English wanderer and storyteller of a century ago, reflecting on how fortune had turned in his favor, wrote: "Many people will doubtless say that things have altered wonderfully with me for the better; and they would say right, provided I possessed now what I then carried about with me on my journeys—the spirit of youth. Youth is the only season for enjoyment, and the first twenty-five years of one's life are worth all the rest of the longest life of man, even though those five-and-twenty be spent in penury and contempt, and the rest in possession of wealth, honors, respectability, aye, and many of them in strength and health."

That is certainly clear and emphatic enough. It was written when Borrow was fifty-three, and he had twenty-five more years to go. I don't doubt the sincerity of the author, but I don't believe a word of his statement.

As readers of Barrow's semi-autobiographical tales (Lavengro and The Romany Rye) know, he possessed an original and romantic imagination that transformed everything it touched. He was among the most excellent of storytellers and the most unreliable of reporters. In writing about his youth he recreated it. And I think he had a special reason for doing so.

Being a person whose spiritual meat and drink was carefree adventure, Borrow had the misfortune to achieve wealth and fame from writing The Bible in Spain at the age of forty. This among other things led to his dropping his sincere and spontaneous mode of life at an untimely age for a tame, sedentary, stuffy respectability. It was like transforming a still vigorous eagle into a barnyard fowl. No wonder he protested. But it was really a protest against this unsavory manner of life rather than against his augmented years.

One of my deepest convictions is that youth is a greatly overrated period—by older people. Just as we tend to make increasing years a scapegoat for our unhappiness, so do we seek compensation for the flaws in our lives by imagining that when we were young the ointment had no flies. That is pure phantasy. If one can't remember straightly about himself, let him observe the behavior of children and fledglings.

The budding powers of the young are hedged about by that most fundamental of all limitations, ignorance and incapacity. However happy and innocent a child's life may be, his days are studded with mountains made out of molehills, and he is filled with plans he cannot carry out. He is puzzled by things every adult knows as a matter of course, and agonizes over the inconsequential. Surrounded by an adult life in which he cannot participate except on a childish level, he wants a hundred things he must be told he cannot have until he grows up. Childhood is an interminable period of deferments.

As one passes into that supposedly golden age of adolescence he is disturbed and mystified by vague im-

pulses and feelings he does not understand and cannot satisfy. He is unable to interpret correctly his own experience. He does not know what he is looking for, nor where or how to find it. Everything is a tremulous mystery, most of all himself. In every area of life he must be feeling out his way, testing himself, finding out about himself and other people, and slowly and painfully—if with enchantments and titilations—discovering what this complicated and unknown business of living is all about.

I do not think of my own younger years as notably bad ones, but when I see young people going through their forms of eager, awkward, noisy, embarrassed, ebullient, uncertain behavior I am only thankful that I do not have to go through all that again.

"Backward, turn backward, O Time in your flight!
Make me a child again, just for tonight!

is a sentiment that leaves me distinctly cold. I think my most ardent desire when young was to grow up so that I might come into full possession of my powers. Though I feel a bit distressed at times about the limitations of my matured powers, I wouldn't give them up for a million years of youthful living without them. Whatever my difficulties I know that being younger would be an inadequate remedy. The thing that has come to impress me most about young people is that they don't know much.

The simple truth is that as I have grown older I have become increasingly more adequate for life: more able to know what I desire and more able to satisfy it, more able to discriminate among values, more able to handle my problems. I have made progress. I have gathered a working capital of wisdom. Life means more to me today than at any earlier period. Growing older has brought me increased enjoyment, moral strength and spiritual confidence. I regard that record as more or less typical. Why should I now turn in resentment upon the very process that has brought me all these gains?

To be sure, growing older means that one shall eventually become old. "The years come on when you shall say, 'I have no pleasure in them.' When the guards tremble in the house of Life, when its upholders bow. . . ." So says Ecclesiastes. Nobody knows who this writer was. My guess is that he was a dissipated poet of twenty-eight, a Hebrew Lord Byron. One of the three overwhelming sights that sent Prince Gautama, the Buddha, in search of Nirvana was the sight of an old man. The prince was twenty-nine. No one recorded how the old man felt about it.

Of course youth dosen't find any great appeal in old age. Why should it? To do so would involve a sort of denial of one's own being. When one is young, why, it is the time to be young. The same rule ought to apply to old age, and I think it does, if one has acquired any wisdom and has not played dishonest, not to say pathological, tricks with his memory. From my observation post at life's high noon I can think of no sound reason why the old should have more envy of the young than vice versa.

Here is the testimony Plato put into the mouth of the ancient Cephalus in his Republic: "Some will tell you sadly of how many evils their old age is the cause. But to me these complainers seem to blame that which is not really at fault. These regrets and complaints are to be attributed not to old age, but to men's characters and tempers; for he of a calm and happy nature will hardly feel the weight of age, but to him of an opposite disposition youth and age are equally a burden. Old age has a great sense of calm and freedom; when the passions relax their hold we are freed from the grasp of many mad masters."—The Christian Leader.

THE NEW ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

Dr. William Temple, Archbishop of York, succeeds Dr. Lang as Archbishop of Canterbury. The high ecclesiastical office has its national bearings, and for that reason the question of its occupant is of concern to the country as a whole and especially to the religious community. As citizens Methodist everywhere will be gratified at the King's choice of a man of such commanding personality and wide sympathies; as Free Churchmen they welcome the appointment as the most agreeable to them that could be made. For the first time in history the new Primate is son of a former Primate. He inherits, moreover, his father's virility; forthrightness, prescience and that touch of combativeness so essential to leadership. But he has also a rare comprehensiveness of mind and catholicity of spirit, which temper his judgments and greatly increase men's confidence and awaken their affection. Dr. Temple is already one of the foremost men of the Anglo-Saxon world. His capacity for learning and for work is prodigious. He is a statesman, theologian, philosopher, artist, social reformer, orator in the best sense, as his many instructive and readable books on religious and philosophical subjects and his public utterances witness. He is a born leader and he knows modern religious and social life. No other religious teacher has such a hold on the young mind of the country. His lucid, measured sentences and confident utterance reveal (while they conceal), not merely wide and accurate learning, but an almost tremendous conviction of heart as well as mind. As president of the World Conference of Faith and Order he has come into close association with representatives of nearly all the churches upon earth and has won their entire confidence, admiration and goodwill. We feel confident he will show himself equally gifted and ready to meet the grave responsibilities and difficulties of his new office; and we cannot but think that his advent to the throne at Canterbury is of good augury for all who are working toward unity of the churches.—Methodist Recorder (London).

THE FARMHOUSE ON THE HILL

There's an ivy covered farmhouse, with its low, old fashioned door,
Where the morning glories twine around the sill;
It was there I used to wander in the happy days of yore,
And I love that dear old farmhouse on the hill.

There's a charm about the place where the twilight shadows fall,
And the voices of the songbirds are all still;
There are places dear to me, but the dearest of them all
In the dear old home, the farmhouse on the hill.

When twilight shadows deepen, and the stars come out above,
And I listen to the cricket's lonely trail,
Then I long to be at rest with the dear ones that I love,
Who are sleeping near the farmhouse on the hill.

—Selected.

WEEKLY AND SEMI-WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS GIVE LARGE SPACE TO RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

Weekly and semi-weekly newspapers in the territory covered by the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church devote almost the traditional tithe of one-tenth news space to religious activities, according to a study recently made by Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, extension secretary, Methodist Board of Education, Salisbury.

One week's issue of 29 papers (21 weekly and eight semi-weekly) carried 1833 column inches of news about church activities out of a total of approximately 19,450 inches of news. This gives a general average of between nine and ten per cent of religious news while individual papers varied from three to twenty-four per cent. All but seven of the papers carried front page religious news articles. Only six per cent of the pictures concerned church affairs. Four hundred and fifty-eight inches of space were taken up with editorial and features on religious topics. About half the papers carried expositions of the Sunday school lesson—a total of 244 inches of it.

In the particular issue of these papers studied there was news about 19 denominations, not including non-denominational and inter-denomiational news. The list follows in descending order according to the total space devoted to them: Inter-denominational (including church announcements), Methodist, Baptist, Christian Scientist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Episcopal, Catholic, Moravian, Church of God, Quaker, Reformed, Evangelical Christian, Tabernacle, Negro churches, non-denominational, Nazarene, Mormon, Wesleyan Methodist, and Holiness.

News was divided into the following types which are mentioned in descending order according to the space given them: General Local Church Activities, Church Announcements, Woman's Groups, General Church-Wide, Youth Groups, Church Related Institutions, Church School, Ministers, and Men's Groups.

REV. E. N. CROWDER VICTIM OF REPEATED STROKES

Rev. E. N. Crowder, 76, of Rutherfordton, retired Methodist minister, died Sunday morning, April 5, at his home in Rutherfordton, death resulting from repeated strokes of paralysis. He had been in declining health for some time.

Brother Crowder's name was placed on the roll of superannuates at the conference at Asheville in 1931, since which time he has lived at Rutherfordton. His wife died about ten years ago and was buried at Tanners' Grove, a few miles south of Rutherfordton. Funeral services were conducted at the church in Rutherfordton and interment was in the cemetery at Tanner's Grove.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. William Colvert of Wilmington, Delaware; Mrs. Joe Erwin and Mrs. George Wilkie of Rutherfordton; Mrs. C. G. Smith, wife of the Iredell clerk of superior court. He leaves also a sister, Mrs. Phillips of Gastonia. His only son died soon after the close of the first World War as a result of his service in the U. S. Army.

NEWS FROM FIRST STREET CHURCH, ALBEMARLE

We begin revival services at First Street April 12. The pastor doing the preaching and Geo. R. Hawkes directing the music. Things are going fine here. Our budget is balanced for half year and some in treasury on second half, with several hundred in stamps and bonds toward our educational building. The budget has been increased ten per cent in all items over last year. Improvements have been made at the church, some new furnishings at the parsonage, communion set purchased, two new stewards added, 21 members received. We had a great Easter. Our adult choir did a fine job in their Easter concert on Palm Sunday evening and music for the service on Easter morning. Then our young people's robed choir did themselves proud in their concert on Easter Sunday evening.

The youth fellowship sponsored a sunrise service on the church lawn Easter morning. A large crowd attended the service. The sun same up in a beautiful, clear, rosy dawn during hte service.

When you come to the Salisbury district conference you will hear good reports of the fine work done by these fine people at First Street. "We shall come rejoicing."

G. N. Dulin.

SELF-DESTRUCTION

By Walter E. Isenhour

People think of self-destruction as suicide. However, there are many ways of destroying one's self beside committing suicide, so far as the act is concerned. People destroy themselves physically, mentally, morally and spiritually who are not accused of suicide. In fact they do not mean to commit such an act.

We see people today who are literally destroying their health and strength by some bad and ruinous habit, or by a number of habits combined. They are not going to live out their days—maybe not half of them—because of their bad habits and destructive indulgences. It is a fact. They are absolutely destroying themselves. They are physical wrecks, whereas they ought to be well, strong and robust, and would be if they were serving and worshipping God.

As men destroy themselves in body by their sinful indulgences they oftentimes wreck themselves mentally. As the health gives way to disease caused by bad habits the mind gives way, and as a consequence our insane asylums are filled. Then we realize that the sins which wreck men physically and mentally likewise wreck them morally and spiritually, hence the thousands and tens of thousands of criminals that our prisons inclose today. It is alarming.

Indeed sin and wickedness destroy men and nations. The prophet Hosea said: "O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself." The same can be said truthfully today of nations. They are literally destroying themselves and destroying each other. When individuals and nations disobey God, then violate the laws of nature and the land, it always means destruction. It has been so down through the ages. It is so today. Bad and ruinous habits; evil, sinful, wicked indulgences, bring on physical weakness, mental weakness, moral and spiritual decay, and is so costly in dollars and cents that it finally impoverishes men and nations. We can't drink and carouse, commit adultery, soak and saturate our bodies with nicotine, become dopers, and turn to vile pictures and corrupt literature, and forsake the Bible, the church, the Sunday school, the prayer meeting, and desecrate the holy Sabbath day, and become lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God wiithout destroying ourselves as individuals and nations. Hence the dreadful and horrible war that is sweeping the earth today. It is turn back to God or perish. "But in me is thine help" (Hosea 13:9).

JACOB F. HANES

Not many days ago Mr. Hanes moved from our midst and with his passing the good county of Davie has lost one of its best citizens. He was a friend to both rich and poor, always ready to help his fellowman. He loved his church, his pastor, and through the years he stood loyally and faithfully by to help when opportunity presented itself.

He went to Trinity College and was classmate with the Plyler brothers and played on the championship team with them. He did not wish his good deeds to become known, and here in his home community where he was loved by all, the inspiration of his noble life will live on in the hearts and lives of all who knew him.

Robert M. Hardee, Pastor.

Bishop Purcell Will Dedicate Tarift Methodist Church Sunday





THRIFT METHODIST CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Thrift Methodist church of the Thrift-Moores charge in the Charlotte district will be dedicated Sunday morning, April 12, by Bishop Clare Purcell. Assisting Bishop Purcell in the service of dedication will be Dr. G. T. Bond, Charlotte district superintendent; Rev. C. D. Brown of Bessemer City, under whose leadership the present church was built, and Rev. James E. Rink, present pastor of the Thrift-Moores charge.

W. T. Ashford, chairman of the Thrift board of stewards, will present the canceled notes against the church to P. C. Wilkinson, a church trustee, who will present the church to Bishop Purcell for dedication.

The Thrift Methodist church is a new, modern brick building with one of the most beautiful sanctuaries in the whole conference. The present structure was built during the pastorate of Rev. C. D. Brown. Rev. John Carper, who recently joined the army chaplaincy, led the congregation in paying off the indebtedness on the building last conference year.

The present church is the third to be used by the Thrift congregation. The first two were wooden buildings, the last of which was destroyed by fire. The first church was built in 1915, being dedicated by Bishop John C. Kilgo in the fall of that year. Robert Lassiter and George B. Hiss contributed generously to the establishment of this first church and parsonage. The late J. K. Beaty served in many ways in this church. He was for many years a steward and church school superintendent. The following pastors have served the Thrift Methodist church: B. F. Fincher (deceased), C. L. McCain, L. H. Griffith (deceased), J. J. Edwards (deceased), J. A. Peeler, J. O. Erwin, T. H. Swafford, E. D. Ballard, G. D. Brown, John Carper, and James E. Rink.

All former pastors, members and other friends of the Thrift church are invited to be present at the dedication service Sunday.

NEWS FROM ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

In the Rocky Mount district there has just been held three church school institutes and youth rallies. For convenience and economy there were three held at convenient centers instead of one. Each of these meetings began at 4:30 in the afternoon. After a brief devotional the group divided into children's workers, adult workers, and youth workers for the discussion of the work pertaining to the departments and for the sharing of questions and ideas. These were enthusiastic and helpful. At 6:15 a picnic supper was served. The ladies of the local churches added to the lunches which were brought. At 7:30 the youth rallies were held in the church auditorium.

The first of these meetings was held at Elm City on March 20, the second at Weldon on March 22, and the third at Warrenton on March 27 Miss Kitty Wilson, president of the North Carolina Conference Youth Fellowship, was at all of the meetings and spoke. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw was on the program at Elm City and Weldon. Kempton Jones, president of the National Youth Fellowship, spoke at Warrenton. Young people from over the district presided over the meetings, read the scripture, offered prayers, and furnished special music. It is gratifying to see what talent we have in this district.

There was a total attendance in excess of 700, of whom between four and five hundred were youth. It gives a boost to one's faith to see the zeal and consecration on the part of the young people. We appreciate the work of our district superintendent, the speakers, the co-operating pastors, and all who made a contribution to these worth while meetings.

W. M. Howard, Jr.

ROWAN COUNTY "GET-TOGETHER"

The Methodist preachers and wives of Rowan county had a most enjoyable evening together on Thursday, March 26, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Kirby in Spencer. The "covered dishes" brought in furnished a bountiful meal, which was followed by visiting, swapping of stories and games. Mrs. W. G. McFarland, who heads the Methodist preachers' wives of the county, called a short business meeting of the group, and it was decided to meet again in May at the Granite Quarry parsonage.

Those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Kirby were Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Clark, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. West, Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Mrs. Mary J. McFarland of Mebane, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Avett, Mrs. R. L. Melton, Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Rev. C .G. Isley, Mrs. Hattie Isley, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Swofford, Rev. W. R. Bustle, Miss Elizabeth Oliver, and Mrs. John F. Kirk.

NEWS FROM HAYESVILLE

Attracting much interest in Hayesville was an Easter cantata, "The Victorious Christ," which was presented in the Methodist church Sunday night. The production was under the direction of the pastor, Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Jr., and consisted of 13 voices.

The story of the trial and crucifixion of Christ was read by Miss Josephine Weaver and duet and solo numbers were taken by Mrs. Porter Scroggs, Mrs. A. J. Clemmer, Jr., Mrs. Edith McGlamery, Miss Carolyn Curtis and Miss Myrt Padgett.

On Friday night preceding Easter the pastor conducted a communion service and delivered an inspiring sermon centered about the last few days of Christ's earthly sojourn.

New pews have been recently installed in the church at Hayesville which was completed last year. Indirect lighting system is used in the new structure and for the Easter program the main auditorium lights were cut off and the altar and choir loft were lighted by candles and soft light lamps.

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DISTRICT MEETINGS FOR APRIL

We are indebted to Miss Amy Hackney, chairman of the district corresponding secretaries' group, for the following schedule of district meetings to be held in April:

Asheville district: Hendersonville, April 28.
Winston-Salem: Fairgrove - Thomasville, April 28.
High Point: Main Street (High Point), April 29.
Waynesville: Andrews, April 29.
Greensboro: Tabernacle, April 30.
Marion: Marion, April 30.
Elkin: Elkin, April 14.
Elkin: Boone, April 15.

These meetings will have as special visitors a number of conference officers and missionaries, who will contribute to the interest and enjoyment of the day's program. Announcements of other meetings in districts not listed will be made later.

MOBILIZE FOR MEMBERS

The attention of the membership committees in our local Woman's Societies of Christian Service is called to the necessity of mobilizing for new members by our leaders in the woman's work. They ask that the second quarter be made a period of intensive effort for securing new members. They refer our societies to the Revised Guide and the leaflet which was circulated with the Efficiency Aim poster, for suggestions regarding methods of increasing memberships. Quoting Mrs. V. F. Devinney, executive secretary of education and cultivation (Woman's Section): "Our local churches are the bone and sinew of the Christian movement around the world. As Methodist women we have a vital stake in all of this. The unity which we have achieved in this new organization is significant. Our 1,285,648 members united should be an invincible force for righteousness—a power in holding Christianity together in a broken world. Our beginning was glorious. However, it is not the beginning but the continuing that counts now. We call upon the women of Methodism to give themselves with new courage and press forward, giving real sacrificial service to the Woman's Society of Christian Service."

GUILD DELEGATES TO THE ASSEMBLY

The April number of The Methodist Woman says: "The Wesleyan Service Guild is making history. Never before have employed women nationally had the opportunity to be part of a delegated body in the Methodist Church. We appreciate the opportunity given the Guild to have a share in the first assembly of united Methodism. These business women wish to measure up to their increasing responsibility in these days when more than one in three women leave their homes daily for gainful occupation, and it is a great privilege for them to have representatives at the assembly to share in the hearings with other Methodist women. The standing committee of the Guild is holding its annual meeting immediately following the assembly and plans are being made for a joint session during the assembly with all the conference Guild delegates. Each conference is asked to send to the national Guild office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., the name and address of its conference Guild delegate to the assembly as soon as she is elected, that we may communicate with her in advance concerning details of the assembly."

At the recent annual meeting in High Point, Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, conference secretary of W. S. Guild, was unanimously elected a delegate to the assembly in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22, 1942.

THE CROSS

The following beautiful poem so appropriate to the Easter season is from the pen of Charles N. Pace, in The Christian Advocate of April 2:

"The Cross is such a simple thing,
Yet of it men may talk and sing.
It is a ladder to the skies
On which a mounting soul may rise.
It is a signboard on the road
To cheer man with his weary load.
It is a key that fits the door
To joyousness forevermore.
It is a tree upon the hill
Whose fruit the hungry heart can fill.
It is a window for the soul;
'Tis medicine to make one whole.
It signals to the human race
That God in mercy offers grace.
It is a beacon ever lit
By one identified with it.
We cannot feel that such a sign
Is other than a Power divine."

TWO IMPORTANT SEMINARS

Two seminars of special importance scheduled for June 22-July 3 and July 6-18, are the seminars of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities to be conducted under the auspices of the department of C. S. Relations and L .C. Activities at Garrett Biblical Institute in Evanston, Ill. It is planned to give specialized training to leaders in the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild, with major emphasis on the function and program of the department of C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities in its relation to the total responsibilities of church women. Each seminar will extend over a period of tow weeks and will give special attention to areas of activity suggested by the Seven Resource committees of the department. These seminars will be under the direction of Miss Louise Young, professor of sociology at Scarritt College, who is chairman of the national standing committee of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Other interesting meetings for the Guild are the summer schools at Gulfside, Louisiana. August 17-24; Lake Junaluska, July 27-August 4; Ocean Grove, New Jersey, July 6-13; Sequoyah, Arkansas, July 7-17.

Plans are also being made for week-end Guild conferences at Junaluska and Sequoyah, July 25-26 and July 18-19, respectively, and registration should be made in advance.

STATESVILLE DISTRICE ZONE MEETING

By Mrs. Forrest Sharpe

Zone No. 3 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Statesville district held its spring meeting in Taylorsville March 19 with an all day session at the Methodist church. There were 18 societies represented with 75 present. The meeting opened at 10 o'clock with Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, introducing Miss Mabel Barnes, the new zone chairman, who presided over the session, and Mrs. Forrest Sharpe serving as secretary in the absence of Miss Nellie Holland, secretary.

Devotionals were led by Mrs. O. L. Robertson, wh obased her talk on the courage of Paul, using the first chapter of 2 Timothy and the 12th varse as the scriptural foundation. The hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," was followed by a welcome extended by Mrs. Carl Motsinger, with response by Mrs. F. H. Price of Statesville.

Mrs. Roy Lazenby reported on supplies, and Mrs. H. A. Poston gave a report on literature and publications, urging a more extensive reading of the church papers. Rev. J. H. Hiatt, district superintendent, concluded the morning program with a talk on the work of the district. Lunch was served at noon and at the opening of the afternoon service Rev. E. H. Lowman of Hiddenite conducted a worship service based on Psalm 18. Mrs. Goode submitted her report of the past year's activities, and following the discussion of general interest in the work, Miss Mary Lee Pruett gave several musical selections. Mrs. Harold Rufty and Mrs. R. E. Current served as pages for the day. The meeting adjourned with singing "Blest be the tie that binds," with benediction by pastor.

PINE GROVE ON SUNDAY

The following poem by Mrs. Edith Erskine of Weaverville is sent to us with request for publication, as expressing the idea of Sabbath reverence:

"The Tender, mellow shine
That on Sunday lights our grove—
Could it be heaven's sign
Of that day's special love?

But He would not alter thus
The regal sun's own ways,
So with love He gives to us
Eyes that mellow as they gaze."

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I HAVE FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT

"We should fight the fight of good. God is on the side of truth and of right, therefore we must be on God's side. . . . The war that we are in today is nothing new. How can we face this thing? We must face it with a united church. The church is standing on trial today and it cannot win if it is divided. . . . Let us be tolerant. Let us never be guilty of judging the other person. Christ is the only one who can judge. . . . It is a Christian privilege to be joyous. . . . Chistians should not pass on gossip. We must learn to share and share alike. We must learn the value and the power of praise. We must learn the power of prayer. We must be good witnesses in these days."—Excerpts from a meditation led by Mrs. Paul N. Garber of Durham at the recent annual meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S.

THE CHURCH IN CHINA

It was indeed fortunate and extremely interesting that the women of the N. C. conference attending the annual meeting last month should be privileged to hear Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, foreign secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension in charge of work in China, Central and South Africa, the latest news from our mission fields. In her first address during the conference Miss McKinnon spoke particularly of the work in China and stated that the church in America faces the greatest challenge in its history. She pointed out that the Woman's Division of Christian Service had 105 missionaries in China before their recall from the fields, approximately one-half in occupied China and one-half in unoccupied China. Some of the missionaries are still in Japan and China. "The Board of Missions and Church Extension is able to make contact with most of the missionaries in the warring areas," said Miss McKinnon, "and although news of the native Christians has not been available, it is thought that entrance of America into the war will not affect them. The church of Jesus Christ has been established in all these countries where the Methodist Church is at work—native Christian churches—and we must have faith to believe that the natives will carry on." Miss McKinnon told of a recent message from Helen Kim, an outstanding Chinese Christian, who said: "Say to the church in America that the flame still burns."

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh is a member of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church from the N. C. conference and the Southeastern jurisdiction. During the annual meeting of the W. S. C. S. in Raleigh, Mrs. Coltrane brought to those present a comprehensive picture of the function of this board. Said Mrs. Coltrane: "The General Board of Missions and Church Extension is made up of approximately 100 folk. The board meets annually, the executive committee of the board meets quarterly. Bishop Arthur Moore of Atlanta, Ga., is president. The Board of Missions and Church Extension is divided into four sections—the Home Division, the Foreign Division, the Woman's Division and the General Division. The Woman's Division has a budget of more than $3,000,000 and sent out last year more than 5,000,000 pieces of free literature. The Board of Missions and Church Extension is seeking to keep the missionary program balanced at home and abroad."

HONORARY BABY LIFE MEMBERS

Several weeks ago we published a list of all honorary adult life memberships which were given in the N. C. conference last year, followed by a partial list of honorary baby life memberships. News of the annual meeting and other important anouncements have prevented the completion of this list. We are therefore completing it in this issue. New Bern district: Darden J. Eure, Morehead City; Brenda Smith, Bachelor; Norman Stuart Patten, Elizabeth Ann Ricks, both of Mt. Olive; Sarah Ann Lewis, Vanceboro; Bettie Jeane Edwards, Ayden; Marguerite Walston, Pink Hill; Katherine Edgerton Thompson, Mae Elizabeth Thompson (twins), Goldsboro; Joy Peaden, Greenville. Raleigh district: Bettie Eloise Bain, Clayton; Thomas Richard Harper, Moncure; Virginia Turlington, Bessie Alice Prince, Dunn; Alice Elizabeth Wilson, Raleigh; Ida Elizabeth Johnson, Fuquay Springs; Kenneth Pardue, Elizabeth Louise Hedden, Louisburg; Edith Faye Woodlief, Kittrell; Charles Orven Williams, Newton Grove; Bonnie Louise Holloway, Henderson. Rocky Mount district: Peggy Whitehurst, Ruth Reese Sides, Jean Tharrington, all of Rocky Mount; William Henry Burwell, 3rd, Warrenton; Doris Stephenson, Severn; Virginia Daughtry, Lasker; Marvin Carol Flythe, Larry Everett Flythe, Nellie Gray Flythe, Conway; Matt Ransom Johnson, Littleton; Barbara Bradley, Woodland; William Barrett, Jackson; Virginia Seaves, Sharon Church; Horace Ferguson, Pleasant Hill; Alice Marie Rooker, Norlina; June Carroll Davis, Pleasant Hill; Shirley Lois Martin, Phyllis Jean Dixon, Jean Carolyn Flythe, Milwaukee; Elizabeth Ann Lassitern, Bettie Willoughby, Conway; Jeanette Long, Burlington; Susan Hill Blount, Spring Hope; Atticus Morris Williams, Jr., Whitakers; Hugh Harris Cameron Rosemary; Stuart Martin, Jr., Severn; Ellen Watson, Wilson. Wilmington district: Mary Margaret Carroll, Philippine Islands; Wilbur Kirby Kilpatrick, Pembroke; Charles Spencer Hubbard, Jr., Roseboro; Betsy Long, Newton Grove; Robert Johnson Fisher, Jr., Fairmont; Robert Lee Fergus, Jr., Emma Jane Godwin, Betsy Clark Currin, all of Wilmington. Honorary junior life memberships were presented to: Mary Belle DeLaney, Hertford; Margaret Celia Andrews, Ayden; Nancy Russell Osborne, Susan, Octavia Holbrook, both of Rocky Mount.

ALAMANCE ZONE MEETS

Alamance zone, Durham district, met at Central Methodist church, Mebane, on February 25 with Mrs. T. B. Hough presiding. Mrs. Ralph Riggs of Mebane led the opening devotional. Mrs. E. A. Crawford extended words of welcome, to which Mrs. G. B. Robbins responded. The chief speaker for the occasion was Miss Mary Herring, missionary to China. An open forum was conducted by Miss Florine Robertson of Burlington, Durham district secretary. Mr. Bill Kirkpatrick of Swepsonville sang "The Holy City." The meeting was attended by large delegations from many societies.—Bessie Holmes Robbins, Sec.

PERSON ZONE MEETS

Person zone, Durham district, held an interesting meeting at Concord church on March 3. Mrs. W. M. Fox presided. Rev. F. B. Peele conducted the opening devotional, using as his theme "Witnessing for Christ." Greetings were extended the group by Mrs. C. E. Brooks, to which Mrs. Arch Wrenn responded. Miss Ruth Brooks, deaconess, spoke on "Missions at Home." The Efficiency Aim was the topic of a talk by Mrs. Ivey Cridlin. Mrs. Robah Baynes explained the work of the Wesleyan Service Guild. Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, brought many items of business and gave reports and information concerning the departments of work in the zone. Mrs. C. E. Brooks was presented an honorary life membership, gift of Concord society, of which she is president. The loving cup was awarded to Mary Hambrick society for gaining the largest increase in membership. Miss Ruth Brooks dismissed the meeting with prayer, after which a social hour was enjoyed.—Mrs. Raney Crumpton, Sec.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT TO MEET

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, announces that the Rocky Mount district meeting will be held at Warrenton Methodist church on April 14, beginning at 10 a. m. The theme for the day will be "The Voice of God Is Calling." Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president Southeastern Jurisdictional W. S. C. S.; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, conference president; Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids, conference vice president; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. R. H. Broome(Ayden, conference secretary literature, and Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, conference secretary publicity and publications, have been invited to participate in the program.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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A FULL DAY, SIR!

Our Easter Monday is dying in the west. Following a very full day of exercises the evening shadows are falling like a soft blanket on our surroundings. This has been the Children's Home alumni day. Former members of our family have come back home in goodly numbers and have made a good day of it. Assembling at 11 o'clock in the Brown Memorial building under the leadership of Harry Marr, president, the annual meeting got off to a good start. Following this meeting came the noonday meal in the central dining room. At 2:30 in the afternoon the annual baseball game between the alumni and our varsity team was played, the varsity winning rather handily. Between 4 and 5 o'clock a tea was served for the lady members of the association. Then came the barbecue feast on Alspaugh field. The day's proceedings ended with a square dance in the gymnasium. From first to last, several hundred of the former members of the family engaged in festive sports, recreation and associations.

FITTING MEMORIAL

A good deal of consideration was given to the members of the family who are now in the service of our country. These young men are scattered all about on the face of the globe —in the area of Iceland, in the Hawaiian Islands, in or about Australia and on the high seas. In memory and consideration of their good services the alumni association voted to place a suitable flag pole on a prominent part of the campus and upon it to place Old Glory, the symbol of freedom and a token of bravery.

ENDOWMENT INCREASES

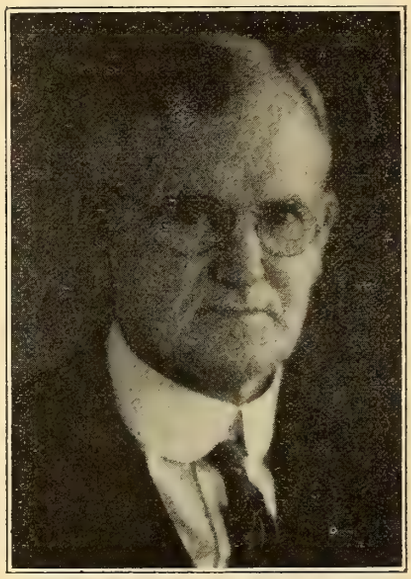
Within the past several weeks our endowment funds have been materially increased. First came the $10,000 as a bequest from the late J. A. Elliott of Thomasville, to be known as the J. A. Elliott Endowment Fund. Then came the Setzer endowment, contributed by bequest by Mrs. John W. Setzer, of the Littlejohn section of Caldwell county, amounting to $4-337.99. Today's mail brings a check amounting to $2,330, completing the settlement of the Rev. John W. Jones estate of Mooresville in favor of the Children's Home. These funds will be placed in a permanent endowment account, the proceeds to be used for the upbringing of children coming to live at the Children's Home.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS

The following letter is just received from H. H. Foster, treasurer of the church school of First Methodist church, Hickory: "In appreciation of Mr. George F. Ivey's thirty-five years as superintendent of our church school a special offering for the Children's Home was taken in his honor. The enclosed check in the amount of $170.78 is the result. Mr. Ivey resigned as superintendent some time ago, but the George Ivey day was postponed until the fifth Sunday so that the special offering would be in order."

CHARTER MEMBER AND BENEFACTOR

We are presenting again the picture of George F. Ivey, who is one of the two surviving charter members of the board of trustees of the Children's Home. Mr. Ivey has done a lot of good in his life time. In addition to being a great friend of the Children's Home and a substantial contributor through many years to Rutherford College, he has contributed to many other worthy



Deeds Do His Talking

projects, most of which have been unknown. Some of them have had to do with the education of boys and girls in other colleges other than Rutherford. At one time Mr. Ivey took over a bank account of $10,000 against Rutherford College, charging only half the interest the bank was charging. This account is still due him.

SOME GOOD FRIENDS

Dr. J. E. Pritchard, pastor at Ramseur-Franklinville and a recent addition to the Children's Home board of trustees, is becoming just as good a supporter of the Children's Home at Winston-Salem as he was of the Children's Home at High Point, where he held membership on its board of trustees. A letter just received from him states: "Last Sunday my church at Franklinville raised $42.50 and my church here at Ramseur raised $41.50 for the Children's Home. If it were as easy to raise money for everything as it is for the Home we would be on easy street."

Both the Ramseur and Franklinville congregations have already paid their ten per cent apportionment and are not growing weary in further well doing.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES

In these days of governmental regulations many requests come to us for certification of birthdays of young men who at one time were members of the Children's Home family. We are not in position to give anything more than the statement of birth given to us by near relatives, this statement usually taken from the family Bible. Recently a request came from the wife of William Humphrey, who now lives at Etonville, in the state of Washington, asking for the birth certificate of her husband. It developed that young Humphrey came to the Children's Home near the very beginning of its operation, but we did not have sufficient records for directing the inquirer to the register of deeds of Macon county, which eventuated in the desired information. Mrs. Humphrey writes: "I was deeply impressed with the friendliness of yours and Mr. Bryson's letters, Mrs. Bryson being the proper officer in Macon county."

THE JOY BELLERS

We shall never grow weary in calling attention to those congregations which have paid their ten per cent apportionment, the Children's Home basal quota, in full. Such congregations are those which will go along with the supplementary apportionment, doubtless bringing it out in full before the end of the year. Such congregations are greatly needed in these strenuous times. The on-going of our work depends upon the liberal giving of our people. Congregations with their pastors which have paid the basal apportionment in full since last report are herewith listed:

Fulton, Advance Ct., Rev. P. L. Smith.

Kistler's Chapel, Cleveland circuit, Rev. John H. Green.

Avondale, Cliffside-Avondale, Rev. E. L. Kirk.

Central, Spencer, Rev. C. W. Kirby.

First Church, Norwood, Rev. R. C. Stubbins.

THE HALF-WAY MARK

The attention of our friends is again called to the fact that soon after the first of May we expect to publish an exhibit listing all payments forwarded by each pastoral charge to the half-way time of the conference year. With this listment will be calculated the percentage of total payments to the given time. We trust that every pastoral charge can report at least half its Children's Home quota paid in full by the middle of the conference year.

TWO YEARS OF WAITING

Last week we visited a family of four children, three boys and a girl, who have been waiting for nearly two years for an opportunity to come to live at the Children's Home. We had hoped during this time that conditions would improve and that it would not be necessary for the children to be transferred. The deserting mother never comes back and the struggling father, a mill worker, has borne his part almost to the breaking point. So the Children's Home will give a lift, as it is in the habit of doing, after every other resource has been exhausted.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION — I am reproducing in this week's Advocate a much appreciated note from Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, president of the North Carolina Conference of Christian Service. I am sure that our many friends will be glad to read Sister Chadwick's appreciation of the Methodist Orphanage.

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WORTHY AMBITION—I was talking with one of our fine boys several days ago, and I asked him if he were going to be governor of North Carolina or President of the United States. His reply was, "I am going to be President." There are vast possibilities locked up in this boy's life. Who knows but that he will fill some position of honor in his state and nation?

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DISAPPOINTMENT—Due to a case of meningitis the annual Easter reunion of our former sons and daughters had to be postponed. A great occasion was planned, and there is bitter disappointment among the members of the alumni that the reunion had to be cancelled for the present. Many had written saying they would be present on that happy occasion. They were notified in due time that it would be impossible to hold the reunion Easter.

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DEAR MR. BARNES — As I look back on our conference session in Raleigh, no hour is brighter than the one we spent with you and your associates at the Orphanage. It was so fine and thoughtful of you to plan the lovely banquet and hour of fellowship for us and we certainly enjoyed every moment. Our members feel very close to you and the splendid work being done for the boys and girls there, and we want to assure you of our love and support at all times. With best wishes for Mrs. Barnes and to our other good friends there, sincerely, Maude H. Chadwick.

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SPINAL MENINGITIS — Julian Bragg, one of our 13-year-old boys, developed a case of cerebro-spinal meningitis on March 26. He was immediately sent to Rex Hospital, under the care of Dr. Robert L. McGee, one of our regular Orphanage physicians. Julian was very sick for several days, but at this writing he is greatly improved, and unless complications develop he will recover at an early date. The whole Orphanage has been in quarantine and every precaution has been taken to prevent the spread of this dreaded disease. This is the first case of meningitis that the Methodist Orphanage has ever experienced. Neither the doctors nor Orphanage officials have been able to discover how the germ found its way into the Methodist Orphanage.

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DEEPLY GRATEFUL — Quite a goodly number of church schools remembered the Methodist Orphanage on the fifth Sunday in March. These contributions are greatly appreciated. I am expecting to hear from many other church schools about their fifth Sunday offerings. It is a great incentive for all church schools to remember the Methodist Orphanage with fifth Sunday offerings, since every church gets credit for such contributions on apportionment. New Orphanage programs will be sent to each church school superintendent for the observance of the fifth Sunday in May. Sunday school superintendents may have the Orphanage programs mimeographed so they may be distributed throughout the Sunday school. There will be new Orphanage programs for the remaining three fifth Sundays in this year, and every program will become more interesting.

WAITING FOR THE BOATMAN

By Rev. D. C. Hollinger

I am waiting for the Boatman
To come and take me home;
I am tired of life's long journey
And want no more to roam.
I am waiting, waiting, waiting,
I am waiting for the Boatman
To come and take me home.

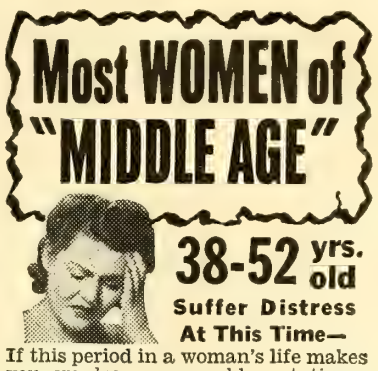
I am tired of life's long battle,
But tried to do my best;
I am waiting for the promise,
Earth's weary shall find rest;
I am waiting, waiting, waiting,
I am waiting for the Boatman
To come and take me home.

I have labored in God's vineyard,
Most half a hundred years,
Oftentime with joys and pleasures,
Sometimes with sighs and tears.
Now I'm waiting, waiting, waiting,
I am waiting for the Boatman
To come and take me home.

I have realized His presence,
As years have come and gone,
And the voice, "Lo I am wih you,"
Gave help as time went on.
Now I'm waiting, waiting, waiting,
I am waiting for the Boatman
To come and take me home.

I am longing for the Boatman,
His boat I now can see,
He has kept His blessed promise,
He's coming now for me.
Yes, I'm waiting, waiting, waiting,
I am waiting for the Boatman,
To come and take me home.

Over yonder in that city,
They're looking now for me,
I can see its pearly portals
Beyond the crystal sea.
Yes, I'm waiting, waiting, waiting,
I am waiting for the Boatman
To come and take me home.



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Western North Carolina Conference

Asheville District

Burnsville	May 18, 2:00 P.M.
Leicester	May 19, 2:00 P.M.
Montmorenci	May 20, 2:00 P.M.
Beach Glenn	May 21, 2:00 P.M.

Charlotte District

Wadesboro	April 9, 7:30 P.M.
Monroe	April 10, 7:30 P.M.
Charlotte, First Church	April 11, 2:00 P.M.

Elkin District

Mocksville	April 10, 2:00 P.M.
Millers Creek	April 10, 7:30 P.M.
Sparta	April 11, 2:00 P.M.
Henson's Chapel	April 11, 7:30 P.M.

Gastonia District

Fallston	April 15, 2:00 P.M.
Denver	April 16, 2:00 P.M.
Lincolnton, First Church	April 17, 9:00 A.M.
Reeps Grove	April 17, 2:00 P.M.

Greensboro District

Bethlehem (Pleasant Garden Ct.)	April 28, 9:30 A.M.
Hickory Grove (Guilford Ct.)	April 28, 2:30 P.M.
Draper	April 29, 2:00 P.M.
West Market, Greensboro	April 29, 7:30 P.M.

High Point District

Bethel	April 12, 2:30 P.M.
Concord	April 12, 7:30 P.M.
Lineberry	April 13, 7:30 P.M.

Marion District

Pleasant Grove	April 12, 2:30 P.M.
Marion	April 13, 2:30 P.M.
Zion	April 14., 5:00 and 7:00 P.M.
Pisgah (Avery Charge)	May 16, 11:00 and 1:30

Statesville District

Hickory, First Church	April 7, 2:30 P.M.
Statesville, Broad Street	April 7, 7:30 P.M.

Winston-Salem District

Community	April 14, 2:00 P.M.
Midway	April 14, 7:30 P.M.
Elm Grove	April 15, 2:00 P.M.
Sedge Garden	April 15. 7:30 P.M.
Pilot Mountain	April 16, 2:00 P.M.

The above schedule is arranged so as to give Vacation School guidance to the greatest number of people with the least amount of travel. Pastors, parents, children's workers and especially those persons responsible for Vacation Church Schools are invited to these planning conferences. Select the meeting most convenient and take your workers to it. Other plans have been made for the Waynesville and Salisbury districts.

Elizabeth Oliver.

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UNITED CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ADVANCE

What Is the Advance

The United Christian Education Advance is a concerted movement of Protestant educational forces to make available to every person and every home opportunities for Christian growth. Through the advance, Christian educational forces reaffirm their conviction that the Christian teaching program can release the power of God to change lives, to Christianize new areas of personal, community, and national life, to achieve Christian world brotherhood, and to lift up and glorify Christ in the hearts of men in our day.

The advance has both immediate and long-range goals. It is a continuous growing program, adapting itself to changing and emerging needs. It aims both to increase the number of persons served by each church and to improve the quality of its program. It encourages and guides the religious forces of the entire community to face their whole task of Christian education co-operatively. Through this united approach it helps them to reach every person with the service and influence of Christian education, and also to make the general social environment more conducive to Christian living.

Goals of the Advance

The purposes of Christian education are clear. As defined by our church they include the effective relationship of growing persons to God and to Jesus Christ; the development of Christ-like character and of a Christian philosophy of life; appreciation and use of the Bible and related resources; and effective participation as Christians in the life of the family, the life and work of the church, and the building of a Christian social order throughout the world.

How Do We Begin?

All realize the need for inspiration in a great movement of this kind. Therefore the co-operating agencies are at work planning a series of meeting across the country. These meetings are to be conducted on a state-wide basis. Each local church is expected to send five (the minister and four others) to one of the state meetings. The churches in the North Carolina conference are expected to participate in the meetings at Kinston on April 24 or at Reidsville on April 25 and 26.

More detailed announcements concerning these meetings will be made later. Also be sure to watch your local paper for anouncements. Begin now in making your plans to attend one of these meetings.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY APRIL 19

Many of our churches have copies of the church school rally day program and are planning to observe the day on April 19—the date set by the conference for the observance. Other churches find that some other date is more satisfactory. We are hoping that each church in the conference will observe the day and make an offering for the support of the Christian education program of our conference. Any increase in the offering of this year over that of last year will be applied on the training program of our board to make possible the expansion of that important phase of our work.

There are two types of programs included in the material prepared for church school rally day. One is a complete program to be used for an entire service. The other is a briefer program that emphasizes Christian education and makes provision for a sermon on this subject by the pastor. The local group will determine the program it desires to use. Copies may be secured from the conference office.

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY OFFERINS

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Kinnakeet, Fair Haven	2.50
St. John's	1.50
Roper, Roper	2.32
Wanchese, Wanchese	12.25
Total	31.57

New Bern District

Ayden, Ayden	10.53
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton	3.00
Dover, Dover	7.25
Goldsboro, St. Paul	10.76
Total	31.54

Raleigh District

Oxford, First Church	9.43

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Zion	2.00
Littleton, Littleton	5.00
Weldon, Weldon	7.00
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Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 12

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Mission of the Seventy

Luke 10:1-24

The sending forth of the Seventy is the first great laymen's missionary movement. Jesus knew that his time was very short, and he must do everything possible towards getting the message to all the villages before he suffered. Hence he appointed gospel teams consisting of farmers, mechanics and merchants, to go before him into all the villages and arouse the expectation of the people so that when he came he could accomplish the most in the shortest time. And each of these new recruits was to be also a recruiting officer. They were to pray the Lord of the harvest that he send forth laborers into his harvest and to work to that end.

Jesus was a great realist. Behold, said he, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. That is his word to every preacher sent to a new community, and woe be unto him if he does not realize it, and be as wise as a serpent as well as harmless as a dove.

They were to take nothing for their journey. They were not to go as high class men to low class men; or to put it in modern language, they were not to land in a poor village carrying a bag of golf sticks. To be without money in their pockets would also tend to make them humble and gracious. Otherwise they would get no invitation to dinner. Moreover it was a merciful provision, because the folks at home would need all the money they had while they were absent. They were to be initiated into the wonderful secret of God's care for his workers.

Jesus told them to salute no man by the way. He meant by that, Waste no time in needless ceremonies—run a limited train to your goal. When they went into a town they were to seek out who in it was worthy; in other words, find the people who would be eager to hear their message and deem it a privilege to entertain them. And there they were to stay, and not go from house to house like beggars.

Their message was to be the announcement that the kingdom of heaven was at hand. The Jews felt that the kingdom would not come until their Roman oppressors were driven out. Jesus told his heralds to say that men could have the kingdom at once, and under any circumstances. It was as though a lonely rancher far out in the solitude of the western plains should be longing for the opportunities of a great city, and some one would come along and say, Your windmill can generate enough electricity to run a radio, and then by turning a knob you can hear grand opera, listen to the great speakers, and know all the latest news. Jesus knew that the universe was electrified, and they could have power simply by making the connection.

By telling the missionaries to go through the dramatic act of wiping the dust off their feet against the city that rejected them, Jesus hoped that the people would take warning and repent.

The Seventy returned with joy, saying, Lord, even the demons are subject unto us in thy name. Yes, said Jesus, I knew it beforehand. I beheld Satan fallen as lightning from heaven. Our Lord realized that whenever the common people are stirred to missionary enthusiasm Satan's bombing plane takes a tailspin.

But Jesus added, Nevertheless in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven. He know that just as the power of eloquent preaching declines with age, so ere long they would not have vitality enough to cure the insane, and then they would need the unfailing source of joy that came from their confidence in a glorious future at God's right hand.

Nevertheless Jesus heartily rejoiced with them, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou didst hide these things from the wise and understanding, and didst reveal them unto babes. And what was that revelation? It was a little glimpse of the grace and power that are found in Christ Jesus (Colossians 1:14-18). But the depths of it, said he, are known only to the Father. Thus Jesus assures his disciples that he has brought to the world an infinitely precious secret, hidden from the self-confident and sophisticated, but progressively to be revealed to the humble hearted in proportion to their eagerness to learn and obey.

THE CHURCH MUST BE "ALL OUT" AGAINST SIN

There is an urgent need now for the church to redouble her efforts in helping to create in America an atmosphere conducive to the propagation of Christian virtues. Sin in war time as well as in peace tiime is a reproach to any people. The church must lift her voice at all times, in seasonand out of season, and condemn immorality in civilian life or in the army camp.

Washington in his Farewell Address said: "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity religion, and morality are indispensable supports. . . . It is substantially true, that virtue or morality is a necessary spring of popular government."

It is the supreme task of the church in these days to keep the soul of America alive.—Kentucky Advocate.

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Children's Storyland



OUTWITTING THE FOX

By Laura Dickson

There was once a robin redbreast who was the mother of baby robin redbreast ,and they lived in an oak tree in a wood.

She was a very good mother and sang lullabies to the baby every eventide to get him to sleep, and brought wild grains and seeds through the day. A fox had a home underground in the next field, but whenever the fox roamed through the wood after dark the two songbirds were high up and safe in their tree nest. Little Robin Redbreast was very healthy and gaining strength fast, and his happy little cheeps made the mother sing for joy.

But one night the soft south breezes journeyed off and a powerful wind blew in from the Northland. The branch on which the nest was fastened swung up and down, and back and forth, and once the wind tilted it down so low that the baby robin redbreast tumbled to the ground. The mother continued to cling to the side of the nest with her claws until she saw the baby fall ,and then she flew down and shielded him from the tempest with her wings, and sang lullabies until he went back to sleep.

When daylight began the soft south breezes were back and the tempestuous north wind had journeyed off. The mother robin redbreast brought the usual grains and seeds, but they ate on the ground since the baby could not fly back to the tree.

The mother appeared cheerful as usual, but she was worried lest the fox come prowling that night in search of a fine supper and find them there.

So when it was dark, one by one she brought a few brown leaves that were the color of the ground, for cover.

The fox came prowling through the wood about midnight, while dry twigs and fallen leaves crackled underfoot, but the fox took no notice of the leaves that covered the two songbirds and soon passed through.

When the fox had prowled thus for seven nights in all, the mother robin redbreast noted with relief that the baby was strong enough to be trained to fly. But there was no nest to push him out of, for he was on the ground; so what was there to do? He had learned to hop and skip nimbly on the ground, and that was all. She thought and thought and finally gave up the problem of teaching him to fly as being without a solution. The little robin redbreast was doomed to stay on the ground and never learn to fly, and she must stay also to help him, but the fox would probably discover them some night and have them for supper.

The eighth night the fox came prowling at the usual hour, about midnight, while dry twigs and fallen leaves crackled underfoot, and this time the fox came closer than usual; in fact so close that the baby cheeped out in terror. The fox drew back in surprise and bust out with a howl of delight.

Both songbirds were distracted. The mother, unwilling to save only herself, hopped and skipped nimbly in the lead, the baby close behind, followed by the fox.

After leading the way helter-skelter through the wood and a dozen meadows, the mother came to a deep canyon that she had never seen before. At once she planned escape for the younger robin redbreast and herself.

She reached the edge of the precipice, tumbled down into space a hundred feet without striking bottom, then lifted her wings and glided in a tiny circle about the great yawning mouth of the canyon.

Almost hypnotized with terror lest he be overtaken by the fox, the baby robin redbreast imitated the mother to the letter without once considering that he had not learned to fly! He reached the edge of the precipice, tumbled down a number of feet into space without striking bottom, then lifted his wings and glided in the same circle as the mother, about the great yawning mouth of the canyon. That was exactly according to her plan of outwitting the fox.

Of course, now that the prey had flown, the fox could only stand at the edge of the precipice and stare at the proceedings wide-eyed.

As the mother robin redbreast and the baby robin redbreast mounted higher and higher, the stars came closer and closer untiil they could almost touch the bright gold. Then they swooped down quite gracefully into their old nest in the oak tree and went to sleep, happy that they had at last come home.—Southern Christian Advocate.

THE PUZZLE

There's something Rosalie and I
  Can't understand—dear me;
It really is a puzzle, too,
  And queer as queer can be!

My hair is short and shiny black,
  And suls all o'er my head,
While Rosalie's is blonde and long,
  And very straight, instead.

Now, when I wet my hair it curls,
  So Rosalie said she
Would wet her hair so she could have
  Some ringlet curls like me.

But when we got a basin full
  Of water, dearies me!
The more we dampened Rosie's hair,
  Straighter it seemed to be!

And we would like to know just why—
  We're only little girls—
That water makes her hair more straight
  And mine more full of curls!

—Cora M. V. Preble, in Child's Gem.

GRATEFUL GLADYS

Gladys was six; a little girl with a weakly body, but a very cheerful spirit. She had been in the habit of spending all her pennies on sweets, till one day mother told her she ought to begin to give a penny to Jesus(in the collection box) on Sunday. Gladys came to the conclusion that it would be a very good plan.

The little girl was suffering from an inward trouble, and one day the doctor said that an operation was necessary.

"If you are a good girl, Gladys, I will give you a dime," said the doctor.

The child was overjoyed.

"What will you do with it?" he asked.

"Give it to Jesus on Sunday," Gladys replied instantly.

"Well," said the doctor, "if that is what you are going to do with it, I'll give you another for yourself."

The operation was performed successfully, and Gladys received the promised reward.

After a short while she was able to attend Sunday school again. Then, with a heart bubbling over with joy, she placed, not one, but both precious coins in the box, and the sweet smile on her face seemed to say, "I's for Jesus, who took care of me."

I wonder if you are grateful like Gladys, or do you cry to the Saviour for help, and then, when the trouble is all over, forget to return and give thanks? I hope not.

The teacher wrote, "The toast was drank in silence," on the blackboard.

"William," she questioned, "tell us what is wrong with that sentence."

"It should be 'the toast was et in silence,' " was William's answer.

Teacher: Rastus, why does Missouri stand at the head of the mule raising business in this country?

Little Rastus: I dunno, 'xactly. Must be 'cause de other end am too dangerous.

"Dear Sir," writes a customer, "For nine years I was totally deaf and after using yuor ear salve for only ten days I heard from my brother in Nebraska."

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Carrboro, Massey's, 11 12
Bynum, Mt. Pleasant, 3 12
Durham Ct., McManuen's, 7:30 12
Lakewood, 7:30 13
District Conference at Walnut Grove Church on Cedar Grove Charge, at 9:30 a. m. 14
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11..19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Williamston, 11 12
Windsor, Cashie, 3 12
South Camden, Sign Pine, 5 17
Swanquarter Soule 11 19
Mattamuskeet, Bethany, 3 19
Pasquotank, Newbegun 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26

May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Mo.ock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Troy Ct., Love Joy 12
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 12
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 12
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Godston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

May
District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 11 12
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 3 12
Pikeville-Elm St., at Elm St., 7:30 12
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Millbrook, Knightdale, 11 12
Tar River, Trinity, 8 12
Henderson, First Church, 8 15
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3....3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Conway, Zion, 11 12
Northampton, Lasker, 3 12
Scotland Neck, Hobgood 7:30 12
Sandy Cross, Bethlehem, 7:30 15
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Burgaw, Watha, 11 12
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 12
Richlands, Gum Branch, 8 14
District Conference, Richlands, 9:30 15
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May
Grace, Wilmington, 11 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

April
East Flat Rock, Edneyville, 10 12
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 12
Leicester-Grace, Leicester, night 12
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Derita, 11 12
Dilworth, 7:30 12

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April
Flat Rock, 11 12
Leaksville, 7:30 12
Summerfield, 11 19
Calvary, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11 26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 26

May
Moriah, 11 3
Guilford, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 10

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
Cliffside, Avondale, 11 12
Mill Spring, New Hope, 3 12
Rutherfordson, night 12
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

May
Avery, Pine Grove, 11 3
Linville Falls, Jonas Ridge, 2:30 3
Spruce Pine, night 3
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 11 17
Valdese, Warlicks, 2:30 17
Clinchfield, night 17
Old Fort, 11 24
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 24
Cross Mills, night 24
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11 31
Elk Park, Newland, 3 31
Marion First, night 31

June
North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Cliffside, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Spindale, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Glen Alpine, 11 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 12
Shepherds, Wesley's Chapel, 2:30 12
Mt. Zion, night 12
Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 12
Macon, Mt. Zion, 11 13
Hazelwood, 7:30 12
Murphy Ct., Ranger, 11 19
Hayesville, Ogden, 3 19
Hayesville, 7:30 19
Robbinsville, 11 26
Maple Springs, 3 26

May
Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

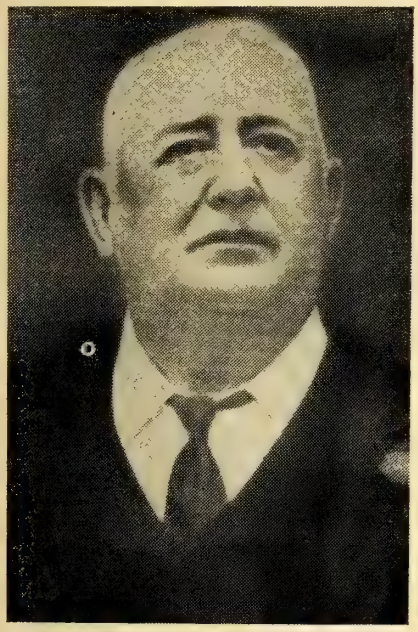
April
West Forsyth, Mt. Pleasant, 11 12
New Hope, Oak Summit, 3 12
First, West End, 7:30 12
Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29

May
Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has taken from us our faithful, loyal and devoted fellow steward, J. W. Walker, of the Andrews Methodist church, Andrews, North Carolina, who, from early manhood to the close of his earthly life on December 18, 1941, at the age of 64, served on the board of stewards continuously, and in addition, served as trustee, district stew-



J. W. Walker

ard and quarterly conference secretary for many years, all these varied responsibilities continuing uninterrupted until the time of his death; and

Whereas, the church misses his presence, his prayers, active participation and liberal contributions of time and means in support of all needs in connection with the affairs and program of the church; and

Whereas, his family has lost a faithful and devoted father whose love and constant watchcare richly earned him the respect and esteem which he enjoyed.

Therefore be it resolved:

That we, the board of stewards, accept this dispensation of God's providence as an evidence of his love by which our brother has been called to higher service.

That we hereby express our sympathy and keen sense of personal loss to his beloved family; and

That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the record of the minutes of this meeting of the board of stewards, a copy sent to the family, and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Board of stewards:

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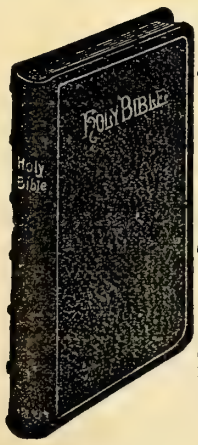
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In Memoriam

WHISNER — Nora Duke Whisner, widow of Rev. Allen H. Whisner, passed away on March 7, 1942, in Washington, D. C., following a brief illness. She is survived by her two daughters, Wilhelmina L. Whisner of Nashville, Tenn., and Elisabeth F. Whisner of Washington, D. C.

CROSS—Mt. Lebanon church recently lost one of its oldest members in the death of Mrs. Sarah Turner Cross, who departed this life March 1, 1942, at the age of 90. She professed faith in Christ early in life and was an active member of her church as long as her health permitted. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Betty White, and a host of relatives and friends who mourn her passing.

Mrs. Richard Brown.

MORRIE—Oscar Morrie of Little Rock, Ark., died in the Missouri Pacific hospital of that city February 28. Mr. Morrie, until illness compelled him to return to his home in Arkansas for treatment, was living with his son-in-law and daughter, Rev.and Mrs. H. C. Lee of Scotland Neck. He had endeared himself to many friends in the Rocky Mount district and in other areas of the North Carolina conference. Mr. Morrie had been a member of the Asbury Methodist church, Little Rock, for 30 years and was an honorary member of the board of stewards.

Allen C. Pell.

BLACK — Sara Caroline Phifer Black was born January 1, 1859, and departed this life February 21, 1942. She was the daughter of Margaret Goforth and John M. Phifer, pioneer families of Gaston county. In young womanhood she joined El Bethel Methodist church, during the ministry of Dr. H. T. Hudson, where she continued a loyal and devoted member during her life In 1894 she was married to W. B. Black. The deceased filled the exacting ministry of being an excellent step-mother. She is survived by step-children, Harley and Clarence Black; sisters, Anne, Lula and Laura Phifer; and brother, Ben Phifer, all of King's Mountain.

CAIN—Following an illness of several months Mrs. Martha Owen Cain of White Oak was called from her suffering which she bore patiently to her home in heaven on May 6, 1941. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor and a former pastor, Rev. H. R. Ashmore.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. D. B. Averite of White Oak, with whom she had made her home; eight grandchildren, C. O. Averite, White Oak, W. B. Averite, Fayetteville, Miss Jonnie Cashwell, Maxton, Mrs. Paul Harris, Laurinburg, Mrs. Frank Gibson, Laurel Hill, Mrs. Mills Kirkpatrick, Newport News, Va., F. L. Cashwell, Maxton.

Mrs. Cain was blessed with a long life of 81 years. The greatest fact about her life, however, was not the length of it, but the kind of life she lived. Surely there was never a more consecrated woman. Her life was one of Christian woman and her greatest desire was to know and do the will of her heavenly Father. She loved her church, and many times she spoke of her pastor and her church. She loved her pastor and was always glad to have him in her home; it seemed that her happiest moments were when her pastor was in her home.

She attended her church as long as she was able and no doubt many times when not able, but such was her great joy. She loved all and had a kind word and a smile for everyone with whom she came in contact.

Having lived so well she was prepared to die well. Death held no dread for her. She was ready, and when she passed away she went so quietly she just fell asleep and awoke with Him whom she had loved and served so well.

R. L. Vickery.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with hearts full of sadness that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service record the passing of Mrs. B. E. Kennedy on January 17, 1942.

As a member of Pleasant Grove Methodist church for many years she leaves behind the memory of faithful and willing service. The influence of her Christian life as a companion, mother, grandmother and friend to all will live on, and they will rise up and call her blessed. We will ever cherish in loving memory her kind disposition, and the sunny smile which she had for everyone.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to those near and dear to her, and we commend them to the One who alone is able to comfort.

"When our life's work is ended and we have run our race—
And are eagerly watching, waiting, to meet her face to face,
In that beautiful city yonder where the streets are paved with gold,
Where we shall know each other, as we have oft been told,
Where the sun is always shining and the skies are ever fair,
She will be waiting to greet us in that city over there,
Where there are no heartaches or sorrows ever known,
And we will dwell together in that beautiful heavenly home."

Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

Second, That a copy of this resolution be sent to her family and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate ,and that a copy be recorded in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. C. E. Ridge,
Mrs. F. H. Clark,
Mrs. J. C. Newby.

A TRIBUTE

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Morven Methodist church, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of our departed member, Mrs. Julia Niven Little. She was a faithful member of her church and its organizations for many years, and her genial presence at our meetings will be greatly missed. It was with sadness that we and others gave her up on February 11, 1942. It may be truly said of her, in the words from Proverbs, that "She looked well to the ways of her household, and her children and husband arise and call her blessed." And not only to the members of her family circle, but to her friends and acquaintances she rendered a life of service and neighborly kindness.

We send copies of this brief tribute to members of her family with our love and sympathy, and to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication.

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Liquor and National Preparedness

By CALE K. BURGESS

Either America must destroy the liquor traffic, or the liquor traffic will destroy America. The certainty of this tragic truth is verified by the facts in every aspect of our life, economical, social, physical, moral, spiritual, and every other phase of our national existence. However, one of the liquor perils, demanding our immediate attention, relates to our military existence. The sale of beer and whiskey, with the approval of government authorities, to our boys in military camps is not only one of the most shameful pieces of financial exploitation on the part of our government, but it is one of the most vicious dangers in our national defense.

The facts relating to liquor sales in the Fort Bragg area illustrates what is occurring in and around all our other training camps. These tragic facts, relating to liquor sales in the Fort Bragg area, cry out for immediate, drastic attention. The sales of liquor stores in Cumberland county during the last four years were as follows:

For 12 months ending June 30, 1938....	$295,936.00
For 12 months ending June 30, 1939....	341,173.30
For 12 months ending June 30, 1940....	425,241.10
For 12 months ending June 30, 1941....	960,509.90

Sales for each of the last four months were as follows:

Month of November, 1941	$ 92,662.65
Month of December, 1941	154,744.15
Month of January, 1942	116,108.90
Month of February, 1942	124,724.35

A large majority of this liquor is being sold to our boys at Fort Bragg. The consumption of this liquor means more than the mere waste of millions of dollars. No money value can measure the destruction of health, will power, physical stamina, and moral cleanliness, resulting from the consumption of this flood of liquor. And the foregoing figures relate only to the sales at the liquor stores and do not include the beer that is being sold in the government canteens within the camp and in Fayetteville and elsewhere beyond the camp area.

Liquor and vice are usually active partners. It is utter folly for our government, county or state, to endorse and sponsor one of these partners and bewail the ravages of the other. If for no other reason, it is the moral and patriotic duty of Cumberland county and North Carolina to drive out liquor, both legal and illegal, from the Fort Bragg area, as a means of diminishing prostitutes and vice.

Every person is urged to write his congressman and both senators to urge them to work and vote for the immediate passage of the Sheppard bill to outlaw liquor an vice from our training camps.

The most dangerous fifth column in America today is the liquor traffic. Our war efforts are being sabotaged more by the liquor traffic than any other force in America. Literally billions of dollars are being wasted in liquor consumption. In addition thereto, the consumption of this liquor is bleeding America to death economically by creating crime that costs over ten billions of dollars. The economic losses through impaired health and impaired working ability exceed many billions of dollars. Hence, even economically, America's liquor spree is insane folly. And, as to the damages involved in the physical suffering and sickness, human misery and unhappiness, moral debauchery and crime, the damage caused by the liquor traffic cannot be measured in dollars and cents. Either America must destroy the liquor traffic or the liquor traffic will destroy America.

North Carolina must drive liquor and vice from the areas surrounding Fort Bragg, Camp Davis, and all other training camps in our state.

LOOK AT THE STARS!

By G. Ray Jordan. (Abingdon-Cokesbury Press. Price $1.50).

This is a volume of modern sermons. Many of them have been delivered in the author's pulpit, First Methodist church, Charlotte, North Carolina. Their appeal to a modern audience has been demonstrated by the size of the congregations that have heard them. Every one of the fourteen sermons contains a challenge. Perhaps the sermon which will make the most lasting impression is the one on "Religion in a Day of Difficulty," on the text, "We seek to commend ourselves as God's servants in every way—by great endurance, by afflictions, distresses, anguish."—II Corinthians 6:4 (Weymouth). In this message Dr. Jordan makes our holy faith the solvent of individual and race-wide difficulties. In this day of world calamity the cross takes on new meaning and Christianity offers new hope. He closes this message with these words: "If we have ever ignored, or forgot, or denied it, surely in such a day as this we ought to be learning this eternally vital truth! Christianity alone can hold our life together today, tomorrow, and forever!"

This volume of sermons will prove to be most rewarding for the spring and summer. Clare Purcell.

Exalt May 31 for Advocate Quota

Certainly one-half of the pastors by a special effort can get their Advocate quota by May 31. Then the mid-year report is to be made to Bishop Purcell. This will be an itemized report on the several objectives of the year, the Advocate being one of these. Fifty per cent won by that time will guarantee victory for the year.

Every prospect gives promise of a glorious success for all who have made the start for their church paper. It remains for all who have not begun to make full use of the next thirty days. Any help we can give from the office will be most gladly given.

THE GOOD WORK FORGES AHEAD IN ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN

Rev. J. Max Brandon, Sr., Granite Falls, sends $10 for new subscriptions and adds: "Everything moving at fine rate. Great people, great work. Budget balanced and plus. We have 'the faith' that God is with us."

Rev. S. J. Starnes, pastor of Durham circuit, marches from conquest to conquest. He sends new subscribers this week and adds that this makes 22 new subscriptions, which goes beyond our quota and we expect to send others.

Next week we expect to make a report by districts and show which are leading in new subscribers.

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The fifty days from the resurrection to Pentecost were eventful days with Jesus. He was arousing depressed hearts, he was providing food for fishermen, he was reclaiming doubting disciples, he was commissioning his apostles to evangelize all nations.

We are indebted to the Reader's Digest for the polite method of approach to a delinquent creditor. The suggestion may serve you, gentle reader, some time. Here it is: "Dear M—: Will you please send me the name of a good lawyer in your community? I may have to sue you. Yours truly."

If you like this Advocate and stand for the things that it stands for, tell your neighbors and friends who are not subscribers about it. What would be even better would be to send us the names of some new subscribers. We desire to extend its circulation and would be glad to have the help of our friends.

As a collector of things Jesus was a colossal failure. He lived thirty-three years, but at his death he possessed nothing except the clothes he wore. He owned no houses nor land, nor silver nor gold. Yet in his last hours he could say to his disciples, "Freely ye have received, freely give." His riches were spiritual, which is the sort that can enrich the world.

The itinerant Methodist preachers were not well started in their efforts to win this continent to God and scriptural holiness before they started the church paper. In New York, in Cincinnati, in Richmond, in Charleston the Advocates began their course which have spread across the land. A little later, others such as the North Carolina came into being. These have been second only to the Bible and the hymn book in the marvelous conquest of the continent in the hands of men who have known the divine urge in their souls.

Jesus found fault with the church of his day because of the way it treated the prophets —the preachers—of that age. They stoned the prophets and would not allow them to deliver their message. In many places at this very hour, the church treats the prophets after the same fashion. Instead of furnishing the preachears a platform and an atmosphere for the delivery of their message, the church calls for smooth words that will occasion no revolt from the existing order of an unchristian world. They still stone the prophets.

Isaiah, the great court preacher of the Old Testament, saw the Lord high and lifted up and heard his voice calling for a messenger to go speak for him; and Jeremiah with a burning message in his soul eager to save his people from captivity, said the message was as a fire in his bones and he could but speak. Similar experiences make the preacher for every age. To such men of God come the ability to bring the people face to face with God and sends a Paul, the greatest missionary of New Testament times far hence to the Gentile world.

Evangelism has been the big work of the Methodist Church. Essential in this are the divine urge and the knowledge of facts—the facts of life and of the plan of salvation. The weakness of most of present day preaching is the lack of a divine urging—the "I must." To read religious essays and to recite ethical homilies is not effective preaching. Here is one of the perils of the Methodist pulpit. John Wesley leading the eighteenth century revival flamed and burned as he went. Along with this, he published books, tracts and newspapers so as to inform the people. So Methodism has ever made large use of the printing press. The men on horseback in America went everywhere with a flame in their souls and books and tracts in their saddle-bags. They did not count it a burden to put books and the church paper in the homes of the people. This was an essential agency for informing the people.

Dr. John R. Mott

MORE than fifty years ago John R. Mott began his marvelous work with the students of America. In 1889 he made his first trip through the South visiting many of the colleges. Well do we recall his visit to "Old Trinity" that year when he gave the students a vision of their part in the evangelization of the world. Fresh from Cornell this young college man organized the "Y" work and inspired the students in the missionary undertakings of the century.

John R. Mott made his first crossing to Europe in 1891. Since then he has visited 80 countries, many of them often. Through all these years the work has expanded. For more than five decades Dr. Mott has been a world leader of students in the Y. M. C. A. and in the Student Volunteer Movement. He is recognized as the leading layman in the Methodist Church. As a matter of fact he has been such an outstanding leader in so many good causes that it is most difficult to classify him.

This notable leader spent most of last week in the state speaking at Duke Divinity School, at the North Carolina Council of Churches, and also at the Methodist Missionary Conference at Raleigh.

The News and Observer in an interview disclosed something of his work among the prisoners of both world wars in all the countries involved. These men are being cared for by the International Red Cross and the World's Committee of the Y. M. C. A. There are now more than six million men behind the barbed wires in prison camps of the united nations and the axis powers, and there may be even more before the war ends.

More than 30,000 workers are taken from the groups of prisoners of the axis and the united nations camps who work without pay to help their fellow prisoners. Dr. Mott's leadership in this as in the last war has been a labor of love. "The committee is doing the most economic philanthropy in the world," declared Dr. Mott.

Working under Dr. Mott are 50 paid executive officers who visit all camps, where they organize the prisoners. The prisoners elect their own officers who are responsible to see that the Y program is executed. Here is something of the program:

The Y's group has made use of schools and colleges throughout the war areas and has made available the teaching of over 30 useful trades for the prisoners. Athletics has been provided to keep the men sound of body. The cultural aspects has not been overlooked. Instruments and music have been provided for many—this has done so much to prevent insanity among the prisoners. There have been provisions set up for religious worship, according to the traditions of the different groups. This like all other services has been an impartial facility for all. We are striving to keep the services impartial and above all reciprocal.

"To Make World Safe for British Imperialism"

MR. J. HIMES SMITH, in an article appearing in The Christian Century of April 8, entitled "I Met Cripps in Nehru's House" on the occasion of his last visit to India in December, '39, writes:

"About the time I chanced upon a powerful editorial, written by Nehru himself, denouncing the temporizing answer of the Chamberlain government to nationalist India's demand for the application of the professedly democratic aims to the long-standing issue of India's freedom. These words struck me with special force: 'What of America, that great land of democracy, to which imperialist England looks for support and sustenance during this war? Does Britain think that the people of the United States will pour out their gold and commodities to make the world safe for British imperialism?' On the way to a missionary exile it was natural that these questions should conjure up a vision of the possibilities in a movement among the friends of Indian freedom in my native land."

Just now Sir Stafford Cripps once more has visited India in the effort to secure the dominion status for India. He has failed in this present mission. What the ultimate outcome will be and the part America may have in it no one knows, but it becomes more and more manifest that the long standing issue of India's freedom is to undergo a marked change. A new Orient is in the making.

The Potential Individual Approach

GOD'S most effective approach to man has always been individual. The personal element is ever potential. This makes the Bible so full of God, the most revolutionary book ever written. In transforming national life and in uplifting individual character God makes a personal approach to humanity.

The silent appeal for peace and good will among men by the Babe at Bethlehem; the man of Gallilee going about doing good to all

men; the Christ on Calvary dying for the redemption of men are all most effective personal appeals to the living, laboring and dying generations of mankind. These are truly God's most effective approaches to the heart of humanity.

The risen and living Lord appeared first to the disciples and the eager, anxious women. Then came the many personal approaches, both before and after the ascension. On the day of Pentecost the spirit came to each one.

Thus the kingdom comes through all the centuries. Most assuredly is it well for us here in America to keep this before us. Our tendency is to rely on other than the personal touch—we must program and organize everything. See how it is in our organized religion. Even a missionary society—so largely dependent upon spiritual devotion—will rely on the mechanics rather than the "witness." Human testimony of those who know their living Lord is the witness bearing that counts. Blessed are they who can say with the women by the well, "I met a man who told me all that ever I did," or can know the fellowship of those on that first Easter day. "Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked with us by the way?" Such experiences render glorious the weary road of life.

Hold to the Simplicities

MUCH is being said just now about conserving all needed elements from waste so as to win this war. We are urged to make the nation strong and to see that the church becomes heroic in sustaining its morale. This means that the incidental and the frivolous must be rigidly put aside. Remember the simplicities of life belong to great men and women. They care little for the frivolities and pretense so much esteemed by the butterflies of fashion who unduly exalt the purely incidental. Certainly our life and our religion must be of sterner stuff.

Men on the firing line or in the air where the shells are thick and bombs are bursting only the stern realities count. The dust and the tinsel and the pretenses of life and of religion are blown away—only the genuine and the eternal remain. How essential then is it for us in the daily rounds of life and in the promotion of the church to hold fast to the simplicities. Put aside the tinsel and the gaudy show of the social whirl, of the church circle, and also in the clubs given over to patriotic pretense. Let the simplicities of life have place.

At this point the women are especially liable to go astray. Men have their many weaknesses and sins but not in this. Much of the talk about enrolling women of the nation might well be spent in persuading the women to magnify the essentials of life and religion by holding fast to those simplicities so much exalted by the great souls of earth. All such will do much to make the nation tough and strong. Butterflies and grasshoppers cannot withstand the present storm that sweeps through earth, sea and sky.

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GEORGE FRANKS IVEY has done a real pioneer work in making a first venture in providing a genealogy of the Ivey family, a large family so much taken up with living their life in this new land that they have given little attention to family records. He, with the aid of a few others, has had to begin at the very beginning of a widely scattered tribe.

The Iveys of Virginia, Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee and Alabama as well as of North Carolina will be glad for the work done by this busy and enterprising fellow citizen of the Old North State. Furthermore, this attractive book with its numerous records points the way and will lend encouragement to many others who will engage in similar lines of patient endeavor.

All such work in genealogy tends to exalt the place of the family in our national life. We in this new land need to learn a lesson from great old China—a nation built around the family that has endured through thousands of years. Governments have come and gone but China endures. Since the family is God's oldest institution why not cherish the achievements of our families?

Everyone knows that there must be many errors and numerous omissions in this Ivey genealogy, but that does not discount its value. Those libraries with a shelf for genealogies as well as the Ivey and related families will want this book set to explore family records which began with the early Virginia settlers.

The 14 pages of the carefully prepared Index contributes greatly to the value of this volume with its thousands of names.

Write Mr. George F. Ivey, the author, Hickory, N. C., for full particulars.

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*"The Ivey Family in the United States." By George Franks Ivey, Hickory, N. C.

People and Things

Front Street church, Burlington, Rev. F. S. Love, pastor, received 20 new members on Palm Sunday by vows and four by church letters.

Chaplain and Mrs. Jessie Leo Pittard are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Jerrie Lynn, on Friday, April 10, at Fort Lewis Hospital, Tacoma, Washington.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Maness in Leigh Memorial Hospital, Norfolk, Va., on April 4, a daughter, Betty Ruth Maness; weight 7 pounds and 10 ounces. Mother and daughter are well and happy.

We are enjoying the revival with the good people in Yanceyville this week. Under the leadership of Rev. J. V. Early they have very recently secured a most beautiful parsonage. The new church is well under way.—S. A. Maxwell.

With the approval of Bishop Purcell, Rev. C. Jerome Huneycutt has been appointed supply pastor of the Morehead circuit, taking the place of Rev. M. O. Stephenson, who has enlisted as a chaplain in the U. S. Navy.—J. A. Russell.

Rev. J. A. Sharpe of Spencer called at the office one day this week on his return from Fayetteville, where he had been in a revival meeting. He requested us to say that he would be glad to assist any pastors who might desire his services in their meetings. He can be reached at Spencer, N. C.

Dr. Walt Holcomb, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, Atlanta, Ga., means to "keep up with the Jones's." During a recent revival service in which he preached on the life and work of Sam Jones, Dr. Holcomb had his secretary call up every Jones whose name was found in the telephone directory and invite them to the service.

Sixty-four new members were announced on Easter Sunday, First church, Charlotte, making a total of over 200 new members for the first six months of the conference year. The Children's Home offering for this conference year is $845.88 not including certain gifts and donations sent directly to the Home from various groups.

We have just completed a training course in our church in Mocksville with Rev. C. G. Hefner of Green Street, Winston-Salem, conducting. We heartily recommend Brother Hefner for his fine course on "Highlights of the New Testament." Thirty-one credits were received at the school. All the churches here in Mocksville co-operated along with the country churches.—P. J. Johnson.

"A supreme effort all over the church in World Service giving is necessary if Methodism is to close its fiscal year on May 31 without a deficit,' 'declared Rev. O. W. Auman, treasurer of the General Commission on World Service and Finance, in announcing that receipts of $2,618,879 up to March 31 were $71,532 behind those of last year for the first ten months.

I am sending you this report of the results of our pre-Easter meeting. It bore more fruits, I believe, than this report will indicate. There were 25 conversions. At Vickery 13 accessions by confession; at Mitchell's I do not know yet. At our final service, a joint communion at Mitchell's, over 200 people took communion. Never before in all time have so many people taken the Lord's Supper. In fact, there were very few at either church who would not worship at this communion. We greatly rejoice in the works of the Lord. All matters progressing in this portion of the kingdom.—W. H. Yokeley.

Maiden charge had a total of 14 to unite with the church Easter, 13 on profession of faith and one by letter. The May's Chapel church is doing extensive excavating for additional church school space. Most of the labor is being given by members of the church. Rev. J. C. Auman is the pastor.

As a result of the local work of our people through a personal visitation program and a series of inspirational services during Holy Week 42 members were received into our church, 22 of which were on confession of faith. This brings the total thus far for this conference year up to 52 at First church, Waynesville.—J. C. Madison, Pastor.

The drive this month for $7,000,000 for United China Relief has the hearty sympathy and support of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. Three of the agencies co-operating in this nation-wide appeal are church agencies; one of them—the Church Committee for China Relief—has received liberal amounts from the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief and is continuing to have allocations made to it, all of which count as a part of the United China Relief 1942 campaign. There is no competition nor overlapping. These co-ordinate agencies are working in full harmony for the same great end.

Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, widow of William S. Stewart, Jr., and a prominent member of First Methodist church, Charlotte, died suddenly Monday morning, April 13, at a hospital of the city and the funeral was held Tuesday evening at First church. Surviving Mrs. Stewart are one son, W. Sinclair Stewart of Charlotte; two grandsons, W. S. Stewart IV, and H. Watson Stewart, both of Duke University; one granddaughter, Jane E. Stewart of Charlotte; one nephew ,Norton Royce Hotchkiss of New Haven, Conn.; and two nieces, Mrs. Edmond Occumpaugh of New Haven and Mrs. Dish Dana of Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. F. W. Bradley moved last week from her home, 1309 West Franklin Avenue, Gastonia, to Wadesboro, where she will make her home. Mrs. Bradley has been active in the various phases of woman's work in Bradley Memorial Methodist church for the past 35 or 40 years and her presence will be greatly missed, not only in the church but in the community where she resided. Her husband, the late Rev. F. W. Bradley was instrumental in organizing and erecting Franklin Avenue Methodist church, which later was renamed Bradley Memorial Methodist church, in his memory. The prayers and good wishes of the entire congregation follow Mrs. Bradley to her new home.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Asheville district met for its regular quarterly luncheon at the S. & W. Cafeteria, Asheville, April 6, at 11 o'clock, with 12 members present. Mrs. Smathers was paid $3.09 for flowers sent to a deceased member. Mrs. C. W. Bates reported on the conference spring luncheon in High Point. Mrs. M. T. Smathers led a general discussion on plans for the Lake Junaluska tea this summer and the annual fall ministers' wives' meeting at conference. The following was adopted as an approved list by the ministers' wives of our district of furnishings we would like to find in every parsonage: Curtains, shades, electric refrigerator, heavy furniture and rugs. It was decided to put this list into the hands of every parsonage committee in the district. The secretary was instructed to send greetings to all new wives that may move into our district. Get-well cards were signed and sent to sick members. Mrs. E. P. Billups reported $10.15 in the ministers' wives' conference treasury. The meeting adjourned at 12 o'clock.—Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., Sec.

Nine members were received on profession of faith during the Easter season, six of these being at Franklinville and three at Ramseur. The choir at Ramseur gave a splendid program of Easter music on Easter Sunday evening. Due to the generosity of Alton Craven and another friend the choir now has beautiful robes.—J. E. Pritchard.

We had a most profitable series of revival services at Central church in Canton preceding Easter. We received 22 into the church, 13 on profession and nine by transfer. The pastor did the preaching and the people were very fine in their co-operation. Church attendance recently has been an inspiration both to minister and the people.—W. R. Kelly.

A large attendance, including a group of soldiers and sailors, filled the auditorium of the Manteo Methodist church Easter Sunday at the morning service. Eighteen children and young people were baptized and 20 were received into the membership of the church on profession of faith. The offering for World Service amounted to $150. This impressive service was concluded with the administration of the Lord's Supper.—M. W. Maness.

For the second time within two years First Methodist church of Rutherfordton has invited and received Dr. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville in series of services. Brother Sprinkle preached at morning and night services during Holy Week of this year. His messages were marked by depth and appeal, and his genial way added unto the large group of admirers already created in Rutherfordton. When that man stands up and delivers himself one gets more than a "sprinkle." Fourteen candidates were received into the membership of the church and the organization of the church is considerably enlivened.

United States Senator Thomas of Oklahoma has introduced a bill in Congress proposing a national lottery. The Oklahoma City Times gives Senator Thomas a piece of its mind when it speaks with no uncertain sound about the certain opposition of the people of Oklahoma to the idea of such a lottery. It well says: "No man ever gambled its way to success. No nation can solve its problems by resorting to a grand milking of its people through a national lottery. . . . Ahead must be the clean, conscientious, humble living and simple sacrificing of God-fearing people."—Watchman-Examiner.

C. P. Bowles, pastor of the Wadesboro Methodist church, preached for us here at First church, Asehboro, during the past week, and he did it well. Supper meetings were held each evening with the young people, through the courtesy and co-operation of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Following supper and a directed program in the dining room, the youth group would adjourn to the auditorium for the general evangelistic services which followed. The closing service of dedication around the altar last Friday night was most effective, with young people and adults kneeling together in prayer. Fifty-seven new members have been received into the church since conference.—Paul Hardin, Jr.

We have just closed a very successful revival at Person Street church in Fayetteville. Rev. J. A. Sharp, a retired preacher from Spencer, did the preaching. Brother Sharp is by no means ready to be put on the shelf. He is a very enthusiastic speaker and his preaching is sound. Anyone desiring help would do well to contact this good man. He is anxious to be continually at work in the evangelistic field. Brother Sharp is well known in Bath, the North Carolina conference and Western conference, where he held pastorates for a number of years. Our revival began one week before Easter and closed on Easter Sunday. Nineteen young people filled the altar at the morning service, were baptized and received into the church. Much credit must be given to the co-operation of our splendid board of Christian education . Our teachers were on the job weeks before the revival started. With such team work we may always have a good meeting. Our work goes on well with these good people and we expect one of the best years of our ministry here.—O. C. Melton, Pastor.

OPEN HOUSE SERVICE AT WESLEY MEMORIAL FEATURES ADDRESS BY DR. G. T. ROWE

An open house service of fellowship and re-dedication of the church school was conducted at Wesley Memorial, High Point, Friday evening, April 10, between the hours of 8 and 10 o'clock.

The service was held as the concluding event to an extended period of renovation of the church school properties. This work, which cost approximately $15,000, made possible improvements of several kinds in the educational plant.



Dr. G. T. Rowe

The entire floor space of the church school was covered with asphalt tile, the intermediate department was completely renovated, a senior department was built, and the young people's department and the young adult fellowship classes were materially improved. The church offices were re-worked to considerable advantage, and one of the finest social halls and kitchens to be found in the nearby territory were constructed.

In recognition of the completion of this project, the open house service of Friday evening was arranged. During the service Mr. J. A. Johnson, church school superintendent, extended a welcome to all of the several hundred present. The pastor, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, introduced Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, former pastor, and at present professor of theology at Duke Divinity School, who spoke on the subject, "What Makes Sammy Run." The address was well received by the many friends of Dr. Rowe. Following the address by Dr. Rowe, Mr. Lindsey, assistant pastor, expressed appreciation to the membership for their co-operation in the building project. The concluding part of the service in the sanctuary was a re-dedication of the improved church school equipment. This service was followed by an informal visit of the improved areas. Informal fellowship and the serving of refreshments in the social hall concluded the program. The associate board of stewards sponsored the meeting.

CENTRAL CHURCH, CANTON, PURCHASES $10,000 DEFENSE BOND

Central Methodist church in Canton had plans under way for the construction of an educational building and was almost in the act of letting the contract—all bids were in, when we were notified by the government not to proceed with the building. The good people of the church did not want to drop plans which had progressed this far. So we have invested $10,000 in defense bonds for the duration, and just as soon as possible after war is over Central church will go ahead with a building program and will construct a modern building which will be adequate for the needs of this church. This money is ear marked and cannot be used for any other purpose than the educational building. More money is being collected now and this fund will continue to grow. The plans are ready and when conditions will permit the people are ready. The building when completed and equipped will cost approximately $20,000. W. R. Kelly.

REV. E. N. CROWDER, A RETIRED MINISTER, DIES IN RUTHERFORDTON

Funeral was conducted at First Methodist church of Rutherfordton April 6, 1942. Those participating in the services were Revs. C. S. Kirkpatrick, F. C. Smathers and J. L. Hood (A. R. P. church, Troutman).

Edward Newton Crowder was born November 13, 1865, in Cleveland county, N. C. Most of his youth was lived near Palm Tree in that county. Along with other useful men he received his higher training at Belwood Academy. Academy.

He married Miss Mary Sharpe Doggett of Rutherford county. Six children were born. The four living are: Mrs. Lucy Colvard, Mrs. Elizabeth Erwin, Mrs. Willie Lew Smith and Mrs. Katherine Wilkie.

E. N. Crowder was admitted into the Western North Carolina conference in the fall of 1895. For 36 years he served faithfully and well the work assigned him by his church. Appointments were: Silver Creek Mission, Burke county, Saluda circuit, Clear Creek circuit, Hayesville circuit, China Grove, Cherryville circuit, Mt. Holly, South Fork, Shelby circuit, Lowell, Stanley Creek, Randolph circuit, Stoney Point, Mooresville circuit, Rutherfordton circuit, Waxhaw circuit, Hickory Grove, Walnut Cove, Gold Hill, Granite Quarry, and Lowesville circuit.

Because of failing health he retired from active service in 1932, and has lived for the past ten years in his home in Rutherfordton.

Almost three years ago his companion of many years passed away, leaving him with his thoughts and in the care of his children. After several months of extreme feebleness Brother Crowder heard his final call on Easter morning and set out to his new appointment. After 76 years and almost five months, he has gone on to serve in that larger realm of the kingdom of his Christ.

Brother Crowder was an earnest and trusted pastor. He was a faithful and effective preacher of the gospel, and during his lengthy ministry led many souls to the bosom of the heavenly Father. Like every devoted preacher, he loved his fellow-ministers. The greatest sorrow of his declining years was that of being separated from the men of the ranks and of being withheld from service in his church. But so long as strength permitted he was regularly in his pew of the church.

No finer climax can come to an itinerant Methodist preacher than that of finishing his course at the altar of his church in the presence of his brother ministers and under the tribute of those who believe in him and love him.

The torch which these hands have passed on to us will not smoulder nor diminish. We shall bear it well amid the maze of this darksome world until the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and Master. This is our pledge.

As we say this last amen over our departed beloved, he walks with a concourse of God's servants in the bright meadows of eternity. Amid the grasses and flowers of the eternal day he rests. His heart rejoices in company with his own who have preceded him.

Servant of God, well done.

F. C. Smathers, Pastor.

NEWS ITEMS FROM STATESVILLE DISTRICT

A check up after Easter reveals that the Statesville district has received 136 members on profession of faith. Churches leading in this work are First church, Lenoir, with 25, First church, Hickory, with 21, Newton with 17, Broad Street, Statesville, with 12, Maiden with 11, Granite Falls with 10, Westview, Hickory, with 7, and Highland, Hickory, with 6.

According to plans revealed by pastors there will be an increase in the number of vacation schools this year. Sixty were reported in the district last year.

The following charges have co-operated in the Fellowship of Suffering in connection with communion services: Westview, Hickory, $20; Maiden $8; Highland, Hickory, $10; Catawba $20; Broad Street, Mooresville, $16; Harmony $3; Race Street, Statesville, $12; Davidson-Fairview $12; Mt. Zion $30.

Special services were held during the Easter season in the following churches: First church, Newton, held a candlelight communion service on Thursday night before Easter with much success. A goal of $250 for the Children's Home was more than reached on Sunday morning, a class of 12 was ready to be received into the church, and a pageant was presented on Sunday night. Rev. M. Q. Tuttle is the pastor.

Westview, Hickory, entered into a series of pre-Easter services conducted by the pastor, Rev. H. C. Freeman. Seven were received on profession of faith and seven babies were baptized.

Maiden had pre-Easter services from Wednesday through Sunday. On Thursday night the communion was observed. On Friday the churches of the town co-operated in a service from one to four in the afternoon. In addition to the pastors of the town District Superintendent J. S. Hiatt participated. On Sunday a class was received into the church. A special program of music was presented by the children for the evening service. Rev. J. C. Auman is the pastor.

North Newton had services for ten days preceding Easter conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. A. Morrison. These services were brought to a close on Easter Sunday with the reception of three on profession of faith, the baptism of five babies, and the observation of the communion. Special music was rendered for the occasion by the choir of the church.

In the pre-Easter services held at First church, Hickory, the pastor, Rev. W. A. Rollins, was assisted by Rev. H. F. Duncan of Elkin. A class of 21 was received into the church on profession of faith. A special baptism service was conducted for infants.

More than $800 has been reported from the district on the Brevard College campaign. W. Q. Grigg.

METHODISTS HONORED AT THE DANIELS HOME

A most delightful and refreshing luncheon was that at the home of former Ambassador and Mrs. Josephus Daniels in Raleigh last week. Dr. John R. Mott was both most informing and inspiring in his disclosure of work among the war prisoners in this and the other great war as he worked with the 6,000,000 men behind the barbed wire in this as well as in the other war. Not often is there such sustained interest as that which was obvious on this occasion.

The gracious hospitality and the notable guests who had been about the world made this more than an ordinary gathering about a luncheon table. The guests were: Dr. John R. Mott, Governor and Mrs. Melvil Broughton, Bishop Clare Purcell, President Y. C. Yang of Soochow University, and Doctors J. M. Ormond, H. I. Glass, J. C. Glenn, A. S. Barnes, M. T. Plyler.

SERVICES AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, MEBANE, HONORING CHARTER MEMBERS AND FORMER PASTORS

At the suggestion of the pastor and officers and members, First church has designated April 19 as "rally and achievement day."

10:00. Sunday school hour.

11:00. Rally day exercises. Program directed by J. E. Foust, general superintendent.

3:00. Achievement day services. Honoring charter members and former pastors, Mrs. A. H. Jobe presiding.

First Church in the Annual Conference, by Dr. T. M. Johnson.

7:30. Looking forward. Miss Pauline Nicholdson presiding.

First Church Organized for Victory, pastor.

Other speakers: D. A. Pender, J. W. Nicholson, Miss Pauline Nicholson, Miss Frances Scott, J. E. Foust, general superintendent, Thad Smith, chairman, Mrs. D. A. Pender for Christian Advocate.

All former pastors, former members and friends of First church are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. A. H. Jobe, Chairman,
Pastoral Relations Committee.

Bishop Purcell to Dedicate Educational Building of Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, April 19th





Rev. E. H. Nease, Pastor

EDUCATIONAL BUILDING OF HAWTHORNE LANE CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

Next Sunday at 11 o'clock Bishop Clare Purcell will preach and dedicate the educational building of Hawthorne Lane Church, Charlotte. Rev. E. H. Nease is in his fourth year as pastor of this big Methodist church of Charlotte, the city of good churches.

Under the inspiration and leadership of J. B. Ivey and W. H. Webster this modern educational building was erected. The lot for the building was given by Mr. Webster and Mr. John A. McRae.

The superintendents of the church school and their years of service are: O. O. Atto (2), E. H. Bell (1), J. B. Ivey (4), W. C. Arial (1), Addison H. Pell (2), E. H. Bell (1), George M. Ivey, Sr. (6), E. H. Bell (2), and W. H. Halliburton, who is now serving his seventh year. The church school is well organized. The other general officers assisting Mr. Halliburton are: H. B. Howie, secretary; E. E. Wayland, treasurer; John C. Watson, Sr., Supt. of literature; Mrs. H. C. Northrop, Supt. of children's division; Russell D. Hines, Supt. of youth fellowship; W. J. Scoggins, Supt. of adult division; Mrs. G. G. Adams is director of Christian education; George S. Moore is Scout master; Mrs. Wilder Cruse girl Scout leader, and Sam Dunham Cub-Scout leader. The classes in the adult division are: The men's Bible class, Epworth Wesley, Wesley Workers and Sigma Theta classes for women, and the Joy-Outlook and young adult classes for men and women. W. J. Edwards is chairman of the board of education.

NEWS FROM OXFORD

We began a series of pre-Easter services on Palm Sunday morning. Dr. H. I. Glass preached a forceful sermon that evening and held our second quarterly conference immediately following the sermon. The pastor preached each evening during the week with the exception of Thursday and Saturday. On Thursday evening the Lord's Supper was observed in a candlelight service. A father was baptized on Friday evening and after he and his wife were received into church membership their three children were baptized. Twenty-two children, who had formerly met with the pastor in a confirmation class, were baptized in a special service between Sunday school and church. At the 11 o'clock hour 30 were received into full membership, making a total of 47 since annual conference—26 on profession of faith and 31 by certificate. The junior choir of 21 voices furnished the special Easter music Sunday morning to a filled church auditorium, and the adult choir sang the Easter cantata, "Victory" by Henry Wildermere, at the evening hour. On Easter Sunday $528 was raised for World Service. Every other item in the church budget is paid up to date. With such splendid co-operation from our people we should make this one of our best years for Christ and his church.

C. Freeman Heath, Pastor.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MINISTERS' WIVES' LUNCHEON

The ministers' wives of the Charlotte district entertained with their annual spring luncheon Friday, April 10, in Efird's dining room.

Bowls of beautiful spring flowers were arranged on the tables and the centerpiece was a large bowl of red tulips presented to the members by J. B. Ivey of Charlotte. Small colorful favors were placed at each plate.

Mrs. T. N. Ogburn, former missionary to Japan, and Mrs. J. W. Moore of Mooresville were special guests.

A musical program was presented by Mrs. P. F. Snyder, who played the accordian. She was accompanied by Mrs. L. R. Akers. Following their selections a group of colored slides of flowers of California, Florida and Lake Junaluska were shown by J. B. Ivey, who was introduced by Mrs. G. Ray Jordan. Mrs. Clare Purcell gave the invocation and Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon dism;ssed the meeting with prayer.

Members of the entertainment committee were Mrs. G. Ray Jordan, Mrs. H. P. Powell, Mrs. P. T. Dixon, Mrs. G. T. Bond and Mrs. S. M. Needham.

Officers of the association are Mrs. E. H. Nease, president; Mrs. E. H. Blackard, vice president; Mrs. G. G. Adams, treasurer, and Mrs. E. H. Brendall, secretary.

Mrs. Earl H. Brendall, Sec.

DR. J. C. JONES DIES IN FLORIDA

Dr. J. C. Jones, brother of Rev. L. B. Jones, a member of the North Carolina conference, died April 13 at his home in Jacksonville, Florida. He had held pastorates in N. C. Conference, Colorado, Texas and Florida. Funeral services were held in Jacksonville at 3:30 Wednesday, April 15.

ELKIN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Please announce in our Advocate that the Elkin district conference will meet at West Jefferson, May 13, at 10 a. m. Hope you can be with us. A. C. Gibbs, D. S.

Altitudes in Religion

By REV. JOSEPH M. GRAY, D.D.

The following sermon was preached over the Columbia Broadcasting System's "Church of the Air" Sunday morning, March 1, 1942, by the Rev. Joseph M. Gray, D.D., Litt. D., S.T.D. It is sent you as a service of The Commission on Public Information of the Methodist Church, Ralph Stoody, Director, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

I am beginning, this morning, with a word out of that fine old story of the Exodus when a primitive people had come to the end, both of a journey and an epoch; and stood face to face with an unknown and threatening future. "And Moses . . . said . . . go up into the hill country, and see the land, what it is." Historically that is a word which a great leader gave to twelve scouts as he sent them to reconnoitre the alien land of which they were to take possession. But it becomes a very pertinent word for us today because our generation is on the march; not merely its armies, but all of us; and we are now face to face with a future which looks like a foreign and frightening land. Political events deflate our moral enthusiasms; confusion of judgment whirl around us like storms over the desert; ancient assumptions, contradicted by experience, are left behind us like pillaged homes. Science here and machinery there have invaded many a cherished belief. Before ever the war burst on us men were writing books and editorials on the Return to Religion and the Recovery of Faith. The very titles were unrecognized danger signals To return from an exodus means that the expedition has failed. To recover religion is to find oneself belated. The right end of an exodus is on ahead, and genuine religion is not a recovery but an advance.

Nothing is more needed now than that religious people shall reach hill countries of the mind, high altitudes of thought upon the gigantic realities which make life today so serious and apparently so imperiled. Otherwise we shall not appreciate the significance of our times; we shall see them distorted out of all true proportions. Most of us are seeing only the war and its immediate efforts. But, unbelievable as it may sound, the war is only an episode in the terrible but magnificent drama of life and history. Nothing fundamental in Christian faith or duty or hope has been altered by it. It has created no new moral or ethical problem with which we have to deal or to which we have to adjust our faith.

To a mind thinking only in terms of the contemporary, the low level on which most of our thinking is done, the war seems to be a stupendous, malignant denial of all that we have believed in God; a denial either of his power or his intelligence or his goodness. These millions of men killed on battlefields, tortured to death in concentration camps and captured cities! These millions of women and children outraged, pilaged, homeless, dying of cruelty or hunger or hardship! These open cities wantonly laid waste, with the destruction of the irreplaceable treasures of wisdom and beauty won by achieving minds in the long struggle of the human spirit! This violence and lust and fury covering all continents, involving vast populations, casting the shadows of appalling misery over generations to come! How can there be a God in a universe like this, or, if good, intelligent? or with power?

There is, nevertheless, no new problem for our faith or theology, severe as the indictment of our character may be. Moral perplexity and strain are not increased by any increase in the number of immoral events. Whatever caused the airplane crash in which fifteen army officers and Carole Lombard died, the fault—whether it was in the mechanism of the plane or reactions of the pilot—was not worsened by the number of those who died. Murder is not made more wrong by multiplying the victims. The contradiction between the idea of a good God and a million men killed in battle is no greater than the contradiction between the idea of a good God and one man killed in a street fight. The same elements of anger, passion, misused force and the will to destroy are present in each case. The pillage of Holland by the Germans taking away food, furniture, clothing, silver and livestock, present fundamentally no different moral structure and iniquity than are in the burglary of a home and the theft of chickens from a hen-house. The forced removal of half a million Poles from their homes to far-off foreign places only carries out, on the larger scale, the fundamental injustice of dispossession seen from time to time in the eviction of a family in an American town.

We are betrayed into ungrounded pessimism by our confusion of number with quality. There is no greater moral harmony between God and a million good men than there is between God and a single good man; just as six pianos cannot be any more in tune than three pianos, and ten or a hundred or a thousand lines cannot be any more parallel than two lines. You can account for the wickedness of the whole world when you can explain one man's ability to do wrong. And the difficulty of dealing with one man's evil-doing in relation to the character and power of God is just as great as that of dealing with the crimes of an army or an empire in relation to the character and power of God. To think that the volume of wickedness increases the moral problem is like thinking that the size of an instrument determines its musical quality; as if a bass viol were more musical than a violin; or the test of a soprano is how much she weighs. It is one man's freedom to sin, not the number of sinners which constitutes the problem of theology and the responsibility of God; not the quantity but the fact of sin; and that is a responsibility which the Christian revelation, through the New Testament and the historic Christ, and the experience of the church, reassures us God has met.

". . . were sinners more Than sands upon the ocean shore,
Thou hast for all a ransom paid. For all a full atonement made."

Notwithstanding the magnitude and range of the gigantic evils of our time, the problem of evil remains unchanged, and it remains where it has always been, in the same sure, eternal hands. Our great word for the dark days around us and ahead is not the wickedness of the world, but the sufficiency of God.

That does not mean that we have neither part nor responsibility in whatever work and struggle lie ahead. The world has been redeemed but it still has to be changed, and this means that the social goal of Christianity and the church remains unalterd. The world of justice, or opportunity, of a rightful share in the goods of the earth for every man, the beloved community—that unceasing purpose still runs through the ages no matter how malevolent and hostile this particular age may seem to be. We are disturbed and resentful because Manila and Singapore have fallen, but we know, nevertheless, that the fall of Manila and Singapore is not the end of the war. No one doubts, outside Japan, that in a not too far distant day the American flag will float again above the flame-swept islands, when this latest attack upon the security and freedom of the world shall have been flung back as broken as a spent wave splintered on a granite shore; and democracy will have proved again its right and power to survive. Then Manila and Singapore will begin to take their place as but incidents of opportunity in the blundering but vast, enduring drama of the rights of man. So, likewise, there remains unchanged, so remote, perhaps, as to indict our intelligence as it demonstrates our iniquity, the still challenging goal of a truly Christian social order to which, however confused, betrayed, delayed we may be, we still push on.

But we do not push on alone. God is still in the game. Our generation does not think as highly of John Brown of Pottawattomi and Harper's Ferry as its fathers thought;

we see his violence and treason unsoftened by the warm and prejudiced emotions of his friendly contemporaries. But some of John Brown's insights are no less penetrating because of the irregularities of his conduct. And "God," he used to say, "will surely attend to his own cause . . . and he will not forget the work of his own hands." In spite of the sins which have condemned us to this war, the great, good ends that we should have been winning without war are still advancing. The world of peace and righteousness and of race reorganized in freedom, security and justice, is some day to be our accomplished destiny. Because God will surely attend to his own cause; not sparing us a bit of the labor, not shielding us from the consequences of our folly; not softening the moral demands of life; not tempering the storms to those whose sins have evoked the storm; but maintaining the inexorability of righteousness to meet the ruthlessness of evil, maintaining also the moral determinations that make us men. God is the answer to the blackest, beastliest times, laboring with us as St. Paul recognized, working hitherto, as Jesus knew, and coming to his victories in history and human life, through the heroism, the fidelity, the achievements of men who dare believe they are working with him.

What I have meant by hill-tops of the mind ought now to be evident; it is the habit of thinking on all these matters of experience and interest in religion to the good purposes of God, which, after all, are the mightiest force in human history. How else can people, hedged in by the bread-and-butter business of every day affairs, have part in the unending march of society toward the kingdom of God? How else shall they surmount the pettiness of little interests and obscure affairs? We have such little lives, and everything around us echoes, "Little lives!" which is what a critic wrote about the characters in George Eliot's novels; "They lead such limited lives," he said. "Yes," a wiser critic answered, "they may lead limited lives, but they move nevertheless in a large world." Some years ago, when Japan was a friendly land instead of the headquarters of savages, an American traveler found himself in the smallest garden he had ever seen, and yet he had the feeling of great space and long vistas. When he asked the secret of it, the gardéner showed him how every dwarf tree and shrub had been planted in definite relation to a distant mountain, and every short little path opened a vista towards it and the spaces beyond; and his Japanese host said: "I have annexed the mountain." I do not know any other way to escape the shriveling influences of everyday monotony and labor than by adjusting all our views and paths to the magnitude and certainty of the almighty purposes of God. Is it not for that that St. Paul bids us, "Set your mind on the things that are above"? Only so shall we find sustenance for our spirits. What else was his meaning when, as Isaiah reported, God said "I will open rivers in high places"?

The Puritans knew all this. They were men, as Macauley wrote, "whose minds had derived a peculiar character from the daily contemplation of superior beings and eternal interests." They are ridiculed now by the lighter-running intellects who mistake ignorance of history for brillance of insight; as are the old-time Calvinists and Methodists, with their emphasis on rather forbidding aspects of belief and restraints of conduct. But they were triumphant spirits, nevertheless. They did their duty. They had no twilight zones of moral uncertainty. They were intolerant; but then they had convictions worth being intolerant about, because more than anything else, they had annexed the mountain, and whatever way they looked they saw the reality of God. So Thomas Carlyle, in one of his prophetic moments, wrote, very reverently, that his meditations which he had sent, as best he could, through eternity and time and space, at last were coming back with tidings for him. No other sort of meditations will come back with any tidings worth while in these groping times. We live mostly in the lowlands of religion, but what Ruskin said in another connection is true here. "The mountains," he said, "must . . . be the support of all; and . . . everything must be laid in their arms."

And it is only in this thinking of all our human interests and enterprises in relation to the certain purposes of God that we shall find, amid our tumultuous times, the serenity of Christian assurance. As one of Job's friends said to him, in speaking of the Almighty, "He maketh peace in high places." Seeing all things under this aspect of eternity, we can watch the tyranny of events, the atheisms of force and fraud, and the tragedies of wickedness which seem now to be impregnable, and have no fear for the final issue. The very suffering of the world bears witness to the resistless march of the divine persuasions. It vindicates the moral structure of the universe. Because of God's righteous purpose, the world suffers when it sins, and reaps the whirlwind where it has sown the wind. Because of God's righteous purpose its selfishness is followed by its vicious wars and wastes of human life and energy and happiness. Whatsover a nation sows, that shall it also reap, is the word of God in history as well as in revelation. Sow selfishness and reap retaliation; sow avarice and reap hate; sow cruelty and reap destruction. But, on the other hand, sow brotherliness and generosity and justice, regardless of race and place and color, and all the divine purpose and the divine power are committed to the establishment of the city of God on earth, where the nations shall walk amidst the light thereof; and the kings of earth bring their glory into it; and there shall in nowise enter into it anything unclean, or he that maketh an abomination and a lie.

METHODIST CHURCHES IN THE PHILIPPINES

By Bishop John M. Moore

The Methodist Church has been in the Philippines for 42 years. It now has there 98,038 members, two annual conferences, nine districts and 325 congregations. The bishop in charge is Edwin F. Lee, who resides in Singapore on the Malay Peninsula. The Methodist Church is one of five denominations there that carries on the Union Theological Seminary for the training of ministers. It has well qualified Filippino as well as missionary teachers. Our church has 436 Filippino deaconesses, who were graduated from the Harris Memorial Training School in the course of its 39 years of effective service. These deaconesses teach 3,000 children each week(visit homes and render efficient service in all church work. There are hundreds of devoted Bible women and faithful local preachers, trained for their tasks at Union and Harris, who are active and useful in the church and community. The Mary Johnston Hospital cared for 1,769 patients last year and treated 28,000 persons in the outside clinic. The School of Nursing has graduated 384 young women.

There are 18,131 young men and young women in the Epworth League, 32,395 in the Sunday school, and 10,843 children last year were in vacation Bible schools. The church maintains ten self-supporting dormitories in strategic student centers furnishing cultural training for 400 high school and university girls.

These facts reveal the intimate relations which members of the Methodist Church sustains to the Philippines and their people. Not merely as Americans but as Christians we are deeply concerned about what is taking place in those islands.—Southwestern Advocate.

LOWESVILLE CIRCUIT

Everything seems to be moving along in a fine way. Attendance is good in all services, a good spirit prevailing. Substantial increases have been made in the finances.

Improvements are being made at Hill's Chapel. New pulpit furniture has been bought for Snow Hill. The circuit has decided to build a new parsonage.

We observed Laymen's Day at Hill's Chapel with good results. Brother Sherrill from Lowell, Brother Nixon of Lincolnton and Rev. Mr. Price of Lowell were present. They were enjoyed by all present.

Memorial day services will be observed at New Hope the first Sunday in May. All day services; dinner on the grounds. Rev. D. M. Nifong of Cherryville will speak at 2:30. The second Sunday memorial day services will be observed at Hill's Chapel. All day services; dinner on the grounds. Snow Hill will observe memorial day services the fourth Sunday in May. All day services; dinner on the grounds. Solicitor John Carpenter of Gastonia will speak at 2:30.

There will be all day services and home coming at Fairfield the second Sunday in June.

We are looking forward to the district conference at Hill's Chapel May 7. These good people have remembered us with many good things.

C. L. Grant.

REV. ALFRED LAYTON RAYLE DIES AT HIS HOME IN STANLEY

Rev. A. L. Rayle, following an extended illness, died April 9 at his home in Stanley, N. C., where for eighteen months he had been pastor of the Methodist church.

The funeral which was the first to be held in the new church that he labored to build, was held Friday afternoon, April 10. Rev. E. M. Jones, superintendent of the Gastonia district, conducted the service, assisted by Bishop Purcell and Rev. B. Wilson, who supplied the church during Rev. Mr. Rayle's illness. Members of the building committee served as active pallbearers and members of the board of stewards were honorary pallbearers. A number of ministers of the Western North Carolina conference attended.

Interment was at Bethlehem Methodist church, near Statesville. Rev. G. F. Houck, pastor of the Bethlehem church, and Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Statesville district, assisted in this service.

Rev. Mr. Rayle is survived by Mrs. Rayle, the former Pearl Morrow of Statesville, two children, Carolyn and Ronald, four brothers, J. W. Rayle of Greensboro, L. D. Rayle of Roanoke, Va., Rev. Paul R. Rayle of Draper, and Rev. J. Leonard Rayle of Pineville, and the following sisters: Mrs. Ed Miles, Mrs. Bertha Moton, Mrs. Ophelia Davenport, Mrs. Eugene Stanley, Mrs. J. C. Davis, Mrs. Harry Blackburn, and Mrs. Loraine Phillips, all of Greensboro.

During his pastorate at Stanley, a $16,000 church was built by the congregation.

Memoir will appear next week.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

A campus fair, featuring side shows, a clown, a fortune teller, free attractions, peanuts and lemonade, was sponsored by the Greensboro College freshman Y. W. C. A. cabinet Friday night, April 11, in the basement of Odell auditoriaum. Gay colored streamers, sawdust strewn floors, and side show attendants yelling their wares set the scene for a large part of the G. C. student body, gaily giving their 20 cents admission price as an aid to the world student service fund, for which the fair was held.

Members of the freshman cabinet directing the fair were Misses Elizabeth Morgan, Corapeake; Ida Beth McCullen, Reidsville; Frances Joy Brantley, Mooresville; Anne Louise Wharton, Ruffin; Evelyn Worsham, Reidsville; and Margaret Moser, Gastonia. Misses Nell Webb, Cherryville, Y president, and Helen Prince, Dunn, vice president, assisted the committee.

Dr. Phillips Russell, professor of journalism, and associate professor of English, University of N. C., spoke to G. C. students at chapel last Thursday morning. Dr. Russell pointed out the injustice now prevalent concerning the relationship between the white and negro races and appealed to G. C. girls to aid the race relations committee by giving them information concerning the situation in various parts of the state.

With their return from spring vacation last week, the Greensboro College Players, under the direction of Miss Charlotte Searles organized their technical staff and began final preparations for "Moor Born," to be presented Friday night at 8:15 o'clock in Odell auditorium. Rush T. Wray of the speech and dramatic art department is assisting the technical staff with its work on stage sets.

Miss Etta Farrar Taylor, Greensboro, senior major in speech and dramatic art, will serve as assistant director. Other committee chairmen are Misses Betty Jansen, Winter Haven, Fla., stage manager; Kaye Edwards, Greensboro, electrician; Marie Haines, Merchantville, N. J., costume; Vivian Rathburn, Thomasville, make-up; Nancy Wall, Leaksville, scenery; Alice Birkhead, Asheboro, sound effects; Lucille Cox, Asheboro, house committee; Julia Nell Whitehurst, Bethe, furniture; Emma Lee Warner, properties; Rebecca Gentry, Webster, wardrobe.

BELMONT PARK CHURCH

On Monday evening, April 6, the Belmont Park parsonage was the scene of a beautiful reception given by the congregation in honor of the 25th anniversary of their pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald.

The home was very attractive with mixed flowers used, except in the dining room, where a green and white color scheme was carried out. The table was covered with a lace cloth with a large bowl of white gladioli and snapdragons in the center and silver candle holders with white candes.

Ladies of the church greeted the guests at the door, and assisted in entertaining throughout the house and serving in the dining room. Punch, cookies and green and white mints were served throughout the evening.

Many guests called to congratulate the couple during the evening. A lovely gift of a set of sterling silver was presented to the couple from the church, and other gifts from friends were received.

This act of kindness has bound this congregation and the pastor's family with a tie that will not be severed for generations to come.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT

My intention was to steal the book—for awhile—but one of the Plyler twins saw me going out with it under my arm. The title was intriguing and the name of the author lent interest. We think a lot of Dr. Costen J. Harrell over here in North Carolina, and his book, "The Way of the Transgressor," should be read by many—especially ministers who still are clear-eyed about the grim, ruinous business of sin. Here is a treatment of the old malady that destroys soul and body and offers the tried and true remedy of a blood red gospel. How heartening in our age when all sham must be shunned, all indifference denied in order to meet the terrible exigencies of local weakness and world-wide war. Books on the theme of depravity with the offer of redemption having depth and clarity are rather rare. Dr. Harrell does the church a distinct service and I am personally indebted to him. May I suggest that, as the book helped me in my Passion Week preaching, it will also aid anyone in his regular ministry or revival work. This sentence from the jacket by Cokesbury Press sums up the many virtues of this good book: "Twelve sermons striking at the roots of sin, depicting its curse and lifting up Christ as its cure."

P. S.—Dr. A. W. has just declared, "Anything that Costen Harrell writes is all right."

L. B. Hayes.

COKESBURY CHURCH

Rev. W. F. Elliott, in his first year on the Stedman charge, has made a fine start.

The pastor's salary is 90 per cent paid to date. The World Service acceptance is 80 per cent paid for the year; Orphanage apportionment is 60 per cent paid for the year. The circuit has furnished ten new subscribers to the N. C. Christian Advocate, five of which came from Cokesbury church.

We have a splendid choir with choir practice each week. The church school has a good attendance and the different classes put on social programs on certain Sundays, which are enjoyed. We have a live W. S. C. S. and our pledge has been increased each year for several years. We were represented at the conference held at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, in March.

Our pastor held pre-Easter services at Cokesbury church the week before Easter. He brought inspiring and helpful messages and we feel that we have been benefitted by this series of services. Mrs. T. C. Maxwell.

GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Gastonia district conference will meet at 9 o'clock Thursday, May 7, in Hill's Chapel church at Lowesville. Lowesville is about midway on the highway between Mt. Holly and Rock Springs. E. M. Jones.

WE THANK TOM BOST AND AMBASSADOR DANIELS OUGHT TO THANK HIM

Why should thanks be extended to Tom Bost, even if he is the best known newspaper correspondent in the state, whose name is a household word in every section of North Carolina? Simply because of what he wrote about the North Carolina Christian Advocate and about Ambassador Daniels in **"Among Us Tar Heels,"** which is Bost's widely read column in the Greensboro Daily News. The article in question follows:

THAT'S THE STUFF!

Twin Preacher Plylers' North Carolina Christian Advocate recently carried a paragraph which read thus: "In Honolulu December 7, 1941, there was one liquor saloon to every 363 persons, and 55 per cent of them were operated by Japs. Was it surprising that hell broke loose in Pearl Harbor?"

Temperance literature hasn't carried anywhere in ages anything quite so devastating as this. One acquainted with the twin Parson Plylers and Ambassador Josephus Daniels would detect in this a taint of propaganda against the hybrid system of liquor dispensing in North Carolina. Those gentlemen believe devoutly against any form of governmental sanction to booze and what's worth a great deal more, they very greatly exceed the righteousness of their preaching in their personal conduct. These saints in the Methodist communion simply have no truck of any kind with liquor.

The preachers are heartening the ambassador, too. He can come right out and, in old-time style, hit liquor the body blows which he dealt it before the Roosevelters repealed and greatly embarrassed one of the most important Roosevelters in the official family. On repeal the Raleigh people observed an unaccustomed neutrality and quiet. Booze generally had been the subject on which the paper made its music.

But these Doctors Plyler have it now. The best kick that anybody could give booze would be a boot that sent it just where it belongs, into the guardianship of the Japanese. Booze is precisely what a Jap should consume, and it may be just what the Jap will not have on the inside of him. But the Japs know exactly what liquor will do to the man who does drink it. It will make him helpless as a sailor or soldier. If liquor would rid the pedigree make the Jap its daddy and sponsor. Give booze a Nipponese smell. It doesn't belong in America.

DEDICATION AND DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT WALNUT GROVE, DURHAM DISTRICT

The session of the Durham district conference and the dedication of Walnut Grove church on Tuesday, April 14, was indeed a victorious occasion. Bishop Clare Purcell preached and led in the dedication, and district superintendent, A. J. Hobbs, directed the work of the conference, both of which were well done.

The work of the day centered about the dedication, but this in no way detracted from the fine program of the conference. The discourses were above the ordinary and the reports from the preachers were excellent. More than four hundred crowded the house and partook of the bountiful dinner on the loaded tables in the yard.

But in it all that beautiful and adequate stone church must not be overlooked. If there is a better appointed and more beautiful church in all rural North Carolina we have not seen it. The design and simplicity of arrangement will endure the passage of time. The atmosphere and churchly appointments will satisfy the most exacting in their tastes.

Details of the program is left to the most excellent secretary, Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr.

A rousing discussion as to the present evils of the liquor traffic resulted in strong resolutions offered by Rev. S. J. Starnes calling for a crusade to get rid of liquor stores with the hurt being done the soldiers in the camps. This is the big issue before the people of the state.

I. L. SHAVER WRITES

On January 14 my dear old dad slipped away from the old home in North Carolina and started out on his journey toward his new home beyond the valley of the shadows, and I am confident that he was aware of His presence and that His rod and His staff comforted him. Dad was a good father and he was always proud of his preacher boy. So I feel sure that he forgave me for not being able, because of distance and expense, to be present for the final rites that laid his body away to await the resurrection morn. Some day I will meet him "over there."

On January 29 Eleanor left for Montreal, Canada, where she is now taking nurse's training in the Royal Victoria Hospital. She likes it very much, but says she gets hungry sometimes.

On March 4 Joe left for North Carolina, where he is now in school and is also helping on the old farm. I hear that he can already milk a cow as good as I used to when I was a little Shaver. We miss him, but I am sure he is happy out in the country.

David is still with us and is enjoying school here in Caldwell. Pearl, that's my wife, is kept busy keeping house, teaching knitting to Nisei girls, and visiting Japanese homes with her husband.

I have been able to speak on an average of about 20 times per month and never seem to get very tired. Japanese removals from the Pacific coast have not effected us very much. Very few of our people here have to move because of the military zoning, and not very many of the evacuees from the West coast are coming to Idaho. So our church work here goes on about as usual. We had a glorious Easter service last Sunday. Had nearly 100 Japanese present. The good Lord is blessing us in his work here and we are happy. Opportunities for Christian service increase as the days go by. Pray for us. I. L. Shaver.

FINE REPORT TO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Orange charge, of which C. P. Morris is pastor and A. K. McAdams is lay leader, for the second consecutive year reported all conference benevolences paid in full for the year, and the pastor paid up to date by the district conference. This financial achievement was realized through an Easter drive which resulted in an offering of $970 for the four churches on the charge. The total amount of the budget paid is as follows: World Service $400, district superintendent $119, bishop $38.25, conference claimants $85, orphanage $178, sustentation fund $62, general administration fund $11.50, district work $21.25, ministers' retirement fund $17, for a total of $941. So far as the finances are concerned, with the exception of the balance on the pastor's salary and offering for the Golden Cross, this charge is ready for the annual conference and leads the district.

COLLEGE PLACE CHURCH, GREENSBORO

Just across the street from the Aycock Auditorium of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina is located College Place church, which is largely attended by students of this great college, and of which Dr. R. M. Courtney is the popular pastor and the wise leader of the congregation.

We worshipped with this congregation last Sunday morning to assist the pastor in the communion service. While there we learned that the Easter offering had amounted to $450 and on Palm Sunday Dr. Courtney had received 51 new members—25 on profession and 26 by church letter.

The people say that their pastor is doing fine work at College Place.

RALEIGH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Raleigh district conference will convene in Spring Hill church, Mamers charge, at 9:30 Wednesday, April 22. The route to this church is: Go to the village of Mamers on route 421, cross railroad and continue for four miles on dirt road. Watch for signs "To District Conference."

Those who are preparing the program are giving advance attention to it, and we are expecting to have a great day. Our people are making due preparations and are looking forward to the joy of serving all who come.

The conference will convene promptly at 9:30, war time. We look forward to fine delegations and good reports from every charge. Let's see to it that we are there on time.

H. I. Glass, D. S.

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TWO INTERESTING PARCHMENTS

A recent issue of The Christian Advocate carries an account of the presentation of two parchments which is of more than ordinary interest. These two parchments were sent by Madame Chiang Kai Shek to Bishop Herbert Welch, chairman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. One is an award of recognition signed by Madame Chiang, and the other announces that the Fellowship of the Lotus has been awarded to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. This is in recognition of gifts of over $180,000 sent to China direct to Methodist missionaries, as well as through the church committee of United China Relief. "In this all Methodists may feel included," says the writer of the article.

The award of recognition is a brightly colored document illustrated with significant Oriental symbolism. The border depicts plum flowers and bamboo leaves in a field of "auspicious clouds." The motive is that of the Three Friends of Winter (the pine, the bamboo and the plum), a symbol of friends who stand together in time of need.

The Fellowship of the Lotus which was given to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief is a citation received from the offices of the United China Relief for gifts of $25,000 and over. Smaller gifts have been recognized by other fellowships. Awards of one kind or another have been made to 11 Protestant denominational relief committees for their contributions.

ZONE MEETING WINSTON - SALEM DISTRICT

By Mrs. Stuart Burton

Zone No. 2 of the Winston-Salem district, Woman's Society of Christian Service, met at Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, Wednesday afternoon, April 1, with Mrs. J. Lee McCarn of Lexington as presiding officer. Opening devotionals were conducted by Rev. Lee F. Tuttle with the opening hymn "Lead On, O King Eternal." A vocal solo, "Jesus Only," was sung by Mrs. James E. Lambeth.

Mrs. O. C. Wall extended greetings with response by Mrs. J. M. Hart of Lexington. Mrs. T. L. Speas of Winston-Salem made announcement of the coming district meeting to be held April 28 at Fair Grove church at 9:30 a. m. Mrs. L. V. Scott, secretary of Christian social relations, urged the study of the hand books during this year,and Mrs. H. C. Nicholson, secretary of literature and publications, emphasized the importance of subscribing and reading the World Outlook, The Methodist Woman and the North Carolina Christian Advocate, suggesting that if there was not a larger increase in subscriptions from the women throughout Methodism the prices of the missionary periodicals might be increased.

Mrs. W. J. Prevo gave a report of the recent annual meeting held in High Point, and Mrs. J. W. Mann of Lexington, substituting for Mrs. B. A. Masten, secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, urged more organizations throughout the district in this department. "Christian Homes" was the subject of an interesting talk by Mrs. A. E. Hire, district secretary of missionary cultivation and service, and was followed by Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., who brought latest information from the missionaries in the foreign fields.

Miss Sara Smith of Lexington urged the training of our young people to become future leaders and officers of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service. Mrs. C. C. Weaver spoke on the efficiency aim and urged its attainment by the societies of the district and of the conferences. Mrs. J. G. Sterling, district corresponding secretary, urged the purchase of the report books as early as possible, and the report of the secretary of spiritual life was given by Mrs. Homer Ragan, chairman. A nominating committee with Mrs. O. C. Wall as chairman was named, and announcements of the fall meeting to be held in First church, Thomasville, was made. An offering of $4.52 was contributed to be used for delegate's expenses. The meeting closed with the great hymn, "God of Grace and Glory."

THE INCOMPARABLE BOOK

In the "Bible Issue" of The Christian Advocate of March 12 is an interview with religious leaders on the value of the Bible, and we quote the following from William Lyon Phelps, literary critic:

"I have lived all my life with music, books, and works of art; yet I cannot tell what is the best picture ever painted, or what is the best music written or the best play. I can, however, tell you what is the best prayer ever composed, the best sermon ever written and the best poetry in the world. The Lord's Prayer is the best prayer; the best sermon is the Sermon on the Mount; and the best poetry is the 23rd, 90th and 113th Psalm. . . . I have been reading books since I was four years old. Certain authors have profoundly affected me. Shakespeare, of course, enormously, I owe a great debt to John Stuart Mill, Carlyle, Tennyson, Goethe, Browning and Schopenhauer. But to the King James Bible it is impossible to express a similar indebtedness. The authors mentioned came to me early in life when they supplied what was needed; but the Bible has been from the beginning an integral part of myself. It would be absurd to attempt an estimate of what I owe to the English Bible as it would be to appraise what I owe to my lungs and heart."

Dear Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work:

Good news! The April issue of the World Outlook is a Youth Number! It contains articles and pictures dealing with projects of the Methodist Youth Fund. The picture section may be secured separately for 10 cents each. This can be used in promoting the Methodist Youth Fund and in making attractive posters. Are you a subscriber to this? Use the advantages of the combination offer and encourage others to do so. The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook for $1.25 a year. On the back of The Methodist Woman each month is listed all materials for our department. You must have tools before you can plan your work and work your plans!

Do you not think we are a bit slow in setting up our joint committee and getting the Methodist Youth Fellowship organized in our local churches? You must first of all have a secretary of young women's and girls' work. Then have a conference with your pastor and urge him to convene this joint committee recommended in the Unified Plan for the Missionary Education of Youth. Then, as a member of this joint committee, the secretary of young women's and girls' work can be the adult advisor for the World Friendship Commission, if this is best, and then will carry through the plans for starting an interest group as outlined in the Revised Guide.

The efficiency aims for 1942 require us "to have an interest group within the Commission on World Friendship of the Methodist Youth Fellowship using the program prepared for the group by the Woman's Division." So, you see we must really get busy with this phase of our program. Part II of the material, "Channels of Action for Interest Groups," is off the press but a group should use Part I first.

So few of our churches have made a pledge to the Methodist Youth Fund. Please see that the young people are given an opportunity to make their personal pledge to our missions through the Methodist Youth Fund. Send the amount of your pledge to Mrs. J. F. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, so that we may have a record of it. You know, of course, when paying it, the treasurer sends one-half to Mrs. Kirk and the other half to the treasurer of your local Woman's Society of Christian Service.

May I suggest that you order all the materials that are listed under the department on the back of The Methodist Woman and really study them as a beginning of your work. It is a large program and we must prepare for it. There is so much work to be done, dear friends, and we must work together with one accord if we would do our share in bringing about the kingdom of God in the hearts and lives of our youth today.

Sallie Bett Lamb.

For such is the disease of wealth, which knows no limit to its desire of more, and continues to make drinking the medicine for thirst.—Gregory of Nasiansen.

Ignorance is the greatest poverty.—

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"CHRIST FOR VICTORY"

"Victory today, as through all the ages, is through Christ and victory must grow in the lives of Christians. Victory belongs to Christ. All through the church people have made the teachings of Jesus difficult, but Christ's teachings are as simple as a little child, as simple as the prophet who said: 'Commit thy ways unto Christ.' The simplest ways of our lives are only a matter of belief. The only way to gain faith is to act upon it, act upon it, act upon it until it absorbs and transcends everything else in life—until we can say, 'Lord, I believe.'" —Excerpts from the third and last meditation given by Mrs. Paul N. Garber of Durham at the annual meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. last month.

WORK IN MANY LANDS

In the second and most revealing address to the women attending the annual meeting in Raleigh recently, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, foreign secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension in charge of work in China, Central and South Africa, made encouraging statements concerning the work of missions today in many lands. Pointing out that many missionaries are refusing to leave the fields, in spite of dangers, she said that the board of missions is able to get food and sustenance to the missionaries in China. The Christ-like spirit of the missionaries is expressed in the fact that many are wanting to go to China today. Said Miss McKinnon: "They value the work that they can do more than their sense of fear." Miss McKinnon also reminded her hearers that after the war is over there will be a greater need for missionaries than ever before and the Board of Missions and Church Extension is even now attempting to find those who will prepare to go. Looking toward that end a school of foreign languages has been established at Berkley, Calif.

"In India," said Miss McKinnon, "the need is for more money to meet the every day needs for the program of missions. India needs national unity and progress is being made along that line. . . . Another need in India is Christianizing the home—making the illiterate literate. For many years the Protestant churches of America have had their emissaries of good will—the missionaries in Latin America building foundations for a better Christian government. This year the week of prayer offering will be directed to Latin America." Miss McKinnon told of the opening of the doors of Bennett College for women in Brazil and said that the women of the N. C. conference had much to do with the establishment of that school. She also told of other schools in Brazil supported by the Methodist church. . . . Speaking of Mexico, Miss McKinnon stated that the church is growing, the work is strong and there is need for more workers there. "The Christian church in America," said she, "are the only people in America who are interested in Africa. That places a responsibility on Christians in America to see to it that when the war is over the peace that is made will be for the good of Africa. Africa is difficult and important."

THANK GOD, TAKE COURAGE

An item with the above title appearing in the April issue of The Methodist Woman reminds us that the Methodist women of America who are identified with the work of the missionary enterprise through the W. S. C. S. number 1,250,009 in 25,719 societies. In 1941 2,690 new societies were organized and total number of 119,336 new members were gained. Mrs. V. F. DeVinney, secretary of organization of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, appeals to us that we "thank God and take courage for our organizational growth." She calls attention to the fact that "our local churches are the bone and sinew of the Christian movement around the world" and that "as Methodist women we have a vital stake in all of this. Our 1,285,648 members united should be an invincible force for righteousness—a power for holding Christianity together in a broken world. "Above all," continues Mrs. DeVinney, "let us keep the work on a high spiritual plane. Reinforcing spiritual values is the greatest contribution we can make to this war-torn world. Our beginning was glorious. However, it is not the beginning but the continuing that counts now. We call upon the women of Methodism to gird themselves with new courage to press forward, giving real sacrificial service to the Woman's Society of Christian Service."

PROGRAM DRAMATIZED

The program on "The Health of India',' directed by Mrs. A. B. Deans, was presented in dramatic form at the March meeting of the W. S. C. S. of First Methodist church, Henderson. The playlet, in three scenes, depicted pertinent facts concerning health conditions in India. Participating on the program were: Miss Mary Young, Mrs. B. A. Scott, Mrs. K. S. Isley, Mrs. M. S. Fowler, Mrs. G. W. Furqueron, Mrs. H. M. Robinson, Mrs. J. C. Mann and Mrs. A. B. Deans. A series of posters loaned by the Plank Chapel W. S. C. S. and depicting the work in India were displayed.

Special features of the business session included reports from the secretaries of the various departments, reports of circle chairmen and a resume of the annual conference in Raleigh by Mrs. Mary Green.

(Editor's note: It has been suggested by some societies that the program materials are too lengthy. They are not intended for use in their entirety unless so desired but rather to be adapted. Many of the programs may be adapted to dramatization, as these Henderson women have demonstrated. We are happy to pass this suggestion on to others).

DURHAM ZONE MEETS

Durham zone met on March 4 at Lakewood Methodist church, Durham. Mrs. A. K. Umstead, zone leader, presided. The opening devotional was led by Rev. Kermit Wheeler, pastor of Rougemont church, who told his hearears: "The circle of a Christ life should include the world." Welcome was extended by Mrs. H. H. Crabtree, to which Mrs. A. H. Borland of Duke Memorial church responded. Leading a discussion on "How goes the work of the W. S. C. S.?" Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Durham district superintendent, gave the encouraging answer that "The work goes well, is improving, progressing and excellent." Mrs. Fred Morris, accompanied by Mrs. G. W. Gilliam, sang "Just for Today."

During the business session reports were heard from the presidents of the local societies in the zone. Miss Florine Robertson gave interesting information concerning the efficiency aim. An honorary baby life membership was presented to Adolphus Linwood Tilley, III. Following the closing prayer led by Mrs. A. M. Gates of Durham, cabin, where refreshments and a social hour were enjoyed.

NEWS FROM MISSIONARIES

A letter dated January 20 and received by Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon on March 27 brings cheerful news from Miss Alice Green and other missionaries in China. Miss Green writes: "Mary Culler White and I had a nice trip down from Soochow on November 17. The weather is fine and cold, but we have warm clothes and comforts. The food is excellent. The municipal council is planning in a very efficient way, so we believe that we shall continue to have plenty of food." This letter is one of the first which has come out of China since December 7 and is shared with us by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service who visited our conference last week. Miss Green, Miss White and Miss Nina Troy are now in Chengtu, West China, where they arrived twenty days after the beginning of their journey from Shanghai.

MISS STEGAR CALLED HOME

Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess at East Laurinburg, has recently been called to her home in Nashville, Tenn., because of the critical illness of her sister. Our hearts and prayers are with Miss Stegal in these anxious hours.

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THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FACING FINANCES

Our financial income continues to seesaw. That is, one end continues to go down and, thanks to our good friends, the other end continues to go up. We do not yet know whether the financial plank will bend. Certainly one end is going down and we are inclined to think that there will be no sag in the other end. Our endowment income is the downward end. The income from our Methodist people is the upward end. We hope there will be no sagging of interest from those who must make up the losses.

GRATIFYING RESPONSE

It was very gratifying to note that some applause greeted the request made to our last annual conference for increased apportionments from our pastoral charges for financing the Children's Home. That is, there was some applause when the statement was made that assurance was felt that our people would rally to the needs of our children. The unanimous action of the conference authorizing this increased apportionment then followed. It is even more gratifying to note that our people are responding to the call made upon them for increased finances. We confidently believe that a great majority of our pastoral charges will meet the new quotas this year. As a matter of fact some of the financially weaker charges have already met their entire apportionment, both the ten per cent basal apportionment and supplementary apportionment. It is expected that some of the charges with larger apportionments will require the entire year to balance their materially enlarged apportionment. We have the feeling that as the endowment income decreases the contributions from our friends will increase.

LOW PER CAPITA COST

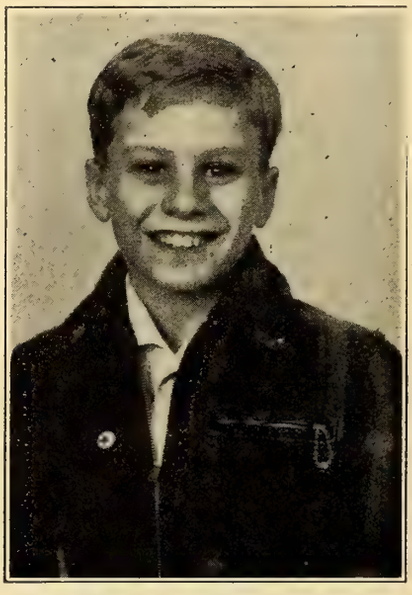
The statement was made to our board of trustees in their recent meeting that our daily per capita cost was very low, that perhaps it was lower than it ought to be. It is certainly lower than that of surrounding similar institutions. We think we are using our friends' money to the very best possible advantage. Our entire family is co-operating in a very fine way to this end. We want our friends to be assured that their money is being wisely invested in the running of our character factory.

A CHILDREN'S HOME DOLLAR

Mr. Robin Kirby, the Children's Home representative at First church, Charlotte, secured certain facts from us and then got out a letter portraying a subdivided dollar which was presented to the membership of his church school. This dollar looks interesting, portraying as it does that sixty cents goes for the care of children, fourteen cents for their education, sixteen cents for plant operation and ten cents for administration, this administration including fees for administering endowment funds. Summarizing, it is evident that seventy-four cents out of every dollar goes to the sustenance and the direction of the children themselves.

THE MID-YEAR MARK

The attention of our friends is called to the fact that the ending of this month concludes the first half of our conference year. Soon after the mid-year mark has been passed a tabulation of all contributions from our pastoral charges will be made, including apportionment, fifth Sunday offerings and special contributions. This total



He always wears a smile

will be compared on a percentage basis with the total expectancy from each charge for the entire year. Thus it will soon be ascertained what percentage each charge has paid by the half year mark on Children's Home quota. Nearly half of April is left for sending in returns to be balanced by this rating system.

THE BELL RINGERS

The following congregations have completed the payment of their ten per cent apportionment for the present conference year and are listed in our minds as pulling the cord to our joy bell. Bells ring for various purposes. Usually they send out good tidings. At any rate, ours does. Those who have rung the bell during the past week are herewith listed, congregation first, pastor in charge next. Note them and join us in grateful thanks:

New Hope, Oak Summit, Rev. A. C. Kennedy.

Concord-Sharon circuit, Rev. W. F. Heffner.

First church, Spray, Rev. T. R. Wolfe.

Bethel, Franklin circuit, Rev. P. L. Green.

First church, Rutherfordton, Rev. F. C. Smathers.

First church, Newton, Rev. M. Q. Tuttle.

Park Avenue, Salisbury, Rev T. H. Swafford.

First church, Thomasville, Rev. C. D. White.

Robbinsville, Rev. H. D. Garmon.

Oak Grove, Friendship circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.

UP AND DOING

It is a matter worthy of comment to state that the younger pastors of our conference do mighty well for the Children's Home. Most of them impress upon their people the Children's Home needs early in the conference year. As a matter of fact, these oncoming fellows do mighty well at getting up all their finances, along with ohter very fine services that ministers are called upon to render.

HE WENT VISITING

The picture this week is that of Ray Greene, ten years old and in the fourth grade. Complying with a request of Mr. T. P. Shinn of Spray we recently placed Ray on a bus for Stoneville where Mr. Shinn met him and took him to Spray, where the lad was featured on Sunday morning as the congregation raised all the balance of its ten per cent apportionment. For a number of years this lad has been sponsored by the Wesley Fellowship Class of Spray and has visited his friends several times. Ray never ceases to remind us of the happy times he has enjoyed with his sponsors.

A GOOD BEGINNING

In sending us the first $5,000 for the construction of a modern gymnasium and skating rink when the war is over, a good friend writes: "We value very much the work you are doing for the boys and girls in our vicinity. We have had the pleasure of having several of your boys and girls in our organization and we are very proud of the training they have had. We are making a donation to the building fund, with which you eventually hope to build a gymnasium. We all realize of course the need for physical welfare of our boys and girls and are very happy to make a contribution to this very worth while project."

PLENTY OF MEASLES

A visit just made to the infirmary found four little youngsters waiting in the receiving room for beds to be set up for their use in having measles. It was noted that all of the upstairs wards in the infirmary were filled with measles patients and that most of the long hallway was filled with emergency beds on which little youngsters with rosy faces and slight temperatures greeted the passer-by with a smile. Practically all of the youngsters were sufficiently comfortable to enjoy the statement that everybody ought to have measles when he is little. At any rate, our infirmary is full of little ones who are full of measles. We are glad to report that so far no serious consequences have been registered. We shall look forward to the time when our measles cases have folded up and hurried away.

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AN EXPRESSION OF DEVOTION—On Easter Sunday morning I received some beautiful flowers from my former sons and daughters. This loving remembrance deeply touched me. It is needless to say that I greatly appreciate such expressions of affection on the part of the alumni association. On the card with the flowers the following words were written: "From your boys and girls who love you. The General Alumni Association. Mrs. O. T. Cole."

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MOST COMMENDABLE — It is generally known throughout our conference that the Societies of Christian Service are clothing most of our children. This unselfish spirit on the part of the good women of our conference is sincerely appreciated by the children of the Methodist Orphanage. Nearly every day the Orphanage receives clothes for our youngsters from societies of Christian service. I confidently believe that within the next few weeks every child in the home will have received his or her spring and summer clothes. I wish to express my sincere appreciation to these noble women for their timely service.

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CABLEGRAM—On Saturday before Easter Sunday I received a cablegram from John Hicks, one of our former Orphanage sons who is now in the service of his country in far away Australia. He sent his love and greetings to the Orphanage reunion. John has been in the aviation service of his country for the last three or four years and is a young man of sterling character. No doubt he is rendering his country timely service in distant Australia. The Orphanage has a large number of former students who are doing their bit in the defence of their country and for other democracies. If necessary they would gladly lay down their lives to perpetuate the American way of life. Frequently I receive letters from our boys in different parts of the world. There are no slackers among the boys who were trained in the Methodist Orphanage.

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EASTER EGG HUNT—Following a long established custom, the Orphan-alumni association gave the children in the Methodist Orphanage an egg hunt on Easter Monday. Our youngsters look forward every Easter to this happy occasion. It is most commendable on the part of our former boys and girls to provide the Easter eggs and supervise the egg hunt. It would be difficult for me to state which group is the happier, the girls and boys who give them or those who receive them. It is a source of much gratification to me that the old boys and girls who were trained in the Methodist Orphanage are so deeply and vitally interested in the welfare and happiness of those who make up our present family. They remember with gratitude everything that was ever done for their happiness while they lived here on our beautiful campus.

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ORPHANAGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION—I stated in last week's Advocate notes that the alumni association had to be postponed on account of a case of spinal meningitis, which developed in the institution several days before Easter. Many expressions of regret have been received from the former students. Our official staff and the boys and girls in the home were about as keenly disappointed as the members of the association. Since the Orphanage was in quarantine our youngsters spent a very quiet Easter. The quarantine was removed the day after Easter Monday, and the Orphanage has settled down to normal conditions. Julian Bragg, who developed spinal meningitis, was returned to the Orphanage infirmary and I am happy to state that he has no ill after effects from meningitis. I am also happy to announce that we have had no other cases to develop in the Orphanage, and I do not anticipate any new cases.

THE OLD FOLKS AT HOME IN ENGLAND

It was the annual effort in aid of church funds. A gallant effort it was, I thought.

There was a midday luncheon.
There was a sale of work.
There was an afternoon tea.
There was a concert in the evening.

How that congregation managed to find so much that was good to eat in war time, how they succeeded in running a sale, and how they juggled with home supplies to provide tea in spite of present difficulties, I do not know. But they did.

Then came the evening concert.

In previous years this had always been in the hands of the Guild; but over forty members of the Guild are in the Forces now. Very well—there could be no concert, you might say.

There was a concert, however; for when someone bemoaned the fact that young folks were missing, someone else declared that the old folks were there.

It was the old folks of the congregation who organized that concert. It was they who went on the platform. It was they who sang and recited and gave a sketch. It was they who filled the breach, took up the war time challenge, kept the flag flying, and carried on superbly.

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FALL TRAINING SCHOOLS

We have secured the services of Dr. Fred T. Barnett for some Christian workers' training schools in our conference next September. There is some additional time that Dr. Barnett can serve in our conference if there are other churches desiring his services. Arrangements must be made right away, however, for this service since our "option" on his time is limited. We shall be glad to hear from any pastor who is interested in securing Dr. Barnett for a week in September.

Dr. Barnett teaches these courses: Christian Stewardship, Christian Service for Adults, and The Church Facing the Alcohol Problem. He also conducts stewardship revivals. He has served most effectively in a number of places in our conference in the past few years.

FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS FOR WORLD SERVICE

We are publishing the list of churches contributing to the World Service program of our church through fourth Sunday church school offerings for the first quarter of the conference year. We would remind those sending in these offerings that a notation indicating the offering is a fourth Sunday offering must be made on the remittance blank sent to the conference treasurer before proper credit can be given.

Durham District

Burlington, Front St.	$ 68.48
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb Ave.	8.42
Bynum	9.50
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove	29.00
Walnut Grove	4.07
Chapel Hill	20.06
Durham, Duke Memorial	50.87
Trinity	28.57
West Durham	11.47
Eno	15.00
Leasburg, Hebron	8.19
Salem	2.50
Mebane, First Church	37.10
Milton, Connally	1.90
Milton	1.61
New Hope	6.02
Purley	11.69
Semora	6.00
Mt. Herman Ct., Friendship	21.85
Mt. Tirzah, Helena	.73
Mt. Zion	2.95
Orange Ct.	1.00
Chestnut Ridge	4.00
Efland	8.93
Union Grove	2.00
Person Ct., Concord	7.35
Oak Grove	1.75
Warren Grove	8.81
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel	2.00
Pittsboro	2.00
Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel	5.90
Grace	1.90
Longhurst	6.41
Swepsonville	22.46
Yanceyville, Bethel	30.00
Prospect	40.00
Shady Grove	22.50
Total	511.99

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	7.71
Aulander, Aulander	1.05
Colerain	8.00
Belhaven	16.00
Chowan, Anderson	3.00
Center Hill	.50
Evans	2.62
Columbia	2.20
Cedar Grove	1.44
Wesley Chapel	3.89
Wesley Memorial	8.75
Currituck, Ebenezer	4.23
Elizabeth City, City Road	10.00
First Church	36.40
Hatteras, Hatteras	21.26
Kinnakeet, Clarks-Bethel	3.00
Fair Haven	8.29
St. John	10.38
Kitty Hawk, Colington	.50
Duck	.22
Kitty Hawk	3.45
Manteo	10.00
Mattamuskeet, Amily	5.59
Watson	1.43
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock	7.79
North Gates, Kittrells	6.06
Parkers	7.70
Savages	7.19
Pasquotank, Mt. Terman	4.53
New Begun	9.40
Union	33.00
Perquimans, Epworth	18.32
New Hope	9.50
Woodland	8.00
Roper, Roper	6.91
South Mills	30.56
Newland	6.34
Sharon	3.71
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point	4.62
Wanchese, Bethany	42.00
Washington	31.07
Windsor, Cashie	2.00
White Oak	7.00
Windsor	7.66
Total	424.27

Fayetteville District

Biscoe, Candor	17.67
Star	16.48
Broadway, Broadway	5.89
Carthage, Center	1.84
Fayetteville, Hay Street	19.45
Person St.-Calvary, Person St.	12.84
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground	9.11
Glendon, Cool Springs	2.65
Hamlet	34.52
Jonesboro, Jonesboro	6.00
Lemon Springs	3.78
Laurinburg	20.44
Parkton, Marvin	2.80
Pine Bluff, Pine Bluff	31.00
Rockingham	29.69
Sanford	27.21
Total	241.37

New Bern District

Aurora	3.80
Dover	9.47
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By Rollin H. Walker

Growing Tension With False Leaders

Luke 11:14-54; 13:31-35

Jesus was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. Sometimes dumb devils are as bad as those that cry out. A silent, sullen, persecuted martyr in the home is harder to get along with than a spitfire.

When the dumb man began to speak the enemies of Jesus said, He casteth out devils by Beelzebub, the prince of the devils. They at least paid him one compliment; they acknowledged that the devil with whom he was in league was a big one. The capacity of religionists for blind prejudice which this story exhibits makes one search his heart.

Others, we are told, seeking for some excuse for not believing in Jesus, demanded a sign from heaven. Of course bestowing the gift of speech on a dumb man was a glorious sign from heaven (Isaiah 35:6), but they demanded some irrelevant magic miracle; as though a man would refuse to believe in the greatness of Shakespeare's dramas unless we could show that a copy of his plays weighed heavier on the scales than an ordinary volume of the same size. This demand would not be a bit more absurd than the demand of some people for what they call a scientific proof of Christianity.

Jesus answered that the one sign that would be given to this adulterous generation was the sign of Jonah the prophet, who was buried in the whale's belly and rose again. After they had done their worst with him, God would raise him up. That is the sign that is always given to every generation that rejects its prophet. After they take him to the cemetery and bury him he beats the funeral director back to town. To their dismay he lives again in power and influence.

Some in that crowd beheld the radiant face of the dumb man speaking with his friends, and were doubtless impelled to side with Jesus. But then they looked at his enemies, the influential Pharisees, and said, It is dangerous to take sides against them. So they said, We will be neutral. But Jesus sensing their thoughts, said, You cannot be neutral; if out of fear of the Pharisees you are unwilling to acknowledge this good deed as a work of God I reckon you as against me. And so likewise does he reckon against him those who teach science and history without acknowledging the presence of the living God in nature and in human life. It is as impossible to keep purely secular education from having an anti-religious influence as it would be for a public school teacher to ignore the entrance of her superintendent into her classroom without giving the children the impression that she was disrespectful to him. One does not have to sneer at religion to have a positive anti-religious influence.

Moreover, Jesus said, the contest between good and evil is so intense that when the evil spirit is cast out of a man, if his heart is not at once filled with aggressive goodness, the devil is soon back again with seven others. What has happened to this land after the saloon devil was cast out, and we failed to substitute the exhilaration of true religion, is a dreadful illustration of this truth.

The hostility of the Pharisees was relieved by one loyal soul who cried out, What a glorious thing it would have been to be your mother!

Then we are told a Pharisee who had asked Jesus to dine with him was horrified that he did not fastidiously observe all the ceremonial washings. And our Lord, taking an X-ray of his corrupt heart, said, You Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and the platter, but your inward part is full of extortion and wickedness. And he adds, You are fastidious about ceremonially clean food, but if you shared your superabundance with the starving poor everything would be clean to you. Jesus would have deemed roast pig clean even for a Jew, if a liberal portion had been sent out to the hungry poor. He suggests that the scribes in their pedantic comments had really entombed the prophets rather than enthroned them.

And the men who strain at a gnat and swallow a camel are not all dead yet. One has recently heard of a wealthy landowner who was unctuously earnest in his pious protests against what he deemed the immodesty of women's dress, but who had defeated a movement to provide decent schools for the Negroes. And all of us need to question ourselves as to whether we do not forget important essentials in our conscientious emphasis on trifles.

EVENTIDE

Upon the aged and infirm,
Whose sight is dim, whose feeble steps
Grow ever slower and less sure,
We pray thy mercy, Lord.
Their hair is silver now,
And 'neath the weight of many years
Their shoulders droop, and in their eyes
There lies a trace of tears.
They dream again past days,
The joys and heartaches they have known;
And now and then a forward glance
Brings dreams of rest and home.
They've labored well, and borne
Ingratitude as well as praise;
And oft, with mind and body spent,
They grope through darkened ways.

O help us, Lord, to stand
Beside them through the twilight hours,
To light their tired eyes, and hold
Their trembling hands in ours.
Such tenderness, dear Lord.
They need, who've braved life's storms, and now
Sit quietly at eventide,
Love's hand upon their brow.

—Elizabeth F. Whisner.

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THE MERCHANT AND THE GOLDEN BOWL

Two merchants were crossing a river. On the opposite bank lay the city where they were going to sell their wares. They were not partners, but they agreed to divide the streets of the city between them. They also agreed that when one of them had gone through all the streets of his division, the other might follow and sell what he could, since the things they had to sell were not alike.

One of the merchants could hardly wait for the boat to land. He was the first to leap ashore, and he plunged at once into the nearest street of his division where he began crying: "Waterpots to sell. Waterpots to sell."

Presently he came to a house which looked promising. It was large and well built, and it seemed to him that a family who could afford to live in such a house ought to buy a good deal. But it happened that the people in this house were poor. They had once been rich, to be sure, but now their money was gone, and the strong men who had earned it were dead. There were left only an old woman and her granddaughter, who got their living by working out. When the little girl heard the merchant's voice in the street, she said:

"O grandmother, I do wish I could have something—a ring, perhaps, which ought not to cost very much."

"We have no money, dear, for anything," said the grandmother, "and what could we give in exchange for it?"

"Here is an old bowl," said the girl, "it's of no use to us. Let us exchange that for it."

The bowl did look very old and useless. It was crusted over with dirt which had been hardened in the fire and would not wash off. It was so black that neither the grandmother nor the little girl knew that the bowl had been bought when the family was rich, and that it was really made of gold.

The merchant was invited in and given a seat. Then the grandmother showed him the bowl and asked if he would exchange it for a ring or some other little trinket for the child.

Now the merchant had handled many bowls, and he knew as soon as he lifted it that it was better than it looked. To make sure, he turned it over, and scratching it on the bottom with a needle, saw that it was gold But he was a mean man, and had no intention of paying the grandmother what it was worth. Instead he hoped to get it for nothing.

"What is the value of this?" he exclaimed. "It isn't worth a cent!"

He threw it on the floor and left the house, expecting to be called back; but the grandmother took him at his word.

"It is just what I thought, dear," she said; "it is good for nothing. I am sorry about the ring."

Later in the day the second merchant came through the street.

"O grandmother!" said the girl, "this man looks kinder than the other. Let us ask him about the bowl."

The merchant was invited in, and examined the bowl as the first had done.

"Why!" he said at once. "This bowl is pure gold!"

The astonished grandmother did not know what to say at first. Then she told him of the other merchant who had said the bowl was worth nothing.

"It must be your goodness that has turned the bowl to gold," she said. "Do take it and give us something or other. We shall be satisfied."

At last she persuaded the honest merchant to take the bowl, but he insisted upon leaving with them everything he had in his bag, keeping only the bag itself, his scales, and enough money to pay the ferryman.

After he had gone the first merchant returned. He said that he had changed his mind about the bowl and was willing to give them a little for it—a ring, perhaps, for the child, if it were not too expensive.

"You dishonest man!" cried the grandmother. "That was a golden bowl, and you knew it, although I did not. But now you are too late. Another merchant, more honest than you are, has given all he had for it."

The dishonest merchant did not stop to ask questions. He ran as fast as he could go to the river.

"It should have been my bowl," he muttered as he ran. "I saw it first. I will take it from him if I catch him."

When he reached the bank, the ferryman and the other merchant were already half-way across.

"Come back! Come back!" called the angry man on shore.

But the ferryman did not turn; he kept straight on.

The dishonest merchant saw his former companion land on the opposite shore and disappear down the road. Through his meanness in telling a lie to a poor old woman and a little girl, he had lost the golden bowl forever. —Adapted from the Jataka in Alabama Christian Advocate.

WORK—DON'T WORRY

The hardest work you ever do
Is worrying about it;
What makes an hour resemble two
Is worrying about it!
The time goes mighty slowly when
You sit and sigh and sigh again,
And think of work ahead, and then
Keep worrying about it.

Just buckle up and buckle in—
Quit worrying about it.
By work, not worry, you will win—
Quit worrying about it.
A task is easy, once begun;
It has its labor and its fun;
So grab a hold and do it, son—
Quit worrying about it.

—Partners.

PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAP

What has a mouth and runs, yet has neither head nor feet? A river.

What has a face that it never washes and hands that are always in motion? A clock.

What is good on the inside, of little value on the outside, yet the inside would be useless without the outside? A lead pencil.

What has eyes that it doesn't see with and feet that it never uses for walking? A tape measure.

What can't stand alone, yet can go farther in a day than a horse and carry as great a load? A bicycle.

What dish is like a foolish fellow? An empty mug.

What dish never drinks, although it has a mouth? A pitcher.

What has an eye and no head? A needle.

What has no head and no mouth, but a hundred teeth? A comb.—Baltimore Southern Methodist.

WHEN A BOY THINKS OF HIS MOTHER

When he is hurt.
When he is about to go to bed, his first night away from home.
When he is thirsty at night.
When he is hungry.
When he has good news to tell.
When he wants money.
When he attains honors.
When he hears something said against women-folk.
When he sees a dog he would like to bring home.
When his mother is sick.
When he has grown to be a man.

—Selected.

Little Donald was crying because his daddy took the string off his little kite to use for a fishing line. He ran into the house and said:

"Mother, the next thing, daddy will take the baby and use her for a fishing worm."—Indianapolis News.

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A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 11..19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
South Camden, Sign Pine, 8 17
Swanquarter, Soule, 11 19
Mattamuskeet, Bethany, 3 19
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26

May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Glendon, Cool Springs, 11 19
Carthage, Center, 3 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, Sanford at Jonesboro, 7:30 19
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3.....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26

May
District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Jones, Cypress Creek, 11 19
Goldsboro Ct., Thompson's, 3 19
Hookerton, Maury, 7:30 19
Ocracoke, Portsmouth, 7:30 22
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26

May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Cary, 11 19
Mamers, Mt. Ariel, 3 19
Fuquay, Kipling, 8 19
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26

May
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Littleton, 11 19
Littleton Circuit, 3 19
District Conference, Farmville, ...17

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Roseboro, Beulah, 11 19
Scott's Hill, Hampstead, 7:30 19
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Clinton, 7:30 26

May
Grace, Wilmington, 11..... 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

April
Weaverville Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 19
Leicester-Bell, Highland, 3 19
Acton, night 19
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26

May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
McAdenville, 11 12
Cramerton, 7 12
Ebenezer, 11 19
Lowell, Bethesda, 7:30 19
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26

District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April
Summerfield, 11 19
Calvary, 7:30 19
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11 26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 26

May
Moriah, 11 5
Guilford, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 10

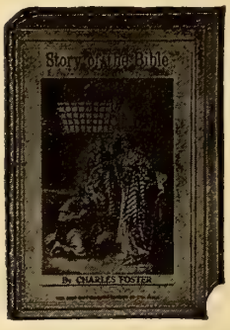
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THIRD ROUND

April
Forest City, 11 19
Gilkey, Gilkey, 3 19
Henrietta, Caroleen, night 19
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26

May
Avery, Pine Grove, 11 3
Linville Falls, Jonas Ridge, 2:30 3
Spruce Pine, night 3
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 11 17
Valdese, Warlicks, 2:30 17
Clinchfield, night 17
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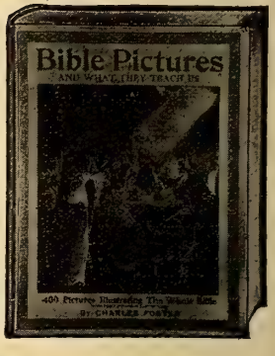
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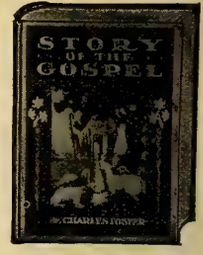
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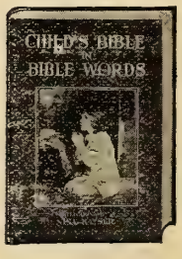


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STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Ball's Creek Ct., Shiloh, 11 19
Catawba Ct., Hopewell, 2:30 19
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April

Murphy Ct., Ranger, 11 19
Hayesville, Ogden, 3 19
Hayesville, 7:30 19
Robbinsville, 11 26
Maple Springs, 3 26

May

Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April

Community, 7:30 17
Unity, Fair Grove, 11 19
Thomasville Ct., 3 19
Pilot Mountain, Pilot, 7 19
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29

May

Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

THE CIRCUIT STEWARD

I knew what he would say.

Time after time I have received the same reply. They all say: "Well, we've been badly hit by the war, you know—congregations depleted, collections down, services only a shadow of what they used to be. . . ."

But I was wrong.

I was wrong where, it appeared, I had every chance of being right, for this circuit has been exceptionally unfortunate.

"And how is Methodism with you?" I asked.

The circuit steward replied without haste. He weighed his words.

"I should say," he replied carefully, "that it has never been better."

"In war-time?" I queried.

He nodded.

"We have been badly hit," he said. "One of our churches has been demolished—blown to pieces by a bomb. We have lost many young people, of course. But we are carrying on. Some of our country places are conducting their own services six or seven times a quarter. Our two town congregations have fused with the happiest results. Financially we are up rather than down."

He paused. Then a smile lit up his lined but placid face.

"All this is nothing," he went on. "The great thing is that the war has bound us all together and brought us all nearer to our Lord. We are more dependent on him than ever . . . and in three of our chapels we've revived the Sunday evening prayer meeting. I'm hopeful for tomorrow."—Methodist Recorder (London).

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On thy people pour thy power;
Crown thine ancient church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us,
Free our hearts to work and praise:
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
For the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces
In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor thee!

Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the search for thy salvation
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom,
Grant us courage,
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In Memoriam

SNOTHELEY — Flora Bell Lang Snotherley was born August 12, 1870; died November 21, 1941. In early life she joined the Methodist church in Forsyth county and on December 7, 1893, she was united in marriage to Joe H. Snotherley and transferred her membership to Friendship church near Albemarle. To this union were born one daughter and eight sons. Four sons died in infancy. Those surviving are her husband and the following children: Mrs. D. P. Whitley, Ernest, Myron, Vern and William. One brother survives, A. F. Long.

Mrs. Snotherley was deeply devoted to her family and the work of the church. She is greatly missed by her family and the community.

William C. Sides Jr., P. C.

SMITH—Mrs. Luzinia Belle Smith, of the late Samuel F. Smith, died at her home in Randleman February 24, 1942, at the age of 64 She was a faithful and loved member of Mt. Lebanon Methodist church. Mrs. Smith was deeply devoted to and very active in all church work. She was a mother beloved and faithful to her home and children. She was a good neighbor and friend to all who knew her. To know her was to love her. We thank God for her noble life and the Christian influence she has left behind. Surviving are seven children: J. C., L. M. and R. A., all of Greensboro; Mrs. Eva Yow of Sophia, Mrs. Mamie Beck of High Point, Mrs. Rozelle Dean of Durham and Mrs. Mozelle Hardin of Randleman. One son, Howard Kenneth, preceded her in death four years ago.

Mrs. Richard Brown.

WALKER — John William Walker, 64, a former banker and merchant of Andrews, died at his home on December 18, 1941, after several years of ill health and a recent major operation. Great suffering during the last few months did not make him complain. He was cheerful to the end. The Saviour was consciously close to him, and his supreme delight was in having God's Word read to him and hearing his favorite hymns played for him.

He was a faithful member of the Methodist church and liberal to all its causes. For 30 years he was a steward in the Andrews church. He was a life long reader of the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Funeral services were conducted from the church by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent. Members of the board of stewards were active pallbearers.

He is survived by three sons. William P. Walker of Andrews, Charles A. Walker, who is in the army, John Edwin Walker of Marshall; one daughter, Mrs. Carl H. Tower of Raleigh.

Mrs. C. H. Tower.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The stewards of the First Methodist church of Hickory will feel deeply the absence of Elbert A. Ivey, the son of George F. Ivey and Blanche S. Ivey.

Since before birth Elbert A. Ivey has been associated with the church. From the time that he was of sufficient age to participate in the church, he devoted his time, his mental powers and moral qualities toward the growth of Methodism in this community. He was earnest in his work, in his religion and in his social activities. As a single man he believed in the Christian concept of family life, and as a young man before marriage, as well as after marriage, he lived in accordance with the Christian concepts. He was a devoted father and husband.

He served on the board of stewards of this church for 14 years unfailingly and loyally. He served as vice chairman for a period of six years in succession. Notwithstanding his failing health, he served as chairman of the music committee and was a member of the property valuation committee.

His passing has caused a vacancy on the board of stewards that it will be impossible to fill with a more efficient and Christian person.

Be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions of respect be placed upon the minutes of the board of stewards of the First Methodist church of Hickory, a copy be sent to his immediate family and the family of his father (who was so fortunate as to have had such a son), and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the Hickory Daily Record for publication.

Ben F. Seagle, Chm.
John F. Keesler, Sec.
W. A. Rollins, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

(Resolutions adopted by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Haywood Street Methodist Church).

On December 15, 1941, Mrs. Fannie Byrd passed to her heavenly home. Therefore we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Haywood Street Methodist Church would offer the following resolutions:

First, That in the death of Mrs. Byrd we have lost a beloved, faithful and efficient member. Her faithfulness and loyalty were an inspiration and an example which will we will strive to follow.

Second, While we bow in humble submission to the will of God we cannot but lament the deep loss our church and society has suffered in the death of our sister.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the husband, a copy to the son, a copy recorded in the minutes, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Geo. Bryant,
Mrs. Paul Smith,
Mrs. C. D. Stowe.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Wesley Memorial Methodist church Columbia, N. C., wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful and loving members, Mrs. Mae Pinner, who passed from this life December 24, 1941. We, the members of the society do therefore resolve:

First, That her life was one of loyal service; she did what she could for the advancement of God's kingdom and the missionary cause. Her beautiful Christian character, her devotion to her church, her family and friends, have been a benediction to us, and we thank God for her life and our association with her.

Second, That we wish to express our sympathy to her family, especially her son; and may the God whom she served so faithfully comfort them as he alone can.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy be sent to the family and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. R. H. Sutton,
Mrs. L. B. Garrett,
Mrs. L. L. Gibbs.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Woodland Methodist church, were saddened recently by the sudden death of our beloved vice president, Mrs. Lola E. Kornegay, who was a loyal and faithful member. She was very dependable in all church affairs. She was a member of Woodland Methodist church since her marriage and a member of Smith's Chapel in Wayne county before her marriage. In addition to being vice president of the Woman's Society, she was assistant superintendent of Sunday school and a Sunday school teacher for many years. Be it resolved:

First, That in extending our deepest sympathy to the loved ones, we rejoice with them that her spirit has returned to the Saviour who spared her to finish her work on earth.

Second, That we have lost a faithful member and we cherish her memory as a devoted member of our society and church.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to be recorded in our society minutes, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Willard Westbrook,
Mrs. Lemuel Kornegay,
Mrs. Lewis Westbrook.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the ladies' Bible class of Newland Methodist Sunday school of Elizabeth City, Rt. 3, wish to pay tribute to a faithful member, Mrs. W. H. Jones, who passed away on March 12, 1942.

In the last few years Mrs. Jones was not well and had to spend part of her time in bed, but whenever possible she always attended the church services. Her devotion to her church and family has been an inspiration. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the members of the class feel the deepest sympathy and sorrow in the loss of our member.

Second, That we extend to her family our heartfelt sympathy and share with them this loss.

Third, That a copy be sent to the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be spread upon the minutes of our Sunday school.

Mrs. J. C. Harris, Sr.,
Mrs. E. L. Brothers,
Mrs. W. W. Carver.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On February 28, 1942, after an illness of several months, our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. S. A. Swaim, passed away from this earth to her heavenly home. Mrs. Swaim was loyal to her church, and faithful to the Woman's Society of Christian Service. She was a loving friend and a helpful neighbor. May we as individuals follow our Master as closely as did she. While we shall miss her, we realize our loss is her eternal gain; therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to the will of an all wise Father who doeth all things well.

Second, That we express to her children and other loved ones our deep sympathy and point them to the heavenly Father who is our Comforter at all times.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and one entered in the book of our secretary.

Mrs. Kate Elliott,
Mrs. D. D. White,
Mrs. Ceph Hepler.

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Worship on the High Seas

A CHALLENGING DECLARATION FOR NATIONAL SOBRIETY

(Report of the temperance committee to the Rocky Mount district conference at Farmville, N. C., April 17).

Up until now Americans have believed it takes a sober nation to win a war. The Hessians, not the Continental soldiers, were drunk on that fateful Christmas night when Washington crossed the Delaware. Our conviction for temperance in war-time reached its finest expression in war-time prohibition under such great leaders as Woodrow Wilson and Josephus Daniels.

In the present war the situation seems to be reversed. In spite of a great volume of protest, the army canteens continue to loose a flood of beer. The national Congress has refused to enact legislation regulating the sale of whiskey in areas surrounding our army camps. Considering the very heavy obligations which government made to the whiskey industry and to liquor minded people in 1932 and 1933 it seems unlikely that the liquor traffic will be in anywise curbed except after the maximum pressure that citizens can bring to bear. December 7, 1941, found beverage alcohol enjoying the greatest degree of protection and encouragement from government that it could possibly expect. There has been no sign of any change.

Now great truck loads of liquor roll by on rubber tires which can hardly be found for hauling foodstuffs and defense materials. Multiplied tons of grain are used for making alcoholic poisons to sell to our soldiers and sailors, while half the world famishes. Tons of sugar are used in making liquor while the nation faces its most serious sugar shortage. Automobile dealers, filling station operators, and soft drink manufacturers are very hard hit while distillers prosper. Yet there has not been a word to indicate that there will be any limitations whatsoever placed on the manufacture, transportation, or consumption of liquors. A man may buy all the whiskey he can pay for, without even having to return the empty container.

It seems necessary to infer that this time America has entered her greatest war with whiskey for an ally. One of the headlines for history will be, "Shortage of everything except beer, wine, and whiskey." The empty whiskey bottle, so often called a dead soldier, would seem, so far, to be a fitting souvenir of our war effort.

North Carolina has a chance to do what the nation has thus far refused to do. Surely public indignation and actual fear of the consequences will soon affect things in legislative halls. The aggressor has already invaded our North Carolina waters and has strewn our sands with dead. Our air and our soil may yet be used by the invader. Thousands of young men are living within our borders for military training and for our war-time protection. By what right may politics any longer forbid our sovereign people to say whether they wish beverage alcohol to be sponsored by the state?

Let Methodists make their wishes known! Let Methodists work to break up an unholy alliance with alcoholic liquor, that mortal enemy of free institutions and Christian civilization. "Let's remember" that any nation's finest hour must be a sober hour.

Signed: J. G. Phillips,
W. T. Phipps,
G. W. Blount.

These Next Five Weeks

Our mid-year report is due May 31. These next five weeks can make us or break us. To loiter these weeks away will mar the report to be made to Bishop Purcell on all our quotas. This report is vital. Our bishop says that the Advocate quota won by 50 per cent of the charges by May 31 will give assurance of victory for the year. This will be the record for every district where full use is made of the next thirty days. Why not do this for the church paper and let it become an inspiration for winning in every undertaking?

Note carefully the report made this week and resolve to join the ranks next week of those who are on the road to victory. It is fine to be an inspiration to others. And you can be an inspiration if you will.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS IN SESSION AT ASHEVILLE

The fortieth annual convention of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs met in Asheville, April 21-22-23, with Mrs. Pressley Robinson Rankin presiding.

The opening session on Tuesday evening was held in the East room of the George Vanderbilt Hotel and all business sessions were conducted in this same room.

The accomplishments of the past year were heard through the reports of the officers and chairmen and the outstanding speakers, who brought information and inspiration on the subjects of the theme, "The Home in National Defense."

Officers of the federation are: President-director, Mrs. P. R. Rankin; first vice president, Miss Clara B. Byrd; second vice president, Mrs. C. W. Beasley; third vice president, Mrs. J. Henry Highsmith; recording secretary, Mrs. W. Robert Everett; corresponding secretary, Mrs. McKinley Scarborough; treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Gupton; president of juniors, Mrs. Beverly Millaway.

All the state is much interested in this splendid organization and the fine work being done by this band of noble women.

THREE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ADVANCE CONVENTIONS SCHEDULED FOR N. C.

Three United Christian Education Advance conventions are scheduled to be held in North Carolina April 24-27. The first one will be held in Kinston on April 24 at the Queen Street Methodist church, with Rev. Talmage C. Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist church, as chairman. The second convention will be held in Reidsville on April 25-26 at the First Baptist church, with Rev. E. Lester Ballard, pastor of Lindsey Street Methodist church, as chairman. The last convention will be held at First Methodist church in Salisbury, with Rev. Walter B. West as chairman.

These conventions are brought to North Carolina by our major denominations working through the North Carolina Council of Churches.

In the case of Kinston and Salisbury the meetings will begin at 9:30 a. m. and close at 9:15 p. m. In the Reidsville convention sessions will be held on Saturday afternoon beginning at 2:30, Saturday evening beginning at 8 and Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 5.

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The robins have returned and the dogwood rules as the queen of beauty in our forests. With these have appeared also the spring poet. To us it has been a mystery why the song birds are at their best in the springtime and the poets seem to be at their worst.

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It is generally admitted that the movies are almost as great an influence on child education as are the schools. Yet recent surveys show that over 50 per cent of average run pictures have scenes in which drinking is tolerated if not glorified. The moral tone of movies has been greatly improved in the last several years, but there is still room for further improvement.

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A just and durable peace is enlisting widespread discussion. Winning the peace is fully as important as winning the war. We won the other war but we did not win a durable peace. More than three hundred and fifty delegates from twenty-three denominations came together at Ohio Weleyan University March 3 to pull for a national study of "The Churches and a Just and Durable Peace." In most minds the stress is on durable—we still remember 1918.

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An Englishman took a hotel room near a railroad yard (name and place omitted) and during a sleepless night wrote the railroad company as follows: "Gentlemen, why is it that your shunting engine at B— has to ding and dong and fizz and spit and bank and hiss and pant and grate and grind and puff and bump and chug and hoot and toot and whistle and wheeze and jar and jerk and howl and snarl and pull and growl and thump and boom and clash and jolt and screech and snort and snarl and slam and throb and roar and rattle and yell and smoke and smell and shriek all night long?"

A great artist said: "The moment an artist begins to think of the money value of his work, the brush, the pen, the violin, or the voice of the singer loses the mystical something that puts the price on their performance." What is said in the above concerning the fine arts and of literature applies with equal force to the pastor and preacher who has in his keeping the care of souls and the progress of the kingdom of God. Whenever a Christian minister makes money the measure of his work, he should have the good sense to surrender his credentials.

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An old man of the desert said: "Nothing ever grows where the sun is always shining." Yet some people have a notion that perpetual sunshine would be good for them. In this they are mistaken. Perpetual sunshine would be just about as bad as continuous darkness. Robert Browning who had known many sorrows said, "God is in the darkness too." Yet many people think that where God is there always is light. But not so. God goes with his people in the valley and shadow, where his rod and staff comfort them. Anyhow such is the declaration of the "Shepherd Psalm."

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More and more we hear the assertion that following this war we are to have a new world. It is to be a bigger, a freer world, a better world for mankind. How is this to result? War will sweep away much of the existing order, destruction of life and property is inevitable, and death and decay will cover many lands. This is the price of war. We must return to the ways of peace and the reconstructive methods of mankind. Are we willing to expend as much money to lay upon the altar as many lives to rally the nations as we expend in this war effort? Such is the price that all lovers of humanity must pay in the new and bigger and better world of which we dream. Let us prepare to fulfill our dreams.

Last Sunday Was Paul Revere Day

LISTEN, my children, and you shall hear the midnight ride of Paul Revere." Such is the beginning of Longfellow's poem that made famous Paul Revere, the silversmith of Boston, who on the night of April 19, 1755, made his horseback ride from Boston to Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts, to arouse the farmers and villagers with the alarming news that British soldiers were invading the countryside.

This occurred one hundred and eighty-seven years ago last Sunday, April 19, 1942, which was the anniversary of "that famous day and year," to use an utterance of the poet Longfellow.

Paul Revere was a good scout, to employ a semi-slang expression. He was a good silversmith. His wares are treasured in and around Boston to this day and will continue to be prized for their intrinsic worth as well as historic association. He was a great patriot. He was a fine citizen. And he showed the dash and daring of the true soldier in his urgency to arouse the citizens to their duty in that emergency. But it was Longfellow who gave Revere immortality among the revolutionary patriots of those stirring days.

"The fate of a nation was riding that night" is an immortal utterance which the poet applied to Paul Revere and for that reason, if no other, the American people cannot forget him.

Soldiers and Liquor Stores

THE big claim made for liquor stores is the money profits of the business. The chief appeal to the average citizen is the tax-money that flows into the public treasury. This inflow has been greatly increased with the coming of army camps. Are we so blinded by greed that we are not going to do anything about it here in North Carolina? Are we to profit at the expense and hurt of our soldier boys? Alcohol is more deadly and dangerous than enemy bullets, yet for money we bow down to king alcohol.

With each passing month the sales increase and our profits grow. The Durham liquor stores sold more than forty thousand dollars worth of liquor this present March than was sold last March. What will it be when the thirty-five thousand soldiers are at the new camp north of Durham? A similar situation prevails at other places in the state. The shameful record at Fort Bragg is well known. The good citizens of this state should become aroused and set themselves to remedy this mongrel liquor situation here in North Carolina. We owe a debt to the people of this state and also to the thousands who come from practically every other state. Are we going to sit complacently by and never lift a finger? God help us!

Every man who expects to be elected to the next session of the General Assembly should be made to declare his stand on the liquor issue in North Carolina. The people in every county should act. In the other war we had "war-time prohibition"; now we have liquor in full swing. "Remember Pearl Harbor."

Beneath Rough Banter

A CHAPLAIN from Camp Davis speaking to the Wilmington district conference insisted that the soldier is much misunderstood because of his reckless conduct and rash talk. He insisted that beneath the rough banter and often defiance of decency dwells a deep seriousness and much sorrow. Heartaches and heartbreaks that fail to appear on the surface belong to army camps, insisted this chaplain. The usual forms and conventions of formal religion do not make appeal to the soldier boy—he would see Jesus.

After all is not this the one desire of men and women in our churches and, most especially, all about us in this serious, anxious, work-a-day world? Preaching that enables the world to see the world Saviour will do much to win all classes and conditions of men. The boys of the camp are gripped by the vision of the wonderful Saviour they knew in the old home church. These blessed memories that anchor and hold the soldier away from home. Like the Greeks of old they would see Jesus. His is the name that is above every name.

A Matter of Rationing

THE great Christian missionary to India, E. Stanley Jones, is credited with having written the lines that follow. Shirts are the object of his thinking:

There's Mussolini with his black shirts lording over all;
There's Hitler with his brown shirts riding for a fall;
There's De Valera with his green shirts, his back against the wall—
But I'm for Mahatma Ghandi with no shirt at all!

A Spiritual Offensive Needed

FOR more than a year we have been told that the allied nations would later take the affensive against the enemy. Just now the news agencies are insisting that the promised offensive has begun and that we may look for it togain renewed vigor from day to day. This assurance is most pleasing to all who long for conquest.

How about our leaders in our churches enlisted for the spiritual conquest of the nations? Are we ready and truly eager for a great spiritual offensive to bring men to God and to render men anxious to win the present generation to peace and righteousness and holiness for the redemption of the whole world? Armies go forth to lay waste, to kill and to destroy; the church is entirely committed to the upbuilding of the world and the saving of men.

More and more as this war continues the stress is put on the type of peace that is to follow this war. Such is well. The most thoughtful are agreed that the spiritual conquest made possible by a conquering church will do most for a lasting peace, free from the seeds of another war as was the peace of Versailles in 1918. The Christ and the plea of a spiritual church was not allowed a place about that peace table. Too much hate and vengeance!

The Sunny South

DR. JOHN R. MOTT in his recent trip to the state expressed his pleasure in being once more in the "Sunny South" among a people with natures akin to this land of sunshine. He also expressed the conviction that the South so much dominated by the American tradition is the hope of the nation. All of this was most pleasing to a North Carolina audience in the "Old North State" so largely populated by the American born. For we lead every other state of the Union in this respect.

North Carolina in the so-called "Bible belt" has a high responsibility at this time when all are making so much of the American way of life. We have from the first stood for the Bible, for the holy Sabbath day, for the church, for the home and the school through all the after years. Are we going to hold fast to these essentials to the American way of life and lead in an effort to save America? Not if we count as naught these things that have contributed so largely to the record made by the Sunny South. The old time southerner had many weaknesses and not a few glaring faults, but he held fast to honor and the finer virtues of religious and family life. He gloried in men whose words was their bond and esteemed courageous manhood as a high ideal. Truly,

"Ill fares the land to hastening ills a prey
Where wealth accumulates and men decay."

Cold Winters in the Old Days

THE traditional cold winters of former years are often looked upon as largely a product of the imagination of men who forgot or else failed to consult the weather reports. But the New York Times of April 12 carries an editorial which contains some figures that seem to make good the claims of the familiar weather traditions. Note the following:

"Back in 1717 there was, according to the venerable records, 'a winter of extremest cold' capped by a five-day snow storm in New England in late February which left five feet of snow in Boston. In 1740-41 it was so cold that Long Island Sound froze from shore to shore, the ice being so thick that teams and wagons were driven from Connecticut to Long Island in March. In 1779-80 Thomas Jefferson wrote that 'The Chesapeake Bay is frozen from its head to the mouth of the Potomac. At Annapolis the ice is five to seven inches in thickness quite across, so that loaded carriages go across it.' In 1856 not only was Chesapeake Bay frozen, but the harbors at Baltimore and Philadelphia were closed by ice until late March. In mid-February of 1889 there was zero weather down on the Gulf, 15 below in Washington, 21 below in Chicago."

Joyous Springtime

SPRINGTIME is here again with its sunshine and showers, its buds and flowers. The bare and rugged arms of oak and elm are again being clothed in green, while the fields of wheat and corn give promise of food for both man and beast. Amid the charm and beauty of these resurrection hours all nature breaks forth into singing and seem to mock the follies of man amid the horrors of war.

It has been so through all the ages and nature will continue to make the earth to bring forth its fruit in spite of the destructive policies of man. After the other world war the poppies grew again in Flanders field and golden harvests of wheat waved again on the battlefields of France.

People and Things

Look upon page 13 of this issue of the Advocate for an interesting report. It tells how the campaign for new subscribers to this Advocate is coming along.

Rev. and Mrs. Roy J. Barnwell regret to announce the death of their infant daughter, Roy Elizabeth, born at Cabarrus General Hospital April 3. and lived until April 6, 1942.

A total of 28 new members were received into the Central Avenue church, Charlotte, during the Easter season. Eighty-three members have been received during the last 18 months. C. C. Benton is the pastor.

Mrs. W. E. Hauss, who has been real sick for several weeks in Rowan Memorial hospital, has returned to her home in China Grove. She is improving, but slowly. She is the widow of the late Rev. W. E. Hauss.

Forty-two new members were received into the Sanford church on Easter. A total of 54 since conference. $520 was our Easter offering for World Service. Our new church school building will be ready for use about the first of June.—Allen P. Brantley.

The young people of the Burlington circuit held its regular meeting Sunday night, April 19, at Bethel Methodist church, having 80 present. We enjoyed the program given by the Bethel group. Those giving talks were Earl Donnely and Mrs. Raymond Garrison.—Margaret Shaw, Sec.

Rev. C. B. Way, pastor of the Bald Creek charge, in the Asheville district, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon during the commencement program of the Bald Creek school in Yancey county. The baccalaureate program will occur on Sunday, May 3, at 11:30 a. m. There are forty-two members of the senior class of the Bald Creek high school this year.

Bishop Clare Purcell will visit McTyeire church on the Whitakers charge the fourth Sunday (April 26) and preach at the noon hour. This is home coming occasion and all former pastors, members and friends of the church are invited to return for this day of worship and fellowship. A picnic lunch will be served following the service, and every one is asked to bring a basket.—A. M. Williams.

Dr. Guy H. Black, associate secretary of the General Commission on Evangelism, is scheduled for some lectures on evangelism in the Duke divinity school May 4. This will be a welcome announcement, not only to the conference commission on evangelism but to all our pastors as well. Evidently Dr. Black has something very effective in "Home Visitation Evangelism." Large results are being achieved under his direction by following his methods. It is our sincere hope that many of our pastors will be able to hear him at Duke.—E. K. McLarty, Chm. Com. on Evangelism.

A good suggestion has been made that the home church keep the men in the service of their country supplied with a copy of the Upper Room each quarter. It is diffcult to keep the addresses of these men up to date, but the home church will be glad to make the attempt to do it. It is a joy to the Commission on Evangelism to sponsor the Upper Room in every possible way. This use of it will strengthen the bond of fellowship between the home church and the service men and encourage them in knowing the thought and prayers of the church back at home are with them.—E. K. McLarty, Chm. Com. on Evangelism.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

West Shelby Methodist church has just closed a revival meeting with fine results. There were ten conversions and five new members received. Rev. W. Earl Armstrong, pastor at Gastonia did the preaching. We have also paid our ten per cent apportionment to the Children's Home, with all other claims well up to date. We are looking forward to a new pastor from Duke the first of June. We regret very much Rev. Mr. Armstrong's change.

We have just closed a most successful revival meeting at Brevard with Rev. H. F. Duncan as the preacher and Rev. J B. McLarty as the song leader Services were held at Brevard College chapel in the morning and at the church at night. Brother Duncan's sincerity, earnestness and straight-forwardness made a deep impression both upon the students and the people of the community. Brother McLarty, assisted by the college choir, led the congregation in singing the great hymns of the church. The coming of these gifted ministers has greatly blessed our church. As a direct result we will receive several young people into the the church next Sunday. Any pastor who wishes to bring the blessing of real spiritual revival to his church will do well to secure the services of this fine evangelistic team.—E. P. Billups.

Those that say the old time gospel has lost its power should have been at Stokesdale Goshen Methodist church for the last two weeks. Also those that say we cannot have a day service would have been different. During a two weeks' revival meeting at this church we had good attendance, sometimes capacity crowds, and a wonderful meeting was had. Sinners were saved, both old and young, ages ranging from 12 years to 75. God's children were revived and I'm sure lasting good was accomplished. There was good singing and a lively spirit of co-operation, with every Christian working together. Rev. Mr. Shelton, the pastor, did all the preaching and almost all the song leading, both of which he did well. We want to thank Brother Hayes, our district superintendent, for sending us such a God fearing man, also all the other preachers that have helped us on our way to heaven, especially Rev. J. J. Edwards, who now no doubt is resting in heaven. We desire the prayers of every Christian that our church may be a spirit filled church and that we may continue steadfastly in the work for our Master. The harvest is great and we need all the help we can get to bear our burdens and to keep his banner flying.—Worker.

MOTHER OF J. A. STATON DEAD

On Tuesday, April 7, Mrs. Mollie Staton, 83, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Staton of Bethel. She was a faithful member of the Primitive Baptist church, never missing a roll call of her church except on the Saturday before her death and at the time of the last illness of her deceased husband, three years ago. Mrs. Staton had lived in Bethel longer than any other citizen. She spent her last years in devotion to her Bible and to three church papers, setting an example of interest in Christian literature which all might well follow.

Brother Staton is chairman of our N. C. Conference Board of Conference Claimants and was chairman of the Board of Finance for many years. His loyalty to our retired ministers and their wives was matched by his devotion to the aged mother in his home.

J. G. Phillips, Pastor.

FOUR DISTRICT CONFERENCES IN AS MANY DAYS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week the Durham, the Wilmington, the New Bern and the Rocky Mount districts assembled for conference as to the Methodist work in this important section of North Carolina. In last week's Advocate was a brief story of the Durham conference and the dedication of Walnut Grove church. So at this time we are concerned with the other three gatherings.

The Wilmington district centers about Wilmington on the Cape Fear, the New Bern about New Bern on the Neuse, and the Rocky Mount about the city of the same name on the Tar river. At these three points in the order named reside the district superintendents, Rev. A. S. Parker, Rev. J. A. Russell and Rev. L. C. Larkin. These three far-reaching districts embrace most of the fine alluvial plain extending south from the Roanoke river to the South Carolina border. The excellent citizens in this rich and productive region have never yet come to know the possibilities of this land, neither has the Methodist Church realized its opportunities.

We have been attending good district conferences for many years, but in one respect these were the best of all. The superintendents, the pastors and the laymen, for the most part, were a unit in the effort to reach definite goals in their work. Certain quotas had been agreed upon at the annual conference and Bishop Purcell is calling for definite reports on May 31—the mid-year report. At each conference the laymen presented a program and the educational, the missionary and the Advocate interests received definite attention. Along with these was the usual minute business.

The noon hour at all points found great crowds gathered about the burdened tables loaded with the abundance of good things for which this section is famous. Southern barbecue reaches perfection in eastern Carolina and at all these conferences it was tops. Along with this fine hospitality displayed was the wonderfully attractive churches at each place in which the conferences assembled. These are typical of the wonderful achievements made in church building by the 340,000 Methodists in the state.

We have purposely kept shy of details of the work done. The three most capable secretaries will furnish the reports in detail.

DEATH OF MISS ADA ELLIOTT

Early Sunday morning, April 12, Miss Ada Elliott of 515 E. Bragg Street, Greensboro, died at a local hospital at the age of 81. She is a native of the Vandalia section of Guilford county, the youngest child of Spencer and Isabella Perdue Elliott. In 1892 she moved to Greensboro with her mother and four maiden sisters. She spent several years as a saleslady in S. L. Gilmer's store, later at Ellis-Stone store. Some ten years ago she retired and spent the remaining years with her sister, Miss Mattie Elliott, who is the last of a large family and has celebrated her ninety-third birthday.

Miss Ada had been in failing health for the past three years, but grew ill only about two weeks before the end. She was carried to the hospital the day before her death. Besides her sister, Miss Mattie, she is survived by two nephews, DeWitt Hoskins, High Point, W. H. Elliott, Greensboro; six nieces, Mesdames Cora Rike, Florence, S. C., C. M. McLean, Greensboro, R. 6, A. C. Sherrill, Greensboro, R. 1, H. H. Bond, New Brunswick, N. J., C. N. Norman, Beaufort, S. C., and W. H. Sullivan, Greensboro. There are several great and great-great nephews and nieces.

She joined Pleasant Garden Methodist church in her youth. Her pastor, Rev. T. F. Higgins, conducted the funeral, assisted by Dr. G. R. Combs of Centenary church, Monday, the 13th, at Hanes funeral home. She was buried at Green Hill cemetery, this city.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Harnell Hart, professor of social ethics at Duke University, gave three addresses for the religious emphasis week at High Point College April 20-22. The religious council, made up of representatives from the denominational organizations on the campus, sponsored the observance.

The theme for Dr. Hart's lectures was "Religion and Us in 1942." On Monday evening he spoke on "Successful Living in a World at War.". On Tuesday night he discussed "Us and Life's Mysteries," and on Wednesday "The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory."

Dr. Hart is one of the most prominent speakers and writers in social studies. He is the author of "Personality and the Family," recognized for its comprehensive discussion. His "Skeptic's Quest" and "Living Religion" are splendid books in the field of religious thought. Before coming to Duke University in 1938, Dr. Hart taught at Harvard Theological Seminary.

Series of Chapel Programs

High Point College has special chapel services during the last quarter of the regular school term in honor of the graduating class. Members of the senior group are consulted as to which speakers they would like to hear on these programs.

The first of the series was held Friday morning, April 17, in the college auditorium when Tom Alderman Sykes of Thomasville spoke to the group. Mr. Sykes used as his topic, "Reflection." He stressed the danger of the flippant attitude of the world today, and pointed out that the present conflict was serious and there was uncertainty as to what the outcome would be. He challenged the senior class to keep their high ideals, to present a stabilized faith to the world which would necessitate a Christian life. "We will win," Mr. Sykes stated. "We want to win a peace," he declared, "which is the goal of all our endeavors. It will be much harder to win a peace than a war."

Mr. Sykes is an Englishman who has been in North Carolina for a number of years. He feels the effects of the war on his homeland and on France, Norway and Denmark very strongly. "But if the American people would demonstrate and believe in the American way of life as much as the German youth do in theirs, we would need no propaganda and marching songs. We could go forward."

Modern Priscilla Banquet

Members of the home economic club, the Modern Priscillas, held their annual banquet in the Wedgewood room of the King Cotton hotel in Greensboro Saturday night. The decorations and the program carried out a patriotic theme. The officers of the club are: Virginia Hunt of Gretna, Va., president; Betty Russell, New York, vice president; Jule Warren, Burlington, secretary. Miss Ada Johnson is faculty adviser of the group.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Charlotte district conference will be held in Dilworth church, Charlotte, on Friday, May 15. The conference will open at 9 a. m. All delegates are requested to attend. The editor of the Advocate is most cordially invited to be with us. G. T. Bond, D. S.

CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

The conference entertainment committee is called to meet in First church, Salisbury, Friday, May 1, at 10:30 a. m. All members of the committee are asked to attend. Invitations for the 1942 conference will be welcomed.

C. S. Kirkpatrick, Chm.

SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Salisbury district conference will be held at Salem church May 14. The conference will convene promptly at at 9:30 a. m. (W.T.) Salem is located about six miles from Albemarle on the Concord road. C. N. Clark, D. S.

TRIBUTE READ AT FUNERAL BY REV. E. M. JONES

Alfred Layton Rayle, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rayle, was born at Summerfield, N. C., September 17, 1906.

At an early age under the Christian influence and training of a Methodist home, he was converted and joined Center Methodist church during the pastorate of the Rev. T. B. Johnson.

When he had finished high school he felt the call to preach, and in obedience to this call he sought to prepare himself for the ministry. He graduated from Rutherford College and then Guilford College.

On May 29, 1934, he was happily married to Miss Pearl Morrow of Statesville. To this union were born two children, Carolyn and Ronald. Besides his wife and two children, four brothers and seven sisters survive him. Two of his brothers, Paul and Leonard, are also in the Methodist ministry.

In the fall of 1934 at Greensboro he was admitted on trial into the Western North Carolina conference and at the conference at Charlotte in 1938 he was elected an elder. He served Fines Creek three years, and three years at Bryson City, both of which are in the Waynesville district. Eighteen months ago he was assigned to the Stanley charge, where he has done a most magnificent and monumental work.

Brother Rayle took his call into the ministry seriously, as he took everything else. He was not afraid of hard tasks. He sternly believed that "where there is a will there is a way." He literally believed that if there was a work that should be done, that the Lord would lead and open up a way for it to be done. He had the spirit of the pioneer Methodist preacher, who when he heard the call, dared to answer and go wherever he was sent and do whatever was to be done. He had the very happy gift and inspiration to see beyond local and present hindrances and discouragements to the brighter and hopeful in every job to be done. He would not give up and those who worked with him were so inspired by his faith and courage they could not give up.

In undertaking the building of a new church at Stanley, he undertook what seemed to many an impossible and a hopeless task. But there never seemed to be a day when he had the least doubt that it could not and would not be done. He felt that if the Lord wanted it done it would be done, and he was supremely happy as he labored week by week in bringing together materials and finding resources for the building of God's house.

We think he fell too soon. Out of the very blossom of his ministry and promise he went. Our world needs him and those like him so much in these days that we stop and sigh broken-hearted and feel tremendously his loss. But—

Some time when all life's lessons have been learned
And sun and stars forevermore have set,
The things which our weak judgments here have spurned,
The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet
Will flash before us out of life's dark night,
As stars shine most in deepest tints of blue;
And we shall see how all God's plans are right,
And how what seemed reproof was love most true.

And we shall see how, while we frown and sigh,
God's plans go on as best for you and me;
How, when we called, he heeded not our cry,
Because his wisdom to the end could see.
And e'en as prudent parents disallow
Too much of sweet to craving babyhood,
So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now
Life's sweetest things because it seemeth good.

And if sometimes commingled with life's wine
We find the wormwood, and rebel and shrink,
Be sure a wiser hand than yours or mine
Pours out the potion for our lips to drink.
And you shall shortly know that lengthened breath
Is not the sweetest gift God sends his friend,
And that sometimes the sable pall of death
Conceals the fairest boon his love can send.
If we could push ajar the gates of life,
And stand within and all God's workings see,
We could interpret all this doubt and strife
And for each mystery could find a key.

But not today. Then be content, poor heart:
God's plans like lilies pure and white unfold,
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart.
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold,
And if through patient toil we reach the land,
When tired feet with sandals loosed may rest,
When he shall clearly know and understand,
I think that we shall say "God knew the best!"

GRIMES - HURLEY

A wedding beautiful in its simplicity was solemnized at the Methodist parsonage in Williamston Monday evening at nine o'clock, when Miss Ruth Summerlin Hurley and Mr. Benjamin Franklin Grimes were united in marriage by the bride's father, Rev. Bernard Talmage Hurley, pastor of the First Methodist church in Willimston.

A background of greenery, interspersed with floor baskets filled with trailing spirea and white iris, and seven branched candelabras holding white cathedral tapers, formed the setting for the wedding scene.

Mrs. Clarence Morse, Jr., of Elizabeth City, sister of the bride, presented a program of nuptial music. During the ceremony "Angel's Serenade," by Braga, was softly played. "The Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin, and Mendelssohn's Wedding March were played. Mrs. Morse wore powder blue with navy accessories and a corsage of red roses.

The bride's only attendant was her sister, Miss Marian Franklin Hurley. She wore a teal dress with turf accessories, and her corsage was talisman roses. The mother of the bride wore navy sheer, with navy accessories, and her corsage was composed of pink sweetheart buds.

The groom entered the living room from the library with his best man, Mr. Clarence Morse, Jr., of Elizabeth City.

The bride wore a redingote costume of black crepe with dusty pink trim. Her brunette beauty was enhanced by an off-the-face black straw, with dusty pink veil. Her corsage was white sweetheart roses, valley lilies and swansonia. For travel she added a black faille coat.

Mrs. Grimes is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Bernard Talmage Hurley of Williamston. She is a graduate of Smithfield high school and of Louisburg College. At Louisburg she was a member of the Sigma Iota Chi sorority, and was May Queen her last year there. She later attended Flora Macdonald College at Red Springs. For the past several years she has been doing secretarial work. At present she is secretary to Mr. R. L. Coburn, judge of the recorder's court in Williamston.

Mr. Grimes is the son of Mr. William F. Grimes and the late Mrs. Addie Hood Grimes of Smithfield. After graduating from the Smithfield high school he attended Lenoir-Rhyne at Hickory. He is now in the submarine service of the United States Navy.

After a short wedding trip Mrs. Grimes will return to her home in Williamston and Mr. Grimes will return to his post of duty in the navy.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

Sally Frances Weaver, Sanford, was recently awarded a pin by the commerical department of Louisburg College in recognition of her ability to take and transcribe shorthand at a rate of 140 words per minute. Miss Weaver is a first year student in the commercial department of the college, and that this is a signal honor for her is evidenced by the fact that only three such pins have been awarded during seven years that the commercial department has been headed by Mrs. V. R. Kilby.

John Thomas Maides, Maysville, was licensed by the Wilmington district of the North Carolina conference as a local preacher at the district conference held in Richlands, April 14. He is in the second year of his work of preparation for the ministry and has been active in Christian work on the campus during his two years at Louisburg.

HOME COMING DAY AT BRANSON MEMORIAL

Branson Memorial church in Durham will have home coming day services on the fourth Sunday, April 26. Rev. R .G. L. Edwards of Fuquay Springs, will preach the sermon at 11 o'clock. Rev. O. I. Hinson of Durham will preach at two o'clock. Other former pastors will be present or send letters of greeting. Dinner wil be spread at the church at one o'clock. All former members of this church, all former members of the Sunday school, and all who once attended services here are cordially invited to come back for home coming day.

John Cline.

ANOTHER ITINERANT GONE HOME

The men who knew the life of the circuit riders are passing. Their ranks are growing thin and the personal memories of the itinerant Methodist preachers will soon be a thing of the past. Most of us thought of Brother A. J. Groves as one acquainted with the horse and buggy days. But he is no longer with us. He has taken his transfer to the land of the blest.

Rev. Andrew James Groves, 85, retired Methodist minister, died at the Lee County hospital Sunday, April 19, 1942, after an illness of several weeks.

Funeral services were held from the Steele Street Methodist church, Sanford, Monday with Rev. A. P. Brantley, pastor of the church, Rev. W. B. McRae of Fayetteville, and Rev. J. D. Bundy officiating. Interment was in Buffaloe cemetery.

Brother Groves was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Groves of Duplin county. He joined the North Carolina Methodist conference in 1896 nad retired in 1929. He had resided in Sanford since his retirement.

During his active ministry he served as pastor of the Moore circuit, Roanoke Rapids, Bladen circuit, Roberdel circuit, Richmond circuit, St. Pauls, Rowland, Mt. Gilead, West End, and Wilmington circuit.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Maggie Sledge; one daughter, Dr. Patty J. Groves, a member of the faculty of Mount Holyoke College at South Hadley, Mass.; two sons, Lacey B. Groves of Danville, Va., and Wesley S. Groves of Sanford; and four grandchildren.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

At the semi-annual meeting of the board of trustees of Greensboro College, April 16, at the college the introduction into the college curriculum of several new courses in the interest of national defense and of the changing situations due to world war was decided upon. Shorthand and typing courses ,to be non-credit courses open to students carrying 12 hours of regular work, will be started, with additional work in sociology and Spanish also to be offered.

In the department of sociology sufficient courses will be offered for a minor in sociology; the courses will include one in social work as a profession for those students interested in that field. A major will be offered in Spanish next year. Approval was given to the continuation of first aid, radio communication, and Red Cross classes now being conducted in the interest of national defense.

G. C.'s last hospitality week-end of the year was held last week-end with high school girls from all parts of the state as guests of the college students. The G. C. Players' presentation of "Moor Born," a drama based on the life of the Bronte sisters of literary fame, entertained the guests Friday night. They attended regular classes Saturday morning to get a true taste of college life, and were guests of the "Y" Saturday night at folk games and square dances. A typical college Sunday concluded their insight of G. C. campus life.

Dr. L. L. Gobbel addressed students and faculty Tuesday morning at the regular chapel hour.. Rev. R. C. Goforth, pastor of Proximity Methodist church, Greensboro, was the Thursday morning chapel speaker. A program for the hospitality group composed the Saturday chapel hour.

The campus elections of heads of the college publications was completed last week. Misses Evelyn Colie, Goldsboro, and Virginia Hobbs, Hampton, Va., were chosen editor and business manager of the Echo, college annual, with Misses Pearl Weathers, Shelby, and Margaret Jon Hardin, Boone, as editor and business manager of the college handbook. Misses Lucille Cox, Asheboro, and Alice Odell Taylor, Hookerton, were recently chosen to head the staff of the college newspaper, Collegian.

Miss Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro, senior dramatics major, read "Sun Up," by the North Carolina writer, Lula Vallmer, Wednesday night, April 22.

Miss Velda Mecum, Winston-Salem, will give her own arrangement of Lloyd C. Douglas' "Magnificent Obsession," as her graduation recital Friday night, April 24, at 8 in Odell auditorium.

INSIPID SPRING POETRY

The erudite editor in the issue of April 9 deplores the flatness of much of spring poetry. He seems to try to shame spring poets by quoting a stanza of his (?) own which bears the pearls of genius:

"Every clod feels the stir of might,
An instinct within it that reaches and towers,
And groping blindly above it for light
Climbs to a soul in grass and flowers."

He might have given the whole poem, not only one stanza to dazzle and bewilder. But there may be a reason for its insipidity. We behold the gorgeous apple orchard and the riotous dogwood blosoms on the hillside, and satisfy ourselves with the explanation, "How beautiful!" Synthetic life has co-operated to beautify the orchard and the forest hillside. And maybe, synthetic life is divine life aided with what we are accustomed to call physical and material life. But not many have the aesthetic appreciation of the violet as did Wordsworth. And yet well do I remember the scorn that President John C. Kilgo vented upon Wordsworth on one occasion when he called Wordsworth "moonshine." But Wordsworth based his authority upon the inner testimony when he said, "I have felt a motion and a spirit." He looked beyond the fog and clouds that obscured the natural eyes to the farthest bounds of the spirit and held sweet communion with her "diviner forms." He let nature embrace him and he embraced nature in the sweetest divine fellowship. But no one tongue can tell it all. Charles Wesley once prayed for a thousand tongues that he might tell the myriad story of beauty and love after having felt the tingle of the spiritual world.

Can anyone really interpret the heart of spring till he has heard the hinging of the golden bells of the spirit filled world at springtime?

LONG'S CHAPEL, LAKE JUNALUSKA

Easter was a big time for Long's Chapel, Lake Junaluska. The attendance record was broken with 182 for the morning service. During that service they took into full membership in the church six on confession of faith from the pastor's class, and three adults on confession of faith and one adult from another denomination.

Sunday evening the choir put on a full length Easter cantata, "The Lord of Life," which was appreciated by a good attendance. The picture of the choir of 25 voices came out in the Asheville Citizen along with a write-up of the organization of the choir, the acquiring of new choir robes, and the cantata which they were to put on.

Long's Chapel has just acted as host to the League Union monthly meeting which was well attended.

The young people have also started to plant their victory garden.

The recent revival was successful from several standpoints. Much interest and enthusiasm was shown on the part of the people. They warmed to the preaching of Dr. J. L. Stokes of Franklin. The choir was loyal and faithful and every meeting rendered fine service under the direction of Mr. Charles Klopp. The officials of the church carried out a rather unique plan of entertainment for the visiting preacher and his wife. For each noon and evening meal they went to some home in the community.

G. M. Carver.

VICTORY FOR PILOT MOUNTAIN

Our church in Pilot Mountain has had special cause for rejoicing during the last few days. On Easter Sunday we closed a revival during which 52 people were received into the church on profession of faith. The singing was led in a splendid way by Mrs. C. E. Williams of Mt. Airy, while the pastor did the preaching. Members of the other denominations showed a fine spirit of co-operation and several people have also declared their purpose to unite with them as a result of the meeting.

Another thing for which we are very thankful is the fact that our Children's Home 10 per cent and our entire acceptance for World Service for the year have been paid in full, even before our second quarterly conference. This is particularly noteworthy because the latter pledge is exactly twice the amount paid during the last conference year. I might add that the pastor's salary is also more than half paid for the year. These are good people and it is a pleasure to work among them.

R. Odell Brown.

Rethinking the Need and Nature of Adult Evangelism

By S. A. MAXWELL

Part II.

[Part I of Dr. S. A. Maxwell's discussion of Adult Evangelism appeared in the issue of this Advocate, Jan. 29, 1942]

In apostolic days, at the gate of the temple called Beautiful, adult evangelism began its forward march in personal friendly relation with a bit of human need. This has always been her crowning glory. She serves human need! Such instant, honest sympathy is indicative of a positive and remedial attitude toward all human need. Christianity does not seek to arrest our attention primarily as a system of thought to be argued, but as a transforming face; not as a philosophy, but as a remade life. When an evil society and misguided religious leaders looked upon this and other facts of transformation they did the only thing sensible men could do; they admitted they could say nothing against them. Across the intervening centuries adult evangelism has forged a cumulative chain of sublime evidence in lives made anew. Before the apostles began this adventure in adult evangelism the vision of God had paled; life was devoid of meaning and shorn of glory; violence was worshipped; humanitarian work had not yet made its inception; no effective remedy for sin had been offered the world; the social significance and possibility of human brotherhood were not so much as thought of. It was man remade in Christ that made the critics dumb in the first century and only healing deeds count today. This passion of helpfulness, under Christian guidance, is the very soul of adult evangelism. While operating in various degrees of intensity and using multiple methods it always changes man and reconstructs their society. It was the passion that drove the apostles forth as martyrs. It was the power and energy that gave potency and victory to the Reformation in every land. It animated the peasants to rise up against the oppression of the barons in Germany. It fomented parliamentary conflicts in England. It solemnly arraigned a king at the bar of justice against the people. It pronounced the sentence of abdication against Charles I; it drove the bigoted and tyrannical James II from his throne and kingdom; it curtailed the despotism of the sovereign; it enlarged the liberties of the people, and produced all of those just and beneficial reforms which today constitute the glory of the British Empire. How deep flowed the currents of evangelism under each of these movements. How broad the social significance of evangelism among adults! In France the same kind of passionate heart of corrective surgery overthrew the ancient and aristocratic regime; it opened the eyes of the people in their just political rights, and made it possible for France ,for Europe, yea, for the whole world some day to enjoy Christian democracy. It was adult evangelism that crossed the wide Atlantic with the Pilgrim fathers in the cabin of the Mayflower, and found a congenial home amid the wilds of New England. How deep the currents of the Puritan revival that sent them forth! It strengthened the heart of our forefathers for the revolutionary struggle. Men of the evangelized heart inspired the Declaration of Independence, and dictated the imperishable sentiment that "all men are born and created free and equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, and that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." In each case the evangel was set in the thought life of the day unbound by all accidental and obsolete accumulations. A twentieth century expression and application of the evangel for adults will give the death blow to all forms of social and economic lunacy.

"What care I for caste or creed?
It is the deed, it is the deed;
What for class or what for clan?
It is the man, it is the man;
Heirs of love and joy and woe;
Who is high and who is low?
Mountain, valley, sky and sea,
Are all for humanity."

The social dimensions of adult evangelism will create a new mind among the masses. Behold the new and intense intellectual life of these unlearned and ignorant apostles! See how they became orators, authors, historians, poets; see how vast an impulse and enlargement of intellect the evangel produced in them; and then remember evangelism would change men by using the intellect and never through abusing it. "What is there in the evangel of redemption to stultify the most daring mind, or repress the largest intellectual energy? It is never the evangelized, but the unevangelized, not Peter and John, but the Sanhedrin, who dwell in a contracted world, with half their intellectual faculties dead or torpid from the lack of use. It is always the unevangelized who put back the wheels of moral progress, never the evangelized who serve daily the world in the name that is above every name. As in the first century so in every century the intellectual supremacy of the evangel appears from the greatness of the thoughts and themes with which it enriches earth's lowliest and loftiest spirits. Adult evangelism comprehends the whole man! Scholars count the Renaissance as one of the greatest movements in the history of arts and letters. If we call the roll of the elect ones then seeking to enrich men's lives, we are sure to include the names of Dante, Raphael, Angelo, and Milton. All of them the product of adult evangelism. Doubly true of Dante and Milton. Yes, each of these sons of genius gained some great thought from the evangel and it became the glorious dynamic of his splendid career. Did the fact of an instantaneous transformation in adult life fetter or emancipate the intellect of Paul? Did his conversion experience as an adult stifle or inspire the genius of Augustine? Michangelo was no fool, and as the expected result of a most volcanic new birth, he passionately adored Jesus Christ and gave lavishly of his life to the world. Milton was no dullard when he wrote the immortal epic, nor Newton when he threaded the maze of natural law, nor Kepler when he swept the heavens with his scrutiny and made a pathway for his thoughts amid

the suns and constellations, nor Wordsworth when he sought the revelations of nature amid the silences of mountain solitude, nor Ruskin when he touches with an illuminating magic the world of art; yet all these and many others to be ranked with them, were men of the Great Redemption and lived triumphantly in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. The immensities of the great evangel moved them to live ever after in the realm of measureless excellence. The literary men of our own America, captured by the evangel in adult life, have united in producing a literature inspired by Christian idealism. It sings the voice of duty and right. Its voice, unlike the literature of the unregenerate mind, is not the voice of the siren. It is full of moral vigor and health. It is clean, wholesome and inspiring. Its masters have been the servants, not the hirelings, of truth. Whittier and Longfellow and Holmes and Bryant and Hawthorne and Emerson and Prescott and Irving and Lowell and Curtis and Holland have all had the same great lesson to teach. Why? Because they were men of the evangelized mind. Their one sublime note—we must obey God if we would become and remain strong, wise, and free.

"Be just and fear not:
Let all the ends thou aimest at be thy country's,
Thy God's, and truth's; then if thou fall'st,
Thou fallest a blessed martyr."

In remaking men adult evangelism not only recreates the intellectual life of man, for, now behold the audacity about Peter and John, the apostles, which positively staggered the Sanhedrin. Behold an empire of courage now unearthed! It was the boldness of the apostles which astonished the bystanders. They spake as joy did make them speak. They faced death with the sublime innocence of which children who never thought of it. They did right with a perfectly heroic self-forgetfulness, never asking for a moment where right would lead them. Elders, scribes, Sanhedrins, and mobs were all one to them; they had work to do, a message to deliver, and like their Saviour, were straitened until it was accomplished. They were swept on by an overmastering impulse; they acted as men inspired; they manifested a superb fearlessness which fills even their enemies with admiration. Once evangelized they followed with undying devotion the heroic road of magnificent recklessness. The power of a supreme companionship with Christ had told on them. It tells on any man! After the new birth they walked clothed with moral dignity and spake as their Master did, with authority, and not as the scribes. We know Peter's character before he was evangelized; we know of his cowardice; we know of his boasting and the fact of his denial; we know that he was a fisherman; we know that he had been taught to reverence and even fear the Jewish priesthood. But through the evangel Peter was "turned into another man." He thus stands resplendent in the power of that evangelism before the Elders of his people with an almost offensively aggressive manliness. Peter, the unlearned and ignorant fisherman, without even the advantage of an academic accent now speaks with a majesty and fire of phrase worthy of an impassioned and experienced orator; he accuses, he rebukes, lords temporal and the lords spiritual of his nation; he is bold to even rashness; Peter is now the uncontested master of the situation; no one gainsays or replies; Peter, with a burst of defiant faith reaches his climax in an atmosphere of courage comparable only to that surrouding Luther before the Diet of Worms. Peter, now the triumphant product of adult evangelism becomes its most aggressive exponent.

God has chosen to advance the affairs of the moral world by mighty periods of adult evangelism. Every epoch in history turns upon the soul of some man thus rescued and made brave. Men who respond to their high calls are changed and then sustained by a courage coming directly out of the new birth. Divine courage becomes incarnate and humanized in adult evangelism. It is the fulcrum by which life is lifted! Abraham submitted to it and became the father of the faithful; by it Moses was empowered "to endure as seeing him who is invisible"; Paul cried out, "What wilt thou have me to do?" and developed into the imperial apostle; Luther, filled with the transforming courage remade his own life and aroused all Europe; John Wesley, out of courage caught from above cried, "The world is my parish." Our American forefathers, the Puritans, were both remade and sustained by this transforming and creative courage. They sailed from Delft Haven one hundred and four in number, fifty-eight of whom were graduates of Oxford and Cambridge. During the first winter in New England fifty died from disease and exposure but when, in the following spring, the Mayflower sailed back for Europe, not one of these twice born heroes availed himself of the opportunity to return, for—

"What sought they thus afar,
Bright jewels of the mine,
The wealth of seas, the spoils of war?
They sought a faith's pure shrine."

Men remade by this courage are men of stupendous endeavor. They are God's ready messengers. Men who step out in the dark, over the brink if necessary, and trust Almighty God to supply a landing place for their feet. Such courage-made men were Francis of Assisi, bearing about in his body the marks of the Lord's suffering; Garabaldi, when captured, shouting to the patriots of Italy, "I will return, I will return"; Benite Juarez, the little brown Indian, the liberator of Mexico dashing into death. Such courage comes directly out of the Christian evangelism for adults. Our day demands not only reflection but it demands courage for conquest. If the Christian evangel could be borne with more heroic recklessness and less calculating caution what progress we might make. If we could reach the courage of Paul, of Huss, of Savanarola, of Carey, of Judson, of Luther, of Wesley, of Knox, of Whitfield, of Moody, and of Peter and John before the gate Beautiful, what strides we would make in evangelizing our generation! Faith in self makes man humble; faith in his fellows makes him sympathetic; but faith in God fills him with a courage born of the great redemption. Adult evangelism in this age needs a leader so fittingly described in the lines by Wordsworth who sings—

"Of one in whom persuasion and belief
Had ripened into faith, and faith became
A passionate intuition."

An evangelism for adults not only releases the intellectual life and awakens the sense of moral possibility but it also initiates in the individual those habits of attitude and conduct which create character. It is not a passive righteousness but an active goodness that is begotten. Augustine has the courage to build himself out of a stained past; Galileo, the courage to persist in the declaration of truths which stagnant religious tradition counts heresy and blasphemy; Dr. Johnson, the courage to pursue his aims in spite of poverty, ridicule, and contempt; Wordsworth, the courage to work and wait through forty years of popular neglect for the recognition which he knew must come; Wolfe, the courage to anticipate and aspire to heroic deeds when most men consider him a fool; Disraeli, the courage to declare himself ready to serve the highest office of state when to a scornful House of Commons he appears nothing better than an impecunious adventurer. Withdraw the element of creative courage from such lives and they dissolve into inconspicuous dust. The new birth brings an undiminishable endowment of creative courage to lives wallowing in sin and obscurity. It cleanses, builds, and uses.

When will that boldness of attack which characterized adult evangelism come again to the church? In the face of the lies, tyrannies, evils, and impurities of our day we need to send an army of evangelists from one end of the nation to the other. In tents, churches, tabernacles, arbors, and fields the evangel should be sounded calling the masses to repentance and saving faith. (Continued on page 23)

DURHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE SEEKS TO GET RID OF LIQUOR STORES IN DURHAM

Whereas, Camp Butner is now in process of construction in the Durham area; and

Whereas, there will soon be 35,000 young men from all parts of this nation stationed there; and

Whereas, there are now being operated in Durham county a number of liquor stores and plans are being made to establish new stores for the sole purpose of making liquor more easily available to these young men; and

Whereas, we understand that the Durham Ministerial Association, the Durham Council of Churches and the Durham County Baptist Council of Churches have under consideration a plan by which these bodies would sponsor a movement to curb the sale of liquor and other vices incident thereto by opposing any movement to make liquor available to these soldiers by establishing stores for their convenience, and further by launching an active campaign to abolish the present liquor system. Therefore be it resolved:

That we assure those agencies mentioned above that the members of the Durham district conference of the Methodist Church, assembled in annual session at Walnut Grove Methodist church in Orange county on April 14, 1942, reaffirm the historic position of our great church in its uncompromising opposition to the liquor traffic, legal and illegal.

That we sincerely hope these agencies will sponsor this matter, and we assure them of our full support in so far as we can speak for the district.

That we accept our added responsibility, which comes as a result of this camp and endeavor to do our best to protect the morals of these young men while in this section and return them to their homes at the end of their stay as innocent and pure as when they came into our midst. We accept this as a part of our spiritual responsibility. Signed:

J. P. Breedlove,
H. C. Smith,
M. B. Smith,
T. B. Hough,
S. J. Starnes.

DEFINITE PROGRESS ON HIGH POINT DISTRICT

Several of our churches have held evangelistic services recently with good results. In some instances goodly numbers have been added to the church rolls. There is also a good deal of building in this district. Asheboro circuit has completed a new parsonage at Cedar Falls and the pastor and his family, Rev. E. A. Lamb now occupy it. Oak View church is also completing a parsonage. The pastor, Rev. R. E. Ward, and his family will move in shortly. These are well built and well arranged six-room frame buildings with full water systems. Cedar Falls will now be ready to go ahead with the improvements on their church building started some months ago. West Chapel, on this same charge, which was burned in February, is being rebuilt. Lineberry, on the South Davidson charge, is asking the government for a permit to build a five thousand dollar brick veneered church. Most of the money for this project is in hand. Gray's Chapel, Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge, is buildinga splendid educational annex and enlarging the auditorium. The extensive improvements on the interior of the Wesley Memorial educational building are now complete and are being fully enjoyed by the congregation. We are thinking now definitely toward our district conference which meets at High Point College May 7, 9:15 a. m. Our program is well on the way toward completion. We are expecting a great day. The address of Bishop Purcell will close the morning program. The laymen have secured Guy O. Bagwell for an address in the afternoon. All boards, institutions and conference causes will be represented on the program. Every charge will be eager for a hundred per cent showing ,and we are sure that pastors and lay leaders will work hard to that good end. Join us at High Point College May 7. S. W. Taylor.

LOOK AT THE STARS

G. Ray Jordan, Abingdon-Cokesbury, $1.50

This is the tenth volume on religion and kindred themes by one of the South's outstanding ministers, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of the First Methodist church of Charlotte, and a leader in church circles in the Southeast. The very title of the volume, Look at the Stars, is one of optimism and hope in days when every horizon is darkened with fear and unbelief. From the first sermon in this series until the closing one, we are brought face to face with the imperishable truths of our religion, especially those that give to doubting men a gleam of light along their shadowed pathways. Each of the sermons was preached to a great congregation of modern thinking people who listened for a voice of hope in a world of despair, and Dr. Jordan, with his accustomed vigor, lifted his people to unsurpassed elevations of encouragement and good cheer. Each theme introduced in the present volume touches at some vital point of man's faith in an age where the incredible has happened. Particularly does the author and preacher speak to an hour of cynicism in which so many people have found themselves entangled. Perhaps there is no minister among us today who defies the cynical attitudes of the present as does this young pastor, still in his forties. Wherever he has gone over the land, and he goes to many college campuses, Dr. Jordan always tackles fearlessly the present day attitude of the scorner and the scoffer, and in this book, his message is no exception.

There are fourteen chapters in the volume before us, and each one has a most striking title, titles that modern ministers might emulate in announcing their sermons from Sunday to Sunday. Some are especially appealing to the reviewer's taste and thought ,like "Unshakable in a Quaking World," "Turn Your Troubles Into Treasures," the beautiful one entitled, "The Sacrament of Silence," "An Almost Unbelievable Promise," and the one that strikes the writer in particular, "Beyond Babylon." The last mentioned title contains a sermon that I would insist all readers of the volume read again and again, the old but ever new theme of one of God's lone scouts in a foreign land among heathen multitudes but still established in the religious faith of life's imperishables. Throughout Dr. Jordan's book we find ourselves always looking at the stars overhead and feeling our ways lighted by the gleaming of their unchanging luster and radiance. What a volume for all tired and bewildered travelers along the highways of this confused age.

Dr. Jordan has done his great congregation and his wider audience of listeners and readers a marked service in reducing his dynamic messages to the printed page. Perhaps this is the most inspiring voice to the hour in which we are so sorely beset with misfortune. What a challenge to Christian living these pages give to us! Read this book again and again for its call to every child of God to a renewed and reinvigorated way of living and meeting the problems of today. C. E. Rozzelle.

J. C. GENTRY AND SOUTH DAVIDSON

We are trying to place the Advocate in all of our Methodist homes on the South Davidson circuit. The brethren are responding nicely as I present this part of our Christian work.

We are planning to build a new brick veneer church at Lineberry. The pledges are being made with gratifying results. We shall soon be ready for our blueprints to be made. We are securing a Duke student for the summer to work with us in vacation Bible schools. We hope to lead the district in this important work of the church. We are serving a fine people here on the charge. We have learned to love our people and hope to have much success in the Lord's work. Hope to see you at the district conference in High Point May 7, and also hope to be able to make a good report for the Advocate. J. C. Gentry.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

*J. J. Boone, Graham.
2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hills, Liberty Ct.
*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.

Winston-Salem District

*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
3*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

J. V. Early, Yanceyville.
R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

M. W. Warren, Garland.
C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Wilmington district conference convened at Richlands on April 15 with district superintendent, Rev. A. S. Parker, in the chair.

Rev. C. D. Barclift, pastor of Fifth Avenue church, led the devotional services. The address of welcome was made by Mayor Taylor of Richlands.

The Methodists of Richlands are to be congratulated upon the new church that has been erected. It is complete in every way, with all modern improvements, including a kitchen, which is well equipped.

Revs. Barnes, Bradshaw, Patten, Plyler and others represented their various causes to the conference.

The conference had the pleasure of a visit from one of the army chaplains at Camp Davis, Rev. Alex. Von Schlichton ,who addressed the conference on the subject of the spiritual life of the men in service and also the place of the church in our national defense. He called the attention of the pastors to their duty to the members of their churches who are in the army.

Reports of the pastors of the several charges in the district were made. The financial report was above that of last year at the conference and especially those received on profession of faith, which showed that 168 had joined the church on profession.

A resolution was passed requesting the district superintendent to combine the second and third quarterly conferences for the ensuing year; also to combine the usual district set-up meeting with the district missionary institute usually held in the beginning of the year.

The afternoon session was opened with a sermon by Dr. F. W. Paschall, pastor of Trinity church, Wilmington, whose subject was "Have We Failed?"

The report of the different committees were read and adopted.

Mr. James Edwin Rogers and Mr. John Thomas Maides were granted local preachers' license.

The local preachers' license of the district were renewed by recommendation of the committee.

James Edwin Rogers was recommended to the annual conference for admission on trial.

Rev. C. A. Jones extended an invitation to the conference to hold the next session at St. Pauls church, which was accepted.

A resolution of thanks was extended to the people of Richlands for their splendid entertainment.

The conference then adjourned with benediction by Dr. Harrison of High Point College.

C. N. Phillips.

The world has become a neighborhood and unless it becomes a brotherhood it will remain a battlefield.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

Mrs. D. M. Davidson, who was elected conference secretary of literature and publications at the annual meeting, to succeed Mrs. R. C. Kennedy who resigned, is very anxious to make 1942 a great year in this department of our work in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. She is anxious that the secretaries of literature and publications in the local societies attend their district meetings and present there the work of the department, stressing especially our missionary periodicals, The World Outlook and The Methodist Woman, and urging an increase of subscriptions in each society so as we may reach the goal that has been set for our conference. These periodicals are very necessary that we may know and keep in touch with the work of the organization; and may our secretaries in the local societies of this department make an extra effort to increase the circulation of these, which mean so much in the life of our woman's missionary work. Mrs. Davidson also asks that we do not forget Junior Friends and Neighbors and the North Carolina Christian Advocate in our campaign for new subscribers.

DISTRICT MEETINGS THIS WEEK

A number of our districts are holding their annual district meetings this week and we hope that all of them may be occasions of rare interest and inspiration. These meetings mean so much to the societies in the districts and each year prove to be most helpful in the work of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service.

In addition to the annual reports of the district secretaries and the local officers there will be present several conference officers who will contribute to the interest and success of the meetings, bringing messages of information and helpfulness. We want to ask that reports of these meetings be sent to the editor of the woman's page as early as possible so that they may be published in early issues of the Advocate. Sometimes these reports are long delayed and are "old news" when they reach the editor. Please be prompt in sending them to us. We will appreciate an early response to this request.

INTERESTING MISSION STUDY CLASS

During the past week the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central church, Asheville, enjoyed an interesting study of "Christian Roots of Democracy," with Miss Kate Hackney, secretary of missionary education and service of the society, as leader. Four periods of study were held with interesting speakers at each service. The first afternoon the subject of study was "The Church's Stake in Democracy" with Mrs. P. L. Gaston, Mrs. H. P. Clayton, Mrs. J. C. Morris, Mrs. Clarence Bishop and Miss Hackney as speakers, and with the afternoon devotional conducted by Mrs. M. T. Smathers. The second afternoon "The Community of the Spirit and Laying Foundations" was the subject discussed, with chapters 11 and 111 and IV being presented by the following speakers: Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Callahan and Miss Andrews, with devotional by Mrs. Dion A. Roberts.

The third study brought a discussion of "America on Trial" with weaknesses discussed by Miss Lillie Wolfe, showing we are far from living an economic democracy. Mrs. Mark Brown had for her subject "Certain Movements in Our National Life Working Toward Economic Democratization"; and Mrs. Frank Mitchell stressed the fact that "The World Community Must Be a Christian World Community." The program for the afternoon closed with a talk on "A Christian Imperative" by Miss Amy Hackney. Devotional for afternoon was by Mrs. James Redmond.

ZONE MEETING ELKIN DISTRICT

From Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, secretary, we have the following:

"Central zone two of the Elkin district met in the Elkin Methodist church Tuesday, April 14. The zone chairman, Mrs. Ed F. Gardner of North Wilkesboro, presided and opened the meeting with a call to worship. Mrs. Harry Pearson, district president, gave the devotional, using as her theme the cleaning of our spiritual houses, that they may be livable and acceptable, just as we clean our material houses in the spring of the year.

It was a pleasure to have at this meeting Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, who stressed and explained the efficiency aim, and urged the women to help in the organization of new societies and to strengthen the work of their organizations.

Mrs. Mason Lillard, district secretary, gave a splendid report and announced the coming of a young woman from Scarritt College to the Elkin district this summer to assist the pastors with daily vacation Bible schools, and also assist in the women's organizations. A welcome speaker was Miss Leila Tuttle, returned missionary from China. The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Lillard.

This zone is comprised of twelve churches and 70 women attended the meeting. The women of Elkin church were gracious hostesses at an enjoyable social hour following adjournment."

The tears of a penitent are the wine of angels.—Bernard.

OUR CONFERENCE SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

Among the many and interesting reports given at the annual meeting in High Point was that of the department of supplies, which under the capable leadership of Mrs. J. W. Harbison of Shelby is showing progress each year in its activities.

From a letter issued by Mrs. Harbison recently we quote the following information which should be of great interest to the societies of Christian Service and especially to the secretaries of the supply departments. Mrs. Harbison gives as totals for supply work in 1941 $3,114.86 and gives credit for this record to the loyal co-operation and splendid work of the local societies. In this connection she urges all societies to report the supply work that they are doing and gives as the aim for 1942: "That each society send money or requested supplies to at least one home mission institution, and money for foreign mission supply project, as well as respond to an appeal for ministerial aid."

She passes on the following suggestions from the division secretary of supplies:

1. We hope every society will use the shipping blank when sending a box of supplies. Send cash for supplies through our conference treasurer so that it can be credited to your society. We are asked to send "cash, undesignated," to be used where most needed. Because some societies have done this pressing needs have been met as the way opened to get supplies or certain shipment through to the missionaries. Societies are asked not to expect letters of acknowledgemen of cash for supplies any more than they expect thanks for gifts to the regular budget, for the institution has no way of knowing from what society cash for supplies comes.

2. The new leaflet on supply work is ready and may be obtained from 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. It contains much valuable information.

3. When making out reports of supply work, please indicate whether your gift was cash or new supplies. Draw a line through that column on the supply report blank that says "value or cash," and divide one from the other in that way until we get blanks with two columns. Do not report cash value of used articles or garments, but please do report the number of used garments placed.

4. Be sure to report names of needy ministers you have helped. He must be approved for aid by his district superintendent if we get any recognition for our services, or his name must be filed in our records.

5. We hope to make coupons mean more to our Bethlehem Centers than they have ever meant before. Collect them every month and mail either to Charlotte or Winston-Salem.

6. The fact that in the program for March and May supply work is suggested as a project for the society will be of great help in our work. Be sure to take advantage of the interest thus aroused and secure either cash or some of the supplies requested by our institutions.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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OUR PRIORITY NEED

"The word 'need' is a key word today. What is man's priority need in this world at war and what is our priority need as Christians as we seek to serve a world at war? One of our priority needs is to 'come.' 'Come unto me,' said Jesus. The priority of Christian living today is to examine our relationship to Christ. If we go away from Christ we do not simply go to something else, but we go seeking. In such a day as this there is no more appropriate question than that we examine our relationship to Christ. That is one of the things that is of eternal value, therefore, demands priority. Unless we have come unto him, we have nothing to give. . . . Another priority is the need for intimate fellowship and from that fellowship shall come a recovery of our vision, strength, a new perception, a sense of things that are vital. We have forgotten the source of spiritual alteration—fellowship in prayer with God. 'Come unto me,' he said, 'that your countenance may be altered and that ye may find strength.' "—Excerpts from a noon day meditation given by Miss Lucy Steele, Bible teacher, Peace College, at the annual meeting recently.

ONLY HONORARY YOUTH MEMBER

Mary Belle DeLaney of Hertford has the distinction of having been presented the only honorary youth life membership in the N. C. conference. Elizabeth City district was the donor. It is hoped that many of the youth of our conference will be thus honored this year.

STUDENT WORK GROWING

Many of the youth of our land have been and are being uprooted from their homes and schools to join the forces seeking to defend our nation and the other nations of the world from the throes of a ghastly and cruel dictatorship. The student secretary in the local W. S. C. S. has a responsibility and a privilege as she attempts to serve the young women and young men in the defense program. To her is given the task of aiding them to return after the war into the church and to a program of Christian reconstruction and usefulness. Looking to that end, the Woman's Division of Christian Service has caused to be printed an introduction card, to be given to each young person leaving the home church. This card will introduce the youth to any pastor or W. S. C. S. member in the community to which he or she may go. Another helpful card is the new census card which should be sent as soon as possibel from the local church student secretary to the student secretary living near the camp or defense industry. If she does not know who that secretary is ,the card may be sent to Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage, conference secretary student work. A supply of the introduction cards and the new census cards should be ordered AT ONCE from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. The cost is 35 cents per hundred. They can be used to great advantage.

Any church which does not have a committee of men and women ready to meet the young people coming to its community, should organize such a committee immediately. If this committee has been formed, the secretary of student work of the W. S. C. S. should acquaint it with the potentialities of the use of the introduction cards and new census cards and this committee can aid in keeping in touch with those young people from the church who are in camps and in defense industries.

AN INFORMED SOCIETY

In January, 1942—only three months ago—a new W. S. C. S. began functioning at Sanders Chapel on the Four Oaks charge in the Raleigh district. When the reports of literature and publications for the first quarter had been compiled it was learned that this small and new society has 10 members who are subscribing to The Methodist Woman and six to World Outlook. We venture the assertion that the members of this organization will be well informed about the work of Christian missions and, therefore, fruitful workers in the kingdom of God.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

During the hour of 11 a.m.-12 noon each day during Holy Week in Warrenton Methodist church a period of silent prayer and meditation was observed. The great number of folk who attended, both Methodists and those of other denominations, was an evidence that Christians are burdened with the stress of the days and know that the one source of help and strength is to be found with God. All who perticipated felt that it was a most worth while hour. The observance was sponsored by the spiritual life committee of the W. S. C. S. The pastor, Rev. E. R. Clegg, held services on three nights during Holy Week, on one of which the sacrament of holy communion was administered. These services during Holy Week culminated in a sunrise Easter service.

WILMINGTON DIST. CONFERENCE

Despite the strain and stress of the days and the evidence of a rubber shortage, one of the largest number of folk ever to be witnessed at a Wilmington district conference was gathered at Rosehill on March 26. Principal speakers were Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president; Dr. Fred W. Paschal, pastor Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington; Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent. Rev. C. T. Rogers led the opening meditation. Mrs. W. C. Davis talked on spiritual life groups. Highlights of the recent annual conference were given. Mrs. C. D. Barcliff spoke in the interest of the missionary publications. Welcome was extended by Mrs. Jesse Fussell, to which Mrs. H .J. Faison responded. The choir of Rosehill church rendered an anthem. Zone group meetings were held during the afternoon session, at which time plans for the year's work were presented and discussed and an open forum was held during the morning session. An honorary adult life membership was presented to Mrs. Jesse Fussell, gift of Wilmington district. Two honorary baby life memberships were also presented. Mrs. N. P. Edens, district secretary, presided.

NEW W. S. C. S. AND ZONE LEADERS

Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary, announces that new W. S. C. S. have been organized at Charity on the Wallace - Rosehill charge, with Mrs. T. R. Murphy of Rosehill, president; Jordan's Chapel, on the Burgaw charge, Mrs. Harry Jordan of Rocky Mount, president; Salem, Garland charge, Mrs. J. R. Bullard, Garland, president. All have made a good beginning and will be effective and welcome agencies in the cause of missions.

Mrs. Edens also announces that Mrs. C. A. Farley, Hallsboro, had assumed leader ship of Columbus zone; Mrs. Leland Teachey, Rosehill, for Duplin-Sampson zone, and Mrs. E. G. Floyd, Fairmont, for Lumberton zone.

WAYNE ZONE MEETS

The W. S. C. S. of Wayne zone met at St. Paul Methodist church, Goldsboro, on March 20. Mrs. John B. Chase presided. Mrs. Armentrout of Goldsboro led the opening devotional, using as her theme, "Working Together." Miss Margaret Smoot sang "Believe in God." Mrs. J. W. Winslow welcomed the guests and Mrs. W. B. Bailey responded. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district secretary, gave a report of the work in the district. She challenged that the women take as their task the making of a Christian world and that they be children of the heavenly Father. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, spoke on young women and girls' work. An inspirational address was given by Mrs. J. A. Patrick. She centered her remarks around the theme "Faith." Following adjournment a fellowship luncheon was served. The zone accepted an invitation to hold the next meeting at Falling Creek church.

THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY

Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, is urging that wherever possible the W. S. C. S. shall promote a study class on "The Christian Family," culminating in a family worship in the churches on Mother's Day. A pamphlet dealing with this subject may be secured from the Federal Churches of Christ in America, New York City. Such a study would be most beneficial and of far-reaching influence.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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UNCONQUERED SPIRIT

Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, executive secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church, in his sermon to our Centenary congregation yesterday morning stated that messages from Methodist leaders in Germany, Belgium, Denmark and Finland were to the effect that Methodists in those areas gave more money in 1941 than in previous years to sustain the work at home and abroad, the money for foreign work being held in trust for use when the war is over. He further stated that when the war is over the first groups to unite in the war-torn world will be the Christians. Such is the unconquerable spirit of the followers of Jesus Christ. It would appear that if our European Methodists can give more while living in the midst of such an awful conflict, everything conquered except their spirit, that Americans, with nothing conquered, will give more for meritorious causes. These are times when all of us can have an exceedingly good opportunity to live beyond our centered selves.

FAVORABLE INDICATIONS

So far as the Children's Home is concerned, it may be definitely stated that our Methodist people in the Western North Carolina conference are ahead in their sharing as compared with the previous year. We have no cause for complaint and much cause for encouragement at the treatment we are receiving from our friends. We confidently believe that this sharing process will continue through the year and that we will be able through careful management to do the work the Children's Home was established to do. The need is urgent and the challenge is great.

PLANTING THE SEEDS

We are in the midst of much activity connected with our farming enterprises ,as is true for that matter, with all our enterprises. All the early truck farm planting has been done and the growing is in process, slowed down some to be sure because of a need for rain, but doing some growing anyhow. The farm crew is using the favorable weather for planting corn, the planting process beginning early in the morning and extending until nightfall. Since most of our corn is to be planted in bottom lands, the dry weather offers a good opportunity for this planting. Only the land sowed in a cover crop is yet to be broken. Our farm activities will be pushed this year as never before.

EVERYBODY ACTS

Our family lives in a state of activity. Nobody has time to sit around and do nothing. We work while we work and play while we play, entering into each activity with zest and enthusiasm. Not only those who can make the varsity but those who can make any team have their play schedule to enliven their spirits for another work schedule. The picture this week is that of our basketball team. To be sure, these boys are now playing baseball, but they played basketball last winter and made a mighty good record. The front line includes the first stringers while the second line includes the reserves, along with their coach, W. C. Clary.

WHOLESALE DELIVERY

A visit just made to the infirmary indicates that there will be a wholesale delivery of measles patients within the next few days. Over forty little youngsters have been stretched out in the wards and halls of the top floor of the infirmary for some two weeks. Now the little youngsters are able to get out of their beds and walk around some in the halls, as much walking as can be done in dodging beds. The active little fellows are anxious to show the passer-by that no measles scars are left, that the scales have fallen off and the measles has gone away. When the little youngsters come out the front door they will certainly enjoy the blooming dogwood, the flowering shrubs and the smell of growing greenness. It is great to get out from a spell of sickness at a time like this.

JOY BELL RINGERS

Thanks to our friends, we are again enabled to call attention to the fact that our joy bell has rung some more. It rings every time a congregation pays its Children's Home apportionment in full. Those having qualified during the past week are herewith listed, along with their pastor in charge, with our grateful thanks:

Bethlehem, Statesville circuit, Rev. G. F. Houck.

West Shelby, Rev. J. S. Gibbs.

Iotla and Snow Hill, Franklin circuit, Rev. P. L. Green.

Pleasant Hill, Marion circuit, Rev. H. W. Bell.

Little Sandy, Sandy circuit, Rev. J. D. Pyatt.

Gibsonville, Rev. A. L. Aycock.

Pilot Mountain, Rev. R. O. Brown.

THE ETIQUETTE CLUB

Twice each year representative young people from leading North Carolina orphanages meet to discuss their social and religious opportunities. In a conference recently held at Hughes Memorial School, near Danville, to which six of our promising youngsters went, it was decided, among other things, that more attention might well be placed upon the value of etiquette in our institutions. On their return our youngsters headed by Robert Jones, who was president of the last conference, have decided to organize an etiquette club. One of the first features they propose to emphasize is table manners, thus getting more opportunity to eat, as one boy expressed it. The young people's orphanage conference is proving a very valuable asset to our youngsters. Their meetings are unsupervised, except as they supervise them themselves.

OUT OF TOP-COATS

Our girls went to church yesterday without top-coats. They had on their new summer dresses and their new summer hats. It is well enough that yesterday was much warmer than today, since the weather has markedly changed. In our family changes in apparel from one season to another is in mass formation. Such is more convenient and better provides for emotional interests. The boys continue to wear the same type of clothing but not so with the girls, though their changes are from winter to summer and from summer to winter. We do not have spring and fall outfits except as they prepare for the seasons that follow.



Our varsity basketball team won two for every loss

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "It was a most delightful trip the singing class had April 11-12 to Wilmington. We spent Saturday night with Fifth Avenue church friends and gave a sacred concert in the church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour. Rev. C. D. Barclift is pastor there. Our evening service was with Rev. John R. Edwards in Clinton. Both ministers had splendid congregations for us. The members of the class enjoyed this trip very much. Nature was beautiful and friends were lovely to us."

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BRASWELL ATHLETIC FIELD — After many delays, due to the defense program, the Braswell Athletic Field has been completed. It required a great deal of work and it was difficult to get machinery because of the war situation. This new athletic field will fill a need that has long existed at the Orphanage. Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of our board of trustees, conferred a great favor on the Methodist Orphanage by providing such an up-to-date athletic field for our youngsters. Every boy and girl in the home is deeply grateful to Mr. Braswell for his timely gift.

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A FELLOW TRAVELER—Dr. M. T. Plyler editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, accompanied me to three of the district conferences. If there is a man in the North Carolina conference who works as hard as Dr. Plyler I do not know who that person is. The Plyler brothers are giving us a great church paper. A campaign is on now to greatly increase the circulation of the Advocate. The Advocate promotes and stimulates interest in every cause that North Carolina Methodism has espoused. If the circulation could be doubled it would make it much easier for every pastor and church to accomplish larger things. The Methodist Orphanage is deeply grateful to the Advocate for giving us space for disseminating information pertaining to our work.

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A JOYOUS DAY—For a long time I have wanted to visit the Seven Springs charge. On the second Sunday in this month I had my first opportunity to do so. I was happy to make an Orphanage address at Beston church. Brother W. R. Howard received me most cordially. The congregation was very attentive and responsive to my message. Mrs. Barnes and I had the pleasure and privilege of taking dinner with Brother and Sister J. E. May. We enjoyed our short visit to the home of these devoted frriends of the Methodist Orphanage. Brother May is a substantial farmer and business man, and a prominent member of Beston church. For many years he has remembered our Orphanage by sending truck loads of watermelons, peaches, scuppernong grapes and sweet potatoes, which our children have enjoyed immensely. He never grows weary in doing nice things for the children of the Methodist Orphanage.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCES — Last week there were four district conferences held in the North Carolina conference. On Tuesday the Durham district conference was held at Walnut Grove, on the Cedar Grove charge; Wednesday the Wilmington district conference was held at Richlands; Thursday the New Bern district conference was held at Smith's Chapel, on the Mt. Olive circuit; and on Friday the Rocky Mount district conference was held at Farmville. At each of these conferences the attendance was unusually large, and the program varied and interesting. The reports of the preachers showed signs of progress along all lines. Brothers Hobbs, Parker, Russel and Larkin were exceedingly kind to me. Mr. A. W. Pridgen, business manager of the Methodist Orphanage, explained the new financial plan for the Orphanage at each of the four district conferences. Most of the pastors in the above named districts made highly gratifying reports for the Orphanage.

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Suppose you were called on to explain just why your church should keep your name on the roll. Have you a helpful service to offer in your own defense?—Richmond Christian Advocate.

The dull boy in the class unexpectedly distinguished himself in a recent examination when in replying to the question, "How and where was slavery introduced into America?" He wrote: "No women had come over to the early Virginia colony. The planters wanted wives to help with the work. In 1619 the London Company sent over a shipload of girls. The planters gladly married them and slavery was introduced in America."

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WORLD SERVICE IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL

During January, February, and March the total World Service contributions from the church schools amounted to $8482.63. This amount shows an increase of $3088.41 over the first quarter of the present conference year. The grand total for the first six months is $13,876.85. This money has come from less than 50 per cent of our schools. There are still several hundred churches that need to be cultivated and enlisted in this program of monthly giving to the regular acceptances of the church. It should be remembered that this is not a special offering but is a systematic plan for giving to the approved budget of the local church.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

The offering for Church School Rally Day is a regular part of the financial plan of the conference, but it is a special offering so far as the church school is concerned. The entire amount received from this source is spent on the program of Christian education within our own conference. The lack of response here is rather noticeable. Only 102 schools out of 1128 have requested programs up to April 17, which is two days before the suggested observance on April 19. In most places this program should be held now and be reported at district conference.

Asheville District

During the quarter 50 schools contributed $610, which is an increase of $295.28 over the preceding three months. This district contains a number of union schools which do not sponsor this part of the Methodist program. We would be glad, however, to welcome any of the other 52 schools to the participating column at any time.

So far only two schools, West Asheville and Haywood Street, have made plans for Church School Rally Day. We are grateful to Dr. Sprinkle, Brother Swafford. Mr. Dunham and Mr. Brookshire for leading the way, and we hope many others will follow before the district conference at Brevard on May 12.

Charlotte District

Twenty-seven of the 86 schools responded with $1,250.72 for World Service, which is an increase of $417.89 for the quarter. Nineteen requests for Church School Rally Day programs have been received. Many more schools should respond before the district conference, which is scheduled for May 15. This district, however, is leading the conference in both of these causes.

Elkin District

The number of schools reporting has doubled and the offering for World Service has increased by one-third during the last three months. More and more churches are finding this plan to be a practical way to encourage systematic giving to the benevolent causes of the church.

Only three charges are represented in requests for Church School Rally Day programs. These are Warrensville, Smith Grove church, and the four churches of the Mocksville circuit.

Gastonia District

The Gastonia district has more than doubled its contributions to World Service, with a total offering of $1,235.57 from 46 churches. Only nine schools, however, are making definite plans for Church School Rally Day. District conference is not far away, and April 19 has passed!

Greensboro District

The resources of this district are among the very best in the conference. There are 91 active church schools, which are located in and around the prosperous pivot of the Piedmont. The $652.78 shows a slight increase over the first three months of the conference year. Greensboro should be leading Salisbury and Gastonia on any item rather than to be trailing as the figures show.

Plans are under way for observance of Church School Rally Day at West Market, Centenary, St. Pauls, Mt. Pleasant church on the Mt. Pleasant circuit, Glenwood, and Matthews Chapel. We appreciate the example set by these six churches in this fine, strong district.

High Point District

The High Point district continues to respond in a fine way with World Service contributions from the church schools. Thirty-six churches gave $913.89 during the quarter—which is almost twice the amount given in October, November, and December.

With district conference scheduled for May 7, plans for Church School Rally Day should be stepped up a bit. To date requests for programs have been received from only two charges. Wilson Nesbitt and I. L. Roberts are leading the way for their churches in planning for this observance. Could plans for Church School Day be made unanimous by district conference?

Marion District

With fourteen requests for Church School Rally Day programs, the record for this district is among the best. Considerable work, however, should be done at this point before the district conference. Twenty-four schools gave $315.98 to World Service during the last three months. This amount shows a wholesome increase but there are many churches which should be contributing regularly each fourth Sunday. Marion should keep aheda of or much closer to Waynesville than the records for the quarter show to be the case.

Salisbury District

It is unusual for this district to take fourth place in response to any general cause. With a contribution of $1191.20 for World Service in the church schools, Salisbury district, however, is still one of the leaders in the number of schools contributing to both World Service and Church School Day.

Statesville District

This district has a good start with plans for Church School Day and is steadily improving its record for World Service. Race Street, Granite Falls, and First, Lenoir, seem to be leading the procession with the fourth Sunday offerings. Forty-seven schools are making regular monthly contributions to World Service.

Waynesville District

Fifty churches contributed $500.03 from the Waynesville district during January, February, and March. This is an increase of $318.06 over the preceding quarter and is an excellent record for the winter months in the mountains. The Church School Rally Day idea, however, has not taken root so well. Only one request has been received, and that came from Dr. Stokes at Franklin. Stokes is a natural leader and he does not object to going it alone, but would like company on this project before district conference.

Winston-Salem District

Fifty churches gave $1191.38 to World Service, and nine have made plans for Church School Rally Day. This district takes its place with Charlotte, Gastonia and Salisbury as leaders in contributing to World Service from the various Sunday schools. The next quarter should be the best of the year for all the district.

World Service

Lest there might be misunderstandings about this report, it should be said that all contributions referred to here are from the church schools of the conference. Perhaps it should also be said again that these contributions are credited to the acceptances of each local church from which they come. The total contribution of $13,876.85 is the best record we have had during the year and a half since this procedure was started. Let us continue to emphasize the educational value in systematic cultivation with regular monthly remittances.

Promotional Material

Pastors, church school superintendents, missionary education counselors, or other persons responsible for fourth Sunday programs may secure these materials on request to the conference office in Salisbury. Following leaflets and booklets are available:

Widening Horizons.

Wings Over the World.

World Service Sunday in the Church School.

The Missionary Education Counselor at Work.

Church School Rally Day Programs

Church School Day programs are also available free. To avoid duplication either the pastor or superintendents should place the order. It is hoped that many, many more of our schools will have this observance during the month of May.

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At the request of some of our readers in the conference we are publishing herewith a thought provoking statement from the pen of a Bournemouth, England, clergyman. We are indebted to the Charlotte Observer for this statement:

IT CAN HAPPEN IN U. S.

We have been a pleasure-loving people, dishonoring God's day, picnicking and bathing—now the seashores are barred, no picnics, no bathing. We have preferred motor travel to church-going — now there is a shortage of motor fuel. We have ignored the ringing of church bells calling us to worship—now the bells cannot ring except to warn of invasion. We have left the churches half empty when they should have been filled with worshippers—now they are in ruin. We would not listen to the way of peace—now we are forced to listen to the way of war. The money we would not give to the Lord's work—now is taken in taxes and in higher prices. The food for which we forgot to give thanks—now is unobtainable. The service we refused to give to God—now is conscripted for the country. Lives we refused to live under God's control—now are under the nation's control. Nights we would not spend in watching unto prayer—now are spent in anxious air-raid precautions."

FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Last week we gave the report of fourth Sunday offerings for the Durham, the Elizaebth City, Fayetteville, and New Bern districts. We are giving today the report for the first quarter fourth Sunday offerings for the Raleigh, Rocky Mount and Wilmington districts:

Raleigh District

Apex-Macedonia, Apex	$ 6.84
Benson, Benson	10.88
Cary	18.74
Creedmoor, Banks	12.00
Erwin, Erwin	30.28
Franklinton	17.00
Fuquay, Cokesbury	1.35
Fuquay Springs	10.37
Moncure, Moncure	15.75
Mt. Zion	6.13
Newton Grove, Hopewell	2.94
Oxford	6.00
Raleigh, Edenton Street	33.50
Hayes-Barton	26.10
Jenkins Memorial	11.28
Pleasant Grove	1.00
Smithfield	24.50
Tar River	10.00
Vance Ct., Flat Rock	2.03
Harris Chapel	2.14
Total	249.33

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Severn	6.33
Elm City, Elm City	1.50
Mt. Zion	2.62
Farmville	14.00
Halifax, Halifax	6.67
Smith	14.45
West Halifax, Hollister	5.12
Kenly, Kenly	6.00
Littleton Ct., Tabor	3.98
Middleburg, Shocco	6.00
Northampton	10.13
Marvin-St. Paul	3.57
St. Paul	6.00
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	13.35
Sharon	1.12
Spring Hope, Spring Hope	3.00
Stantonsburg, Stantonsburg	10.45
Tarboro	4.00
Warren, Bethlehem	16.20
Providence	15.26
Sarepta	5.35
Shady Grove	7.26
Warrenton, Macon	2.27
Warren Plains	6.90
Warrenton	13.10
Whitakers, Whitakers	32.90
Wilson	42.76
Total	266.29

Wilmington District

Bladen, Deems Chapel	1.58
Burgaw, Rocky Point	25.24
Carver's Creek, Council	2.55
Clinton, Clinton	19.31
Keener	1.65
Elizabeth, Purdie	4.49
Singletary	4.34
Trinity	15.98
Wesley Chapel	1.01
Faison-Kenansville, Faison	7:52
Garland, Antioch	7.09
Johnson Chapel	5.00
Hallsboro, Hallsboro	6.67
Pembroke Parish, First church	2.45
Roseboro, Bethel	1.48
Scott's Hill, Seagate	1.50
Shallotte, Concord	1.26
Southport	25.00
St. Pauls, Barkers	9.00
St. Paul	-9.00
Regan	7.95
Swansboro, Swansboro	2.60
Tabor City, St. Paul	11.00
Zion	7.73
Town Creek, Zion	2.34
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw	3.14
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue	50.00
Grace	21.00
Trinity	37.19
Wesley Mem., Wesley Mem.	12.25
Total	311.32

Summary

Durham District	$ 511.99
Elizabeth City	424.27
Fayetteville	241.37
New Bern	284.32
Raleigh	249.33
Rocky Mount	266.29
Wilmington	311.32
Total	$2288.89

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TWO GOOD SPIRITS OF CHRISTMAS IN SWITZERLAND

By Marie Widmer

Santa Claus, of course, is one of them, but in the land of the Alps he does not arrive on the eve of Christmas, but on December 6, which happens to be the birthday also of the anniversary of the death of the first Santa Claus the world ever knew. He was St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, who in the 11th century gave presents to the poor every year on that day. Tradition relates that the kind-hearted bishop used to throw long knitted purses, tied at both ends, into the open windows of the needy, but especially was he generous to portionless maidens who aspired to matrimony, but had not the supposedly necessary dowry. Later, when coins became scarce, St. Nicholas placed toys into the purses for the children and useful gifts into those intended for adults. His kindly deeds voiced the true spirit of Christmas and ever since his shining example has been perpetuated in this world.

On December 6, as soon as the first evening shadows begin to descend upon the glittering fairyland of snow and ice, which is Switzerland in winter, the jolly fete of St. Nicholas starts, and among the many celebrants the beautiful city of Zurich is of the most characteristic. A tall Santa Claus with flowing white beard, and carrying a huge bag on his back, leads a long procession of eager "helpers," mostly from 13-15 years old. These assistants wear long white night shirts, huge cardboard masks and attractively illuminated headgear, and their horns and bells have quite a pied-piper effect upon the population. Thousands and thousands of eager spectators, both young and old, line the streets wherever the merry parade is scheduled to go through, and suitable Santa Claus gifts, such as cookies, apples and nuts, are gladly contributed by friends of youth. Many a house do Santa Claus and his helpers visit afterwards and all obedient children receive their share of presents. Naughty children, however, are sternly reprimanded and in urgent cases a rod fashioned by Santa himself of twigs of birch is left with the parents of the little culprits.

Christkindli is the other good spirit of Christmas, and their radiant angel whose very name makes the hearts of Swiss children beat faster pays its annual visit on Christmas Eve. Like the American Santa Claus this fairy spirit travels on a reindeer-drawn sleigh, on which are piles of mysterious packages and beautifully trimmed Christmas trees. Christkindli, as the name implies, is remiscent of the Christ Child himself, who was God's sublime gift to humanity, and as on that first Christmas Eve long, long ago, sentiments of peace and good will among men triumph in town and country and in the loneliest Alpine dells.

While the Santa Claus celebration on December 6 is a warm-hearted, but rather boisterous affair, the advent of Christkindli is full of poetry. It kindles anew lofty, Christian ideals.

WALK IN THE WOOD

By Mrs. Jo H. Weathers

I walked down in a leafy wood,
The soft mould 'neath my feet.
A gentle rain had fallen,
Making mossy odors sweet.

I sat me down to listen—
No sound came from the sod;
All the earth seemed very quiet,
Listening for the voice of God.

I listened, too, in silence,
His voice I longed to hear,
For in my heart had risen
A cloud of doubt and fear.

"Let me hear thy voice, O God!"
This may my silent plea.
He heard ,and answered gently:
"Lo! I am with thee."

—Rhyme and Verse.

THE PROMPTER

"Tell Miss Mallory, 'Thank you,' Donny!"

A tiny boy stood with his mother and older sister at my desk in the children's library. I had given him a little pamphlet, with colored illustratian, advertising some new books. His mother did not allow him time to say one word before she admonished him to express his appreciation.

At his mother's command, the little fellow slowly looked up from the pictures he had been admiring to smile at me. He opened his mouth to speak, but again he was interrupted.

"Why, Donny, where's your tongue?" his mother asked impatiently. "Won't you ever learn to say 'Thank you?' "

The happiness went out of the boy's face and the pamphlet he had been enjoying dropped to the floor. His sister hastily picked it up and the trio left the room.

How I longed to answer that mother's question. How I wished that I could say to her, "No, Donny will never learn to say 'Thank you,' if you continue to prompt him. He will never learn it until you give him a chance to speak for himself!"

If Donny's mother were the only prompter I know, I should not be so much concerned about the matter. But it seems to me that the majority of mothers believe that politeness can be taught only by anticipating their children's words and literally speaking in their stead.

Not long ago a friend and I spent an afternoon at the county fair. Much of our pleasure in viewing the exhibits and wandering through the good natured crowds was dimmed by the fact that we were obliged to be unintentional witnesses to the actual suffering that mothers cause their children by this practice.

Where but at a county fair can one find so many inexpensive gifts—and where so many attentive relatives and friends to bestow them upon children?

Where, also, can one hear so many mothers prompting, "Tell the lady, 'Thank you,' son"—"Now what do you say, Jack?" — "Why, Jane, I am ashamed of you. You forgot to say 'Thank you!"—while the children, tired and bewildered from being dragged from one display to another, stand mute and confused and humiliated, their pleasure in gay balloons or mechanical dogs forgotten.

Words are new to the tongue of a two-year-old. They do not come to him as readily as they do to one who has been using them for twenty or thirty years. But the child likes to use words and proudly practices each new one he learns. Hear him triumphantly exclaim, "Horse!" "Cow!" "Dog!" "Kitty!" as you turn the pages of his picture book.

The baby will need little or no prompting if the older members of his family are careful about saying, "Thank you."

When Marian brings in the paper to her father, he tells her, "Thank you."

When mother pours his coffee, he says, "Thank you," again.

When father passes mother's plate, she tells him, "Thank you."

When Marian starts off to school she takes her lnnch box and says, "Thank you for my lunch, mother! Good-bye!"

If baby hears those attractive words "Thank you" all through the day, it won't be long before his little lips are forming them for himself.—Lucia Mallory, National Kindergarten Association.

Fond Mother: "Our little son was always unintentionally stepping on the dog's tail. But we've cured him of the habit completely."

Visitor: "Wonderful! How did you do it?"

Fond Mother: "We got a dog without a tail."—Ex.

No one can be caught in places he does not visit.—Proverb.

Sunday School Lesson

APRIL 26

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By Rollin H. Walker

Wayside Conversations

Luke 13:22-35

Are there few that are saved? said a man to Jesus. Our Lord knew the man would get more light on that question if he made sure of entering into the kingdom himself, and found how hard it was. So he said, in effect, You have no time for idle speculation; strive to enter in by the narrow door, for many shall seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

The door is narrow in at least two senses. First, to enter in requires utter and absolute sincerity; and it is narrow also in the sense that every one has a narrow margin of time in which to take advantage of the opportunity of entering. "There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; omitted, all the journey of their lives is bound in shallows and in miseries."

We cannot walk down street without meeting many of our fellow mortals who have begun too late. And perhaps they also look into our faces and say, Poor man, if he had only seized his youthful opportunities and made the best of them, how much bigger and better he would be!

Jesus represents those against whom the door has been closed as arguing with the master of the house, reminding him how once they attended a party where he was present, and sat opposite to him at the table, and how they had often listened to him with interest. But the sad, stern answer comes, I tell you, I know not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of inquity. Great opportunities unembraced make a man's state worse rather than better; and of course one's failure to appreciate his opportunities influences others to despise them also.

In Matthew we read that among those who are shut out will be certain prominent religious leaders who in amazed expostulation say, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name, and in thy name cast out devils, and in thy name done many mighty works? They are the people who have learned from Jesus the psychology of mastering crowds, and have utilized to the full the public confidence in his name and his gospel, but inwardly their motives have been utterly selfish (John 10). Their inward success has been so great that they have actually fooled themselves into believing that they are true servants of God. But the truth is that when selfishness puts on a robe of unctious orthodoxy, and astonishes the natives by attracting vast crowds, it always does enormous harm.

There shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth, says Jesus, when you see Abraham, and all the rest of the great ones of Holy Scripture, coming in and sitting down in the kingdom of heaven, and yourselves cast out. And still more will you be pained to see multitudes of Gentiles from all quarters of the earth coming into the vast privileges of the kingdom while you, the favored sons of the kingdom, are shut out. Hell is the place where we wake up to what we have missed. "Of all sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these, it might have been." Jesus seems to say that it is not so much the flames that will make our hell, as the sight of the heaven that we could have entered.

This is illustrated right here in our earthly life. A man has loved a pure and noble girl, but forfeited her love by his actions. Ah, the saddest of that moment when he receives her wedding announcement. And how bitter the day when a lad who has refused his opportunities for education sees his former schoolmates graduate with honor in the university! But the awakening is not any more painful than that of the university graduate who has managed to slide through without doing honest work, and then finds that life demands real culture and real discipline, and he crumbles down under the test. A great opportunity to which one is unable to rise is a form of torture.

All through the gospels Jesus keeps suggesting that just as earthquakes and floods and cyclones come suddenly, so the tests that reveal real character and decide our final destiny may come at the most unexpected times. Pearl Harbor is a symbol of what may occur not only in the life of a nation but in the life of every individual. Blessed is that servant whom his Lord when he cometh shall find watching.

QUESTION OF SCHOLARSHIP

Here is a question from a local preacher who says:

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About my correspondent's ability to preach I know nothing, and so can say nothing, but I presume he has satisfied his examiners. But to say that a man can't be truly converted unless he knows the exact dates of some, or any, books of the Bible—well, let J. C. Shairp answer that—

"I have a life with Christ to live,
But ere I live it, must I wait
Till learning can clear answer give,
Of this and that book's date?
Nay rather, while the sea of doubt
Is raging wildly round about,
Questioning of life and death and sin,
Let me but creep within
Thy fold, O Christ, and at thy feet."

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
Rougemont, Union Grove, 3 26
Mount Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26
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Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 7:30 26
May
Duke Memorial, 11 3
West Burlington, 7:30 3
Branson, 7 6
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 17
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick, 3 17
Orange, Efland, 7:30 17
Alamance, Rock Creek, 11 24
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 3 24
Front Street, 7:30 27
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 31
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 3 31
Eno, 7:30 31

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Pasquotank, Newbegun, 11 25
Gatesville, Philadelphia, 11 26
South Mills, McBrides, 3 26
May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Tabernacle, 11 26
Goldston, Siler City, Siler City Ct., at Hope, 3.....26
Aberdeen, Vass, 7:30 26
May
District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Dover, Lanes, 11 26
Riverside-Bridgeton, Rhems, 3 26
Vanceboro, Epworth, 7:30 26
May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Selma, 11 26
Four Oaks, Antioch, 3 26
Creedmoor, Bullocks, 8 26
May
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 3
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3..... 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
May
Wilson, 11 3
Whitakers, Speight's Chapel, 3:30 3
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 10
Robersonville, Hamilton, 8 10
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 11 17
Elm City, Hornes, 3:30 17
Rocky Mount, Clark Street, 8 17
Littleton Ct., Tabor (Dedication), 11 24
Enfield, Whitakers Chapel, 12 24
Littleton Ct., Corinth (Dedication), 8 24
Stantonsburg, 10 31
Kenly, Buckhorn, 12 31
Marvin-St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 31

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Fairmont, Bethesda, 11 26
Clinton, 7:30 26
May
Grace, Wilmington, 11..... 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
SECOND ROUND

April
Black Mountain, 11 26
Oakley, night 26
May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Stanley, Iron Station, 11 26
District Conference, Thursday, May 7.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April
Mt. Pleasant Union, 11 26
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 26
May
Moriah, 11 3
Guilford, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 10
Bethel-Battleground, 7:30 10

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

April
Rutherford College, 11 26
Marion Ct., Pleasant Hill, 3 26
McDowell, Nebo, night 26
May
Avery, Pine Grove, 11 3
Linville Falls, Jonas Ridge, 2:30 3
Spruce Pine, night 3
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 11 17
Valdese, Warlicks, 2:30 17
Clinchfield, night 17
Old Fort, 11 24
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 24
Cross Mills, night 24
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11 31
Elk Park, Newland, 3 31
Marion First, night 31
June
North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Cliffside, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Spindale, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Glen Alpine, 11 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Newton, 11 26
North Newton, night 26

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

April
Robbinsville, 11 26
Maple Springs, 3 26
May
Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

April
Walnut Cove, Bethlehem, 11 26
Pinnacle, Chestnut Grove, 3 26
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 26
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 29
May
Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

A TRIBUTE

Mrs. J. T. Knuckles, widow of the late J. T. Knuckles of Henderson, N. C., died February 16, 1942. Mrs. Knuckles had been in poor health for several years, having been confined to her bed for 15 months. She was married to J. T. Knuckles December 22, 1881. She is survived by the following children: C. C. and G. E. Knuckles of Henderson, Rt. 3, and Mrs. Sam Kicks, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

At the age of ten she joined Mount Carmel Methodist church, later moving to Harris Chapel church, where she held her membership until death.

Funeral services were held from Harris Chapel church February 17, Rev. J. D. Cranford with Rev. W. O. Matheson, pastor of Vance charge, officiating.

By every meaning of the word Sister Knuckles was a good woman. A consistent Christian, her life beautifully portrayed the virtues of patience, humility, fidelity and sacrifice. She directed the affairs of the home with diligence and consecration. The queenly grace of true motherhood showed forth in her life, making the whole of life a real sacrament; she lived for her family and others. She met the sorrows and joys of life with steadfast courage and a trusting heart. A tower of strength to her husband and a constant source of inspiration to her children, they rise up to call her blessed and to cherish the memory and lingering influence of her self-denying devotion.

For a number of years she met faithfully all the demands incident to the work of a mother. The good she did lives on. Dying as she lived, with faith in God and goodness, she has entered into the rest of the righteous and the reward of the just.

J. D. Cranford.

RETHINKING THE NEED OF ADULT EVANGELISM

(Concluded from page 11)

For the church to have a worthy future it must recognize the existence of the unregenerate adult mind, meet his needs, and give him power to explore his moral and spiritual possibilities. A program less than this makes us guilty of breaking a sacred trust. We face the peril of being "too little and too late." It is time for us to catch the currents of the centuries and come again to the prospective of Christian history. The evangelism of the centuries has exercised faith in the remaking of adult life, in the recovery of men from sin, and in the power of creative determination to build character. Christ was the exponent of that kind of evangelism. Can we, dare we improve on him? Standing with him as my example in evangelism I observe that it was a poor woman of no reputation who washed the feet of Jesus with her penitential tears and who wiped them with the hair of her head. I observe that it was one without religious standing, an enslaved woman out of whom he had cast seven devils, who was readiest in understanding sympathy, last to leave his cross and first to be at his empty tomb. I observe that it was the Roman Centurion in charge of his crucifixion who in the midst of the gathering darkness around the cross uttered a sublime creed that no priest or ruler in all Israel had had the grace or vision to express: "This is a just man. This is the Son of God." I observe that it was one from the criminal class, a robber and a malefactor, who offered to Jesus in the last moment of his life the fragrance his penitence unto redemption and the frankincense of his hopeful love. I observe that it was to a broken, soiled character that Jesus uttered the gracious words: "Neither do I condemn thee. Go; and sin no more." I stand unmovable on the one creed of adult evangelism that both men and their institutions can be remade. Adult evangelism still has available to it the old time Pentecostal power. As in all ages past it can still create institutions, enfranchise the human intellect, awaken courage, purify impulses, correct purposes, change ideals, and initiate those habits of hand, head, and heart by which character is made. I believe it is the only method and carries the only appeal big enough to make any durable impression in this hour of weakness and uncertainty. Defeated men and a disintegrating social order make all but an irresistible appeal to the church to "lift again the dropped torches" that men may be lighted from divine sources. "Let the church be the church" and try it again.

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In Memoriam

WHISNER—Mrs. Nora Duke Whisner(widow of the late Rev. Allen H. Whisner, passed away on March 7, 1942, in Washington, D. C., at the age of 75 after a brief illness.

For a number of years Mrs. Whisner was a devoted and active member of Coburn Memorial church, Salisbury, and though in failing health after moving to Washington, she was a faithful member of St. Paul's Methodist church of that city. Her gentle Christian spirit and unfailing kindness and courage under all circumstances endeared her to all who knew her; and her devotion to her Lord and trust in his wisdom brought her comfort through the years. She was a devoted mother, and her children do indeed "rise up and call her blessed."

She is survived by two daughters, Wilhelmina L. Whisner of Atlanta, Ga., and Elisabeth F. Whisner of Washington, D. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Randleman pause to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Belle Smith, a member of the Mt. Lebanon Methodist church and former missionary society. She was deeply interested in her church work as long as her health permitted. Mrs. Smith was one of our most faithful members, and by her kindness and good deeds endeared herself to all around her. She was always willing to do her part in any work for the society. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones, praying God's richest blessings upon them, and may her patience and loyalty be an example to us in Christian living.

Be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one recorded in our minutes and one sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Woman's Society of
Christian Service.

TROLINGER—In the passing of Mrs. Ethel McLain Trolinger, wife of Rev. J. H. Trolinger ,a good woman has gone from our ranks. She fell on sleep February 23, 1942, in Moore County hospital, where she was rapidly recovering from an operation. A sudden collapse took her away. Mrs. Trolinger was born in Clinch county, Ga., November 16, 1898, the daughter of C. P. and the late Loubina Boatwright McLain. Early after the death of her mother, which occurred when Mrs. Trolinger was only seven, the McLains took up residence in Rockingham, N. C. It was here that Mrs. Trolinger grew to young womanhood.

The married life of Mrs. Trolinger began in 1920, December 28, when she became the wife of Rev. J. H. Trolinger, a young minister serving the Anderson charge in South Carolina. To this union was born James Henry Trolinger III. This tender bud remained to give beauty and fragrance to this home for only a short stay, when God took it to himself. As a minister's wife and home-maker Mrs. Trolinger filled her place well. The parsonages where they lived always bore the pleasing touches of a good housekeeper. Her devotion to her husband was unfailing and her co-operation with him in his work ready and most helpful. She shared his responsibilities and heartily joined him in all of his efforts to promote the work commited to their care. They had just moved to the Coleridge parsonage and she and her husband were happy in their anticipation of a fruitful stay on that charge. But for her the church above is far better.

As a Christian Mrs. Trolinger was sure and steadfast. At the age of 12 she gave her heart to God and grew in strength and beauty as the years increased. Her religion was of the quiet, unobtrusive sort that impresses and pleases. She never sought position in service, but was always ready with a helping hand when opportunity and responsibility called. She joined the Southern Methodist Church in Ruskin, Ga., and later transferred to the Methodist Protestant Church in Rockingham, where she retained her membership until her death. It would be difficult to find a more loyal church member and Christian.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Trolinger is survived by the following: Her father, Mrs. J. S. Crumbly, Mrs. H. W. Sneed, Mrs. F. B. Fields, and Miss Roda McLain, all of Rockingham; Perry and Robert McLain of Kannapolis and A. C. McLain of High Point.

The funeral service was held at Coleridge in Concord church. The writer was assisted in the service by Dr. J. E. Pritchard. A goodly number of admiring and sympathizing friends and relatives were present, though the day was very inclement. The body was laid to rest in Northam cemetery, Rockingham, by the side of their only child. The covering of flowers that blanketed her resting place was a token of the high esteem in which she was held and a fit symbol of her beautiful life. S. W. Taylor.

A TRIBUTE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Main Street, Gastonia, wishes to pay tribute to one of our most active and best beloved members, Mrs. Kate Luce Atkinson, who left us for her heavenly home on February 4, 1942.

She was a real storehouse of missionary zeal and information, which she always gladly used for the advancement of God's kingdom here and all through the conference, having served for years as district secretary.

Her life of devotion to her Lord has been and will continue to be a great inspiration to all of us who still carry on.

We pray that her mantle of fidelity, devotion and courage through all her long life may fall on us, and ever abide with us as we continue to "press forward toward the prize" reserved for those who love the Lord supremely. She has heard the Master say, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

"Dead? No, don't speak of her that way.
Don't think of her as dead;
She's only just gone on apiece,
A little way ahead.

She's traveling still the same highway
That she with us has trod;
Merely outdistanced us a bit
Upon the road to God.

Dead? Never with a thought like that
The smallest moment spend;
She's simply gone beyond our sight,
She's just around the bend."

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IMPORTANT DATE LINE—MAY 31

The attention of all pastors, district superintendents and stewards is called to the urgency of the above date line. This will be the end of the fiscal year in the church. It comes about the mid-year in this area, and is a fine time to bring all finances to the half way mark at least. Convenient forms have been sent all district superintendents upon which pastors will report to them, and they will consolidate these into their district report to my office. It will be noted that one or two additional items will be reported this year. The number of subscribers sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate is included. Please let each pastor take time enough out of his busy life to make the report absolutely accurate. Note the date is May 31, which is Sunday. Let the report reach the district superintendent not later than June 5, so that he can get it to this office not later than the 10th. A report for each conference will then be sent to the Advocate for publication. Urgent: be sure to have all world service and other benevolences in the hands of the conference treasurers earliest possible hour after May 31.

The Charlotte area made a record last year and we must work hard to maintain it this year. With the future so uncertain we cannot afford to delay these sacred duties until the end of the year.

Clare Purcell.

"Defend Our Defenders"

The liquor and vice situation does not improve. We are caught in a sort of vicious circle in the matter of enforcing the existing laws. Local authorities look to the military to clean up the environs of army camps, and the army says the responsibility belongs to local authorities. Can we not get protection for the thousands of men being trained to fight for us? Prostitution and liquor have caused the downfall of many civilizations, and can destroy ours. One of the best things that we can do right now is to urge our people to ask our senators and congressmen to pass the Sheppard bill (S-860), which is designed to protect our soldiers and sailors against prostitution, liquor and the attendant diseases. Mother's Day, May 10, will be a good time for our congregations and Bible classes to send a tidal wave of protest to Washington about these conditions. Write the Committee for the Defense of Our Defenders, 1987 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minn., and they will send further information. Let's defend our defenders now, and they will be better able to defend us abroad.

Clare Purcell.

ORDINATION OF THREE YOUNG MEN FOR CHAPLAINS

On April 15 Bishop Purcell transferred Rev. T. M. Vick, Jr., pastor of Roxboro circuit, from the North Carolina conference to the Central Pennsylvania conference. On the same day he transferred Rev. Cecil Heckard and Rev. Julian A. Lindsay from the Western North Carolina conference to the Central Pennsylvania conference. On April 15 these three brethren were elected to elder's orders by the Central Pennsylvania conference. Also, on the same day the three were transferred back to their conference in this state.

On April 25 these three were ordained elders in Duke Chapel by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by Dr. F. S. Hickman, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Dr. J. M. Ormond, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, and Rev. M. W. Heckard.

All these young men expect to be called into the chaplaincy soon.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY WRITES

An intensified War Bond Sales campaign is being launched throughout the United States on Friday, May 1.

The people of America must more than double their investments in War Bonds and War Stamps.

To this end, the Treasury Department is establishing a monthly quota for every county in the United States.

Labor and management are being called upon to see that at least ten per cent of every payroll goes into bonds and stamps.

This is a gigantic task and must be supported by the co-operation of all media.

We are sending you, beginning immediately, suggested marterial about the campaign.

Your assistance in the past has been a great help and in order to achieve our goal we must have your continued and vigorous support.

H. Morganthau, Jr.,
Secretary of the Treasury.

"SUGAR IN THEIR'N"

The old saying, "They all took sugar in their'n," is still true as to people who drink intoxicants but to nobody else. The liquor traffic, either by private saloons or public sales places, and whiskey drinkers seem to be the only ones (except the monopolies) free from all restrictions and rationing. After the rule goes into effect, you can get only a little sugar in your coffee or for your child, but no hint comes from Washington that distillers are to be rationed and drinking is to be reduced along with the consumption of necessities. Why? Are whiskey manufacturers, whiskey sellers and whiskey drinkers more powerful than Uncle Sam? They seem to get "sugar in their'n" while everybody else is rationed.—Editorial in News and Observer.

DR. E. STANLEY JONES COMING TO ASBURY MAY 8

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, a renowned missionary graduate of Asbury College, is to spend the day at Asbury on Friday, May 8. He is to speak in the morning at a special convocation and also in the evening at a special public service. Since it will not be possible for him to be here during commencement week, the college is looking forward with great pleasure to his visit on this occasion.

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The contribution on page 10 by Guy S. Lane, a devoted and dependable engineer of the Southern Railroad, should be read and pondered by all who are interested in Christian living.

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Conscription is a totalitarian devise which should be restricted to war time and eliminated in peace time. This talk of conscription of women is a most dangerous venture. It invades the realm of the home in which women should be left free to act with personal freedom—free from the exigencies of war.

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"Total war" are the words one hears when he turns on the radio or looks at a daily newspaper. And not one in ten could if called upon explain what they mean by these words. If in doubt about it try it out on some of these glib talkers and see how much specific information you get. Nevertheless catch words are the food and drink of some people.

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How long will the American Congress abuse the patience of the American people by refusing to pass the Sheppard bill S-860) and thus aid in relieving a desperate situation? A move against this enemy at home would stiffen the determination of millions to move against the enemies across the seas. Are we to be treated as citizens or as subjects?

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Poles who are forced to work in Germany are compelled to wear a yellow patch with a purple letter "P" on their right breasts as a mark of inferiority. This is akin to the letter "D" that Jews are compelled to wear to identify them in Germany. Such things as this in German occupied Europe serves to help answer the question, Why this war that was thrust upon us by the attack upon Pearl Harbor?

The shortage of rubber in this automobile age, the age of speed, has called forth the following with an implication that time is short and the road is long:

"Hand me down my walking cane,
Hand me down my walking cane,
Oh, hand me down my walking cane,
I've got to catch that 8 o'clock train,
And all my tires are wearing away."

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If gospel ministers fail to be the most influential class of any Christian country it is because they fail to assert their potential influence. Hitler has sent all who opposed him to face the firing squad or to a concentration camp until that group of Lutheran preachers in Norway rose up against him. Quisling warned them what would happen, but they have not yet appeared before a firing squad or been deported to a concentration camp. Why the delay? Not so much on account of what Norway could do, but there still abides in Germany much of the spirit of Martin Luther, even if the German people have been guilty associates of Hitler in his multitude of crimes.

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Strange things are happening in this all-out war effort. The nation is called to self-denial to the extent of hard work, sorrow and blood. Rigid limits are being set upon most activities of the nation, yet strange discriminations follow. Notably, fixed and rigid limits are being set against farm prices at parity levels, but no limits are set against labor, though wages have advanced more than 40 per cent above normal levels. Rationing of gas and sugar is counted among the inevitables along with other necessities; but not a word is said about a limit on liquor. The people accept the inevitable of war as they are forced to bow down to king alcohol—the chief enemy of soldier life and a leading peril of this Republic in these crucial days.

The Lord of Life

JESUS is the Lord of life and the conqueror of death. He came to show us the One whose we are and whom we should serve. His fundamental doctrine is the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. God is the Father of all men and all men are brothers. So Jesus has to do with all men in both life and death. This places him above all the would-be leaders of earth and the best thinkers among men.

We once heard the late Horace Williams, the great teacher of North Carolina, say on class he could make headway in thinking about all problems that had to do with men, but when it came to thinking about death he could make no advance. At a funeral, said he, "I feel helpless and seem to be against a stone wall in my intellectual process." In most of his discussions he followed the Socratic method and the students were usually ready to enter the arguments, but no one professor or student undertook to put death in the realm of speculative thought. This theme at once throws men back on God and the nature of God.

Just now men are raising all sorts of questions about war. Why does God permit war? Why does God not stop this war? Some of the preachers are entering these discussions. One recently made God the author of war for the purpose of cleansing our humanity. But we may be sure that he did not take Jesus into his discussions, for Jesus has said plainly, "I came not to destroy men's lives but to save them." Jesus stood among men exalting the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. This teaching does not fit into the war game.

The best we can do is to rely on the assurance that "God makes the wrath of man to praise him," and that he is able to overrule the sins and follies of men, even war, and thus to make this turn out for good. Jesus, in whom dwelt all the fulness of God, remains our best leader and comforter because he is Lord of life and victor over death. The unseen, yet ever present Christ, remains our best friend in life and also in death, even amid the blood and the slaughter of the battlefield. He can and he will go with us in death. So we pray earnestly and sincerely that the boys on land and on sea may know his guidance in life and his presence in death.

But none of the war lords and the promoters of war in their glorification of might and physical force, with its inevitable blood and tears and death, can claim Jesus as the great exemplar and supreme commander on the field of blood. Even those preachers who make God the author of war do not take the Prince of Peace for a text in their sermons.

We make much of what modern science has done to make the whole earth a neighborhood, still the world is far from being a brotherhood. And we all do know that only the life and the teachings and the presence of the Lord of life and of death can make it a brotherhood. Wars are fought for territory, for trade, for human dominance to satisfy the ambitions of men, but Jesus stands exclusively for human welfare, for peace and for the more abundant life here and hereafter.

Colleges May Prove a Snare

SCHOOLS are one of the essentials in human development and training. Those who have won without help from the schools do not discount the foregoing proposition. They got on in spite of their handicaps; the schools, however, would have helped them much in life's struggles. The same holds true as to colleges and institutions of higher learning, though to a less extent.

Dr. W. I. Cranford of Trinity College and Duke University was fond of saying, "Send us a big boy to Trinity and we will return to you a big man." Even the best of colleges must have good material to turn out an unusual product. It may be possible, with careful technical training, to turn out valuable men for the mechanics of life from boys of moderate rating, but this is not true in the professions in which personal elements count so much. To make a great lawyer, an outstanding preacher and a notable teacher there must be a great personality back of each.

Academic and honorary degrees are marks of attainments in certain lines, but they are by not means lables of greatness. Our Methodism is in jeopardy at this point with the many men inclined to measure their greatness by the number of degrees they write after their names. True, Methodism came out of Oxford University, but it took to the foundry and the fields of England and to the woods and the byways in America. In these places the Methodists won and great preachers were born and reared. Are we going to hold true to our heritage and escape the snares for us in this twentieth century?

Our Most Comforting Reliance

WE still believe that the God of the whole earth is on the throne of the universe. The Lord God Almighty reigns. No man is good enough and great enough—indeed, no nation has these qualities sufficiently—to rule the world. The dictators who have dreamed of dominating mankind have always failed.

The efforts to explain the failures of those who set out to conquer have never proved satisfactory. Alexander the Great went down; imperial Caesar had his day and ceased to be; Napoleon met a similar fate; and these present dictators will go as went those who have gone before. Somehow unto them all something has happened at the crucial hour. We are told but for the rain the night before Waterloo it would have been otherwise with the man who "embarrassed God," as Victor Hugo wrote, God stopped Napoleon. We are old fashioned enough to hold to the conviction that this same God is still on his throne. No one man and no one nation is going to hold sway at the end of this present conflict. Not even America and the British Empire combined are sufficiently wise and really good enough to police the world. The "white man's burden" of which we have heard so much must be shared by others. We were told that Singapore was as stable and enduring as the British Empire; but something has happened to that Oriental fortress. Every prospect at present is for great old China to have a voice in the affairs of the East. But our one and only hope for the world is the rule of our God who is disclosed to us in Christ Jesus.

Yes, many good men and women are much comforted these fateful days with the assurance that God is still on his throne and cheered by their abiding conviction that Hitler and his crowd are going the way of all dictators of earth.

Malta

THIS island stronghold is the most bombed spot on earth. It has another distinction. Malta as a whole has been awarded the George Cross, which is a unique honor in the history of the British Empire. This award is to a territory and not to an individual as military honors are usually bestowed.

Malta has a long history in war and sieges, and it is also conspicuous in the history of the Christian religion. Malta was the island upon which St. Paul and his fellow passengers drove their wrecked vessel when caught in the storm as they journeyed to Rome. It was here that Paul remained three months and established Christianity which has flourished unto this day. The story of Paul's stay at Malta and the subsequent journey to Rome as recorded in the xxviiith chapter of Acts is a story of universal human interest as well as of religious beginnings.

Malta is 17 miles long and its greatest breadth is 9 miles, its circumference 60 miles. It has 10,000 stone wall farms that average four acres each. In this respect it is strikingly like Norway in the size of its farms and in their being protected by stone walls from erosion and from slipping down the steep mountain sides. There are 270,000 inhabitants on this island fortress. The British expends $15,000,000 on this fortification and there is a considtrable tourist trade. These supply the inhabitants nine months of the year, to which is added enough grain, fruits and vegetables produced on the island to feed the inhabitants three months of the year.

For its size, says Newsweek, Malta is probably the best protected spot in the world. Ringing its rugged coastline are at least ten big fortresses mounting 16.5-inch guns which are concealed in rock emplacements when not in use. With these and numerous smaller forts, no fleet can safely come within 20 miles of Malta.

But as is well known the bombing planes are now being used day after day to capture this English stronghold for the nazis.

Ambassador Daniels Gives Meaning of ABC

AMBASSADOR Daniels, who has returned to his editorial office in Raleigh, is studying again his ABC'S and in the News and Observer he gives the interpretation thereof. ABC, according to the ambassador, means "Alcohol Brutalizes Consumer." But he has found some folks in Raleigh who contend that the editor of the Observer is wrong. According to these men it means "Alcohol Brings Coin."

We are glad to learn that Hon. Josephus Daniels is for war-time prohibition. When Secretary of the Navy in the Wilson administrations he put liquor out of that arm of the service, which was a monumental piece of work.

People and Things

Will you please announce through the Advocate that Rev. R. W. Blanchard has been appointed by Bishop Purcell to the pastorate of the Tyron charge?—M. T. Smathers, D. S.

Bishop Ivan Lee Holt reports that he has dedicated 112 churches in the Dallas area in the last four years. We do not have the figures, but it is our guess that Bishop Purcell has equaled or gone ahead of these figures in the Charlotte, N. C., area. How about it, Bishop?

We ought to have some big news breaking these days—news of big things being done in the church of God. We need the church in all its strength marching forth terrible as an army with banners in the advance against sin. Victory in all its undertakings should be told in the church press. Make the Advocate a migthy power for God these days.

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw assisted in a series of revival services at Jonesboro March 9-15. Rev. M. W. Lawrence assisted at Lemon Springs March 23-29. Both meetings were very effective. On Easter Sunday 28 new members were received, 18 by profession of faith and 10 by certificate.—D. L. Fouts, Pastor.

Laymen day for Perquimans charge, Eliazbeth City district, was observed Sunday, March 29, at 11 o'clock, Woodland church, with Mr. Frank Harris, prominent layman of Elizabeth City, bringing an inspiring message. We had the full co-operation of our pastor and the attendance was large. A collection was taken for the Golden Cross.—Geo. W. Jackson, Lay Leader.

Recent figures from Washington show there are 1439 Army chaplains on active duty. Of these 1068 are Protestant, 362 Roman Catholic and 19 Jewish. The Chief of Chaplains is Catholic. Methodist chaplains head the corps in both the First and Second Armies. Chaplain Samuel Jonson Miller at First Army headquarters, Governor's Island, New York, is a member of the Northeast Ohio conference. Chaplain Milton O. Beebe of the Second Army at Memphis is a member of the Illinois conference.

Methodist colleges and universities during 1941 received gifts totaling more than nine million dollars, according to figures compiled by Dr. John O. Gross, secretary of the division of educational instiutions of the board of education of the Methodist Church. This report represents major gifts made to only 28 of the denomination's 120 universities, colleges and junior colleges. The largest single contribution was $2,500,000 from James E. MacMurray of Pasadena, Cal., to MacMurray College for women in Jacksonville, Ill. This was accorded a citation in the latest Who's Who as the "most substantial gift of money and securities in relation to total endowment and plant value made to an American institution of higher education during the period 1940-41."

General Douglas MacArthur prizes among his many honors the degree of Doctor of Laws conferred upon him in 1929 by Western Maryland College. "It makes me proud, indeed, to have my name on its rolls," he wrote the late Dr. Albert N. Ward, then president. The distinction was conferred upon General MacArthur in absentia following his transfer from the command of the Third Corps Area to the Philippine Department During this period, while stationed in Maryland, he had frequent contact with President Ward and several of the trustees and developed, as he himself expressed it, "great admiration and respect for the college." "No institution in our country has reflected and responded more to the nation's need both in peace and war," he wrote Dr. Ward in a letter that President Fred G. Holloway and the present student body cherish.

Last Sunday night we closed a revival in Rockford Street church in which Rev. Ed Snow of Thomasville did the preaching. This being his home town a number of his friends came out to hear him do some great evangelistic preaching. The church was greatly helped and several are coming into the church as a result. There is no doubt but that this fearless preacher has the gift of evangelism. He is very human and appealing in his preaching and has a real love for people and they are drawn by it. In a day when the evangelistic note needs to again be sounded from every Methodist pulpit he should be turned loose in our conference to give his full time to this work. He did not know I was going to write this, but I really think it would be a great gain for our conference.—C. E. Williams.

Mrs. H. C. Cline, 71 died April 20, at her home near Statesville. She was the daughter of F. O. and Mattie Howard Robinson of Catawba county. Besides her husband she leaves three sons, Jesse H., Statesville, J. F., Baltimore, and F. H. Cline, Morganton; and four daughters, Mrs. L. C. Sherrill, Sherrill's Ford, Mrs. H. P. McLelland, Washington City, Mrs. E. D. Deal, Statesville, and Miss Fannie Cline of the home. Also a brother, J. F. Robinson, Gastonia, and a half-sister, Mrs. Wade Gabriel, Catawba county. Mrs. Cline came of fine Methodist stock in Catawba county, where she joined the Methodist church in her youth. Her funeral was held at Race Street Methodist church, Statesville, conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. L. Aycock. Truly a good mother and wife has gone to her eternal reward.—A. C. Sherrill.

The Riverside church, New York City, conducts an extensive home-writing service for the men of the armed forces on leave as part of the war effort on the civilian front. Service men attending the church sign a register, giving the name and address of a relative or friend. After the men left the city, many for overseas duty, assistants of Dr. Henry Emerson Fosdick, minister of the church, write to the person designated, telling of the recent contact and converastion with the service men. Today Dr. Fosdick receives as many as 200 letters a month from friends of service men. They come from every state in the Union as well as from foreign countries, where live families and friends of British service men who attended the church. Most of the letters are simple, heartfelt expressions of gratification for this assurance that their men are physically and spiritually cared for.

The chances are better than one in six that in walking through the Capitol corridors in Washington any senator or representative you meet will be a Methodist. Figures compiled by Prof. Madge M. McKinney of Hunter College, New York City, place in the Methodist column 22 of the 96 senators and 72 of the 435 congressmen. Among Protestant congressmen this represents a strong Methodist plurality in both houses. The Presbyterians are runners-up with 11 senators and 58 congressmen. Baptists and Episcopalians are next, with nearly as many. Contrary to impressions in some parts of the country, Roman Catholic statesmen are overwhelmingly outnumbered by Protestant members in both houses. In the Senate 11 per cent are Catholic, 77 per cent Protestants. In the Lower House 20 per cent are Catholic, 70 per cent Protestant. There are twice as many Methodists as Catholic senators. In the House Methodists are outnumbered by Catholics, 86 to 72. Taking the House and Senate together there are 380 Protestants and 97 Catholics. These figures do not include 30 members whose religion was unknown to the compiler. Seven Jews, four Latter Day Saints, two Christian Scientists and eight with no religious affiliation complete the tally.

Rev. J. P. Hipps, pastor of Carraway Memorial church, Greensboro, closed revival services last Sunday in his church. The pastor did the preaching and the meeting resulted in the accession of ten new members on profession of faith and otherwise served to benefit the church.

The population of New York City, as of April 1, 1940, was 7,454,995. This was an increase of 524,549 over the census of 1930. New York is not only the largest of American cities, but has in it more distinct racial groups than any other of our cities. It is so vast and so heterogeneous that Christian work is exceedingly complicated. Many people live miles from the church they attend, and many others have drifted into the neglect of all churches.

Baptist Memorial Hospital board of trustees and executive committee members will invest $150,000 each year in United States war savings bonds for the duration of the war, and already has purchased $10,000 worth of Series G savings bonds since Pearl Harbor, it was announced by A. E. Jennings, chairman of the executive committee. "The hospital along with the Southern Surgical Supply Company, a separate corporation owned by the hospital," Mr. Jennings explained, "has been spending about $150,000 annually for new buildings during the past six years."

Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor of the Hay Street Methodist church, Sunday evening, April 19, concluded a highly successful series of services at the Downing Street Methodist church during which 26 new members were admitted to the past week with capacity crowds in attendance. The pastor, was given a "pounding" by the congregation, and Sunday evening Mr. Brown was given a $50 bill by the congregation in appreciation of his work during the week. Mr. Brown immediately turned the money over to the church treasurer. Meetings were held each evening during teh past week with capacity crowds in attendance. The Downing Street Methodist church was established about one year ago.—W. E. Smith.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Waynesville district conference will be held in connection with the rural life conference in Waynesville, May 4, beginning at 10 o'clock. The rural life commission will do the talking and the Asheville and Waynesville pastors, with the Waynesvile district delegation, will do the listening. At the adjournment of the rural life's program, which will be around 4 o'clock, the disciplinary requirements of a district conference will be met. Brethren of all denominational agencies within the annual conference, please bring your good looking faces to this conference and let us have a peep. That is all I can offer, as I do not arrange the oratory part of this program. We want to see you and certain individuals will welcome a chance to hear you converse about matters in which we have a mutual interest. There is no shortage of gas as yet in the mountains but some of us are moving on thin air. Hence this abbreviated type of district conference. W. L. Hutchins, D. S.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Statesville district conference will be held at Triplett church May 7. The conference will convene promptly at 9 a. m. Triplett church is located a few miles from Mooresville. Those representing the various interests of the church are cordially invited to be with us.

J. S. Hiatt, D. S.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Winston-Salem district conference will meet at Mt. Tabor church Friday, May 15, at 9 a. m. war time. We shall begin on time. Visitors will be welcomed.

Chas. C. Weaver.

N. C. CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD NOTICE

On account of the death of Rev. A. J. Groves we are issuing call number 81. Make checks payable to R. L. Jerome, Treas., 2505 Beechridge Road, Raleigh, N. C.

ELKIN DISTRICT NOTICE

The Elkin district conference will meet at West Jefferson May 13 at 9:30 a. m. A. C. Gibbs, D. S.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, will be commencement speaker at Greensboro College Monday, June 1, at 10:30 a. m. in Odell Memorial auditorium. Dr. Yang is now in the United States making a series of speaking engagements on behalf of his university and on behalf of China, planning to return to his native country as soon as international conditions enable him to do so. He has been called to America for two special trips, first in 1929 to speak at the International Missionary Council at Memphis, Tenn., and then in 1938 on a speaking tour with the Bishops' Crusade.

Senior recitals in the department of speech and dramatic art, which began last week with readings by Misses Grace Osborne Clayton, Roxboro, and Velda Mecum, Winston-Salem, will continue this week.

Wednesday night, April 29, at 8:15 in Odell auditorium, Miss Frances Winstead, Roxboro, will give "Ethan Frome," by Edith Wharton.

Tuesday night, May 5, at 8:15 in Odell auditorium, Miss Nancy Wall of Leaksville will read for her senior dramatic recital "A Bill of Divorcement," by Clemence Dane.

The first voice recital of the year will be given Friday night, May 1, by Miss Elizabeth Dickman, Florence, S. C., senor voice major. Accompanied by Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, Miss Dickman's program will include selections from Brahms, Strauss, Puccini, Lippe, and Bizet.

CORNERSTONE LAYING AT PFEIFFER COLLEGE APRIL 21

The cornerstone laying ceremonies were impressive. The two handsome new structures, Henry Pfeiffer chapel and Washington hall, will be completed in the near future and will serve to make more complete this modern college's physical equipment.

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City, whose contributions made the buildings possible, had an active part in the ceremonies, along with Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Merner of San Francisco, Calif., Dr. W. S. Sharp, president of the college, Rev. C. N. Clark of Salisbury, and Rev. Courtney Ross of Misenheimer. Henry Pfeiffer chapel is named for the late Henry Pfeiffer, while Washington hall is named for the late George Washington Pfeiffer.

ROCKINGHAM SUB-DISTRICT ELECTS OFFICERS

At its monthly sub-district meeting in Mayodan last Thursday night the Rockingham county sub-district elected the following officers to serve during the ensuing year:

President, Bob Jones, Main Street, Reidsville; vice president, Malta Fay Koontz, Leaksville; secretary, Doris Saunders, Draper; treasurer, Floyd Seay, Jr., Lindsey Street, Reidsville. The chairmen of commissions are as follows: Worship and evangelism, Harold Strader, Mt. Carmel; World Friendship, Margaret McCollum, Lindsey Street, Reidsville; community service, Manley Joyce, Stoneville; recreation and leisure, Ruth Walker, Bethlehem; and for publiicty chairman and assistant, Greer Hoover, Draper, and Rebecca Edwards, Leaksville.

An expression of appreciation for the outgoing leaders was given, followed by the quarterly recreational program and refreshments.

PASTORS' CONFERENCE AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

An important event calendared for the approaching season of the Lake Junaluska Assembly of the Methodist Church is the Methodist-wide pastors' conference set for August 4-9.

"The Christian Minister" will be the theme for discussion.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell of the New York area will preach the conference sermon on Sunday morning, August 9. The closing message will be brought by Bishop Paul B. Kern of the Nashville, Tenn., area.

Speakers and their topics include: Dr. Costen J. Harrell, pastor West End Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn., "The Christian Minister as a Pastor"; Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, pastor Christ Methodist church, New York City, "The Christian Minister as Preacher"; and Bishop McConnell, "The Christian Minister as Prophet."

Dedication of Sharon Methodist Church





REV. R. M. HAUSS
Pastor

Bishop Purcell will dedicate Sharon Methodist church on the Shelby circuit, Sunday morning, May 10, at 11 o'clock. In the afternoon at two o'clock the Hon. Clyde R. Hoey will deliver a memorial address. . .

The present structure, which is located four miles southwest of Shelby, is the fourth building erected on the original site. The first church was built in 1851 under the leadership of Rev. Joseph Holmes, which served the needs of the community until 1894, when another was erected. In 1910, during the pastorate of Rev. C. H. Clyde, a larger and more modern church replaced the one-room structure. The present church building, which was completed in January, 1940 under the wise and able leadership of Rev. J. L. Rayle, is one of the most beautiful and modern rural churches in western North Carolina. It has an auditorium with a seating capacity of 450 and a two-story educational building which houses a completely departmentalized church school, a modern kitchen and dining room, and ample space for recreation. The entire building is air conditioned. It was erected through the aid of the Duke Foundation at a cost of $20,000.

REIDSVILLE METHODIST YOUTH ENJOY BANQUET

For the first time in the existence of the Youth Fellowships of Main Street and Lindsey Street Methodist churches in Reidsville a "get-together" in the form of a spring banquet was held in the dining hall of the former church on April 9. Both fellowships were well represented in numbers as well as in participation.

Jesse Moore, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Moore, who has won so many honors in declamation and debating for the local high school, was the popular toastmaster. Dr. Richard L. Ownbey, the increasingly effective pastor of Main Street church, offered the invocation. The president of the host church fellowship, Nancy Price, welcomed the guests and gave a toast to the young people of the other church, to which Margaret McCollum, president of the other organization, graciously replied.

The speaker of the evening was Rev. E. Paul Hamilton, pastor of the Flat Rock charge near Stokesdale. Using as his subject "Youth and Christ," Mr. Hamilton illustrated his inspiring message with the Biblical incident of Christ and the rich young ruler. Group singing was led by Rev. E. Lester Ballard, pastor of Lindsey Street church. Closing the program, the group sang "God Who Touchest Earth with Beauty," and departures were taken with the earnest desire that such an affair would be repeated in the near future.

Special guests present included: Mrs. R. L. Ownbey, Mrs. E. P. Hamilton, Mrs. E. L. Ballard, and Miss Amy Holland, director of youth work at the Main Street church, who was largely responsible for the success of the event. E. L. B.

RURAL LIFE SUNDAY MAY 10

Rural Life Sunday comes this year on May 10. It is the earnest desire of the Commission on Town and Country Work of the Western North Carolina conference that the day have widespread observance this year in both urban and rural church in the conference. For a number of years the day has been observed in several denominations.

An excellent worship program with suggestions for preparing special sermons and a proposed schedule for an all-day observance has been prepared by Dr. Thomas Alfred Tripp of the Town and Country Department, Congregational Christian Churches. Town and country pastors will find this program a most delightful and inspiring one. It presents in language understood and appreciated by town and country people material for an inspiring Sunday service. These programs may be secured by addressing the office of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York. A portion of the program is reproduced in The Pastor's Journal for April, 1942, and may be copied for use in local bulletins. The Journal contains also a beautiful "Litany of Rural Life."

Both rural and urban churches observe Rural Life Sunday. Each type of church may invite the other to share in some of the services. Circuits may plan an all-day program with basket dinner. Rural and urban pastors might "exchange pulpits" on this day. Local agricultural workers are often willing to attend and share in the services.

Rural Life Sunday, the fifth Sunday after Easter, which has its roots in the Rogation Days, is a day set apart for emphasizing the meaning of Christianity for rural life; for the invocation of God's blessing upon the seed, the fruits of the soil, and the cultivators of the earth; for the consideration of justice for agriculture and the spiritual values of rural life. It was observed first in 1929 at the suggestion of the International Association of Agricultural Missions.

The pastor of each church in this conference which observes the day is earnestly requested to address a postal card to Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, Secretary of the Commission on Town and Country Work, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C., and give a brief report of the type of service held.

Garland Stafford, for Commssion.

REGIONAL TOWN AND COUNTRY MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN W. N. C. CONFERENCE MAY 4-8

Dr. A. J. Walton, superintendent of Town and Country Work, Board of Missions, will be the leader for a series of regional planning sessions for town and country ministers in the Western North Carolina conference being sponsored by the Commission on Town and Country Church.

The meetings are scheduled as follows:

Monday, May 4, at First church, Waynesville, for Asheville and Waynesville districts.

Tuesday, May 5, at First church, Marion, for the Marion district.

Wednesday, May 6, at Centenary, Winston-Salem, for Winston-Salem, Greensboro, and High Point districts.

Thursday, May 7, at First church, North Wilkesboro, for the Elkin district.

Friday, May 8, at First church, Charlotte, for Statesville, Salisbury, Gastonia and Charlotte districts.

Suggested daily schedule for each meeting:

9:30-9:55. Worship and introductions, by the district superintendent.

9:55-10:00. Statement of purpose. Rev. John Hoyle, Jr.

10:00-12:00. Planning session. Dr. A. J. Walton.

(Intermission as needed).

12:00-12:30. Announcements and miscellaneous emphases by district superintendents.

12:30-2:00. Lunch and fellowship.

2:00-2:30. Miscellaneous matters continued.

2:30-4:00. Planning session. Dr. A. J. Walton.

The planning sessions will deal with the regular work of the charges, such as evangelism, finances, vacation schools, missionary education, stewardship, preaching, pastoral visiting, etc. Dr. Walton does not bring new or different plans. He deals with how to do the regular tasks better, with deeper insights, with greater dedication. Particular attention will be paid to the effect of war conditions on the church's program.

The ministers are invited and welcomed, and it is hoped that every minister in towns and on circuits will attend. To save tires and gas, ministers from the same section are urged to travel together. Only expense will be the noon meal and transportation. Host district superintendents are in charge of local arrangements.

Bishop Clare Purcell plans to be in some of the meetings. General chairmen of the meetings will be Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., Lexington, chairman of the Town and Country Commission. Rev. Earl Brewer, Salisbury, secretary of the commission, and Rev. L. B. Abernethy, Elkin, missionary secretary, are expected to be present.

All members of the Commission on Town and Country Work, both lay and clerical, are invited to attend the meeting nearest them.

Under the general theme, "The Church's Program in Time of War," these planning sessions should prove extremely helpful.

HOME COMING AT BRANSON CHURCH

Branson church, Durham, enjoyed a real home coming last Sunday. Old country churches which have served through the generations, with many sons and daughters scattered afar, are usually thought of as the place for home coming occasions. Certainly a city church of half a century of organic life would not be considered favorable for such a gathering. But Branson met the occasion in a fine way.

Rev. John Cline, now in his fourth year as pastor, and his ready helpers left nothing to be desired. Two of the former pastors were asked to preach the sermons, Rev. R. G. L. Edwards at the 11 o'clock hour and Rev. O. I. Hinson at 2 o'clock. But these were not all the luxuries of the day. Special music had been provided and friends and former parishioners came to fill the house and add to the good fellowship.

In the ample basement room of the church were tables improvised for the occasion burdened with delicious foods in great abundance. About these the crowd gathered with appetites eager and ready. Lemonade and iced tea without limit fitted well the temperature of the day and the appetites of visitors and home folks.

Any who have misgivings as to the accuracy of this statement would do well to ask A. J. Hobbs, Ed Earnhardt, W. L. Clegg and their families who joined in the festivities of the hour.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

That civilization said to be "gone with the wind" is brought again into its full glory on May 2 at Louisburg College when the south campus blossoms into an elaborate southern plantation. It is not just an average day about the old colonial mansion—not at all, for the lovely queen of the whole South is to be crowned on the front lawn.

In the distance will be heard the beautifully haunting voices of the darkies, harmonizing in the beloved songs of the Southland. The Negro mammies will be busying themselves among the young ladies at the party, and the old caretaker seemingly engrossed in his various tasks.

It is in this charming setting that the May Queen, Ella Lewis, will enter with her escort, Roy Bailey. Her Royal Highness has chosen as her maid of honor attractive Catherine Lewis, who will have as her escort, Albert Smoak. Besides the maid of honor, the queen will be attended by a host of beautiful Southern belles including Lela Adams with Joseph Glazebrook as her escort; Annie Sue Barrett with James Wooters; Sarah Davis with William Fagan; Annie Lee Dorsett with Rodman Lancaster; Margaret Holmes with Troy Barrett; Grace Johnson with W. L. Northern; Evelyn Long with Bobby Richardson; Jane Murphy with Clarke Stokes; Roselle Privette with McNeil Ipock; Catherine Rogers with Don Bell; Frances Terrell with Edwin Robinson, and Emily Winn with Dayton Hardwick.

Further to recreate the local color and nostalgic charm of by-gone Southern plantation days, a group of young ladies and gentlemen will dance before the queen the old fashioned Virginia reel. A gypsy dance will be presented by a wandering band of gypsies attracted to the gorgeous queen. Other dances given in honor of her majesty the queen will be the Irish maiden's dance, the farmer's jig, dance of the little pickaninnies, and the graceful dance of the wood nymphs. The great climax to the event will be the colorful May pole dance representative of all parts of the romantic Southern plantation life.

Donald Gage, tenor, of New York City was presented in the last of the Louisburg College concert series at the college April 22. He appeared in the college auditorium at 10:30 in the morning and gave a varied and delightful program that won the hearts of his audience to such an extent that he was requested to give informally some additional numbers in the evening. Mr. Gage showed excellent control of his voice ,and it was the opinion of his hearers that he merited more recognition than he has thus far received from the musical world. He was accompanied in both appearances by Prof. James E. Byerly, head of the music department at the college.

Miss Margaret Cox, dramatic reader of Greensboro, was presented in recital Friday evening, April 24, in the college auditorium, sponsored by the Louisburg College dramatic club. Miss Cox is a graduate of Louisburg and Greensboro colleges, and in her reading of Stephen Vincent Bennet's "The Devil and Daniel Webster" showed real skill.

Norwood Jones, Clayton, was awarded local license to preach by the Raleigh district conference, meeting at Spring Hill church on the Mamer's charge April 22. Jones is a second year student at Louisburg and a member of the 1942 Trojan baseball team.

McNeil Ipock, New Bern, was elected president of the Louisburg College Y. M. C. A. at the last meeting of that group. Horton Corwin, Ahoskie, was elected vice president.

Why Prayers for Peace Have Not Been Answered

By GUY S. LANE

Our country was founded on Christian principles, our laws were made to conform to God's commands, and we were known the world over as a Christian nation. God was with us and we prospered as no other nation has ever prospered. However, we could not stand too much prosperity, and as a nation we have forgotten God and turned to worldly things.

Although we still have the name of a Christian nation, we have wandered farther away from real Christian living than a lot of the nations we call heathen, especially in regard to home life and the divorce evil.

These evils have come upon us so slowly that we didn't realize where we were drifting until we lost hold of God, and now we need him more than we ever did before; but the spiritual power to commune with him and to know that he will hear and answer prayer has gone so far as the nation as a whole is concerned. Of course we have a lot of real Christians all over the country. They are doing a fine work. They are leading many to Christ, and God does hear and answer their prayers. Our preachers are preaching the gospel as they have not preached it before in a long time, and people are filling our churches, but our nation, as a nation, has lost some of the fundamental principles of Christian living. If the Bible is true we must get back if we expect God to answer our prayers for peace, and it seems to me, if we don't want our country to be ruled by a foreign nation, the best thing we can do is to get the strong Christian people of our country to organize their forces and work with our government to do away with the things that are hindering our prayers from being answered.

In one article it is impossible to write about all the things that are hurting God's cause in our country. He still loves us. He wants peace more than we do, but he saw where we were drifting and he had to try to bring us back to him.

Much could be written about worshipping material things, and about nominal Christians doing everything that the world does and follow the crowd, regardless of whether the crowd is right or not. These things are hurtful to Christian living. Then there is the desecration of the Sabbath day. We must preserve our Sabbath somehow. We cannot grow as a Christian nation without one day in seven being given to rest and worship.

Of course in a modern world a lot of work is necessary on Sunday, but practically all workers have one day in the week off for worship, if they will use it that way, and usually have enough time off on Sunday to attend either the morning or evening church service. However, the day is given over by a lot of people for all sorts of worldly pleasures, and a lot of work is done that could be avoided. One of the ten commandments is "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," and Christ said he came not to destroy the law, but to fulfill it. The Bible allows for work of necessity, but not for the desecration of the Sabbath as it is being desecrated. There should be something done about it.

But the two main things that are hurting us most right now as I see it are drunkkenness and the lack of real home life. Christian people are working hard on the liquor evil, but we have got to show our government and prove to our government that it is not taking the "personal liberty" away from our soldier boys when we take liquor away from them. It seems that our government harps on the fact that it is taking their personal liberty away from them, and that is why the Sheppard bill No. S-860, I believe it is, which our temperance people are trying so hard to get through Congress, has never been passed. If it is our personal liberty to get drunk and drive his car into another, killing a whole family of people, why isn't it a person's liberty to take his gun and shoot just one person that he is angry with? Why take his personal liberty from him by law, and permit the other fellow to fill up on liquor and kill a whole family in an automobile wreck? Or to fill upon liquor and shoot his own wife, whom he loves, when sober, better than he does his own life? Whiskey did it; so why should he have the "personal liberty" to do something he really does not want to do? Have we got to give our soldier boys personal liberty to get drunk and be unfit to win the war, causing us to finally be under the rule of a foreign country? In the world war No. 1 whiskey was not allowed our soldier boys, and after our nation was called to prayer, just one Sunday, there was never another battle lost by our allies, and the war soon ended.

Our railroads tell the men who man their trains that they cannot drink liquor and work for them. Personal liberty is not mentioned at all, and the men do not resent it. The same ruling applies to bus drivers and many other important occupations. It seems to me our government could be made to see that when a person's liberty is detrimental to himself and other people it should be taken away from him.

There is more drinking among our soldier boys than a lot of us know about. There are splendid articles written about the fine work chaplains are doing in the army camps and every picture of the bright side is shown, but it is necessary to show the dark side if we are to remedy the evil. Here is a small item copied from the N. C. Christian Advocate which it copied from Zions Herald:

"I haven't written you since we visited Camp ———. We took ——— with us. He was terribly depressed when we came away. There are 26,000 men in Camp ———, and there are seven chapels for these men. I spoke at one of them. The three of us stayed all night in the army guest house within the camp grounds, and went all through the camp. We had 140 fellows at the chapel. There are 26 recreation halls there, and each hall, larger than the chapels, sells beer. There are so many drunks in camp that each battalion has its own drunk 'tank.' If fellows are able to sober up enough to answer reveille the next morning there is no charge against them. American soldiers are getting drunk in army camps, on army time, and no marks against them. I do not know what happened at Pearl Harber—but I do know that if enemy squadrons had attacked Camp ——— the night we were there, or the morning after, they would have met scant resistance. The lid should be blown clear off the moral conditions in and around army camps. The army may not be able to control what happens around the camp, but soldiers should not be training on beer and pretzels."

I have heard of soldiers getting on trains and buses drunk, and giving so much trouble that officers had to be sent for to preserve order, and I have personally seen a lot of them drunk on our trains. I asked a soldier boy a few days ago if many of the boys drank, and he said the majority did, a few did not. Of course I know a lot of them do not drink. Some of them are your boys and some mine, but too many of them drink for our army to be what it ought to be. We should work day and night to have liquor taken from our soldier boys. They will appreciate it some day more than we think.

Last, but most important is the home life of our nation. Just think that one out of six of our marriages end in divorce—just think how parents fail in the training of their children. Our whole civilization depends upon home life of the right sort. It means everything to our future. Good people are trying to solve the home problem, but I wonder if they have really gotten to the bottom of the trouble? In

Bishop Purcell Will Dedicate Zion Church Sunday, May 3rd



The beautiful brick veneer Zion Church, Union County, Charlotte District



Rev. E. W. Mills, Pastor

times like these it is necessary to be plain about things, regardless of whether we had rather not be plain.

It seems that in recent years the real attraction between young courting people is the physical attraction. Girls, instead of trying to attract the moral, intellectual and spiritual in young men, want to make a sex appeal. So many girls want their pictures taken in bathing suits, or worse. Magazines fill their pages with girls only partly dressed. They want to stress the physical make-up of a girl, which appeals to the baser natures in a lot of men. Just a few years ago magazines which carried pictures of girls indecently dressed were not allowed to be sold in our state, but now nothing is done about it. In fact dress that was indecent a few years ago is not considered so now.

A lot of people are studying the causes of so many divorces and failures in home life, and are trying to remedy the causes, and there are many causes besides the one I am writing about; but no one seems to think (if so they dont' say so) that the cause of divorces and of bad home life starts in the relation young folks have before they marry. If they think most about petting parties and general physical attractions, to the exclusion of the higher things of life, their foundation is built upon the sand, and when the storms come in after life they have no foundation to stand on. Their married life turns out to be a failure. On the other hand, if young folks planned their lives before they marry on high moral, intellectual and spiritual things, giving the physical a place of course, but keeping it in subjection to the higher things of life, their future would be founded upon a rock. They plan to have a Christian home, they make Christ the head of the home, they train their children in the way they should go. They will have their ups and downs, but a home of that sort is a beginning of heaven here on earth, and if we had enough homes of that sort the future of our country would be safe.

We do have a lot of good Christian homes. Only one out of six go completely on the rocks. There are a lot of young girls who would never think of doing the things that I have mentioned in regard to boys, and a lot of the girls claim that if they don't "pet" boys will have nothing to do with them. I am not excusing the boys, they are bad enough, but the girls have a chance to change these things, and that is why I am writing so much about them.

Let's see if the good girls can't persuade the general public, and especially the young men, to quit thinking so much about their physical make-up and show them that they have something higher to look for in life, and let's see if they can't get magazines and newspapers to stop printing pictures of girls improperly dressed. A lot of our good girls do not approve of these things, and if they band together to change them they can do so, and our country will rise to a higher plane of living, and girls will win stars in their crown.

ZION CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

At 3 p. m. Sunday, May 3, the people of Zion church, Union county, Charlotte district, expect to see their fondest hopes realized under the unexcelled leadership and untiring devotion of their pastor, Rev. E. W. Mills. The people of this church and community have labored on with the full assurance that their endeavors would bear fruits, and at last their dreams have come true. This beautiful brick veneered church is now completed and on the date above named Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by the district superintendent, Dr. G. T. Bond, and the pastor will hold the dedication service. This church was organized in 1840 and just one hundred years after its founding the decendants of the charter members, with love for the same great cause that urged their forerunners on, decided to replace the old wooden building with something more durable, and with that aim in view we have come to this coveted occasion in our lives.

YORK - KIMERY

Mrs. Mina Stout York and Mr. N. Augustus Kimery were married at high noon Sunday, April 12, in Shiloh Methodist church immediately after the church service. Rev. H. L. Isley, pastor of the bride, performed the ceremony in the presence of the members of the two families and a few close friends.

The bride is the second daughter of Mrs. G. L. Whitaker and the late James R. Stout of Julian. The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kimery. He is engaged in farming in Randolph county.

HOPEWELL CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED MAY 3, AT 11 A. M.

Hopewell church was organized in the year 1808 with only two families composing its membership. This church was built of hewn logs, was burned, perhaps in the year 1880, and was rebuilt the same year.

At first, the church was on the Ansonville circuit, but later changed to the Polkton church. In 1922 Peachland charge was formed, and Hopewell became a part of it.

By this time the Sunday school had grown until the building had to be enlarged. This was done in 1930, but the work was not completed until the following year. The Sunday school continued to grow until two more classes needed to be provided for, which was promptly done.

Again in 1939 Hopewell suffered from another devastating fire which was a total loss. But soon the people got the present building under construction, which is a beautiful modern brick veneer structure, costing approximately $11,000, and will be dedicated May 3, at 11 a. m., by the district superintendent, Rev. G. T. Bond. All former pastors and friends are cordially invited to attend. Lunch will be served at the church and there will be an afternoon service which will provide an opportunity for each former pastor to make a short talk.

C. J. Winslow, Pastor.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

The religious emphasis week at High Point College has just closed after having a series of lectures by Dr. Hornell Hart. Dr. Hart spoke on the general theme, "Religion and Us in 1942." The students on the campus were in charge of the programs.

Miss Grace Bivins, pianist, and Miss Zelma Parnell, soprano, gave a point recital in the college audtorium on Monday evening. This was the initial solo recital of the year and was well received by students and townspeople.

Next Saturday, May 2, the annual spring festival will be held on the college campus. Preparations are being made to entertain a large number of high school seniors who will be visiting the college on that day. The regular May Day program is being directed by Miss Elizabeth Jo Chapman, woman's athletic director. A partiotic theme will be carried out in the dances, portraying "The America of 1942."

Parents' day will be held at High Point College on Sunday, May 3. At this time the parents, or close relatives, of the students are invited to visit the college campus. This is the first of such occasions to be observed at High Point College, but it is desired that it become a tradition.

HAYES BARTON, RALEIGH, GROWS AND PROSPERS

On Sunday morning, April 26, the Hayes Barton Methodist church in Raleigh had a special service of dedication for the Everette Orgatron and the Maas Cathedral Chimes. The electric organ, recently cleared of debt, was given by the woman's society and the Wesleyan Guild. The electric chimes were given by Mrs. George D. Richardson and her daughters, Carol, Emily and Virginia. The organist, Mrs. O. D. McLeod, provided a program of special music on these two instruments. The pastor, Rev. R. L. Jerome, led in the service of dedication and preached a sermon on music and religion.

The woman's society has recently put in a new carpet on the entire church floor, and the Wesleyan Guild and John O. Evans put in a kneeling pad at the altar. A leather bound copy of the Methodist Hymnal was presented to the church recently for use on the pulpit by Sallie Gibbons and Hope Ruark, grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ruark. At the district conference held April 22 the Hayes Barton church reported all items, such as World Service, orphanage, etc., paid one-half for the year. So far this year we have received 47 new members. We feel that we are making progress in this new church and enjoy the fellowship with many choice people.

R. L. Jerome.

A TRIBUTE TO DR. H. C. MORRISON

Having known him and his far-reaching services as a Methodist preacher and as a proponent of full salvation, I am asking the Advocate to express a few things from my heart concerning him.

By those who know it is said of him that at his death he was the oldest un-retired Methodist preacher and the oldest editor in the world. In Florida I heard him once a day for ten days. His last sermon there was preached January 12, 1942. He continued to preach until the day before he died, at which time he was preaching in a revival in a Methodist church in Elizabethton, Tenn. For 60 years he never ceased from the battle front. He said he had spent enough days on camp grounds in camp meetings to make over six full calendar years. Beyond question he had preached to more congregated people than any living Protestant minister of this present generation.

Three things about him greatly impressed me: First of all he believed the Bible; stood firm before all its critics and preached a full salvation from all sin, as truly as Wesley without and degree of compromise or let up. He never changed. Second, his courage. He was built for the battle front. He never sheathed his sword nor beat retreat. He stood among enemies who persecuted, among critics who tried to gainsay him, faced a frowning world which tried to freeze down his zeal and fervor; but in every place he was firm and fervent. Third, his gifts as a preacher. No greater pulpiteer has lived among us. No crowd was ever too large, too dull, too critical or too intellectual to heed the sweep of his eloqeunce, the power of his argument, the inspiration of his spirit and the grandeur of his personality. His proclamation of the gospel of the atonement and the blessedness of Christian experience will never be forgotten by those who heard him. Thank God for this.

Finally, I am most of all impressed with his unblamable life of holiness. During his lifetime hundreds of ministers and others who professed the experience and taught the doctrine of holiness, side-stepped, fell down on the job, ran into fanaticism, fell into disrepute, brought disgrace upon the cause and died under a shadow, but Henry Clay Morrison went straight up the highway of holiness for sixty years and preached around the world among friends and foes, and there never has been a shadow or reflection against his character or reputation. Like Wesley he was blameless. I thank God for this. It is another proof of this glorious grace of full salvation, its power, its sufficiency, its blessedness. He has gone up to hear the Father say, "Well done, good and faithful one. There is nothing against you." Glory to God. Among his last words were these: "As I face death and eternity I sing in my heart, 'In my hand no price I bring, simply to thy cross I cling.' My faith in Jesus Christ is without doubt. He is a mighty Christ. Blessed be his name forever."

His going reminds us of Bunyan's description of the home going of Christian: "Now I saw in my dream, he went in at the gate; and lo, as he entered he was transfigured and he had raiment put on that shone like gold. Then I heard in my dream that all the bells in heaven rang again for joy, Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Some who read this will remember him at the Salisbury conference 21 years ago. His ministry blessed us. Fellow Christians, let us trust his Saviour as he did. Some may think strange of me writing this at length, but my heart is so constrained. I love his Saviour. I love you who read, and many of you long to know Christ as he knew him. May he be thus revealed to you in his fullness of salvation.

Your heaven bound Christian brother, in God's mercy,

Jim H. Green.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT LINEBERRY CHURCH

The memorial service for the Lineberry church on the South Davidson charge will be observed the first Sunday in May. Rev. J. W. Frank, a returned missionary from Japan, will be one of the speakers. Several groups will assist in the program by singing special selections. All day service; dinner on the grounds. Everybody is invited.

I shall continue the work for the Advocate until all Methodist homes take their paper. The brethren are responding as well as they possibly can.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

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*John Cline, Branson.
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*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.

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*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

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*R. S. Harrison, Southport.

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*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

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*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

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*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hills, Liberty Ct.
*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

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*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.

Winston-Salem District

*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
3*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

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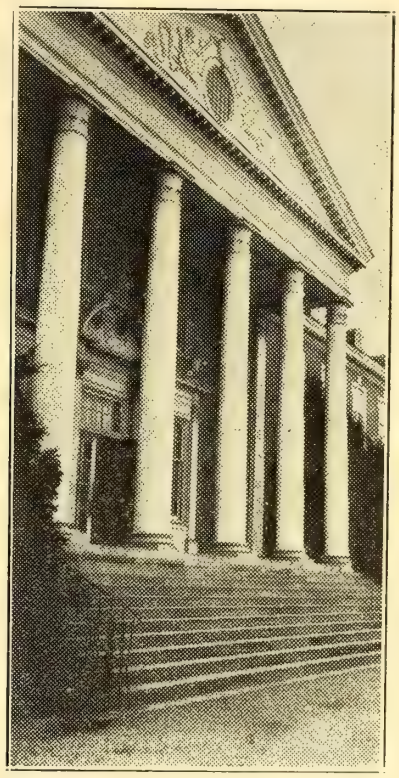
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MORE DISTRICT MEETINGS

Announcement of the seven district meetings to be held in the W. N. C. conference in the month of April was made in the issue of the Advocate of April 9, and this week we are glad to give the dates of the meetings of the other four districts to be held in May and June, and which are as follows:

Salisbury district— Central church, Concord, May 8.

Statesville district—Newton Methodist church, June 2.

Gastonia district—Lincolnton Methodist church, June 3.

Charlotte district — First church, Charlotte, June 8.

At each of these meetings there will be conference officers and other visitors, who will contribute to the interest of the days' programs with messages of information and inspiration, and we predict successful and enjoyable meetings in each district.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT W. S. C. S., W. N. C. CONFERENCE

The second annual report of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina conference, held in Wesley Memorial church, High Point, March 11-13, has come from the press and is being distributed to the local societies. We feel that our conference is due a vote of thanks to Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., the efficient recording secretary, for her promptness in the issuance of these interestings records, and the accuracy of its contents. From the first to the last of its 116 pages it is full of valuable information for the women in the societies of Christian service and we urge a study of this record by the local societies.

We congratulate our 11 district secretaries upon the dedication of this journal to them, "in recognition of their unselfish service in the districts that have been committed to their care. In addition to the daily proceedings of the 1942 sessions of the conference there is valuable information from every department of our work with recommendations and plans for its success in the new year found in this attractive journal, also the Constitution and By-Laws of the conference, district and local societies of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and of the Wesleyan Service Guild, which will be so helpful in the promotion of our work. The financial report on page 50 is of special interest, carrying the record of another great year financially in our work, showing a total for 1942 of $62,901.99. Pages 24 and 85 carry the names of 157 faithful workers in our missionary ranks who have, during the past year, answered the call to "Come up higher," this service of remembrance of these workers having been impressively conducted by Mrs. J .W. Chandler of High Point.

ZONE MEETINGS — STATESVILLE DISTRICT

By Mrs. Walter Kimmons

Zone No. 4, Statesville district, Woman's Society of Christian Service, met at Williamson Chapel church Wednesday, April 8, at 10 o'clock, with Mrs. Fred Clark of Mooresville as presiding officer, and Mrs. Walter Kimmons acting as secretary.

Opening devotional was conducted by Rev. C .F. Tate, with the opening hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," followed by prayer. Mrs. Sherrill extended greetings, with response by Mrs. A. G. Lackey of Shepherd. A vocal solo, "Beautiful Garden of Prayer," was sung by Mrs. W. W. Washam of Cornelius. Roll call showed 11 societies represented. "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung and was followed by a talk by Mrs. W. W. Washam, secretary of study, who urged that each society report their study classes as early as possible. Mrs. P. D. Lipe of Mooresville presented the work of the Christian social relations department, and was followed by a play, "Eternal Life," presented by the Mooresville Dramatic Club, under the direction of Miss Jennie Mecum. Lunch was served in the basement of the church and was followed by an afternoon service which opened with the song "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go." A worship service was led by Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, who read the 6th chapter of Isaiah, followed by silent prayer. Mrs. Washaw sang "I Want to Be a Christian." Mrs. Hornbuckle stressed the importance of prayer, urging each one present to set aside each day some time for prayer. Mrs. H. A. Posten of Shepherd, secretary of literature and publications, emphasized the importance of subscribing and reading the World Outlook, The Methodist Woman and the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Mrs. Roy Lazenby of Statesville, secretary of supplies, brought out the value of the supply department, and Mrs. T. V. Goode, Statesville district secretary, spoke on the efficiency aim for 1942.

Mrs. E. L. Rice of Statesville, returned missionary from China, was a most interesting speaker, calling attention to the needs and conditions of China as she saw them while there. She closed her talk with a fervent prayer which was followed by the closing hymn, "God Be With You," and benediction by Rev. C. F. Tate, pastor of the church.

MISSIONARIES VISIT ASHEVILLE

A group of 31 missionaries, including representatives of missions in Africa, China, Cuba, India, Japan, the Philippines, South America and Sumatra were in Asheville during the past week on a tour of religious projects in this section, including the Lord's Acre Movement. While here the party was entertained at luncheon by Rev .and Mrs. Dumont Clarke and heard Mr. Clarke, one of the leaders of the Lord's Acre Movement of the Farmers' Federation discuss the move-. They also saw motion pictures of the movement and were taken on a tour of Lord's Acre projects in Buncombe and Henderson counties. This group was from Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn., and Miss Mabel K. Howell, professor of missions at Scarritt, was the leader of the group.

PASSING OF MRS. MATTIE H. STEWART

The news of the death of Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart of Charlotte brings deepest sorrow to her host of friends in our Western North Carolina conconference who knew and loved her. She died in the early morning of April 13 suddenly in a Charlotte hospital, where she had been for several days. For many years Mrs. Stewart was actively identified with the woman's work in the W. N. C. conference in an official position, serving as district secretary of the Charlotte dictrict from 1896-1904; recording secretary for two years, 1911-1912, being the secretary at the time of the union of the home and foreign societies, at Gastonia in 1912. She was in charge of the children's work from 1914-1916, filling all of these important offices with ability and efficiency. She was an active member of First church, Charlotte, being interested in all its activities and holding responsible positions in its departments, especially the Sunday school, where she served faithfully for years. Hers was a beautiful, consecrated Christian life and her greatest desire was to know and do the will of her heavenly Father. The Charlotte Observer of April 19 carried a beautiful tribute to her, which we quote:

"Among Charlotte's most estimable and beloved women was Mrs. Hattie Stewart ,who has suddenly been taken from a life of exceeding activity and and useful living.

Devoted as she was to home and the church, both of which claimed her major interests and enthusiasms, Mrs. Stewart gave much of her intelligent and faithful leadership to the organizations of D. A. R. and the U. D. C., in both of which she was active and influential. Her first outside consecrations were centered, however, in the various women's activities of the First Methodist church, in which faith she was reared, and to the congregational duties to which she gave unstintingly of her time and energy. In every sphere of service and in every rank, in which she usually spent herself, she was held in devoted esteem by those who appreciated her unselfish and generous outpourings."

We shall cherish her memory and extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy in their sorrow.

If our religion does not make us courteous, we need to examine it with anxiety.—Dr. Roy Smith.

The glory of life is to love, not to be loved; to give, not to get; to serve, not to be served.—Hugh Black.

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A PRIORITY WORD—"GO."

"We do not come to Jesus to go out and do nothing, but to learn what to do and to do it," said Miss Lucy Steele, professor of Bible at Peace College, in the second noon day meditation at the recent annual conference at Edenton Street church. "Sin is not only what we do, but we can sin by doing nothing if we ought to be doing something. We are to go and think in terms of the extent to which we go—we are to go to all! . . . In this time of world crisis we still have a message to take to all the world. Our opportunity will be of holding aloft, not our American ideals, but of holding aloft the message of Christ.. If the light should go out in all the world excepting one nation, that nation can keep the light burning. The first priority word of Jesus, "Come"; the second, "Go." Where shall we go? We should go just where we are and light a candle. We are not going as parachuters in this war, but as candle lighters. Christian responsibility is respond-ability.

A GENEROUS ACT

Mrs. A. D. Craig of Wilmington, New Hanover zone leader, has volunteered to donate 50 cents to add to each 75 cents given by any member of her society for a combined subscription to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. This offer will be of one month's duration and we are confident that many will take advantage of it. At the recent meeting of Wilmington district W. S. C. S. at Rosehill, Mrs. Craig made that same offer for the day and it is reported that she received 12 new subscriptions. We are happy to pass on this information and suggestion to others who might wish to use such a means to circulate our two missionary publications. Let's have at least one-third increase in subscriptions in every society this year, and let's work toward the end that our slogan, "Every officer in every society a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook," may be-

MRS. BRAGG SPEAKS

On April 7, 8, 9 the N. C. conference was honored and greatly enriched by the visits and addresses of several distinguished guests, among whom were Dr. John R. Mott, Dr. Y. C. Yang, Bishops Clare Purcell and Paul B. Kern and Mrs. J .D. Bragg. The latter, of St. Louis, Mo., is president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, representing more than 250,000 women of American Methodism. Speaking upon the subject, "Channels of Missionary Action," Mrs. Bragg declared that "Messages are coming from our missionaries that they are safe and well, seeking to do what they can for God. They are our channels of missionary action for God. . . . God works his plans through individuals. He has never worked his plans any other way and if we are to make a success of God's plans we have a responsibility to the young people of our church that we be informed. We have literature and publications and that is one method of carrying out God's plans. We see people who are eager to help but we do not know enough about the work to help them. . . . We should personalize our missionaries and missionary work. We can go into all parts of the world where people need Christ and there we will find the channels of missionary action and we will be thrilled by the work that is being done there. . . . Are we sending our young people out to be channels of action for Christ? May we go out and be channels of action for him."

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT MEETS

Almost an overflow attendance was in evidence at Warenton Methodist church on April 14, when Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, called the meeting of her district to order. Mrs. Johnson had chosen for the theme of the program "The voice of God is calling." As each meditation, report or address was given the speaker emphasized that the voice of God is calling through the various departments of work of the missionary enterprise and through other activities in the Christian life. The principal addresses were made by Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president Southeastern Jurisdictional W. S. C. S.; Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, president N. C. Conference W. S. C. S.; Mrs. R. H. Lewis, Wanchese, returned missionary to Korea. Speaking on the departments of work were: Mrs. J. C. Burwell, Warrenton, spiritual life; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, conference secretary of publicity and publications, literature and publications; Miss Fannie Robinson, Norlina, supplies; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. H. L. Johnson, Milwaukee, C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. L. L. Larkin, Rocky Mount, young women and girls' work; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education, mission study. Other topics discussed were: Programs, Mrs. Tom Dixon, Elm City; week of prayer, Mrs. V. F. Moss, Wilson, Mrs. H. I. Coggins, Milwaukee; efficiency aim, Mrs. James Mustain, Providence society; Scarritt Associates, Mrs. Allen Lee, Scotland Neck; Mrs. Rod Jordan, Sharon society, led the opening meditation, and Mrs. M. Y. Self, Farmville, led the afternoon devotional. Miss Josephine Dameron extended a welcome to which Mrs. Bruce Russell, Tarboro, responded. Mrs. H. D. Taylor and Miss Annie Taylor, accompanied at the piano by Miss Margaret Hayes, sang "Pilot Me, O Gracious Saviour." These three were representatives of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Pleasant Grove church. Two honorary baby life membership were presented and one honorary adult life membership, the latter to Mrs. J. C. Burwell, immediate past leader of Warren zone. Mrs. E. R. Clegg, present zone leader, spoke feelingly of Mrs. Burwell's service in the Master's cause. All zone leaders present made encouraging reports. These included Mrs. Henry Maddrey, Northampton, Miss Eleanor Lamb, Quinn Counties; Mrs. E. R. Clegg, Warren. Mrs. R. C. Reeves represented Halifax zone and Mrs. L. N. Stephenson, Southern-Central zone leader, was prevented attending because of illness. A fellowship luncheon was served by the Warrenton Garden Club. Rev. W. L. Maness pronounced the benediction.

OUR CONFERENCE EXHIBIT

During the annual meeting of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. in Raleigh last month the department of literature and publications sponsored an exhibit of posters, scrap books, original year books and other items which have been used by some of the societies for the promotion of the missionary education, Christian social relations and local church activities, literature and publications, children's work, Wesleyan Service Guilds, and other departments of our woman's organization. These items were lent for the exhibit by Mrs. A. B. Deans, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. Mary Green of Henderson, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway, Mrs. A. B. Craven, Creedmoor, your editor and perhaps others. We are grateful for the interest manifested in the exhibit and are hopeful that when conference convenes in Wilson next year the exhibit will be even larger, more interesting and more helpful. Many thanks to all who contributed to our first exhibit.

M. S. A. BANQUET FUND

Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth is again sharing with us a current copy of the interesting bulletin published by the Methodist Student Association at East Carolina Teachers College. One item in the bulletin is particularly indicative of the selfless and Christ-like spirit of the Methodist students at E. C. T. C., whose many activities are under the direction of Miss Tittsworth. The item headed "Banquet Fund" stated: "A division of the banquet fund into more widespread use has been worked out by the M. S. A. cabinet. The plan is to use $18.50 for a war savings defense savings bond to be given to the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh; $25 will be used to send a student to the student conference at Lake Junaluska in June and the remainder for a gift for the Methodist Student Center."

SYMPATHY TO MISS STEGAR

Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess at East Laurinburg, was called ed to her home in Nashville, Tenn., recently because of illness and death of her sister. Our hearts go out to Miss Stegar in her hour of sorrow and our prayers that God's blessing may be upon her.

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AN INSIDE FIGHT

I have just been talking to a rapidly growing, outspoken, self-centered 14-year-old girl. This girl has been a sort of annoying influence in her cottage and at school for the past several months. Our conversation has had to do with the difference in being a good and a bad girl. The girl readily admitted that sometimes she felt like fighting her evil temperament, but that she did not feel that way long enough to get good results. She admitted that sometimes she talked to the Lord about herself but that she left most of the job to be done by the Lord. So the girl talked while the tears rolled down her face. Apparently there was a reawakening and a renewal of effort against the bad that was on the inside so that the good might come on the outside. Some confidence was expressed to the girl as she purposed to fight her evil tendencies and to let her healthy body grow into a lovable girl.

AN OUTSIDE EXPRESSION

One of our fine girls who graduated from high school last June was privileged to attend a junior college for half of the present scholastic year. Financial conditions were such as to cause this girl to have to drop out of school and continue her business course, the work she was most interested in. Most everythnig has broken poorly for the girl. But in spite of this a letter just received states, "There certainly is one thing I have learned since I have been out of the Home, and that is that life surely isn't any bed of roses. But I think I have more or less profited by my experiences rather than harmed by them. I will always remember the Home for the start it has given me. Everything I learned there has been of help to me. Every time I go back I appreciate the things I got there more and more. I only wish that the ones there now could have a way of experiencing the things which I have had to put up with before they graduate. I am sure such would cause them to study much harder and appreciate their privileges much more readily."

DARING TO DO

Many letters come from our boys in camp and on the fighting front. They are ready to give the best they have at the job that is before them. James Hart, who graduates from an air corps on May 7, writes that he is anxious to get into the fight, that he proposes to do the thing that seems to be necessary at a time like this. He wants to be a straight-shooter. He was our varsity baseball pitcher when he was here and now he wants to send another sort of ball straight to the mark. It is too bad the ball is not a baseball. He closes his letter with this statement: "Let us lay aside every weight . . . and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."

SAFE AND SOUND

Jim Edwards had an interesting career while he was at the Children's Home and has had an even more interesting one since he left. As soon as he was old enough he enlisted in a naval unit and was stationed for a while at Norfolk. In the run of time he was transferred to the Pacific fleet and was on the warship Pecos when it was shot from under him in the East Indies. For weeks we wondered as to what had become of Jim. At length his brother, William, wired from Seattle that Jim had arrived in San Francisco safe and sound. Doubtless the young man, a handsome and purposeful lad, as waiting for another ship to be used in doing what his former ship did not get completed. That's Jim's spirit.

THE WATER RUNS

For months we have been getting ready to reinforce our water supply. Priority ratings have delayed us in getting materials of one sort and another throughout the entire winter, but now the six-inch water main is laid and connected, giving protection to our barns and cattle as well as a better flow of water for our entire premises. Water now runs in our place from the north as well as from the south. Check valves are so arranged as to keep the water from getting out when it once gets in.

THEY WON VICTORIES

The picture this week is that of our girls' varsity basketball team. These girls won the South Piedmont Conference high school championship trophy and also the North Carolina orphanage tournament trophy, not having lost a game in either conference. The total season record for these young ladies was 18 games won, one tied and two lost. From left to right the girls are Jane Kluttz, Mary Edith Proctor, Phyllis Shook, Nancy Gibson, Wilba Stanfield, Hazel Tickle, Coach Fishel, Margaret Ballinger, Sue Marshall, Mary Hilda Gibson, Dorothy Yarbrough, Sarah Kate Maree and Elizabeth Mullis. Five of these girls, Jane, Wilba, Sue, Mary Hilda and Sarah Kate are graduating in June.

TEN PLUS TWO

The Farmer circuit is composed of eight congregations. Its pastor, while not yet an old man, has spent 33 years in the itinerancy. He has a son who is a district superintendent in one of the Missouri conferences. This circuit rider, Rev. J. O. Ervin, has just forwarded a check covering not only the ten per cent, but the additional two per cent apportionment for his charge, listing complete payment from every one of the eight congregations. Such is the spirit that wins.

BONUS PRODUCER

Mrs. J. J. Snider of Robbinsville writes: "Last week I mailed you a check for $80 covering our ten per cent apportionment. On account of the higher cost of living we decided to send an additional $16, check for which is enclosed."

Rev. H .D. Garmon, a product of the former Methodist Protestant Children's Home, is our effective pastor at Robbinsville.

ENCOURAGING MESSAGES

Thomas S. Golden of First church, Hickory, writes: "Our men's class wishes to pay $325, covering the entire year's support of Jack Hayworth. I would like to have his picture so that our men may see the likeness of their boy from time to time."

W. E. Kreeger of Pilot Mountain writes: "For once in a long time, if ever, we are glad to send our full ten per cent apportionment. May heaven's blessings rest upon the Children's Home and the great work it is doing."



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HAPPY OCCASION — The account of the Junior-Senior banquet was written by Ethel Lee Minshew, one of our senior girls. Ethel Lee is one of our nicest girls, and I am sure our friends will read with interest what she says about that happy occasion.

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BOARD MEETING — The executive committee of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage has called a meeting of the board of trustees on June 10. A full attendance is earnestly desired and confidently expected. Our trustees are deeply interested in the affairs of the Methodist Orphanage, and consider it a great honor to serve in that capacity. Their devotion to our children is sincerely appreciated by the pastors and the church membership of the North Carolina conference.

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SINGING CLASS — Mrs. Rives writes as follows: "The singing class spent a delightful day April 19 with Rev. W. L. Maness and friends at New Hope and Rehobeth churches, on the Northampton charge, near Jackson. Mr. Maness had advertised our coming well, and our congregations were fine. The hours for services were 12 and four respectively. For this reason we reached home earlier in the evening. It has been some time since we had a visit there, and it was good to see these friends again."

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JUNIOR - SENIOR BANQUET — Saturday evening, April 18, was a very happy occasion for the Methodist Orphanage Juniors and Seniors and the several guests who were present at the Junior and Senior banquet at 7:30 in the Methodist Orphanage dining hall. The Juniors had the dining room beautifully decorated in a very patriotic way with the tables draped in U. S. flags and patriotic colors, arranged "V" shape. Everyone looked unusually well, especially the girls in their dresses of the different pastel shades. Among the honored guests were Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pridgen, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Sanderson, Dr. F. S. Smith, Mr. F. J. Smith and all the high school teachers. The program consisted of toasts to members of the staff, songs, gifts to Seniors and Juniors and a recitation. The menu was a very delicius one. We all thought it one of the lovliest and most enjoyable banquets ever given at the Methodist Orphanage. Ethel Lee Minshew.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE — Forty of our children joined Edenton Street Methodist church recently. Dr. Glenn and Brother Overton received them into the church in a most impressive manner. Practically all of our boys and girls and workers were present at the ten o'clock service. A goodly number of the members of Edenton Street church witnessed the service. I have never heard a group of children answer the questions more intelligently than they. It was one of the most sacred occasions I have ever witnessed. Our cottage mothers stood with the children in the place of their own mothers. There must have been rejoicing among the angels as they witnessed that beautiful scene. Every child in the Methodist Orphanage above six years of age is a member of the Methodist church. I wonder if there is any other community in the North Carolina conference where all the children above six years of age are members of the church. Over a period of several weeks Brother Overton met with our children, and trained and prepared them for intelligent church membership. Our supreme task is to bring up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN JUNE This is to be a red letter day in the history of the Methodist Orphanage. On that day the men's organized Bible classes will send representatives to the Methodist Orphanage to participate in an interesting program. Due to the war situation we do not expect more than five delegates from each organized class. One car will be all that is necessary to convey the delegates to and from the meeting. We are not asking and urging men organized Bible classes to send delegates from the outlying districts of the conference. Dr. B. G. Childs will make the principal address on that occasion. The Methodist Orphanage glee club will render several selections. The address of Dr. Childs, and the selections by the glee club will be broadcast. There will be other interesting exercises by the smaller children. The delegates will visit the different cottages and hobnob with the boys and girls of the home. I am calling the attention of the men's Bible classes to the fourth Sunday in June now, so they may make their plans in advance to be on hand. Anyone else who wishes to come will be welcomed. Dr. Childs will communicate with the men's Bible classes a little later. He is not expecting a large, but a representative gathering.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

1. If Jesus could effect such remarkable changes in those distorted lives, what can he not do for normal persons? Consider the effect of Jesus on John, Peter, Zaccheus!

2. Why not shift our negative Sunday emphasis to a positive ministry of service? The day could be made memorable not for indulgence but for worship and service. Calls on sick, strangers or solitary persons would put a new value in the day.

3. How can we teach people that worship is creative, cleansing, and constructive?—Karl Quimby.

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CREWS COMES THROUGH

With the leadership of Mr. Allen, Brother Thompson, and Mrs. Beenson, Church School Rally Day at Crews was a happy and successful occasion. The program was planned well in advance, attendance was good, and an offering of $18.41 was received. Crews has set a good example for the rest of the district and the conference also. This special observance affords an excellent opportunity to re-emphasize the values of a well planned program of Christian education in the church and community. The leaders of this school are giving of their best to make this possible for their entire constituency.

Pleasant Grove and Meadow Grove

These two churches in the Waynesville and Marion districts share with Crews the honor of being among the first to report on a successful observance of Church School Day. We are grateful to Brother Hoyle, Mr. Grose and Brother Peace for planning for this activity early in the season. They will be able to report this item complete for the year at district conference.

Cornerstone Laying, Pfeiffer College

Another historic day was recorded in the development of Pfeiffer College on last Tuesday, when the cornerstones were laid for Washington Hall, a new dormitory for boys, and for the Henry Pfeiffer Chapel. Those persons participating in the services were Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, Mrs. W. H. C. Goode, Dr. C. N. Clark, Dr. W. S. Sharp, Mrs. Garfield Merner, and Brother Courtney Ross. Music was furnished by the college glee club. We rejoice with the leaders of this college that they can build even while there is so much destruction going on in the world.

Vacation Church Schools

This is the season when plans are being made for vacation schools in so many of our churches. There is no finer opportunity for increased emphasis on Christian education than that afforded during this summer activity. Miss Oliver and an excellent corp of district directors are helping with this work throughout the conference. Persons needing further information should contact Miss Oliver or their district director.

District Conferences

This open season for district conferences. During the next few weeks thousands of our Methodist people from Cherokee to Currituck will assemble for these annual occasions. These conferences provide excellent opportunities for attending to important business of the church and for fine Christian fellowship.

Summer Camps and Assemblies

A recent announcement has gone out concerning these activities for the summer. The future is uncertain, but we are going ahead with those responsibilities that have been committed to us. Let us hope and pray that the work of the church will not be handicapped unduly during these critical days in which we are living.

Conference Council at Sunny Acres

With representatives from ten of the 11 districts in the conference present, the conference Council of the Methodist Youth Fellowship had a most significant meeting at Sunny Acres on April 10-12. Discussions were led by various members of the group. Every phase of the program for the local church, the sub-district, and for the conference was considered, and significant conclusions were reached concerning the work during the uncertain months ahead. These persons in attendance were:

Asheville district—
Miss Clara Ross.
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Miss Clara May Freeman.
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RABBIT BOUND

By Alice Annette Larkin

"It has been a long time," said Mother Rabbit, "since I have seen a Fairy." The little rabbits, Bun, Son, Fun, Hon, Run, and Little One, all wiggled long soft ears, hoping to hear more.

"They will never come unless there is a Fairy Ring," said Mother Rabbit.

Not a little rabbit had ever heard before of a Fairy Ring, but all sat up straight and still.

"Rabbits are the only creatures in the word that can make a Fairy Ring," announced Mother Rabbit.

The ears of all the little rabbits flopped down, for no one knew how to make a Fairy Ring; so how could a Fairy Ring be made?

"If Dad Rabbit will help us we shall make a Fairy Ring tonight," said Mother Rabbit.

Every little rabbit's ears went right up; for whatever Mother Rabbit promised was done, and surely Dad Rabbit would help!

When the moon rose—a small and curved new moon—Dad Rabbit came home with a hop.

"Yes, indeed," said Rabbit when Mother Rabbit asked him if he would lead the night in making a Fairy Ring. Did not the Rabbit Family know how to make Fairy Rings? Were not the Fairy Rings made by the particular Rabbit Family of which he came the best and roundest of Fairy Rings? Was this not just the time to make magic circles when spring was here with breeze and sunshine?

Hours passed, and though every little rabbit tried not to nod, everyone had fallen fast asleep and had had a good nap when Mother Rabbit went the rounds of her little family and touched every one with a soft, furry paw. By nature and training every little rabbit knew how to wake at less than a word and how to be alert on the instant; so up at a touch they were.

Wide awake all, away they started, Dad Rabbit in the lead. He called each little rabbit by name in the order he wanted them to follow him: "Bun, Son, Fun, Hon, Run and Little One." Mother Rabbit brought up the rear. With a hop, skip and jump the procession went toward the deep woods. They went farther and farther, till Dad Rabbit brought them to a place in the forest where the trees left a spot bare and sunny enough for grass to creep in and grow.

"Here," said Dad Rabbit, "we shall make the Fairy Ring."

Every little rabbit wondered how they were to make a Fairy Ring, but rabbits are no great talkers; so as Dad Rabbit and Mother Rabbit had sat down on their haunches to rest, every little rabbit did the same. They sat as still, only now and then wagging a long, soft ear. They sat quite still until every little rabbit's four legs, the fore legs and the long hind legs, felt rested and ready to run.

Then suddenly Dad Rabbit jumped to the midst of the open space in the forest, where grass might creep and grow, and called, "Follow me!"

Around he ran, making in the middle of the open space a perfect circle. He called his children by name.

Every little rabbit jumped to his place as called, all following right in the tracks of Dad Rabbit.

"Dame Dew, gentle one, help us!" breathed Dad Rabbit.

Every little rabbit and Mother Rabbit breathed the same words. Round and round they sped. No bird could fly faster than these rabbits ran.

"Rider Wind, help us!" whispered Dad Rabbit. Every little rabbit whispered the same request to the strong one.

"Drummer Rain, help us!" murmured Dad Rabbit. Every little rabbit echoed the murmur to the noisy one.

"Last Autumn Grass, busy one, help us!" pleaded Dad Rabbit. Every little rabbit repeated that plea.

"Sister Sunshine, merry one, help us!" continued Dad Rabbit. Every little rabbit made the same entreaty. None paused a moment or made a misstep as they spun round the circle. Not till rabbit paws and claws had made the round of that ring as loose and as carefully prepared as if hoe and spade had prepared the soil for sowing of seed therein did Dad Rabbit stop. He stopped as suddenly as he had started. Out of the circle edge he leaped. Out of the ring every little rabbit and Mother Rabbit leaped, just as Dad Rabbit had done. With a hop, skip and jump, all came in a bunch together under a spreading Live Oak tree, and there they sat to rest after the running till going-home time.

Dame Dew did help to make the Fairy Ring, for she sent up drops clear as crystal to dampen the circle edge that rabbit claws and rabbit paws had made. Last Autumn Grass helped, for it loosened the seed it had made in summer and had held all winter. Rider Wind helped—he came rushing along and seized the seeds Autumn Grass now so lightly held and scattered them in the pulverized Ring of earth. Drummer Rain helped—he came tumbling down from the sky and beat the scattered seed firmly into the circles of soil made soft. Sister Sunshine did her part—she warmed the seed and the earth where Rain had beaten them.

Later, there in the open space in the forest where grass could creep and grow, there was to be seen a circle of green, green grass; greener, oh, much greener, than any grass in the whole world! Any and all who passed and saw that circle cried, "A Fairy Ring!"

Did the Fairies come to dance therein? Did the rabbits see the Fairies dancing there? Ah, who can tell. But anyone can tell that after the Rabbit Round grows green, there is no more snow that year.—The Congregationalist.

TWO LITTLE GIRLS I KNEW

I know a little girl
(You? Oh, no!)
Who, when she's to go to bed,
Does just so—
She brings a dozen wrinkles out,
And takes the dimples in;
She puckers up her pretty lips,
And then she does begin—
"Oh, dear me! I don't see why;
All others sit up late.
And why can't I?"

Another little girl I know,
With curly pate,
Who says, "When I'm a great big girl
I'll sit up late.
But mamma says 'twill make me grow
To be an early bird."
So she and her dolly trot away
Without another word.
Oh, the sunny smile and the eye so blue,
And—why, yes, now I think of it,
She looks like you.

—Youth's Companion.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

The school inspector, testing the faculty of observation in the pupils, crossed the platform, shifting his fountain pen from one pocket to another. "Now, what did I do?"

A small girl held up her hand.

"You crossed in front of teacher without saying 'Excuse me,'" she said. —Exchange.

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Minister (to parents of new baby): Do you realize what hope should dawn in your hearts today? Think of the future that may be before this dear child. He may one day become a clergyman like myself, or maybe a brave sea captain or a noble soldier. He may even rise to the glorious heights of an illustrious statesman. What are you going to name him?

Mother: Myrtle Elizabeth.

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Teacher—Give me a sentence with an object.

Boy—Teacher, you are very beautiful.

Teacher—What is the object?

Boy—A good mark.—Exchange.

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 3

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By Rollin H. Walker

Sunday: The Day of Acclaim

Mark 11:1-11; Luke Luke 19:41-44

Jesus knew to a dread certainty that Jerusalem would reject him, but the same realism that made him see his coming fate at the hands of the chief priests made him also see that the multitude of pilgrims who had witnessed his mighty works could not be kept back from making a demonstration in his favor. But Jesus was careful to turn this inevitable outburst of popular enthusiasm into right directions. He would not enter into Jerusalem on a horse, for horses were used by military leaders. He came meek and riding on an ass, as the old prophet had predicted (Zechariah 9:9).

The geyser of praise which cried, Hosanna, blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord! was inspired of the Holy Spirit. It was a foretaste of Pentecost, and a symbol of what eventually will happen all over the earth when religion will break loose from its repressions, and men will be far more spontaneous in their joyful enthusiasm for Christ than they now are at an athletic game, or a political convention. Won't it be wonderful when it will seem perfectly natural for some one to start a joyful hymn in a crowded street car?

When the Pharisees demanded that he quiet his jubilant followers, Jesus replied, If these hold their peace the stones would cry out (Luke 19:40). This is one of the most extraordinary claims Jesus ever made. It says, The very powers of the universe must witness to me.

In allowing this demonstration Jesus accepted the Messianic role. Formerly he had admonished his disciples to tell no man that he was the Christ. Now, without the slightest protest, he allows the multitude to proclaim him as the son of David who was coming to set up the kingdom of his Father. Why this change of policy? It was not a change in his own conception of his office and mission. All along in his previous ministry Jesus had assumed an authority that no mere man would dare to assume (Matt. 7:22, 23; 21:33-42; Luke 10:22). But the word Messiah was infected, and to the popular mind suggested a military conqueror who would overcome their Roman oppressors. This false hope Jesus desired to quench, lest its disappointment would cause the people to lose faith altogether; and he was also anxious to give no excuse to the Roman authorities for cutting short his ministry. But now conditions had changed. He knew that his end had come, and that to enter into Jerusalem with a crowd of unarmed peasants, right in the presence of the big Roman garrison, was on the face of it not a military demonstration.

We see in this incident, if one may be allowed to say so, Jesus the astute politician. If he had not allowed the pilgrims the privilege of this pageant of praise and heavenly hilarity, he would have deprived them of a joyful memory. The populace of Jerusalem also needed this witness borne to them by the Galilean pilgrims. And the centuries needed it. The story puts color into the gospels. It is something that the children delight to hear about. It has given an opportunity to the painters. And if Jesus had not allowed himself thus publicly to be proclaimed as the fulfillment of the hopes of the Old Testament, there would be ground for saying that really he was uncertain of himself.

But our Lord was not for a moment deceived into expecting that this demonstration would stay the hands of his enemies, for as the shining splendor of the temple burst upon his view the tears filled his eyes and he sobbed aloud. His weeping, however, was not self-pity but sorrow for the approaching dreadful fate of Jerusalem. Our Lord knew that as a result of rejecting his program for setting up the kingdom of God, an insane patriotism would make them seek to restore the kingdom by throwing off the Roman yoke. In his vivid imaginatnoin he saw the city surrounded by Caesar's troops, and then at the end black desolation. And how quickly his premonition was fulfilled ;and alas! the destruction of Jerusalem was nothing as compared with the fate of this Christ-rejecting people all through the centuries. May the time soon come when their eyes will be opened, and they will see in the Nazarene the Deliverer from their age-long heartache. What a marvelous power for good they will then become! As Paul says, their turning to Christ will be as life from the dead.

WHAT IS MAN?

An ape when doing just as others do; or when lacking ordinray judgment.

A monkey when extremely humorous, with a touch of foolishness.

A wolf when inclined to tear and destroy.

A fox when displaying a high degree of cunning.

A calf when prolonging traits of childhood far beyond their age period.

A bear when surly or crusty.

A dog when passing extreme limits of immorality.

A worm when willing to be stepped on by everybody.

A leech when drawing a dishonest living from the life of others.

A porcupine when ready to wound everyone that comes within touching distance.

A 'possum when feigning sleep, or ignorance of a matter.

A hound, usually greyhound, when lean and agile and swift.

A tiger when disposed to attack with vehemence and defend with fierceness.

A mouse when listening closely without pretending to be.

—Religious Telescope.

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Branson, 7 6
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Orange, Efland, 7:30 17
Alamance, Rock Creek, 11 24
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 3 24
Front Street, 7:30 27
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 31
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 3 31
Eno, 7:30 31
June
West Durham, 7:30 1
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 7
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Swepsonville, Salem, 3 21
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July
Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11 5
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SECOND ROUND

May
Columbia, Gum Neck, 11 3
Creswell, Mt. Hermon, 3 3
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
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Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
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W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
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Person Street, Victory, 10 10
Raeford, Parkers, 3 10
Johnson Memorial, 8 10
Parkton, Sandy Grove, 11 17
Cumberland, 8 17
District Conference, Sanford, 10 to 4 21
Steadman, Bethany, 3 24
St. Andrews, 8 24
Hamlet, 10 31
St. John, 12 31
Laurinburg, 5 31
June
Rowland, 11 7
Red Springs, 8 7
Maxton, 11 14
Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
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July
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Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
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Aberdeen, 11 12
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J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
La Grange, Trinity, 11 3
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 3
Straits-Harkers Island, Straits, 11 17
Morehead City, First, 8 17
Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11 23
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 8 24
Atlantic, Cedar Island, 11 31
Marshallburg, 8 31
June
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Pamlico, Hobucken, 2:30 7
Pink Hill, Webbs, 8 7
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
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Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
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SECOND ROUND

May
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Henderson, City Road-White Mem., City Road, 3 3
Vance, Flat Rock, 8 3
Benson, Benson, 8 6
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

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L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Wilson, 11 3
Whitakers, Speight's Chapel, 3:30 3
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 10
Robersonville, Hamilton, 8 10
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 11 17
Elm City, Hornes, 3:30 17
Rocky Mount, Clark Street, 8 17
Littleton Ct., Tabor (Dedication), 11 24
Enfield, Whitakers Chapel, 12 24
Littleton Ct., Corinth (Dedication), 8 24
Stantonsburg, 10 31
Kenly, Buckhorn, 12 31
Marvin-St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 31
June
Roanoke Rapids, 11 7
Sp. Church-Garysburg, Shiloh, ... 7
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 7
Rosemary, 8 7
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28
July
Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
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Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

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May
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Granite Falls, 11 3
Olin, Snow Creek, 3 3
Troutman, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, 8 10
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 17
Cool Springs, Salem, 8 17
Hickory, First, 11 24
Westview, 8 24
Lenoir, First, 11 31
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 3 31
Whitnel, 8 31
June
Statesville, Race Street, 11 7
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 7
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11 14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3 14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Grace, Wilmington, 11 3
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10
Young People's Rally, Kenansville, 4:00-8:30 11
Young People's Rally, Whiteville, 4:00-8:30 12
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 11 17
Lumberton Ct., Smith's, 8 17
Elizabeth, Union, 3:30 17
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 24
St. Paul's, Barker's, 8:30 24
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 8 24
Garland, Antioch, 11 31
Tabor City, Tabor City, 8 31
June
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 7
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 7
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 8:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 7 16
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30
July
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

May
Wolf Mountain, 11 3
Haywood Street, night 3
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Celo, 11 17
Burnsville, Burnsville, 3 17
Etowah, Etowah, 3 24
Hendersonville, 8 24
Oakley, 8 27
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 31
Ivy, Bright Hope, 3 31
June
Asbury Memorial, 8 3
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 6
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 7

Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 7
Biltmore, 8 10
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July

Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August

Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Peachland, Hopewell, 11 3
Unionville, Zion, 4 3
Indian Trail-Stallings, Indian Trail, 8 3
Big Springs, 8 4
Chadwick, 8 6
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 10
Weddington, Union, 8 10
Duncan Memorial, 8 13
Pineville, Harrison, 11 17
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 17
Central Avenue, 8 17
Calvary, 8 20
Waxhaw, Heath Memorial, 10 24
Marshville, Gilboa, 3 24
Spencer Memorial, 8 24
Brevard Street, 8 25
Belmont Park, 8 27
Wesley Heights, 8 31

The following charges will hold their third quarterly conferences jointly at the Anson County Methodist Rally, Sunday, May 31, at Bethel on the New Hope-Bethel charge: Ansonville, Lilesville, Morven, Polkton, and New Hope-Bethel. The conference will follow the luncheon hour.

June

Zoar, 3 7
Trinity, 8 7
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July

Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—REVISED

May

West End, 10 3
Carraway Memorial, 11 3
Pleasant Union, 12 3
West Market, 7:30 3
Sandy Ridge, Delta, 7:30 5
Lee's Chapel, 11 10
Bethel, Pisgah, 7:30 10
Grome's, revival services, 7:30 11
Midway, 3 17
Proximity, 7:30 17
District Conference, Haw River, Midway, 9:30 19

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Avery, Pine Grove, 11 3
Linville Falls, Jonas Ridge, 2:30 3
Spruce Pine, night 3
Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 11 17
Valdese, Warlicks, 2:30 17
Clinchfield, night 17
Old Fort, 11 24
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 24
Cross Mills, night 24
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11 31
Elk Park, Newland, 3 31
Marion First, night 31

June

North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Spindale, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12

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Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

May

Crabtree, Davis, 11 3
Junaluska, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood St. Winston-Salem, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May

Walkertown, Love's, 11 3
Rural Hall, Bethel, 3 3
First, 7:30 3

IN MEMORIAM

HAGAR—Mrs. Matilda Hager, age 11 years, departed this life March 27, 1942. She leaves to mourn her passing two children, Mrs. Chester Nixon and Deck Hager, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Hager was a devoted member of Salem Methodist church from her youth till death. She will be missed by all who knew her. She was noted for her flowers, hospitality and kindness. Service was conducted at Hill's Chapel by the writer, assisted by T. W. Hager of Concord. Burial was at Martha's Chapel cemetery.

C. L. Grant.

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High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.

Statesville District

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W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.

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Chas. D. White, First.

WHEN SALARIES AND WAGES WERE LOW

Historians have confirmed the fact that the discovery of America cost in the neighborhood of $7,200. Columbus drew a salary of $320 a year—less than a dollar a day. His captain's annual pay was $180, his crew made out on $2.25 a month. To equip the entire expedition cost but $2,800.

Lawyers' fees in the days of Edward IV were also proportionately low. In a baronet's diary appears the entry: "Paid to Roger Plypott, learned in the law, 3 shillings, with fourpence for his dinner."

The clergy were not much better paid. John Knox, the leading divine of Scotland, received only $220 a year or about $4 a week. This was a dollar a week more than Scottish judges got.

But if salaries were almost nothing beside modern standards, consider the low cost of food. A dollar went a long way when it came to buying a family's Christmas dinner. The itemized bill would have read: Turkey, 10 cents; cranberry sauce, 2 cents; potatoes, 1 cent; turnips, 1 cent; celery 1 cent; plum pudding, 2 cents. For a household of six the grand total was only 17 cents, or less than 3 cents a head.—Christian Science Monitor.

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thing and sly.
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somehow will get by.
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strange how still it keeps;
It shrinks down in a corner and it
never stirs or peeps,
The typographical error, too small for
human eyes,
Till the ink on the paper, when it
grows to mountain size.
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But that typographical error is the
only thing you see.

—The Kalends, Waverly Press.



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"American Mother of 1942"

Mrs. W. N. Berry, Greensboro, N. C., selected by the American Mothers' Committee of the Golden Rule Foundation, and will be installed in office in a "Mother's Day Program" by the Foundation.

BRIEF SPEECHES FEATURE RALEIGH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Raleigh district conference met in Spring Hill church on the Mamers charge on Wednesday, April 22, with the district superintendent, H. I. Glass, presiding. R. L. Jerome was elected secretary and O. L. Hathaway, assistant secretary. The day was beautiful, the church was crowded to the doors ,the reports of the preachers were very encouraging, the spirit of the occasion was inspring, the bountiful dinner spread by the ladies of the Mamers charge was most appetizing, the host pastor, F. R. Davis, and his good people had everything in readiness for our visit.

The day was noted for the large number of brief speeches that were made to good effect. J. W. Bradley led the opening devotions, Will Stephens welcomed us to the charge, S. E. Mercer responded to the welcome, B. H. Houston spoke on World Service, Mrs. T. R. Smith spoke for the woman's society, B. C. Reavis brought a message on evangelism, R. W. Bradshaw spoke on educational evangelism and youth work, C. F. Heath spoke on mass evangelism, R. G. Dawson talked on Christian education, F. D. Hedden presented the cause of adult education, Francis Edwards represented the cause of youth, Dr. L. L. Gobbel represented Greensboro College, Dr. Walter Patten represented Louisburg College, Dr. M. T. Plyler represented Duke University and the Christian Advocate, A. W. Pridgen spoke on the new method of financing the Methodist Orphanage, A. M. Noble spoke on lay activities, Cale K. Burgess brought a message on temperance, R. L. Hethcox opened the afternoon session with a brief devotional talk, Dr. J. C. Glenn preached the conference sermon on the subject, "What Christianity Has to Offer Today," C. P. Jerome spoke about religion in the home.

The report of the committee on World Service recommended that we look into the possibilities of employing a deaconess for the rural and industrial areas of the district. The following district lay leaders were elected: A. M. Noble, chairman, F. E. Parrott and L. A. Daub. The following were recommended for renewal of license to preach: T .C. Amick, J. S. Edwards, W. B. Gregory, C. A. Johnson, Jr., W. B. Parkin, Brooks Patten, and Melvin J. Williams. Brooks Patten and Melvin J. Williams were recommended for elder's orders, and Brooks Patten was recommended for admission on trial in the annual conference. The following were recommended for license to preach; Norwood Lee Jones, Charles Maness Mitchell, and Eugene Purcell, Jr. Mrs. Martha MeGee was elected a trustee of district property. Dr. James E. Hillman was elected district director of Golden Cross. The conference will meet next year at Louisburg College.

R. L. Jerome, Secretary.

REFLECTION

The following is from the pen of a Bournemouth, England, clergyman:

"We have been a pleasure-loving people, dishonoring God's day, picnicking and bathing, now the seashores are barred, no picnics, no bathing. We have preferred motor travel to church going, now there is a shortage of motor fuel. We have ignored the ringing of church bells calling us to worship, now the bells cannot ring except to warn us of invasion. We have left the churches half empty when they should have been filled with worshippers, now they are in ruins. We would not listen to the way of peace, now we are forced to listen to the way of war. The money we would not give to the Lord's work, now is taken in taxes and higher prices. The food for which we forgot to say thanks, now is unobtainable. The service we refused to give God, now is conscripted for the country. Lives we refused to live under God's control, now are under the nation's control. Nights we would not spend in watch unto prayer, now are spent in axious air-raid precautions."

A BIG CHURCH THAT DOES THINGS

First Methodist church, Asheboro, is a record breaker this year. This church, of which Rev. Paul Hardin is pastor, has gone beyond every other big church of the state in the Advocate campaign—it marches at the head of the procession.

Mrs. L. C. Phillips, Advocate agent for First church, sends $54 for new and renewal subscriptions. These 21 new with 6½ already sent in makes 27½ new for this church. Were all the other leading churches of the state to make such a record what an impulse it would give the campaign.

Hawthorne Lane on the March

Rev. E. H. Nease of Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, forwards a check for $24—$12 of this for new subscribers. This gives every assurance that Hawthorne Lane will have its quota before long.

Grant in Shadow of the Goal

Rev. C. L. Grant, Lowesville charge, Gastonia district, was past the 50 yard line last week—$9 more for new subscribers this week makes 11 new. One more will give Lowesville its quota (according to our record).

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY—MAY 31

Attention is called to the fact that the Western North Carolina conference adopted the report of the committee on temperance setting apart the fifth Sunday in May as Conference Temperance Sunday. It is hoped that some formal observance may be made of this important day in every church in the conference. Conditions prevalent constitute a challenge to the Christian citizenship of the nation. One definite thing that could be done would be to request the national Congress early enactment of Senate Bill No. 860 known as the Sheppard Bill, which is designed to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the vicinity of military camps. The time for action is now!

Clare Purcell.

DR. JOHN CHURCH WILL DECLINE LATEST CALL

Dr. John R. Church, brother of clerk of superior court, William E. Church, has indicated that he will decline the call he has received to become pastor of Park Avenue Methodist church in Minneapolis, Minn., which is one of the two largest churches in the Minnesota conference and one of the largest in the Northwest.

Dr. George G. Vallentyne has been pastor of Park Avenue for the past 40 years. This is one of the longest pastorates known in the Methodist connection. It is very unusual for any Methodist preacher to stay more than ten years at the most. However, Dr. Vallentyne has served this church for 40 years and has built up a large congregation in one of the best residential sections of that great city. —The Union Republican.

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Bishop Clare Purcell draws attention to fifth Sunday in May as Temperance Sunday. Special services in the local churches over the state would mean much for the Cause. Surely we will not let this occasion pass unnoticed. The enemy is at our gates and invades our army camps. The call is urgent.

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Some are asking in all seriousness, "Will our democracy survive?" As the boys march by with packs on their backs we thrill with the thought that these are our defenders. But how about our neglect to save these our defenders from alcohol and venereal disease? This is the shame and the humiliation that meets us at every army camp. Would that the crusading spirit might take hold of us.

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In the other war the church came near losing its soul as it lent itself to hate of the enemy to become enlisted in the war. This time the church has refused to enlist in the war and its leaders are giving thought to the kind of peace to follow this war. There is a campaign on to foster hate and the atmosphere of war, but the church has not yet discarded its sense of universal brotherhood. There are still true and faithful Christians in every nation. The church may get out of this war without shame and its spiritual prestige gone as before.

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The Old Codger, much given to putting hard questions to Editor Josephus Daniels of the Raleigh News and Observer, puts this one in his peculiar lingo: "If they air a-cuttin' down on coffee why don't they cut down on the recterfied essence ov damnation what the ABC stores air a-sellin'?" "Ye editor could not give any good reason why sugar and coffee and rubber and other things are cut down and there is no reduction in the alcoholic drinks. If any reader of The Roaster knows any reason he will be thankful if such reader will answer the Old Codger's question."

A few men dispense with the conscientious objector to war with a sneer and a rash epithet, counting themselves among the lofty patriots of the land. All such men count for little. Our greatest need is for conscientious objectors to the works of the devil in all their forms. These works are manifest in local injustice, inhumanity to man, profiteering on human weakness, making gain of military expenditures and of the soldier in camp and field.

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Many babies these days are being named MacArthur. In the days of the World War Woodrow Wilson had many namesakes. Following the War Between the States, Lee was a popular name in the South for babies. Through the entire history of the United States of America Washington has maintained its popularity. But with all this hero worship that has found its way in the nursery, it is reported on what appears to be good authority that one boy out of every four in America is called John, William, Charles, James or George. Personally we think this is entirely too low. We are inclined to the notion that one out of four is called Jack, or Bill, or Jim, not to mention the rest.

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Institutions which are maintained for the treatment of alcoholism are receiving unprecedented numbers of patients—many of them women. Drunken driving, particularly by women, is officially reported to be increasing throughout the nation.. The cocktail rooms in city, town and hamlet are crowded with both sexes. The cocktail lounge has been made socially respectable and wherever a social evil is covered with the mantle of respectability its evil effects are increased a thousandfold. The liquor stores in North Carolina promote their sales in every possible way. In Durham they spend $1,000 a month for advertising, though now the police court docket is cluttered with cases for drunkenness and the soldier boys are encouraged to drink by those who profit by it.

The Mothers of Men

HOWEVER the destinies of men go, there come seasons when men's minds delight to linger about the woman who first brought to them love and tenderness.

Today, whether men are on the home front carrying on the affairs of a working world, or on the sea, or in the air flying to drop devastating bombs, or moving with the compelling force of tanks and guns along the battle-front, memory claims attention and traces back to other days when mother was near. Memory goes back to first consciousness and she was there; during the uncertain hours of childhood when new things were tried, she was there with a guiding hand.

To you, men and women of the everywhere, pause to give tribute to her, who first looked upon your tiny form with adoring eyes. Before the world was aware of your existence, her hands bathed your body and gently patted your smooth pink flesh; her hands fashioned the pretty garments to adorn your body; it was she who made the birthday cake and decorated it with pink candles; when storms came and lightnings flashed and sudden thunderbolts sent fear and terror, her calmness made you strong and she taught you that this is our Father's world, that a Father's hand is ruling the universe.

She showed you the glittering stars, the bluebird on the wing, the cardinals building their nest in the rose-covered arbor that helped to make your home and hers beautiful; she taught you the note of the mocking bird and that of the wood thrush in the deep woods; she opened the Bible to you and brought rich thoughts of men to your understanding. The first music that you heard was the lullaby from her lips that led on unto a wider realm of musical harmonies.

The world of imagination she made real to you through pictures and story books that told of Humpty-Dumpty, Little Miss Muffet, The Three Bears, and all the animal "creeturs" of Uncle Remus.

After that, you went out into the world on your own, for you felt your strength but sometimes you won and sometimes you lost, but she was always with you; oftentimes, you met deceit and disloyalty, but she was always true; now and then you failed, but she always believed in you; the light of her countenance gave you courage and a new power to go forward.

And now, on May 10, whether you wear the white rose or the red rose in her memory, she is still with you, trusting you to build a better world where men and women and little children may live together in peace and joy to perpetuate "whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report."

E. S. P.

Significant Celebration in Raleigh

THE sesqui-centennial celebration in Raleigh last week not only recognized the importance of the act that made this the capital of North Carolina, but it also drew attention to the remarkable development of the state during the past hundred and fifty years. Then the site of the state capitol was the farm of Joel Lane and the entire state was a wooded and undeveloped territory of flat lands, rolling hills and rugged mountains. Now we term it the coastal plain, the Piedmont, and the "Land of the Sky." Fayetteville, Greensboro, Salisbury, Salem and Charlotte were mere hamlets. Fifty years later Durham and Winston began their marvelous development, which continues.

In fact, the nation was in the morning time of its life. The Thirteen Original Colonies were recognized as states and the Constitution had recently been adopted. Under Washington the Republic was gradually passing from the experimental stage to a more stable life. But all this was confined to the eastern seaboard of the continent. The vast expanse was still an unknown land to be settled during the years ahead. Though North Carolina is able to claim the oldest state university in America, the doors were not yet opened to students and there was not a college in the state. Schools and newspapers were few and public libraries were unknown. Ours were a pioneer people given over to hard work and the dreams of better days in the long years ahead.

In 1874, less than a decade before Raleigh became the capital of the state, the Methodist Church in America was organized and began its existence separate from English Methodism, following the violent break with England that came with the American Revolution. So the Methodist circuit rider was abroad in the land. These men on horseback sought out the pioneer cabins on the lonely trails and laid strong and deep foundations of the present day. Along

with the Presbyterian ministers and their schools, these men became leading agencies for religion and learning. Schools and colleges sprang up as these heroic and devoted men fostered the higher and better things of life. Then, too, noble and patriotic men led in the development of the state and nation.

Visitors in Raleigh at the celebration this year could not vision the situation one hundred and fifty years ago. Even the wisest citizens of the state can scarcely bring before the mind's eye the North Carolina of that day. Then there was not a highway in the state nor a railroad or telegraph instrument in all the world, to say nothing of the present revolutionary devices for transportation and communication over earth, sea and in the sky.

In all this we would not imply, however, that most of the best things came in with these last days. In fact, most of the best things are very old and came to us out of the long centuries known to the ancients. The love of home and family, the devotion to the church, the Bible and Sabbath day, as well as patriotic love of country and native land, made possible the vigor and vision of this Republic and of our own commonwealth.

"There Are No Atheists in Foxholes"

AN American soldier in Bataan was the author of the above impressive utterance. A general and a private of the American Army, according to the story, took shelter during the terrific fire of the Japanese in a foxhole. After the firing ceased they came out of their place of refuge, and the general said, "I heard you praying in the foxhole, and our prayers ascended together." The private answered, "There are no atheists in foxholes."

That soldier out of his own experience spoke more wisely than he dreamed. His is the universal experience of the normal man in the great and trying hours of life. The atheist is not able to meet death or the hard and unselfish tasks that become the duty of a heroic soldier or citizen.

"The sight of a soldier sitting by a machine gun reading a Bible is not uncommon in Bataan or Corregidor," wrote the correspondent in Bataan for Time magazine. "Soldiers and sailors pen brief notes to the chaplains asking for New Testaments, and several chaplains have passed out over 2,000 copies since December."

Enemies of the Present and the Future

SENATORS such as Byrd of Virginia and Tydings of Maryland—and others who would stand with them in their efforts for economy—deserve the approval of all who are set against the extravagance and waste at Washington. The present pleas for buying bonds and for saving even the scraps going to waste often fall upon deaf ears because of what is allowed if not approved by men at Washington.

Of course with the war effort in full blast there must be waste, ruin and the destruction of life and property. But honest and conscientious men could save us from much of this. The numerous promotions of men in every branch of the military service without the special training for such rank is an out and out injustice to the men who have served long and well to gain the merited promotion. This is on a par with expenditures to give place to political favorites. All such is both an injustice and reckless waste of the people's money.

The American people suffer much and can say little, but the day will come when all these burdens must be met. Just now the cry is to crush the enemy and win the war. Later the folly and injustice done the people by selfish and designing men will appear, but it may be too late. We may be sure, however, that many of the men now in Washington will have had their day and ceased to be. But this does not and will not save the people from an injustice done them and their children in the generations following.

Mark Twain and His Dollar at Church

TO us the following is a new story of Mark Twain's. The celebrated humorist went to church intending to contribute one dollar to the offering. After hearing the preacher for some minutes he changed his mind and concluded that 50 cents would be enough. Later he decided that 25 cents would do. The sermon went on and on, so that when the collection plate came at the close of the sermon he put in 10 cents.

This story should be a timely warning to all long winded pulpiteers. Fortunately the preachers of the present day have learned their lesson. A few obdurate ones can collect only ten cents on the dollar, like Mark Twain's man.

People and Things

Rev. Cecil Heckard has been appointed by Bishop Purcell to Stanley charge, Gastonia district, for the remainder of this conference year.—E. M. Jones.

There will be home coming at Draper Methodist church Sunday, May 17. All former pastors and members are invited to come and spend the day with us.—Paul R. Rayle.

Sunday, May 24, will be observed at Salem church, Oxford circuit, as home coming day. Pastors, old members, present members and friends are invited to attend.—Margaret Breedlove, Sec.

Prayer is a force as real as terrestrial gravity. As a physician I have seen men, after all other things had failed, lifted out of disease and melancholy by the serene effort of prayer.—Alexis Carrell.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Winston-Salem district will hold a called meeting during the lunch hour Friday, May 15, at the district conference which will be held at Mt. Tabor church. A room will be designated for this meeting.—Mrs. Charles D. White, Sec.

Hon. Leo Carr, Burlington, resident judge of the Tenth judicial district, is to speak in Fairview Methodist church, Burlington circuit, this Sunday, May 10, at 11 o'clock. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Durham, district superintendent, preaches in Camp Springs church on the third Sunday, May 17, at 11 a. m. Third quarterly conference. Dinner at the church. Service in early afternoon that day; sermon by Rev. C. H. Stanfield.

The kinsmen and many friends of Mrs. Daisy Kimball Snyder in western North Carolina will be interested in the following personal which appeared in the Knoxville, Tenn., paper: "Mrs. O. R. Snyder, 1017 Hiwassee avenue, has been named to the house committee for the continental congress meeting of Daughters of American Revolution in Chicago May 4-7. The appointment came from Mrs. William Pouch, president general. Mrs. Snyder is a member of Simon Harris Chaper D. A. R.

Mrs. Frank S. Lambeth was in Durham last week visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Rankin. She is an honored mother of Methodism who trained her children to use their talents for the church. Her husband was an ardent supporter of the Advocate and served as one of its directors for years. She has given one son, Dr. W. A. Lambeth, to the ministry, and the other two are prominent laymen. Though her son-in-law had early Presbyterian training he is one of the best Methodist laymen among us. A noble woman of rare cultural qualities. And may her days be many and filled with joy!

Rev. Charles Olsen, veteran pastor of the Methodist Indian work at Round Valley, California, conducted the military funeral service for William Fredric Crabtree, first Indian soldier from Round Valley to die in the service of his country during the present war, and who, according to Mr. Olsen, "was one of our boys." Indian veterans of former wars who live on the reservation participated in the service, which was held in the Methodist church. William Frederic contracted pneumonia about two months after going to Camp Leonard Wood, Mo. His mother, advised that his recovery was doubtful, made the complicated journey to the camp and was with him when he died. Following the Indian custom, she wished to bring her son back home for burial and was accompanied on the journey by one of his soldier buddies. The Red Cross made necessary travel arrangements.

Three meetings are being held in the Raleigh district for church school workers. Meetings were held in Oxford April 30, and Smithfield May 1. A picnic supper preceded each meeting. Group leaders were Rev. F. D. Hedden, Louisburg, adults; Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, conference executive secretary, youth; Mrs. E. Stanford, Raleigh, children. A similar meeting will be held at Hayes-Barton church, Raleigh, on May 8. These meetings were planned and are being directed by Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent. Three group meetings for church school workers were held in the district a year ago.—Howard M. McLamb.

"I think I see signs" of progress at Central Terrace, Winston-Salem. During the past six months 61 members have been added to the roll. Laymen's week was observed in February with a good program and an average attendance of 75 for four nights. World Service acceptance is double the amount accepted last year, and 50 per cent more than was paid last year has already been raised. We expect to pay our askings in full. The stewards accepted a 50 per cent increase for Children's Home and more than half this amount has been paid. Other financial items include $60 raised for Golden Cross, $15 for Brevard College, $10 for church school day, and $400 for improvements on property. The budget is balanced on every item. Revival services were held April 12-22. Rev. H. M. Robinson did the preaching and did it well. Attendance and interest were excellent. Results were most gratifying. We are ready for the district conference May 15 at Mt. Tabor.—A. A. Kyles.

The work on the Marion circuit is progressing nicely. All five churches are having good attendance and expect to be half out and over on all finances by district conference. Three new women's societies of Christian service have been organized and the ladies are most enthusiatsic over the work. We have just closed a revival meeting at Pleasant Hill with fine results. Rev. H. W. Bell, the pastor, did the preaching, bringing some fine gospel messages. Rev. Wayne Curtis of Burlington led the congregation in singing the fine old gospel hymns. There were 19 conversions and reclamations, and nine new members received into the church. Pleasant Hill has painted the church on the inside and is planning to paint the entire church. Glenwood and Providence are planning to build Sunday school rooms in the near future. The revival starts at Glenwood Sunday, May 10. We desire the prayers of all Christians that our charge may grow and prosper in the work for our Master.—Worker.

Holland has had the care of her East Indies colonies for approximately three hundred years. These islands received their greatest development in the nineteenth century. Along with the spread of civilization, the Dutch carried the gospel with them wherever they went. Of all the Far Eastern countries, these islands have been most benevolently governed and carefully instructed in Christianity. Their population totals sixty-four million, of whom one million five hundred thousand have a church membership. The Christian constituency is, of course, much larger. While as Baptists we have no mission station in these islands, we are nevertheless interested in the spread of the gospel and the prosperity of the cause of Christ among the native population. For the time being, these islands are in a state of chaos. For the first time in over a hundred years, they know the terrors of war. Their peace-loving homes and lives have been blasted and scorched by the flames of war. Let us pray that these trials may only bring out the hidden virtues of the redeemed of Christ that they may be more stalwart in his service in the years which are to come.—The Watchman-Examiner.

Dr. John S. Chadwick, a former editor of the Alabama Christian Advocate, died at his home in Woodlawn, Birmingham, on April 15. He was for a time associate editor of the General Organ, published in Nashivlle, and was an occasional contributor for this paper. His courageous leadership is ended but his influence will live on.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of Lee's Chapel church, Greensboro district, held a banquet on Friday evening, May 1. Mr. Billy Rudd, president of the local division, was master of ceremonies. The idea of ships was carried out. Several of the young people gave short talks on Friendship, worship and a few other ships. The money raised at this banquet will be used to redecorate the church.

One Foot in Heaven, in the British screen version, has been renamed "One Foot in Trouble" as a means of making it possible to advertise it under Brtish law which prohibits the use of the word "heaven" in theater billing. This legal tangle is not easy of understanding in America where moviedom takes little account of blasphemous implications of its titles. It has been suggested, however, that the title which has been adopted in England is more fitting than the original title.

Drink is a big problem in Ushagram, India. The non-Christian village men who work in mines or factories are paid daily and take their wages to the grog shops and spend it all—then go home and beat their wives if they aren't given food. The women weep and ask where they can get food if the wages are not brought home. These men get about 10 cents a day. But on days when we have football games in Ushagram, the men all come straight to our field instead of to the liquor shop, and then they take their wages home and their wives are very happy. They beg us to have more football games—and we have had one almost every day this season.—Fred C. Williams, Board of Missions.

MINISTERS' WIVES OF ROWAN MEET

The Methodist ministers and their wives of Rowan county met at the home of Rev. C. G. Isley and his mother, Mrs. Mattie Isley of Granite Quarry, on Thursday evening, April 30. The home was beautifully decorated with spring flowers and a bounteous dinner was served by Mrs. Isley. After the meal, the ministers' wives held a brief business session, with Mrs. W. G. McFarland, chairman, presiding while the ministers enjoyed a get-together meeting. It was decided to meet in June with Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Avett of Landis.

Those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. Isley and his mother were: Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Clark, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. West, Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Avett, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Melton, Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Swofford, Rev. W. R. Bustle, Rev. L. S. Furr, Mrs. John F. Kirk, Mrs. W. A. Eskridge, Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Williams, Mrs. F. L. Setzer, Miss Edith Rogers, and Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Kirby.

Mrs. C. W. Kirby, Sec.

MOTHER'S DAY

By Pearl King Stevens

I wandered through a garden of lovely flowers today,
Where blossoms in rich profusion were shown in bright array—
A gorgeous display of color, the dream of perfection rare,
An artist's vision of beauty—the touch of God's fingers there.

My heart was thrilled with loveliness words cannot portray,
And my soul cried out with longing for mother, who's "just away."
For she always loved the flowers, gave them her loving care,
Caressed their tender petals, breathed deep their fragrance rare.

I know, in the heavenly portals, in God's garden of flowers fair,
I shall find my sainted mother, as in bliss she lingers there.
So I wandered through a garden of lovely flowers today,
And felt the Creator's presence in the flowers on display.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Bishop W. W. Peele, Richmond, Va., will be baccalaureate speaker for Greensboro College graduating exercises Sunday, May 31, 11 a. m., at West Market Street Methodist church.

Commencement exercises at Greensboro College begin on Saturday, May 30, with alumnae day and class day exercises. Final exercises are scheduled for Monday, June 1, at 10:30 a. m. in Odell Memorial auditorium, with Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, China, guest speaker.



Bishop W. W. Peele

Dr. Holland Holton, head of the department of education, Duke University, and director of the summer school at the university, led the quarterly faculty forum Monday night, May 4, when he spoke on "Improving the Liberal Arts College" with special reference to curriculum. Dr. Holton's address followed a dinner attended by all members of the faculty staff.

Miss Nancy Wall, Leaksville, senior dramatic major, gave her graduating speech recital Tuesday night, May 5, at 8:15 in Odell auditorium.

New members of the Greensboro College Players will become formal initiates of the honorary dramatic society at its annual banquet Thursday night at 6:30, King Cotton Hotel.

Queen of May Susannah Wimbish, Greensboro, with her court of nine attendants, will be entertained Saturday afternoon at 5:30 on the front campus of Greensboro College by a "Revue of the Months," beginning with the June representation of solely red-headed dancers as "Stars of a Summer Night," and concluding with freshmen "May Frolic-ers" twining the traditional May pole streamers.

Thursday, May 7, Dr. L. L. Gobbel and the G. C. trio, Misses Hilda Somers, Burlington, Alice Price, Taylorsville, and Margaret Morrison, Chapel Hill, will represent Greensboro College at the High Point district conference for the educational hour, upon the invitation of Rev. Carl King, executive secretary of the conference board of education. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University, trustee of Greensboro College, will speak on a phase of Christian higher education. Also on Thursday Dr. Raymond A. Smith will speak at the Statesville and Gastonia district conference representing G. C. On May 12 Dr. Smith will represent the college at the Asheville district conference, and on May 13 at the Elkin conference.

May 13-15 Dr. Gobbel will attend a meeting of the commission on ritual and orders of worship of the Methodist Church in Chicago.

Friday night, May 8, in Odell auditorium the Greensboro school of music will present Miss Margaret Foard, Lenoir, contralto, in her senior voice recital.

MOTHER'S DAY

By H. H. Smith

Since Jesus Christ came into the world as a babe, motherhood has been exalted to a place of highest honor. Who will question the fact that the incarnation has forever embodied and sanctified motherhood? The Jewish mother regarded herself as highly honored of God, and the Jewish mother was right, for every mother is really a co-worker with God. Would that every mother realized what is implied in her sacred privilege and weighty responsibility. Wherever mothers have responded to their high calling in a worthy manner, they have greatly blessed the world. Lincoln said: "All that I am or hope to be I owe to my aged mother." Thomas A. Edison bore this testimony to the influence of his mother: "My mother was the making of me. She was so true, so sure to me, and I felt I had some one to live for, some one I must not disappoint." Dr. D. L. Moody said: "All that I have ever accomplished in my life I owe to my mother." Regarding motherhood from the standpoint of a statesman, Theodore Roosevelt said: "The mother is the one supreme asset of the national life; she is more important by far than the successful statesman, or business man, or scientist."

The true mother finds her greatest joy in her children. The mother who is more concerned about dress, or pleasure or society than she is about the welfare of her children, is not worthy of being a mother. The true mother is ever alert to give her children the best training possible. A mother once invited some children to her home, that her own children might have the right kind of associates, and they were all playing in the yard on the beautiful lawn. Another mother, seeing the children romping on the lawn, said: "Those children will spoil your pretty grass. I could never allow that." The wise mother replied: "I'm raising children, not grass." Some mothers neglect their children for bridge, or golf, or the club, or some other pleasure. Mothers need recreation for their welfare and that of their children ,and should have helpful recreation and diversion, but some mothers become so absorbed in these things as to neglect their children. What can be more pathetic than the case of the young man who had stood before a judge to be sentenced for some crime and was asked if he had anything to say. He replied: "Oh, judge, if I had only had a mother!" Some children who are not motherless are virtually orphans from neglect.

The character of the mother is of the greatest importance. Remember the child's creed: "I believe in God, and in my father and mother."

"The baby has no skies
But mother's eyes,
Nor any God above
But mother's love.
His angel sees the Father's face,
But he the mother's full of grace."

The following poem by Dr. Van Dyke should help us to enter into the spirit of Mother's Day:

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

"Lord Jesus, thou hast known
A mother's love and tender care;
And thou wilt hear, while for my own
Mother most dear I make this birthday prayer.

Protect her life, I pray,
Who gave the gift of life to me;
And may she know, from day to day,
The deepening glow of life that comes from thee.

As once upon her breast
Fearless and well content I lay,
So let her heart, on thee at rest,
Feel tears depart and troubles fade away.

Her every wish fulfill;
And even if thou must refuse
In anything, let thy wise will
A comfort bring such as mothers use.

Ah, hold her hand,
As once her hand held mine;
And though she may not understand
Life's winning way, lead her in peace divine.

I cannot pay my debt
For all the love that she has given;
But thou love's Lord, wilt not forget.
Her due reward—bless her in earth and heaven."

MISSION HOSPITALS RENDER NOTABLE SERVICE

By Gerald Winfield, Professor of Hygiene and Public Health, Cheeloo University, Chengtu, West China

The story of how the private hospitals in China have heroically stood by to care for bombing victims and refugees can be vividly told so that most folks in America know and feel pride in what they have done. The sincere appreciation which the Chinese people feel for the work of these institutions has been stressed many times by Madame Chiang or other Chinese leaders. What is not so widely known is the financial difficulties which these hospitals face.

Most of the private hospitals in Free China have been built and are supported by various British and American missionary societies. The plant and equipment for these institutions have largely come from funds through the churches. For the past one hundred years they have served to heal the sick and to spread faith in modern scientific medicine to many in the interior parts of China. During the past twenty years these mission hospitals have moved steadily toward becoming self-supporting institutions, largely maintained by the incomes they received in meeting the medical needs of the communities in which they are located. More and more the support which they have received from abroad has consisted in the salaries of one or two western doctors and one or two western nurses while the rest of the staff, which in many cases consists of dozens of doctors and nurses, is paid out of the local income of the hospital.

This has been possible because the plants, which in many cases are highly efficient and well adapted for rendering the best of modern medical treatment, have come as gifts.

The patients who are able to pay large fees, however, have always made up a very small percentage of those being treated. Regularly, thousands have been treated at or below cost while others by the hundreds and thousands have been given free treatment and hospitalization in charity beds or wards.

The war has brought many new problems and new difficulties to these hospitals. The extent to which they had achieved self-support before the war has placed them in a difficult position to meet the new financial problems which the war has brought them. These problems have come thick and fast. Bombings have wrecked or damaged many plants and created large numbers of severely and slightly wounded to be cared for. Rising prices have reduced the ability of the middle class to pay for their medical care and has greatly increased the number of local folk who need financial aid if medical treatment is to be possible. Great crowds of refugees have been treated who need medical

aid but have nothing with which to pay for even a part of the drugs and care which they need to have spent on them.

Your dollars to these hospitals can say to China and her injured, those made homeless, those made poor by the ravages of war, "From our hearts through these gifts we share with you in your suffering, and by these means we try to pay some of our debt to you for what you have and what you are doing in this, our common struggle."

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Miss Virginia Hunt of Gretna, Va., was crowned Queen of the May at the May Day festival of High Point College on Saturday, May 2. Miss Hunt is graduating this spring with a bachelor's degree in home economics. She has participated in extra-curicular activities during her four years and has been popular on the campus.

Miss Grace Bivin of Hillsboro and Miss Irene Parker of High Point were her maids of honor.

The festival then presented and carried out the theme of depicting "America in 1942." The American spirit of co-operation in time of crisis was shown by a group of peasant dances. The May pole dance was the final number, including the traditional winding of red, white and blue streamers, with the whole assembly appearing on the campus for the band's number, "God Bless America." Hundreds of visitors were on the college campus for the program and the observance of high school day.

The college held its regular day for high school seniors to visit the campus on May Day. Teams of college students had visited the high schools in the vicinity to personally invite the seniors to be the guests of the college on Saturday.

A picnic lunch was furnished by the college on the grounds. After lunch a concert by the A Capella choir and the band was given. The May Day festival was then presented on the front campus.

For the first time the college set aside a special day for the parents of students to visit the campus on Sunday, May 3. A large number of parents attended church services at the First Methodist church which was observing college day. The A Capella choir had a part in the services. Parents of dormitory students were guests of the college for Sunday dinner. That afternoon, in an assembly of all parents and students, Dr. G. I. Humphreys gave a short address. The choir sang and several student officials spoke briefly to welcome the visitors.

DECIDED GROWTH AT ROANOKE RAPIDS

First Methodist church, Roanoke Rapids, designated April as church loyalty month. The active membership was enlisted in visiting the more than 600 inactive, non-attending members. We closed last night a week of evangelistic services, each week day night by a visiting preacher: Monday evening, Rev. Gordon Price, pastor of the First Baptist church, preached; Tuesday evening, Rev. Elmer D. Weathers of the Weldon Methodist church; Wednesday and Friday, Rev. J. E. Garlington, former Methodist Protestant, from Garysburg; Thursday, Rev. Paul H. Fields, Rosemary Methodist church.

We have added in all 50 members to the church this conference year, each one of whom came by personal work.

Our church is sending in each first Sunday a contribution of five dollars to the Fellowship in Suffering, for war relief.

The death angel visited the same home and sick room twice Thursday within ten minutes, taking home together Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Collins, and leaving only a granddaughter, Marjorie, who lived with and took care of them. Mr. Collins was 83, one of our oldest citizens and members. Mrs. Collins was 78, his second wife, a member of the Baptist church. The double funeral was held from our church Friday at 5 o'clock.

Incidentally, the local Rotary Club is sending me, its secretary, as their official delegate to the Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Canada, June 21-25. To add to the anticipation of the trip a thoughtful letter was received Friday from Mr. and Mrs. William C. Thompson, former members of this church, now well established in Toronto, who upon reading of my election invited me to be their guest. My youngest daughter, Juanita, who graduates from high school this spring and enters Duke this fall, will probably go with me.

Daniel Lane.

WESLEY FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES AT WOMAN'S COLLEGE IN APRIL

The Wesley Foundation at Woman's College, Greensboro, has closed a busy and significant month even though spring holidays took a week of that month. On Sunday evening, April 26, the newly elected Wesley Foundation Council and the council of the College Place Youth Fellowship were installed together in a candle-lighting ceremony at the evening church service. On the following Wednesday evening the annual banquet, honoring the new council, was held at the church. In view of present day conditions, it was decided to simplify the menu and to dress informally. So over a "light supper," served banquet style, nearly 50 Wesley Foundation girls and friends enjoyed the "concert presented by the Wesley Foundation philharmonic orchestra," with programs, place cards and nut cups in keeping with the musical theme.

The most important event of the month was the returning of the mite boxes which had been distributed at the beginning of Lent. A service was held on the afternon of Good Friday, at which time the offering was dedicated. Nearly $30 was brought in for the support of our native minister in the Belgian Congo.

At the Inter-Faith Council meeting in April we presented moving pictures and slides of the Lisle Fellowship, and of one of our summer caravans as our share of the program on summer service projects. Five girls from our Wesley Foundation have been accepted for caravan service this summer: Joy Clark, Concord; Anna Fake, Fayetteville; Frances Glaze, Charlotte; Mary Moling Kirkman, Pleasant Garden; and Dorothy Sloan, Franklin. We are pleased to have such a good representation in this important youth project. Another of our girls, Martha Lea Davis, Badin, is to assist in the Intermediate Camp at Camp Carlyle. These girls meet weekly for study and fellowship.

A series of discussions on working in the vacation church school has been started to continue for four weeks. Mrs. Edgar Allred, director of the Presbyterian Student Organization at W. C .U. N. C., was guest leader of the first discussion on organizing the school; Miss Jo Marie Thompson, director of religious education at West Market Street church, is leading the second meeting on music and worship in the school. Miss Helen Boyd, director of religious activities at W. C. U. N. C., will teach the third, on class projects and activities. Miss Panigot, the director of the Wesley Foundation, will lead the final discussion on directing the recreation and fellowship.

New council members are as follows:

President, Mary Moling Kirkman, Pleasant Garden.
First Vice President, Doris Sabiston, Jacksonville.
Second Vice President, Lena Chesnutt, Seven Springs.
Secretary, Ella Mae Norman, Greensboro.
Treasurer, Louise Aycock, Rocky Mount.

Chairmen of committees: Worship, Anna Fake, Fayetteville; extension, Joy Clark, Concord; service, Myrle Lutterloh, Pittsboro; study and training, Doris Murph, Salisbury; recreation, Martha Lea Davis, Badin; music, Dorothy Sloan, Franklin; reporter, Ruth Royal, Morehead City; publicity, Katherine Taylor, Kannapolis; religious drama, Elaine Hope (president of Wesley Players), Scranton, Penn; Inter-Faith Council representatives, Frances Glae, Joy Clark; faculty adviser, Miss Margaret Flintom.

MURPHY REACHES NEW HIGH MARK

During the last two years the amount of World Service acceptances for Murphy have been a little more than doubled. The full amount of World Service acceptances has been paid in for the year. This year we will pay more than the amount of acceptances.

The Children's Home apportionment has also been paid in full for the year. Nearly all other items in the budget are paid up to date.

This report has been made possible by the fine spirit of co-operation of the members. So far as anyone knows, Murphy has not approached this record before.

C. B. Newton.

Historic Places of Worship, Zurich, Switzerland

By MARIE WIDMER

Near the spot where the river Limmat leaves Switzerland's beautiful lake of Zurich, there stood in prehistoric days a village of lake dwellings. The inhabitants of this settlement were fishermen first of all, but they also farmed on the banks of the lake and did some hunting in the woods. However, these primitive people began trading with the Phoenicians who traveled this way from Cyprus to Britain, bringing copper with them and returning home with tin. From these metals which they thus were able to acquire the pioneer Swiss craftsmen made the fine bronze objects now on display in the Swiss National Museum at Zurich.

When, after 800 B.C., the settlers began to build their dwellings on land they clustered around the so-called Lindenhof and the Uetliberg. On the mound of the former the Celtic Helvetians, who had invaded Switzerland about 400 B.C., erected the first fortress "Turicum" which in the year 58 B.C., after the battle of Bibracte, fell under the power of the Romans. However, some 400 years later the Romans withdrew their legions and the Alemanni from the North became masters of the land. Roman Turicum became Alemannic Zurich. Under the dominion of the mighty but pious Charlemagne and his grandson Ludwig the town acquired importance through their respective foundations of the Grossmunster and Fraumunster. While Charlemagne founded the Grossmunster around 800 A.D., Ludwig sponsored the Fraumuster in 833 A.D., appointing his daughters Hildegard and Bertha as heads of the Abbey.

The Gross munster is undoubtedly Zurich's most famous place of worship. It is erected in the Romanesque style with the upper parts of the towers completed later in Gothic design. The present building dates from the 11th and 12th centuries, but in homage to the generous founder a figure of Charlemagne, with gilded crown upon his head and a sword upon his knees, is enthroned on the west tower. The interior, which has been thoroughly restored from 1931-1936, contains pillars with unusual Romanesque capitals, also remains of medieval paintings in the choir, the crypt, and one of the chapels. Quite remarkable are also the early 13th century cloisters which were renovated in 1851.

During the Reformation most of the Grossmunster's one-time splendor had to give way to utmost simplicity. The Swiss Reformer Ulrich Zwingli preached in this church for 12 years, beginning with New Year's Day 1519. A bronze statue of this fiery preacher and patriot rises at the chancel end of the nearby little Wasserkirche, which stands, as it were, with one foot in the Limmat and the other on the quay.

In an effort to explain the foundation of the Wasserkirche, a legend relates that once, when Charlemagne came to the city, he had a pillar set up before his palace with a bell and a rope attached. He then made it known that whosoever had suffered an injustice should ring the bell when the Emperor sat at dinner, and that he would come out and listen to his story.

One day the bell rang. Charlemagne went out and saw a big snake which nodded its head, then started toward the lake, occasionally turning around to make sure that he was following. Presently the reptile stopped before its nest. There a toad had intruded and was now sitting on the snake's eggs. The Emperor decreed at once that the toad should be burnt to death. The next day, as Charlemagne was dining, and to the great astonishment and terror of all present, a snake crawled through a hole in the wall, swung itself down, lifted the cover of a dish on the table, dropped a precious stone in it, and departed the way it had come. The Emperor in his joy founded a church, the Wasserkirche, on the spot where the snake's nest had been.

Across the Munster bridge stands the Fraumunster church. While its foundation dates back to 853 A.D. the present building was erected in the thirteenth and fifteenth centuries. The most recent renovation took place in 1912. Over the portal of this place of worship has been carved the rude replica of a deer, which, according to legend, led Ludwig's two daughters Hildegard and Bertha, to the spot where their father subsequently had a church and abbey built for them. This rich foundation became more and more powerful. In the 13th century, and up to the Reformation, it was a chief center of culture in northeastern Switzerland.

Zurich is proud of these ancient churches and several other places of worship which bear testimony to the religious inclinations of the city. Among the latter is the Peters-Kirche, with a baroque nave of 1706, where Johann Caspar Lavater officiated as pastor for 23 years.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Rocky Mount district conference convened at Farmville on April 17 with its district superintendent, Rev. L. C. Larkin, presiding. The morning devotional was led by D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Nashville Methodist church. Words of welcome were given by J. T. Thorne and Dr. J. P. Keech of Tarboro made the response.

The district director of missions and education brought to our attention some bright spots in the work of our church even in our dark days. Mrs. Fred Johnson, district secretary of the W. S. C. S., reported outstanding activity in the women's work. Seventy of the one hundred churches of the district observed the week of prayer. A piano has been placed in the Industrial Center of East Laurinburg by the women of the Rocky Mount district.

Reverends Barnes, Plyler, Patten, Harrison and others represented the Orphanage, Christian literature, Louisburg and High Point colleges.

In the laymen's hour W. J. Smith, district leader, presented Col. J. F. Bruton, who was heard with much interest as he spoke on the subject of Christian Stewardship. Colonel Bruton presented certificates to First church, Wilson; First church, Rocky Mount, and Weldon for accepting and paying all World Service apportioned to them by the district stewards.

All felt that our conference was very fortunate in having Bob Bradshaw bring the message of the day. Bob certainly measured up to the high expectation of everyone.

At the conclusion of the morning session the young people's choir of the Farmville church delighted the conference with several musical numbers.

The afternoon devotional was led by W .J. Neese, pastor of Marvin-St. Paul churches in Rocky Mount.

J. G. Long, Jr., of Seaboard charge was granted local preacher's license by the conference. All the pastors' re-

ports indicated that good work had been done on the charges of the district in the first half of the year.

We were glad to have a number of visitors from other districts in our conference during the day.

H .L. Davis, pastor at Littleton, extended an invitation to the conference to hold its 1943 session in the Littleton church, which was accepted.

H. B. Porter read an expression of thanks to the pastor of Farmville church and people for the splendid day which they had made possible for us. Said he: "Following the rich experience of the fellowship of the day, we shall return to our homes in greater confidence in the future and with higher hopes of victory in our Lord's work."

N. W. Grant, Sec.

HIGH TRIBUTE PAID DR. J. M. JUDD

By Dr. W. S. Cozart

There are often times in life when we gratefully offer our gratitude in public gatherings and pay homage for those community leaders who have been faithful Christian and civic leaders. Without these trail blasters our country would still be a vast undeveloped frontier, traversed by the lawless, clanish people who would settle by duels.

On this occasion it is particularly fitting and pleasing that the board of stewards of the Fuquay Springs Methodist church meet here with the congregation and pay tribute to our mutual friend and Christian leader, Dr. J. M. Judd, retiring chairman of the board of stewards of the Fuquay Springs Methodist church after having given 38 years of continuous service to this church.

When Dr. Judd first came to this community, about 1893, he taught school at Oakwood school. After graduating from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., in 1897, he located at his present home. Possibly while teaching school at Oakwood he met Amorette Ballentine, and after his graduation married her. With the very efficient help of his wife, they reared a fine family, most of whom have located here and are carrying on with the vigor and thrift of their parents. One is a very successful physician.

Early in professional life Dr. Judd identified himself with the organization of the Fuquay Methodist church and became the chairman of the board of stewards, which position he was always interested in and gave liberally of his means for its support. Dr. Judd's life may be bisected into many useful parts, as applied to the Fuquay Springs community. There are few people who have had such diversified successful talent. Let us divide his life into three parts:

1. All of his life he has been a Christian gentleman and placed moral things first. He not only worked for his own church, but he helped other churches to succeed with their buildings and affairs. Certainly there was precept and example, which is a mighty good person to follow.

2. He has been a successful physician. Always been of good medical mind, and with a sympathetic understanding of the sick. Being industrious, he answered his sick calls promptly, and knew his people from Cape Fear to Black river.

3. Dr. Judd has been a community leader. Nothing civic has ever been considered or started here that he wasn't actively connected with in a leading manner. His many nice farm homes and barns and mercantile establishments are emblems of good thinking and better judgment. He has always been a busy man. It might be said of him that he has worked more at night than many of us ever worked during the day.

Doctor, may we, as the board of stewards of the Fuquay Springs Methodist church, tell you that your influence will ever live in southern Wake county, and that as time goes on your life will shine brighter in the continued growth and development of the Christian people here and all homes where you have been a trusted friend.

As a token of church and community love, faithful service and devotion to this church and your friends, may we, the board of stewards, this the 3rd day of May, 1942, present you this offering in silver, that you and your family may ever keep in remembrance of you. And in closing, may I quote the following fable in rhyme; though I am not referring to Dr. Judd as being an old man, for he isn't:

An old man, traveling a long highway,
Came at the evening, cold and gray,
To a chasm deep and wide.
The old man crossed in a twilight dim,
For the sullen stream held no fear for him.
He turned when he reached the other side,
And builded a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," cried a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting your strength with your building here.
Your journey will end with the ending day,
And you never again will pass this way.
You have crossed the chasm deep and wide,
Why build a bridge at eventide?"

And the builder raised his old gray head,
"Good friend, on the path I have come," he said,
"There followeth after me today
A youth whose feet will pass this way.

This stream which has been naught to me,
To that fair-haired boy may a pitfall be.
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim.
Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

WHY SO FEARFUL?

By John Bunyan Smith

We are living in a world of fear. Fear was born in the Garden of Eden. Fear is as old as the human race. When sin entered the heart of man, the door to fear swung open. God's first man and woman hid themselves among the trees. Sin made them fearful. The man said, "I was afraid." Thus fear was born and has been humanity's curse ever since.

Fear is the result of sin. Fear is the child of disobedience. The world lieth in the grip of fear—fear of disease, fear of death, fear of the future, fear of the hereafter. What a bondage! The child of God may fall into this satanic bondage. Fear is unbelief; fear is distrust. Man cries, "I am afraid." God has deliverance and says, "Fear not!" God can remove the cause of fear, which is sin. Peace has been made through his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me." "If God be for us, who can be against us?" For the conquest of fear God has provided the shield of faith, the sword of the Spirit—the Word of God. O child of the King, put on your armor! "Be strong and of good courage, fear not . . . for the Lord thy God . . . doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee" (Deuteronomy 31:6). "The Lord is on my side; I will not fear" (Psalm 118:6). "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God" (Isaiah 41:10).—The Watchman-Examiner.

RALEIGH DISTRICT FOSTERS MISSIONS

April 22 was a great missionary day in the Raleigh district. Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, executive secretary of the Methodist Board of Missions, addressed stewards and other interested leaders of the district at Franklinton, 10 a. m.; at Smithfield at a luncheon meeting; at Raleigh at a dinner meeting. The same message was given at each place. It was a review of Methodist missions of the entire world, country by country; also a statement of the effect of war on Methodist missions. He stated that Methodism has been touched by war in every disturbed nation, as Methodism is a world religion. He read letters which he received from missionaries in the conquered countries of Europe. These letters read almost like Paul's letters to fellow Christians under similar conditions of physical slavery and tyranny. The Christians of the conquered countries are standing fast for the faith. In many cases they have increased their giving for the mission work they assumed before the war. He declared that, despite the present world situation, he had never been more hopeful for a Christian world than today. If the church is dedicated and sacrificial in serving and sharing during the war, it will have a greater opportunity for world influence than ever in history.

Only a relatively few Methodist missionaries have been removed from their posts. Most of them have been or are being shifted to India, Africa, South America, and among minority groups in this country. Every missionary's salary must be paid. The expense of transferring to new fields has been great. Rather than decreasing contributions for World Service in the local church, now is the time of greater need and opportunity.

Attendance at the three rallies was 250.

Preceding Dr. Diffendorfer's Raleigh address, a city missionary society was organized. The following officers were elected: President, Gurney P. Hood, Edenton Street church; first vice president, J. William McGee, Fairmont church; second vice president, R. A. Bashford, Jenkins Memorial; secretary, M. G. Mann, Hayes-Barton church; treasurer, H. R. Williamson, Person Street church.

The city missionary society is an outgrowth of a meeting held last fall, at which time Dr. C. A. Richardson of the General Board of Missions explained the organization and function of a scoiety, and the authorizing of a convening committee to plan and call an organizational meeting.

Rev. H. I. Glass, district superintendent, planned and presided over all the meetings and was instrumental in organizing the city missionary society.

Howard, M. McLamb.

REV. A. J. GROVES PASSES

Thousands of people in this section and other parts of North Carolina were genuinely grieved at the death Sunday afternoon of Rev. Andrews James Groves, 85, retired Methodist minister.

Mr. Groves devoted his life to effective labor in the Master's vineyard. He was a preacher of the old school, always standing firmly by the fundamental and literal teachings of our Bible, and he would have resented any implication he was modernistic in his beliefs. In a modern age, however, through the fact he was undoubtedly and unquestionably a fine Christian, he held the respect and admiration of all religious people.

There are many people in Sanford who will tell you that Mr. Groves was the best Christian and the best man here. One who dies in such public esteem has not lived in vain. He has achieved the immortality which Mr. Groves' good soul has already inherited.—Editorial, Sanford Herald.

Mrs. Groves requests us to say that due to her feeble state of health she cannot reply to the many expressions of sympathy which she has received but nevertheless is most grateful for the remembrances.

REV. J. W. POTTER'S NINETIETH BIRTHDAY

Rev. J. W. Potter, 710 Hinsdale Street, Raleigh, will be ninety years old on May 11, 1942. In calendar years Brother Potter is now the oldest member of the North Carolina annual conference.

Until middle life he was a successful business man, holding a good position with a telegraph company. When he felt the call to preach he walked into the office and told his fellow workers that he was going to resign his position to make preparation to enter the Christian ministry of the Methodist Church. They said to him, "John, you don't mean that. You have one of the best jobs here. To give it up would be foolish, especially to enter a profession where the financial returns are not always either liberal or certain." (He was then the chief operator for the Associated Press news in Augusta, Ga.) He answered, "I had rather be the pastor of the poorest circuit in the North Georgia conference than to be President of the United States of America." Those of us who have been fortunate enough to know Brother Potter, even for a few years, know that he spoke sober truth, for during the forty-six years since he joined the North Georgia conference in 1896 and was assigned to one of its poorest charges until now he has excelled in unselfish service and holy living.

Transferring to his native North Carolina conference three years later, he served altogether thirty-two years as an active pastor and has now had the retired relation for fourteen years, and even during these years he has abounded to all good works as much as his failing physical strength would allow.

By choice, he always received what some would call modest appointments, but to him each one was always the very place where the Lord of the harvest would have him labor. He and his good wife, who entered the larger life four years ago, served with high fidelity at all times and to all people, and abundant were the returns in gratitude, love and precious souls. Occasionally I pause for a moment at Sister Potter's grave in the beautiful Oakdale cemetery in the city of Wilmington and breathe a prayer of gratitude for the abiding, transforming influence of her life.

I first knew Brother Potter twenty years ago when he was pastor of St. John's church in Goldsboro and I was a high school student there. Some years later it was my good fortune to preach in two revivals to his flock in Clark Street church, Rocky Mount. I am quite sure that I received infinitely more good from the Christian fellowship in his good home than his people received from my attempted exhortations. Despite the disparity of a little more than fifty years in our ages, the friendship of his soul has blessed and enriched my life.

Brother Potter, I therefore send you personal greetings and heartiest congratulations on your ninetieth birthday. May you have strength for other years, for your many friends feel safer with you in their midst. And when God shall call you higher I think he will turn to Gabriel and say with understandable pride, "Here comes a man!" Chancie D. Barclift.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

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The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

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Fayetteville District

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C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

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C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

M. W. Warren, Garland.
C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
C. L. Grant, Lowesville.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.

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A PRAYER FOR THE TIMES

By Georgia Harkness

O God our Father, it is good to know that when fear and disaster encompass us thou art strong and loving and secure. These are evil days; deliver us from evil. But to know that thou art near, that thou wilt not leave us in the dark, that nothing can defeat thee—this is deliverance.. Give me, O Lord—and what I ask for myself I ask for all—courage, patience, understanding, gentleness, humility, self-restraint, power. Help us throughout this storm-tossed world to love one another and to do justly, that peace may come. And so, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. Do with me as thou wilt, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MISS DORA HOOVER IN ASHEVILLE

Miss Dora Hoover of Newton, a former deaconess from our W. N. C. conference, made a "flying visit" to Asheville a few days ago, spending her time while here with her niece, Mrs. Fred Manchester, who is one of the active workers in the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central church. Miss Hoover was consecrated as a deaconess in 1909 and has done a most wonderful and efficient work in that capacity, filling many places of great responsibility, but always achieving success wherever her work was done. For a number of years she has been in Arkansas, and though she retired as a deaconess a few years ago she still carries on her work as a teacher, and still enjoys her service with those with whom she is associated We wish for her a most happy vacation with loved ones and also continued success in her religious work as she goes back to Arkansas in a few weeks.

NEW CORRESPONDING SECRETARY FOR ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

In compliance with the request of Miss Amy Hackney, who for nine years has served most successfully as district secretary of the Asheville district, a new secretary was elected to this office at the district meeting in Hendersonville on Tuesday. Mrs. T. Allen Luther of 2 Birch Street, Asheville, has been chosen as Miss Hackney's successor and we feel sure will make a splendid officer. She is well qualified, both by ability and interest in the work, and we feel that we are fortunate to have her as leader of our district work. While we welcome Mrs. Luther, it is with deep regret we give up Miss Hackney, for she has been a splendid leader, securing the affection and co-operation of her co-workers, which is shown by the splendid record of the nine years of faithful service. Miss Hackney was elected president of the district and we know will be as faithful in her new work as that of secretary for the past years. We wish for both of these capable workers a great year in 1942— a year of splendid achievement and gratifying success.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Asheville district was held in Hendersonville Methodist church on Tuesday, April 28, with approximately 275 representatives from the 43 societies, and a number of ministers of the district in attendance.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. C. S. Brown, district president, and opened with quiet music, with Miss Kate Dotson at the organ. After the call to worship by the choir a most impressive devotional was given by Mrs. Johnny Briggs (formerly Miss Lula Laughlin) one of our W. N. C. conference girls, graduating the past year from Sue Bennett College. Mrs. Briggs used as her theme, Christ's Way—the Only Way, and gave a most interesting story through which she emphasized the importance and value of Christ as our leader in the battles of life.

Appreciated visitors for the day were Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, conference corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. W. Harbison of Shelby, conference secretary of supplies, and Miss Bessie Allen of Hendersonville, the first deaconess from the W. N. C. conference.

After the introduction of the conference and district officers and pastors, the reports of the district officers were given and each showed active work for the past year in the various departments. The report of nominating committee for officers for 1943 was read by Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., and unanimously approved. Those elected are: President, Miss Amy Hackney; vice president, Mrs. J. J. Stevenson; recording secretary, Mrs W. R. Harris; corresponding secretary, Mrs. T. Allen Luther; treasurer, Mrs. C. S. Brown; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. S. M. Garren; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. J. S. Williams; secretary W. S. Guild, Miss Jane Sullivan; secretary Y. W. and girls' work, Mrs. Howard Kester; secretary student work, Mrs. Leo Bagwell; secretary children's work, Mrs. S. C. Wright; secretary literature and publicity, Mrs. Emile Alexander; secretary supplies, Mrs. C. A. Hawkins; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. F. A. Walton. Later in the day these officers were installed by Dr. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent, with impressive ceremonies. A beautiful solo, "O Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus," was sung by Miss Eleanor Pearce of Hendersonville.

The noon hour worship service was in charge of Mrs. W. Henry Patton of West Asheville, who gave a most inspiring and impressive talk on prayer, using as her scriptural reference the opening verses of Luke 11.

After a most enjoyable lunch hour, with the Hendersonville W. S. C. S. as hostesses, the afternoon program was opened with a memorial service led by Mrs. F. O. Dryman of Weaverville. An organ selection, "Going Home," was played by Miss Dotson for the opening of this service, and was followed by hymn 218, "Servants of God Well Done." After reading appropriate and impressive scriptural selections Mrs. Dryman repeated most reverently the words of Tennyson's great poem, "Crossing the Bar," with music by Miss Dotson, after which the names of the 15 members of societies who had passed away during the year were read by the secretary, and as each name was called, a candle was lighted by a representative from the auxiliary of which the deceased was a member. "The Lord's Prayer" sung by Miss Julia Owen proved a most inspiring closing for this sacred hour of remembrance.

Mrs. A. L. Thompson was heard in an interesting message as she gave some of the functions of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in this time of chaotic world conditions, and described the present emergency as a challenge to the Christian women. She gave as necessary requisites for the advancement of our work the organiation of more societies and the enlistment of more of the women of our churches. She explained the items of the efficiency aim and urged each society to reach that aim this year, and stressed promptness and accuracy in reporting. Mrs. J. W. Harbison, secretary of supplies, congratulated the district on its achievements of the past year, stressed the necessity for a better knowledge of this work of supplies and explained the proper use of the blanks, which are sometimes used in the wrong manner. She mentioned the specials for the supply work and urged our interest in each.

It was regretted that Miss Kate Hackney, missionary from China, who was to have had a part on the program was prevented by illness from attending. A pleasing feature of the day was the presentation of a check to Miss Amy Hackney, retiring district corresponding secretary, for a sum of money to defray her expenses to the assembly meeting in Columbus, Ohio, in May. This gift was presented by Mrs. C. S. Brown, district president, on behalf of the district in appreciation of Miss Hackney's efficient and successful service of nine years as district leader.

The closing service for the day was the pledge service in charge of Mrs. Mabel Baughman, who prefaced the "taking of the pledges" with an appropriate and impressive message, after which the president of each society or her substitute came to the altar, and as the name of her society was called repeated an appropriate verse of Scripture, and dropped into the basket a card bearing the amount for which her society would be responsible in 1942. The entire amount pledged was $5064.50. The closing prayer of the meeting was offered by Miss Amy Hackney.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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"CHRIST FOR VICTORY"

In the third and last meditation which Mrs. Paul N. Garber of Durham led at the recent annual meeting in Raleigh she reminded her hearers: "Victory today, as in all the ages is through Christ, and victory must grow in the lives of Christians. Victory belongs to Christ. All through the church people have made the teachings of Jesus difficult, but Christ's teachings are as simple as a little child, as simple as the prophet who said, 'Commit thy ways unto Christ.' If it is desirable to meet a person with a smile, why isn't it equally as desirable to smile when we think of that person? ... The only way to gain faith is to act upon it, act upon it until it absorbs and transcends everything else in life, until we can say 'Lord, I believe.' "

MISS GREEN WRITES

A few months ago two friends of Miss Alice Green, N. C. missionary to China, sent her a love gift of $15. Recently these friends, who wish to have their names withheld, received a most interesting and cheering letter from Miss Green. "Your letter and card," writes Miss Green, "arrived in time for my birthday and the gift of $15 from you and your mother came later. The gift in Chinese money is $279.88. It makes me very happy because it enables me to help some of our own church members who are greatly undernourished, and also to get materials for a group of welfare children to make shoes. Two of our church members are volunteer workers teaching these children to make shoes. All of our welfare children are taught some trade so later they may be able to make their own living. I was the last American to leave the city of Changchow. Our bishop said it would serve better for me to come to Shanghai. In October Bishop Ward appointed me to Soochow, Hong Kong institutional church. I worked at Hong Kong and lived at Laura Hagood School with Miss Nina Troy. I went back to Changchow for a short trip, advising and helping as best I could in such a short time. I then began work in Soochow and was just getting acquainted and started in the work when it seemed best for us (Americans) to return to Shanghai. We are to remain in Shanghai until things clear up a bit so we can return to our work in Soochow. Jesus is in China to stay. He is working in the lives of this people."

Editor's note: More recent news from Miss Green and some other Methodist missionaries in China reveals that they are interned at McTyeire School in Shanghai but are comfortable and well cared for. Our prayers and thoughts should be with Miss Green and our other missionaries in China as they eagerly await the time they can be about the Master's business.

THE ASSEMBLY BULLETIN

When the assembly meets in Columbus, Ohio, on May 19-22 many of the women of the conference will be eager to attend. Some of these eager women will have the good fortune to be able to have that desire fulfilled, but will not be so fortunate. Because of this and because those who attend will want a journal of the proceedings of the meeting, Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, will publish a bulletin which will contain the principal highlights of the assembly, the president's message, messages of the bishops, the finances of commissions and summaries of practically all features. The cost is 25 cents and the bulletin will be mailed ten days after the assembly has adjourned. It is expedient that subscriptions shall be sent in advance to the above address. The assembly is an inspiritual body and all who will are invited to attend. Delegates from the N. C. conference are Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon.

A PERSONAL INVITATION

At the opening session of the assembly to be held in Columbus, Ohio, on May 19-22, the sacrament of holy communion will be observed. Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, is personally extending to the women of Methodism, wherever they may be, an invitation to enter into this service through meditation and reading of the Scripture. The communion will be observed between the hours of 3 p. m. and 4 p. m. Eastern Wartime. It is anticipated that this will be a high spiritual hour.

MR. SHUFORD SPEAKS

A large number of folk were prest recently at Centenary Methodist church, New Bern, to hear Forest H. Shuford, State Commissioner of Labor, talk on labor conditions in North Carolina. Mr. Shuford traced the economic conditions which have led to the need for labor laws and organization. He explained that the laws made by labor are enforced for the good of both employers and employees. He pointed out that there have been only four strikes in N. C. since the declaration of war and that three of these were where there is no organized labor. In conclusion he noted that the golden rule of expressing the Christian atitude should be our attitude towards labor and the basis of our duty toward democracy. Mr. Shuford's address was under the auspices of the department of Christian social relations of the W .S. C. S. of Centenary Methodis tchurch. Mrs. W. F. Dowdy is chairman of this department. In her introduction of Mr. Shuford Mrs. Dowdy stressed that the first duty of church men and women is to get the facts about economic conditions and labor relations. The invocation was given by Rev. Leon Russell, pastor of Centenary church. Miss Frances Jones sang "America the Beautiful." Mrs. Leon Russell, vice president of the society, welcomed the guests. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. L. Hodges, pastor of Taberancle Baptist church.—From New Bern Sun-Journal, shared with us by Mrs. Gertie Matthews.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE

Women of Northampton zone met in Woodland on April 12. The program centered around Christian social relations, using the theme "In the Inasmuch of Serving." Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of C. S. R. and L. C. A., brought a message of vital interest and importance. Mrs. E. Y. Averette, Severn, gave much valuable information out of her experience in settlement work. Mrs. L. C. Brothers, Conway, and Mrs. W. H. Brown, Rich Square, led the meditations. Mrs. W. E .Vaughn, Sharon, related a story entitled "What If They Had Quit." The young people's choir of Woodland, under the direction of Mrs. Newton, sang. Mrs. E. S. Bowers discussed the missionary hymns used during the day. Mrs. Henry Maddrey, zone leader, presided.

CHURCH MEMBERS AND ALCOHOL

In a most telling and challenging address at the Raleigh district conference recently Mr. Cale Burgess, head of the United Dry Forces of N. C. and prominent Methodist leader, told his hearers that immediately following the tragic invasion of Pearl Harbor on December 7, a ban on legalized liquor was put into effect there and as a result the arrests for drunkenness were 109 less in December than in November. However, it is grieving to note that the ban was later lifted. "How many Pearl Harbors will America have to face before the ban on legalized liquor is placed in America?" said Mr. Burgess. "Everything is being restricted, banned or rationed in America excepting liquor. The God of the nations will not bless permanently the nations who deny the people tires for delivering milk but give them to those who deliver liquor. Liquor distillers say that they have enough made and stored to serve the public for the next five years. The average professing Christian has given up in the face of these tragedies, but the church of the living God cannot expect to wield influence on this or any other evil when it is enveloped in these evils itself. We are going to be impotent as church leaders until we do what we know in our hearts is right about these things. The liquor traffic would destroy the church if it could—the church could destroy the liquor traffic if it would. We sit by and do nothing about such an enemy as that. Mr. Burgess listed three factors which would help solve the liquor problem, namely, preach temperance, pray about it and establish family altars.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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CHILDREN'S IDEAS

Filling in for a teacher yesterday in our Sunday school without having had an opportunity to study the lesson, this scribe led a discussion with a group of 30 junior boys and girls. Not being handicapped by having a particular lesson to discuss, we discussed our living conditions. The boys and girls were informed that soon their leader would be visiting groups of their friends who live in various areas and that these friends would be asked questions about them. In answer to what questions they thought their friends would ask they stated: "Are we good?" "Do we steal?" "Are we willing to work?" "Do we study our lessons?" "Do we eat vegetables?" "Do we take care of our clothes?" So the youngsters went along visualizing what their friends would like to know about them.

MOST USUAL INQUIRIES

As a matter of fact, the most usual first-hand inquiries we hear from our friends have to do with our finances. The next inquiries have to do with our children's state of health. The third inquiry generally has to do with the number of children we have to provide for. Sometimes we think that the inquiries of our friends right vividly portray our own interest in our problems, unless some glaring behavior problem or series of behavior problems come along. Our financial situation can bear right heavily on our minds. There is nothing abstract about it. It is definite, clear cut and demanding.

THE PERSONAL ELEMENT

It should be said that our children are now in a good state of physical health and in a good state of mental deportment. We are getting along well. School demands are working both our teachers and our children to their limit and they are thus busily engaged. There is always something challeging about a school closing. It is the show down period and the celebration time. We think we have had the best school year in quite a while.

PLAY SCHEDULES

It is remarkable to what extent play schedules and successes influence our family. Play seems to be as essential to the development of our youngsters as any other phase of our life. We do not let any other assignments get in the way of their play time each afternoon from four to six, except to those who must of necessity prepare the meals. These youngsters have other times to enjoy recreational living. At present baseball is our major play opportunity. Both girls and boys are playing ball, the boys with hard balls and the girls with soft balls. Six teams, three of boys and three of girls, have competitive schedules featuring from eight to ten match games each week. Maybe the successes attained in these games have had a great deal to do with the desire for attainment in other phases of our children's living conditions.

MILK AND ICE FUND

Yesterday at the close of Sunday school one of the boys in Mr. Angel's early teen-age class handed me $10 to be applied to the Winston-Salem Milk and Ice Fund. These boys have had the honor of giving the first contribution to this fund for the past year or two and they have become very much interested in it. Public notices of gifts to this fund are listed in our local newspaper throughout most of the summer. This contribution has come over and above the class' usual Sunday school contributions and over and above the boys' investment in saving stamps. To a marked extent do our youngsters believe in sharing with others who are "less fortunate than we are."

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION

So far this year we are in reasonably good financial circumstances. Our friends are sharing with us to an encouraging extent. We have the feeling that they will go along with this process to a reasonable extent. We shall want to keep faith with them in such a manner as to use their funds wisely. Our good Christian givers will not only render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's but unto the Lord the things that are the Lord's. Both should and can be well done.

A YEAR'S EXHIBIT

A report just received from the Duke Endowment listing the daily per capita expenses for a large number of items connected with our enterprise indicates that the Children's Home's expenses are less than the average for the thirteen child caring instiutions in North and South Carolina providing for 150 or more children. For instance, the average total daily per capita cost for the 13 institutions is $1.01. For our institution it is 89 cents. This illuminating report gives us a listing of how we stand in comparison with others with reference to salaries, supplies, food, clothing, health, recreation, education, up-keep of plant, insurance, etc. Thanks to the careful figuring of the Duke Endowment from annual reports forwarded from the various child caring institutions, we are all enabled to compare our records in detail with the average total record for the thirteen institutions.

TWO MAIN FACTORS

There are two governing factors which to a marked extent influence the rating of our daily per capita cost. One is our stream-lined organization. We have no excess personnel. Every one is so busy that he does not have timet to be a trouble maker in the organization. The next great influencing factor is the size of our family, which enables the spreading of our total cost over a larger accounting system. Records indicate that the service extended to our children compares favorably with the general run of service in other institutions. The saving is made elsewhere.

A WINNING TEAM

The picture this week is that of our current varsity baseball team. In spite of the fact that only three former varsity players are included in this year's team, the youngsters, in playing the stiffest competition in their conference, have won nine games, tied one and lost one. At present they stand at the top of the South Piedmont Conference.

If a real go-getter found a worm in his apple this morning, he'd have fish for dinner tonight.



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ATTENTION—All men's organized Bible classes are requested to bear in mind that Sunday, June 28, has been set apart for a big rally day at the Methodist Orphanage.

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BASEBALL—So far our Orphanage baseball team has enjoyed a most successful season. At this writing the team has won every game except one. The Oxford Orphanage team is the only team that has licked us this season. Earlier in the season our boys licked the Oxford Orphanage boys. Under the coaching of Professor Fred Smith, one of our school teachers, our boys have made a fine showing.

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SINGING CLASS — Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "Rev. A. L. Thompson, from Ahoskie, made an appointment last January with the singing class from the Orphanage to be with him on April 26. Mr. Thompson was away in revival work and Mr. Williams, who has charge of the church school, held the devotional for us. Our congregation was appreciative and we spent a most enjoyable day with the friends there."

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JUSTLY PROUD — James Rogers, former Methodist Orphanage boy, who will receive his B. D. degree from the School of Religion at Duke University at the approaching commencement, was recommended by the Wilmington district conference to the annual conference for admission on trial. It is a source of much rejoicing at the Methodist Orphanage that one of our own boys is entering the Methodist ministry. We are confidently expecting James to make a worthy contribution to the cause of religion in the North Carolina conference.

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LOOKING AHEAD—The Methodist Orphanage has been notified by those in authority that we had better get our winter supply of coal in the early spring, so we have placed the order to cover our supply of coal for next fall and winter. There is a shortage of cars, especially during cold weather when there is such a demand for coal. Our order calls for two car loads of coal each week until our supply is met. Getting our supply of coal in the early spring is working a great hardship on us, since we will have to take out of our limited funds a large amount with which to pay for the coal. We cannot afford to take any chance of facing the rigors of winter without a sufficient amount of coal to keep the children warm. Last week five of our boys hauled 150 tons of coal. It is no little job to move 300,000 pounds of coal in one week, but five of our boys did so. When our supply is furnished we shall have a feeling of security, so far as keeping warm next fall and winter is concerned.

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DEEPLY GRATEFUL — I want to thank all pastors and churches that have remembered the Methodist Orphanage recently. Quite a goodly number have paid at least half of their Orphanage apportionment. Several churches have paid their entire Orphanage apportionment recently, and I feel confident that others will remember us at an early date. During the last several months living expenses have increased at least fifteen per cent. This increase in the cost of living is working a great hardship on everybody, particularly the Methodist Orphanage. In view of this trying situation our many friends are going to rally to our support as never before. There are many worthy causes that are making heavy demands upon the resources of our people, but there is no claim more appealing and worthy than caring for dependent, fatherless children. We must do everything we can to help our country in this time of national emergency. It is hoped that the needs of our three hundred children will not be overlooked or pushed aside.

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THE RALEIGH DISTRICT CONFERENCE — The Tri - State Orphanage Conference embracing the states of Georgia and the two Carolinas was in session at Barium Springs Presbyterian Orphanage at the same time the Raleigh district conference met. I asked Mr. A. W. Pridgen, business manager of the Methodist Orphanage, to represent us at the Raleigh district conference while I attended the Tri-State Orphanage Conference. I have asked Mr. Pridgen to visit all the district conferences and explain in detail our new financial plan. A great many of the pastors and church officials did not seem to have a clear understanding of the new plan, and for that reason I have asked Mr. Pridgen to speak on the subject at each of our district conferences. With the exception of one or two pastors, I have not heard of a single criticism of the new financial plan, which was adopted by the last annual conference in Durham. I think all our pastors and churches are 100 per cent in favor of providing a balanced budget for the successful operation of the Methodist Orphanage.

The more you do the more you can do. While you are trimming one job you are putting on muscle to lick another.

Never waste time reflecting on opportunities you have missed. While reflecting you might miss some more.

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CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE CAMPS

June 6-13 and June 13-20, 1942

The Christian Adventure Camps are definitely a part of our youth program. The purpose of these camps is to provide camping experience for the early teen age, with instruction and guidance in their church program. Both parents and counselors in intermediate departments should expect Christian character development and leadership training from this experience. It is with this aim in view that the Conference Board of Education provides this activity.

Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville

Camp Carlyle is excellently equipped with screened cabins, electric lights, running water, kitchen and dining room facilities, a small lake for swimming, and other equipment approved by the State Board of Health and the American Camping Association. This fine plant in an ideal location is available to intermediate boys and girls for eight days at a cost of only $9. Incidentals, handicraft and archery materials are extra for those desiring such.

Boys and Girls Together

For the first time we are preparing for intermediate boys and girls to attend camp together. This procedure is in keeping with trends in camp and in many other character building agencies. By having both boys and girls from the same church at the same time will simplify transportation problems. This new venture is certainly a step forward in our camping programs.

How to Get to Camp

Camp Carlyle is situated about midway between Hendersonville and Bat Cave on highway 64. Campers going from the eastern section of the conference may change buses at Chimney Rock for Camp Carlyle. Those persons from the western section may come either by Hendersonville or Asheville. Train service is available by way of Asheville and Hendersonville and bus service from all points in the conference. Pastors and parents will arrange for transportation by automobile in most cases.

Time for Arrival and Departure

Campers should arrive for cabin assignments between one and five o'clock on the opening day. The first meal will be supper at 6:30, June 6. Campers for the second week should plan to arrive in the afternoon of June 13. Their first meal will be supper on June 13. Plan to bring lunch or buy it on the way. The last meal for each camp is breakfast on Saturday morning.

What to Bring

The camp is equipped with cots and mattresses. Each camper should bring sheets (one double or two single), two blankets (mountain nights are cool), a pillow, towels, toothbrush, tin cup, soap and personal toilet articles. Bring plain sport clothes. Pay especial attention to shoes. Bring a pair of comfortable sturdy shoes for hiking and if you wear sandals, a change in case of wet weather. Several pairs of socks may be needed. A raincoat may come in handy (it can be used as a bathrobe, too), and don't forget your warmest sweater. It will feel good after a swim in a mountain lake. Bring along your Testament, one favorite book, kodak, musical instruments, tennis racket, and other equipment for work and play.

Life Guards

Camp Carlyle has a private artificial lake fed by a cool mountain stream. The lake is small and swimmers will be easily guarded. An accredited Red Cross life saver will be on duty at all times. Other activities will be provided for persons who do not swim.

Medical Service

A registered nurse will be in residence throughout the camp period. A medical doctor will be available from Hendersonville if needed. Persons who need a doctor will be expected to pay the fee.

Ninety Campers Accommodated Each Week

Those persons who wish to attend must register at once. Each church may register two boys and two girls for one week until ten days before the opening of the camp. After that date registrations will be received from any church until each camp is filled. For further information talk with your pastor, counselor of your intermediate department, your district director of youth work, any camp counselor, or write directly to the conference office, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C.

How to Register in Advance

Fill out a registration card in detail and send it with a fee of one dollar for each camper to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Registrar, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C. Eight dollars will be due by each camper on arrival at camp. The registration fee will be returned to persons who are unable to attend, provided it is requested at least one day before camp opens. Be sure to have a physical examination by the family physician. We also want the telephone number of either the parent or pastor. These matters are absolutely essential for the health and safety of campers and for the convenience of camp leaders in keeping in close contact with the home.

Mail

Mail should be sent in care of Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville, N. C. A well balanced diet is provided. Boxes of food and sweets must not be sent from home to the campers.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP CAMP

Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville
June 21-25, 1942

The Young Adult Fellowship Camp is an integral part of the program of the Methodist Board of Education and is in line with the developing Young Adult emphasis throughout the Methodist Church.

Who Should Come

Officers, teachers ,and interested persons in Young Adult Fellowships, classes, Wesley fellowships, and subdistrict Young Adult Fellowships may be delegates. While the camp is intended primarily for young adults, ages 24-35, no hard and fast age limits are set. Persons younger than 24 with adult responsibilities and those older than 35 still young in spirit or working with young adult groups are welcomed. Any number may register from a church. A limited number of interested ministers are urged to enroll. No provision can be made at the camp for children.

Expense

Six dollars ($6.00) per person. One dollar should be sent with the preregistration card and five dollars are payable upon arrival. This includes all expenses at the camp except handicraft materials and personal items.

How to Register in Advance

All delegates should register in advance. Fill out the registration card fully and send with one dollar to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C., or to your district director. The fee will be returned to persons unable to attend, provided it is requested at least one day before camp opens.

When and How to Arrive

Delegates should plan to arrive from four to six o'clock on Sunday afternoon, June 21, for registration and cabin assignment. The first meal will be served at seven o'clock Sunday night.

Camp Carlyle is located on highway No. 64 midway between Hendersonville and Bat Cave, and is accessible by bus or train. Delegates coming by bus from the east should change at Chimney Rock and those from the west may come either by Asheville or Hendersonville. Train service is available by Asheville and Hendersonville.

Your mail should be sent in care of Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville, N. C.

What to Bring

The camp is equipped with cots and mattresses. Each camper should bring sheets (one double or two single), two blankets, pillow, towels, soap, tin cup, personal toilet articles, plain sports clothes (no formal dresses), hiking shoes, raincoat, warm sweater or coat, Bible, favorite book, kodak,

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ASSEMBLY DATES

Louisburg College

Young People's Assembly, June 18-22 (18-23 years of age).

Senior Assembly, June 22-26 (15-17 years of age).

First Intermediate Assembly, June 26-30 (12-14 years of age).

Second Intermediate Assembly, June 30-July 4 (12-14 years of age).

Chowan College, Murfreesboro

Intermediate Assembly, July 13-17 (12-14 years of age).

PURPOSE OF OUR ASSEMBLIES

The purpose of the young people's assemblies is to bring together representative young people of our conference for a period of study, fellowship and inspiration. Those who attend should be young people definitely concerned about their own Christian development and desirous of becoming better equipped for leadership in the work of the church. It is very important, therefore, that pastors and counselors exercise care in the selection of delegates in order that those shall come who can make the best contribution to the assembly program and derive the greatest benefit from it. We earnestly request the co-operation of pastors and counselors in this detail which is so very vital to the success of our assemblies.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Senior and Young People's Assemblies

Churches with from one to fifty young people between the ages of 15 and 23 (inclusive) shall be entitled to one delegate in each assembly.

Churches with from 50-75 young people shall be entitled to two delegates in each assembly.

Churches with from 75 to 100 or more young people shall be entitled to three delegates in each assembly.

Every church shall be guaranteed its full quota until June 10, 1942. After that date the director reserves the right to assign the quota of any church that has not sent in its applications to any other church desiring to send more than its regular quota.

Wherever the senior or young people's departments are organized, the delegates should be sent by departments or by classes within the department. In churches where the young people's work is not organized the church as a whole would be making a very worth while investment in making possible this rich experience for one or more of its choicest young people.

Intermediate Assemblies

Any boy or girl in our conference who is between the ages of 12 and 14 (inclusive) is eligible to attend one of the Christian Adventure assemblies. Intermediate departments or classes may send delegates. In churches where there is no organized intermediate departments or classes may send delegates. In churches where there is no organized intermediate work, the church as a whole would be making a very worth while investment if it could make possible this rich experience for one or more of its intermediate boys and girls. Every delegate will be expected to participate in all the features of the assembly program and to co-operate fully in promoting the proper Christian atmosphere.

REGISTRATIONS

Senior and Young People's Assemblies

Registrations must be sent in by June 10 to claim the quota assigned. After June 10 registrations will be open to all and all applications will be considered in the order received. If a church wishes to send more than its quota of young people, it may register them as early as it wishes, with the understanding that the acceptance of the extra delegates is subject to quota registrations to June 10.

Every delegate must register in advace, and a registration fee of $1.00 must accompany each application. Each delegate should fill in the registration blank in full. Assignment of roommates and assignments to classes will be made on the basis of the preferences indicated on the blank and in case no preferences are listed the director will make assignments as he thinks best.

Young people 17 years of age may register in either assembly. If for local reasons it seems wise to send other young persons to the assembly other than the one designated for their age group, permission to do so may be granted upon request to the director. It is likely that a large number of the senior age group will be registered in the Young People's Assembly.

Intermediate Assemblies

There is no quota limit on churches in connection with the Christian Adventure assemblies. Each assembly is limited to approximately 100 delegates, and registrations will be accepted in the order received until the number is reached. We do suggest that in case a church is sending a large number of intermediates they should be divided between two assemblies, rather than have too large a number from any one church in one assembly. We feel that this arrangement makes the assemblies more meaningful for those who attend.

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Children's Storyland



CURLS OF CHARACTER

Grandmother Heath was reminiscing with her old friend, Miss Ellen Sanders, when two little girls appeared at the front door.

"Come in, children," Grandmother invited. "I want you to meet Miss Sanders. She and I went to school together when we were as young as you are. These are my granddaughters, Ellen. This is Edith." A blue-eyed, doll-faced child, with a mass of golden curls, came forward. "And this is Ruth." A gray-eyed little girl, with straight hair, cut in Dutch bob, shook Miss Sanders' hand and smiled.

"What fine looking girls!" Miss Sanders greeted them cordially. Then, with a glance from one to the other, "But isn't it a shame, Edith has all the curls!" The smile faded from Ruth's sensitive little face.

"But Ruth's hair is unusually fine and silky," Grandmother hastened to say, "and she can take care of it herself, while Edith has to depend on her mother." Ruth looked happier.

"My, I'm sorry I spoke as I did about the curls," Miss Sanders said as soon as the two sisters had run off to play. "I'm agraid I hurt Ruth's feelings."

"Poor child—she's getting hardened, though. You see, Ellen, whenever anyone meets those children for the first time, Ruth is pretty apt to hear exactly what you just said. Even strangers in restaurants or on trains say it with their eyes if not with words. It seems that the whole world loves a curly-headed child and pities her straight-haired sister. I think curls are lovely, too, but I do not see why they should be considered so essential to attractiveness. In fact, I believe straight hair is more becoming to Ruth's type of features than curls would be—whereas fluffiness just suits Edith's pink and white cheeks. We've played up that point to Ruth, and she's beginning to feel somewhat compensated. People just don't realize the uncomfortable embarrassment they cause children by casual remarks and comparisons."

"I should have known better." Miss Sanders was contrite.

Grandmother continued, "I learned my lesson about considering children's feelings when my Kenneth was a little boy. He was such a tow head, I often apologized for it to other people, in his presence. One summer my cousin and her little boy, Donald, visited us. Donald was about Kenneth's age and had beautiful wavy dark hair. I had a great deal to say about Donald's hair.

"One evening when I went out to the woodpile to get chips I heard a choked voice coming from the smokehouse. It was Kenneth saying over and over, 'I wish I had pretty brown hair like Donald—oh, I wish I had pretty brown hair like Donald!'

"I was ashamed and distressed. You may be sure I said no more about Donald's dark hair. Instead, I began to talk about Kenneth's brown eyes and his sturdy shoulders. Today, he's a handsome six-footer with brown hair—yes, it turned!—and he is as good as he is handsome."

"It's strange, isn't it," Miss Sanders remarked thoughtfully, "that adults put so much emphasis on hair and eyes or height, or the shape of children's noses? The important thing, of course, is personality—character."

"Yes," said Grandmother Heath, "and personality can actually be harmed by frequent discussion of a child's personal appearance. The child who is always being complimented is apt to become vain while the disparaged child is pretty sure to suffer a feeling of inferiority."

Miss Sanders was silent a few moments. Then she said, "I guess the old saying 'Beauty is as beauty does' is one that parents—and outsiders like me—need to remember." — Frances Dunlap Heron, National Kindergarten Association.

CLOSE OF DAY

By Mrs. Jo H. Weathers

I look through birches silver green,
As day begins to take her rest,
And watch the pink clouds fade and die
As the sun sinks low in the glowing west.

The shadows lengthen on the grass;
To his mate the robin calls;
Night her journey has begun,
And o'er the earth the darkness falls.

O night, so peaceful, calm and still,
With gleaming stars and moonlit skies;
Give to the weary sweet repose
And sleep to sad and tired eyes.

—Rhyme and Verse.

THE FRIENDLY BIKE

Carol was most unhappy. "Oh, I do wish I had someone to play with," she cried to her mother one day. "It's no fun at all playing by myself. And Baby Brother sleeps all day. He isn't old enough to play with me."

"No, of course not, just yet," said mother. "But I have a big surprise for you, Sister. You know next week we will move to our new home. And what do you suppose? I have just heard that right next door there is a little girl as old as you. Won't that be fun?"

"Oh!" exclaimed Carol with shining eyes. "Are you sure, mother?" Right away Carol was happy again.

Soon the moving van pulled up in front of Carol's new house. The men started to carry chairs and tables and boxes into the house. The first thing she knew, Carol saw a little girl with a shiny, red bicycle come riding up the sidewalk. She wanted to see who was moving into this house.

Carol ran down the steps to meet the little girl, but the other girl spoke first.

"My name is Joy. What's yours?" she asked.

"My name is Carol. I'm going to live in this house. Is that your bike? I have a bike, too. It's blue, but it's packed away down under a lot of other things in the moving men's truck. I wish I had it now so I could take a ride with you," said Carol.

"Let's take turns with my bike," said Joy. "You may ride it first."

"Let's pretend that this is the station," said Carol, all excited, and she marked off a place on the sidewalk. "We can ride down to the corner and back again to the station."

Carol got on the shiny, red bike and rode down to the corner. She rode back again to the station. Then she got off and let Joy get on. "I like to take turns," said Carol with a smile.

Carol's mother had been watching from the porch of their new home.

"The friendly bike," she said to herself. "What happy times Carol and Joy will have this spring if they always remember to share!"—Margaret S. Ward, in Story World.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Walter was going to have a party, and his mother insisted on his inviting among others, a neighbor's boy with whom he had had an argument. He finally promised he would do so, but on the day of the party the neighbor's boy failed to show up. Walter's mother became suspicious. "Did you invite Charlie?" she asked.

"Of course I did, mother. I not only invited him to come, I dared him to." —Edmonton Bulletin.

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"Lay down, pup, lay down," ordered the man. "Good doggie, lay down, I say."

"You'll have to say 'lie down,' Mister," declared a small bystander. "That's a Boston terrier."—American Mutual Magazine.

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"Why are you and your little sister always quarreling?"

"I don't know, dad; unless she takes after mother and I take after you."

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 10

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By Rollin H. Walker

Matthew 21:12-22

Monday: The Day of Authority

We can be thankful that we have a picture of Jesus blazing with anger as he overturned the table of the money-changers and the seats of them that sold doves. Our Christ was not guilty of sentimental softness. But note that his severity did its objects no harm, but only good. It is more than possible that some of those traffickers dated a new life from the day that Jesus drove them pell-mell out of the temple.

Why was Jesus so wrathful over the temple traffic? Because in converting the money of the pilgrims into the temple shekel they often short-changed the pilgrims, and also charged an exorbitant price for the sacrificial doves and animals. But more than that, this traffic was carried on in the court reserved for Gentiles. Many non-Jews attracted by the lofty purity of the religion of Moses and the prophets made long journeys to Jerusalem, hoping to have a great religious experience as they came to the shrine of the God of heaven and earth. But when they got there their attempts to meditate and worship were disturbed by the sound of traffic ,or still worse by the biting consciousness that they had just been cheated by men wearing the livery of religion. Fancy a man like the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:26-28) who had come jolting along in his chariot from far off Ethiopia to worship God, and who found that the only place where he as a Gentile, was allowed to enter was noisy with bickering and smelled like a stockyard.

Jesus taught that force is a poor method of teaching truth. But we must remember that the chief priests and all their minions were perfectly aware of the disgraceful character of this temple graft and profanation. Jesus was not seeking to impart new truth to them. He was reminding them of truth which they were consciously trampling under their feet. The fact that they submitted to be driven out by one lone prophet shows their sense of guilt.

Is there anything that corresponds to this disgraceful temple traffic in the modern church? Some will at once say, Yes, church socials where they charge for the dinner. But a church social where people who do not otherwise have social advantages are made happy, may be about the most religious thing the church does. On the other hand, any proceeding in the church which gives anybody the impression that it is more anxious to get money than to minister to needy souls, is precisely the thing that aroused the wrath of our Lord.

We are told that after Jesus had cleansed the temple the blind and the lame came to him, and were healed, and the children began to sing Hosanna! They had heard the Hosannas in the triumphal procession and, child-like, were singing them over and over again. But the chief priests and scribes were outraged. They said, Listen to the noise these brats are making! Why don't you rebuke them? But Jesus said, Have you never read, Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast thou perfected praise?

Jesus doubtless intended the cleansing of the temple to be a symbol of the way in which the worship of God should be cleansed from commercialism and graft. It was an acted parable. And the next morning we have another startlingly impressive acted parable.

Jesus was hungry as he went into Jerusalem, and he saw a fig tree and went to it hoping to find fruit, but he found nothing but leaves. And he said to the fig tree, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforth forever. And the fig tree withered away. He seemed to say, As you will not furnish me with a breakfast, I will get some good from you; I will make you a symbol of what happens to those who are abundant in professions but lacking in fruit (John 16:1-6). That fig tree was made into the most useful fig tree that ever grew, because it preached to the ages, and warned all men of the deadly danger of professions without deeds.

But Jesus made the fig tree teach not only one lesson, but two. He treated it as a kind of Christmas tree on which different things are tied. When in the evening the disciples exclaimed at the wonder of its withering, he said, Have faith in God, and you also can work wonders. Would that we also might learn to make Christmas trees of our disappointments!

PREACH THE WORD

There seems to be a common tendency among preachers of today to deal with things in a negative way. We find a spirit of criticism—criticism of religion, criticism of other preachers, criticism of the way people are living, criticism of the government, criticism of the world, criticism of almost everything—being delivered from the pulpit too often.

It has its place, but there is a genuine hunger on the part of all people to hear the Word of God preached. There is no other kind of preaching that can so grip and hold an audience as a genuine gospel sermon. We of the world care but little what a man's conceptions of morals are, if they are high. We certainly do not care to have any man get up in the pulpit and expound his conception of morals and call it gospel preaching. We want and we want drastically to hear ministers who "preach the Word."—The Cumberland Presbyterian.

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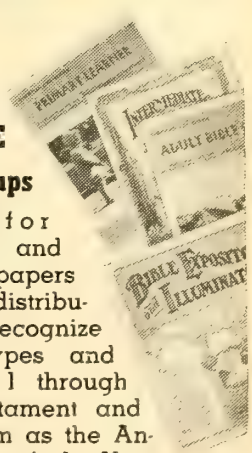
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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 17
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick, 3 17
Orange, Efland, 7:30 17
Alamance, Rock Creek, 11 24
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 3 24
Front Street, 7:30 27
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 31
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 3 31
Eno, 7:30 31

June
West Durham, 7:30 1
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 14
Graham, 7:30 17
Chapel Hill, 7:30 18
Person, Lee's Chapel, 10:30 20
Andrew's Chapel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 21
Swepsonville, Salem, 3 21
Calvary, 7:30 24
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 27
Carrboro, Clover Garden, 11 28
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July
Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11.... 5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May
Perquimans, Woodland, 11 9
Plymouth, 11 10
Edenton, 8 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21
Person Street, Victory, 10 10
Raeford, Parkers, 3 10
Johnson Memorial, 8 10
Parkton, Sandy Grove, 11 17
Cumberland, 8 17
District Conference, Sanford, 10 to 4 21
Steadman, Bethany, 3 24
St. Andrews, 8 24
Hamlet, 10 31
St. John, 12 31
Laurinburg, 5 31

June
Rowland, 11 7
Red Springs, 8 7
Maxton, 11 14
Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July
Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Straits-Harkers Island, Straits, 11 17
Morehead City, First, 8 17
Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11 23
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 8 24
Atlantic, Cedar Island, 11 31
Marshallburg, 8 31

June
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 7
Pamlico, Hobucken, 2:30 7
Pink Hill, Webbs, 8 7
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July
Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May
Dunn, Black's Chapel, 11 10
Lillington, Parker's Grove, 8 10
Granville, Rehobeth, 8 13
Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
McKendree, Conetoe, 11 10
Robersonville, Hamilton, 8 10
Spring Hope, Stanhope, 11 17
Elm City, Hornes, 3:30 17
Rocky Mount, Clark Street, 8 17
Littleton Ct., Tabor (Dedication), 11 24
Enfield, Whitakers Chapel, 12 24
Littleton Ct., Corinth (Dedication), 8 24
Stantonsburg, 10 31
Kenly, Buckhorn, 12 31
Marvin-St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 31

June
Roanoke Rapids, 11 7
Sp. Church-Garysburg, Shiloh, - 7
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 7
Rosemary, 8 7
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 ... .14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July
Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Shallottte, Concord, 11 10
Town Creek, Shiloh, 3 10
Southport, 7:30 10
Young People's Rally, Kenansville, 4:00-8:30 11
Young People's Rally, Whiteville, 4:00-8:30 12
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 11 17
Lumberton Ct., Smith's, 8 17
Elizabeth, Union, 3:30 17
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 24
St. Paul's, Barkers, 3:30 24
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 8 24
Garland, Antioch, 11 31
Tabor City, Tabor City, 8 31

June
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 ... 7
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 7
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 3:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 7 16
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

May
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Celo, 11 17
Burnsville, Burnsville, 3 17
Etowah, Etowah, 3 24
Hendersonville, 8 24
Oakley, 8 27
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 31
Ivy, Bright Hope, 3 31

June
Asbury Memorial, 8 3
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 6
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 7
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 7
Biltmore, 8 10
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July
Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2

Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

Second quarterly conference will elect delegates to the district conference, to be held in Brevard Tuesday, May 12.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 10
Weddington, Union, 8 10
Duncan Memorial, 8 13
Pineville, Harrrison, 11 17
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 17
Central Avenue, 8 17
Calvary, 8 20
Waxhaw, Heath Memorial, 10 24
Marshville, Gilboa, 3 24
Spencer Memorial, 8 24
Brevard Street, 8 25
Belmont Park, 8 27
Wesley Heights, 8 31

The following charges will hold their third quarterly conferences jointly at the Anson County Methodist Rally, Sunday, May 31, at Bethel on the New Hope-Bethel charge: Ansonville, Lilesville, Morven, Polkton, and New Hope-Bethel. The conference will follow the luncheon hour.

June

Zoar, 3 7
Trinity, 8 7
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Mcnroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July

Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensbore, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—REVISED

May

Lee's Chapel, 11 10
Bethel, Pisgah, 7:30 10
Groome's, revival services, 7:30 11
Midway, 3 17
Proximity, 7:30 17
District Conference, Haw River, Midway, 9:30 19

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 11 17
Valdese, Warlicks, 2:30 17
Clinchfield, night 17
Old Fort, 11 24
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 24
Cross Mills, night 24
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11 31
Elk Park, Newland, 3 31
Marion First, night 31

June

North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Spindale, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

District Conference will convene at 9 o'clock May 7 at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit.

Troutman, 11 10
Statesville, Boulevard, 8 10
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 17
Cool Springs, Salem, 8 17
Hickory, First, 11 24
Westview, 8 24
Lenoir, First, 11 31
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 3 31
Whitnel, 8 31

June

Statesville, Race Street, 11 7
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 7
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11 14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3 14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—IN PART

May

Waynesville, 11 10
Jonathan, Hemphill, 3 10

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That ahead are the glad reunions
And behind all the struggles and tears.

"Dear Father, we pray for thy guidance,
Till we, too, reach the turn of the road.
Oh, grant us the glory of helping
To lighten some wayfarer's load.
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In Memoriam

PLEASANTS—Mr. John M. Pleasant, a steward in Purley Methodist church, Milton charge, recently passed from this earth. In the short time I had known him and worked with him, I had come to love him as one who was interested in the Lord's work. He was a Christian friend to people of all kinds and colors. His Christian influence will be sorely missed in Purley community.

Floyd M. Patterson, Minister.

JOYNER—Bertha Barrow Joyner, a member of the Farmville Methodist church, came to the end of her earthly pilgrimage on December 28, 1941, having attained the age of 80 years. Mrs. Joyner was of a quiet disposition and possessed a strong Christian character. With an unfaltering trust in God she met the issues of life. Her home was a haven of good influences and gave to the community a large family of boys and girls who are worthy citizens and who are faithful to the church.

"More home-like seems the vast unknown
Since she has entered there;
To follow her were not so hard,
Where'er she may fare.

She cannot be where God is not,
On any sea or shore;
Whate'er betides, thy love abides,
Our God, forevermore."

M. Y. Self, Pastor.

AUTRY—G. B. Autry, 73, departed this life February 14. 1942. He had been in declining health for several years.

He was born and raised on the farm near Blockersville, now Stedman. Farming was his lifetime occupation, and he did the job well until about 11 years ago when his home was broken up by the death of his wife and only daughter. He spent his last years with his half-brother, N. C. Faircloth, who is his only survivor of near kin.

He was a member of Cokesbury Methodist church and of the Philip Greening Bible class, which he attended until a short time before his death.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. F. Elliott, his pastor, at the grave in the McCall cemetery. The service was well attended and his grave was covered with lovely flowers.

Members of the Philip Greening Bible Class.

PERRY—Brother James Franklin Perry of Cove City, N. C., passed to his eternal reward late Tuesday evening, March 10, 1942. He was one of eastern Carolina's noblest Christians. "Brother Jim" was only 50 years of age, but 24 of those years were spent as the tireless superintendent of Asbury church on the Dover charge. No one but God knows his Christian influence in Asbury community, but many of his friends have seen the church and community life rise to a much higher level through these years. Through his leadership a beautiful brick church was erected in the open space of the country. In his leadership he had numberless handicaps and obstacles, but he only used them as stepping stones to greater attainments. He was able to do it "in the power of His might."

He suffered much for more than a year, but he never uttered a complaint. His disposition and faith were that of Job. He was true friend to everyone, loyal and devoted husband, and more than all a noble Christian with convictions, courage, patience, understanding spirit ,always kind and ready to serve, always strewing roses instead of thorns. His loved ones, friends and pastor will miss him sorely, but his influence will live on in our lives. He was every pastor's real friend, walking in the footsteps of his Master as best he knew how, and ever walking with his God. H. L. Harrell, Pastor.

A TRIBUTE

In the death of Mrs. Susan Coltrane Stanton, wife of Dr. D. A. Stanton of High Point, Wesley Memorial Methodist church has lost one of its most excellent women, wives and mothers. Mrs. Stanton came of the well known Coltrane family of Randolph county, married more than 50 years ago Dr. D. A. Stanton, one of our state's prominent physicians and surgeons, united early in life with the old Washington Street Methodist church of High Point, and for a long lifetime was one of its leaders and promoters. For 52 years Mrs. Stanton was a subscriber to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a constant reader of its pages, a record seldom equaled in Methodist history.

For several months Mrs. Stanton was confined to her bed at the home in High Point, suffering but never making any complaint whatever. To her pastor she always spoke a word of deep faith in God and was at all times resigned to his holy will. She has left to her husband, Dr. Stanton, and to her children, Dr. T. M. Stanton, Mr. David Stanton, and Mrs. W. A. Sherrod, an inheritance incorruptible. Her memory will abide in their hearts and in the hearts of hundreds of her friends throughout all the years. For purity of heart, poise and personality, strength of character and nobleness of ideals, Mrs. Stanton has never had an equal, perhaps, in our city.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. C. E. Rozzelle, her pastor, assisted by Dr. W. A. Lambeth of Asheville, lifelong friend of the Stanton family, on Monday, March 23, at the home, and her body was carried to its last resting place in the family plot of Oakwood cemetery in High Point, there to await the resurrection of the just. Peace to her ashes; her soul goes marching on. C. E. R.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with deep sorrow that we, the members of the Woman's Society of of Christian Service of Gethsemane Methodist church, Greensboro, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Belle Scott Lee, who was called home to heaven January 2, 1942.

Mrs. Lee lived a noble life of service and faithfulness which will be an inspiration to the members to do greater things for the kingdom of God.

Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well, and thank God for one whose life has been a benediction to us.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the family and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be placed on the minutes of the society.

Woman's Society of Christian Service.



The Eternal City

John, the beloved disciple, in Revelations, chapter 21, verses 19, 20, endeavors to express in human language the most transcendant spiritual beauty and permanence of the heavenly city—the everlasting city. He selected, singularly enough, to describe the foundations thereof, beautiful crystalline gems: Jasper, Sapphire, Chalcedony, Emerald, Sardonyx, Sardius, Chrysolyte, Beryl, Topaz, Chrysoprasus, Jacinth, Amethyst, every one of which appears in the minute crystals of

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COACHING SCHOOL FOR RURAL CHURCH BIBLE CONFERENCES

Dr. Leo Rippy of the Board of Education and Dr. A. J. Walton of the Board of Missions and Church Extension have projected what appears now to be a most important movement for the church. After consultation with Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University and Rev. R. W. Bradshaw and Rev. Carl King, executive secretaries of the board of education of the two North Carolina conferences of the Methodist Church, a plan was worked out whereby Drs. Rippy and Walton meet with a group of pastors in the two conferences and a select number of Duke endowment students at the university for the purpose of developing an effective method of conducting Bible conferences in the rural churches in North Carolina during the approaching summer.

This meeting was held Monday and Tuesday of this week when some twenty to thirty pastors and a like group of seminary students, who have been assigned to rural churches for ten weeks of practical work, met Drs. Walton and Rippy in York Chapel in the Divinity School building at Duke. This two day schedule of planning, discussion and conference was set up in order to approach the enterprise with more unity and effectiveness. Dr. Walton stated at the beginning of the conference that Duke University was the first to open its doors to such a coaching school and expressed thanks for the co-operation.

If the right pattern can be set up at the beginning of this new program of work in the local rural churches, it would seem to possess great potentialities and should be encouraged by every one who can help it along. As we all know nothing is more sorely needed in these days than a revival of intelligent Bible study by all our people. This new movement should have as much success in the Methodist Church as the vacation schools have enjoyed. If so, the meeting at Duke University this week will be historic.

SIX IMPORTANT MEETINGS IN CHICAGO

Six important Methodist meetings were held in Chicago during the week of April 27, at which plans for carrying out the objectives of the church during war times, through its general conference agencies, were adopted.

The Board of Pensions held its annual meeting in the Palmer House April 27 and 28. The Judicial Council met at the Stevens hotel on April 28 and 29, and the executive and legislative committees of the General Commission on World Service and Finance met in the same hotel April 29. On April 29 and 30 the executive and men's work committees of the General Board of Lay Activities met at 740 Rush street, the Publishing House building.

"Methodist Men" has been selected as the name for men's organizations in local churches as the result of that name polling the highest number of votes in a survey conducted by the men's work committee of the Board of Lay Activities, it was announced by George L. Morelock, executive secretary. More than 600 leading Methodist laymen voted in the survey.

A program for Methodist men is being planned which will serve "as a norm for the entire church," Edgar T. Welch of Westfield, N. Y., president of the board, stated. Purpose of the program is "to develop the spiritual life of the members of Methodist men and to lead them to commit themselves wholeheartedly to the objectives," which are:

"To seek daily Christ's way of life and bear witness to this way in business dealings and social contacts. To learn more about Methodism and diligently promote its interests and purposes. To engage in some definite Christian service. To promote Christian fellowship through acquaintance and co-operative effort."

MORE SUGAR, LESS LIQUOR

There seems to be only one power so strong as to escape being cut down in this emergency. It is the distillery and liquor business. Even some trusts, often more powerful than Uncle Sam, have been compelled to surrender their patents that retarded preparedness. But liquor, with a big L, and ABC liquor joints (Alcohol Brutalizes Consumers) continue to flourish. Congressman Rees of Kansas truly says:

"A government that can take over the rationing of automobiles, tires, typewriters, clothing and sugar can also take over the distilleries and the liquor supplies and use them completely for making munitions.

"The use of a little common, hard sense will convince anyone that the public, as well as the army, would be a lot better off with less liquor and more sugar.

Hardly anyone will insist that the use of liquor is essential in winning the war. Neither would anyone seriously claim he is making a sacrifice not to have liquor in this emergency."

Let action follow talk!—Editorial in News and Observer.

NORTH CAROLINA PASTORS' SCHOOL

Ministers of North Carolina and nearby states are most fortunate this year in the program for the North Carolina pastors' school at Duke University, June 8-13. Some of the outstanding leaders of American Christianity will be on the program. We should not fail to take advantage of this opportunity. During these days the Christian ministry requires great and abiding inspiration. I trust that every minister in the Charlotte area may find it possible to attend these sessions of the school.

Clare Purcell.

ED EARNHARDT A MASTER OF EXEGESIS

When war breaks out the nuts break in and try to convert you to their smart-alex juggling of the prophetic Scriptures. One broke into my house recently. He was glad the war was on and the more people killed the better he liked it, because it vindicated his theory about the Armegeddon and the millennium. He showed how that the 666 in Revelations had reference to "Hitler," Nazism, and Stalin—each one spelling with six letters. I told him that 666 had reference to my family—for my wife's name Esther has six letters my daughter's name Evelyn has six and my boy's name Daniel has six. This is as plain as my nose on your face.—Exegetically yours, Ed Earnhardt.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Greensboro district conference will meet in Midway church, Haw River charge (not Haw River town), at 9:30 May 19. A cordial welcome awaits all and those representing our institutions and interests are expected.

L. B. Hayes.

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Are all Methodists fully aware that this is the glorious month of May and that we are to make a detailed report on May 31? This is indeed the day of the mid-year reckoning.

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It is inspiring to note the great work that some pastors are doing to increase the circulation of this Advocate. These men will have their reward. The promise is to the man who is able to go the "second mile."

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Bascom Anthony says: "I saw recently that two million people had bought a book on how to win friends. That information has been free for three thousand years. There is no mystery about it. It is so simple that even dogs understand it and practice it except when they prefer to fight. It says, 'He that hath friends must show himself friendly.'"

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Press dispatches from Washington Wednesday morning of this week tell us that congressmen signed up in large numbers for cards that entitle them to unlimited quantities of gas. As they gloat over this privilege, what about the "dear people" over whom they have wept and cried on the stump; for whom they would have walked with unsandled feet? Now the people can walk or go hang.

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Never have we known the press of this country to give so much prominence to "Mother's Day" as was done this year. The daily, the weekly, and the monthly periodicals enthroned motherhood in a most commendable and delightful manner. It was a good work that these papers did in exalting the mothers of the land who are worthy of all honor and praise and filial devotion. The result, we venture to prophesy, will be better fathers and husbands, wives and mothers, and sons and daughters, because one and all have been reminded of the place that our mothers hold, not only in family life but also in our national life.

The old time Saturday night to devout church people was a time of preparation for the Sabbath worship. At the end of a week's labors these saints of other years looked forward with joy and expectancy to the hours of worship that were near at hand. It was indeed a period of retrospect and prospect. Looking back they saw six days of honest toil and looking forward these worshippers could truly say, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."

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King alcohol and the liquor traffic remains the dictator of America. Every other business and all other classes of citizens must bow to war demands. Four hundred women at Fayetteville, along with thousands elsewhere, may make their pleas; Bishop A .W. Leonard, head of the board that selects chaplains, and Samuel McCree, representative of the Federal Council, urge that something be done about liquor and prostitution about army camps—but nothing is done. It was not so in the other world war, but the liquor traffic was not in the saddle then.

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"One thing that draws men and women to church," says The Watchman-Examiner, "is dramatic power. Logical preachers stimulate the intellect and convince the understanding, but it is dramatic power that moves the heart and gives decision to the will. All great soul winners have great dramatic power. A drama is a story, and the better a story is told the more power it will have. Charles H. Spurgeon and Dwight L. Moody were great story-tellers, and used that talent for the glory of God and the salvation of men. George Whitefield is a still more striking illustration. Living preachers of all denominations who possess dramatic skill will instantly come to the minds of our readers. We have observed that preachers who do not use illustrations do not win many converts. It is the appeal of the story which moves the heart and wins the soul."

The American Way

THE American way of life is most dear to us. We are assured that this war has the one aim of making secure our American way which has entered so largely into the making of this nation here in this western world. But we would do well evermore to keep in mind that the peoples of the East are not interested in our American way. They desire to be left free to live their own life in those lands that were old when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea.

China and India and even Japan are not interested in adopting the American way—they do not want it imposed upon them. As we know, the militarism of Japan was taken over from the West—largely from Germany—for the sake of dominance and conquest. China and India would have the militarism of Japan destroyed so that the peoples of the Orient may live their own life. Those vast multitudes of Orientals do not care for the Occidentals to impose upon them their western ways. The commercialism, the materialism and the imperialism of the white man is foreign to the long centuries of the yellow and the brown races. So we would do well to keep all those things in mind when we talk about the coming peace.

One of the hindrances to the modern missionary movement in the East has been the conviction that this is an effort to impose upon them the militarism and imperialism of that West instead of offering them the ethical and spiritual religion of the meek and lowly Nazarene—the Prince of Peace who came to give his life for the saving of the world. This fact makes us so eager to keep the Christian church free from the military set-up. For the business of the Christian church is to exalt the cross and not the sword. Following this war there must be no effort to impose the American way upon half of the human race in the Orient. Now we know the spirit of imperial Rome dominates the world, but then there must be the Christian way. This was the message that enabled the followers of Jesus to overrun the land of the Caesars. This is the "white man's burden" in rebuilding a world of peace and good will so that the nations of the whole world may learn to live together free from the restraints of force. These peoples certainly are not interested in American or English imperialism any more than in the new order of Hitler's Europe. Jesus can reign in the whole earth around because he is to be enthroned in the heart of man. Let us strive to hasten this enthronement.

That Juniper Tree

IT used to be a saying among farmers that the shade trees in a man's yard often hurt his corn and cotton in the fields. They mean to say in the language of the African, "when the sun gits mighty hot and the corn and cotton gits mighty grassy," that the farmer will be in the shade when he should be ploughing corn and cotton.

We wonder if those juniper trees, the sort that Elijah in a fit of discouragement threw himself under, have not done great hurt to the kingdom of God the world over.

Edgar L. Vincent with becoming sympathy declares:

"It makes me sorry to think of that great man, who towered head and shoulders above all the prophets God ever sent into the world, lying there with a sob in his heart and the cry on his lips, 'It is enough, now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am not better than my fathers.' That does not seem like the man that flung his challenge full in the face of the prophets of Baal at Mount Carmel and won such a victory in the name of the Lord God Jehovah."

But are we better than Elijah? If this great prophet of a far off day could make such a spectacle of himself, is it not well even today to shun the juniper tree and that cowardice which took Elijah there? God cannot use a discouraged man. He who has lost heart is poor indeed.

"The Fat, Oily Man of God"

DR. CHAS. L. GOODELL says: "The world has little use for the smug and comfortable parson, 'the little, round, fat, oily man of God.' It accuses him of living a complacent life, sharing little of the hard conditions of toil, and seldom soiling his hands or cracking his sinews with the rough and rugged things which the average man knows too well."

To this expression of the eminent preacher all earnest, sincere men and women, filled with the spirit of Jesus, respond with a hearty "Amen." It is impossible to separate the true followers of the Master from the cross and sacrificial service. The greatest victories of the church are invariably won through the ag-

ony of yearning souls. The man who would speak with a tongue of fire must first have a burning heart. And to burn means to be consumed. "The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up."

Learning to Do Without Things

MANY of our readers will recall how Henry W. Grady of Atlanta, Georgia, went to Boston several years after the close of the war of the sixties and delivered an address on "The New South" that made him famous in every section of the nation. Men everywhere saw that an oratorical star of the first magnitude had arisen in our skies.

It was in this address that Grady asked the Bostonians to forgive all the sins of the Southern people on the grounds that they had been punished enough, inasmuch as they had been compelled for four long years to drink wheat coffee. This was a superb sally of humor following an unpleasant fact which the people of that day never forgot. But it was not anything unusual in times of war. We at this very hour are having a taste of war restrictions. It is not wheat coffee, but it is little sugar for our coffee. And what is a hundred times worse they are about to take our gas away from us, which to the average American is like taking away an old toper's liquor from him.

But these are not the horrors of war. They are only the unpleasant things or the inconveniences of war times which should not be taken seriously. And it is gratifying to see with what good grace the American people are adjusting themselves to these inconveniences.

Our primary object just here is to moralize a bit on the merits of being compelled to forego some of the things of life.

How often do we express surprise when a boy or girl who grew up with every wish granted by indulgent parents makes a fine man or woman. And it is an occasion for surprise. For one of the necessary elements in character building is to learn how to do without some things that we may come to think necessary. To grant every whim of a child is to spoil that child, and a grown-up at this point is little superior to a child. So we need not take too seriously the little deprivations of life if we are actually concerned with character building. And even the hard or unjust things of life may become blessings in disguise.

The Old Apple Tree

AN editorial writer in the New York Times, stirred by the beauties of the apple orchards as he beheld them in full bloom, has drawn a pen picture of the old apple tree twisted, gnarled and one-sided, because of the burdens it has borne. Here is his tribute:

"It is gnarled, this tree. It is twisted and one-sided. There's an open hollow where once there was a sturdy fork, the mark of a sleet storm that brought a huge branch crashing down years ago. Its remaining limbs are an unchecked tangle of shoots that ran out of encouragement before they got where they started. But the whole living side of it is now tufted with bloom. Not a cloud of bloom; clusters of it, like cloud puffs in a summer sky. And its fragrance comes in wisps rather than a flood.

"An orchardist would laugh at the old tree. A woodcutter would scarcely give a second look. Even small boys will pass up the few knotty apples it will eventually achieve. And next winter another sleet storm may bring it down completely. But just now it is magnificent. Across the way is a whole orchard, lovely in the lavish finery of a debutante. But here stands an old lady full of years who still can manage a few choice blossoms in her hair."

Our Dominant Commercialism

BUSINESS as usual has been forced to surrender to the all out war effort, so we are told. Is this a fact? Examples may be found on every hand. Sugar, gas and rubber rationing touches every home and every business office. To this we submit without a word. For the chief stake is our soldier boys and the winning of the war. Well and good!

But when it comes to the king bee of commercialism—the liquor traffic—no one dares to interfere. Though the output of the trade is to the hurt of the nation and the crippling of the war effort nothing is done. There is money in it. Let liquor and prostitution debauch the soldier boys so long as profits accrue. Congress lays heavy burdens on all lines of business and the President exercises authority over the nation—but the liquor trade goes free. A fine example is this of America's submission to the dominance of trade and traffic. No wonder the Orient fears the commercialism, imperialism and militarism of the Occident.

People and Things

Rev. John P. Bross requests us to announce that his postoffice address is 646 S. 40th Street, Birmingham, Ala.

Bishop Clare Purcell will be with us on the Person circuit May 17, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of dedicating Warren Grove Methodist church. We extend an invitation through our paper to all former pastors and friends to be with us.—F. B. Peele.

Prospect church, Yanceyville charge, experienced one of the best revivals in the history of the church a few weeks ago. This is the testimony of young and old in the congregation. Rev. J. W. Groce of High Point was the evangelist. The entire community was stirred to a deeper consecration. Twelve were received by profession of faith and eight by letter into the membership of the church.—J. V. Early.

The association of ministers' wives of the Statesville district will hold a meeting on Wednesday afternoon, May 20, at 3 o'clock at the parsonage of the First Methodist church at Newton with the following hostesses: Mrs. Mark Q. Tuttle, Newton; Mrs. J. C. Auman, Maiden; Mrs. C. A. Morrison, North Newton; Mrs. W. Q. Grigg, Catawba; and Mrs. R. L. Forbis, Ball's Creek. All ministers' wives in the district are cordiallly invited to be present at this meeting.

The Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church announces that, with its two affiliated corporations—the Missouri Corporation of St. Louis, Mo., and the Illinois Corporation at Chicago—its funds and the annual conference pension funds now totals approximately $29,000,000. This organization gives direction to the entire ministerial pension problem of the church. There are 12,423 pensnores—men, women and children—and last year these were paid $3,200,000 in pension allotments and $173,000 in special relief.

For the 100th time in the past two and one-half years Rev. R. E. Brown preached to a capacity audience at the Hay Street Methodist church here yesterday. Preaching from a temporary pulpit that had been placed between the two auditoriums, Rev. Mr. Brown delivered a sermon in keeping with Mother's Day. The crowd attending the service overflowed the auditoriums and additional Sunday school rooms had to be opened to seat those present. Flowers were given out at the door in honor of Mother's day.—Fayetteville Observer.

Rev. Doctor Robert H. Ruff of Fayette, Missouri, and for many years of Nashville, Tennessee, outstanding educator and leader of the Methodist Church, died at half past five o'clock this (Tuesday) morning, at his home in Fayette after a long illness. Doctor Ruff was president of Central College in Fayette, succeeding the late Bishop W. F. McMurry to the presidency in 1930. On account of failing health Dr. Ruff had resigned from the presidency, the resignation to become effective in September of this year. His administration was marked by a succession of notable achievements, both in academic advancement and stabilized finances. Central College is regarded as one of the strongest institutions of its kind in the country and it operated an increasingly expanding program. For 12 years with the exception of two years, when he was president of Morris Harvey College at Barboursville, West Virginia, Dr. Ruff was connected with the work at Methodist headquarters in Nashville, having been associated with promotional departments in the Board of Missions and in the Board of Education where he held the secretaryship of promotion and finance for several years. He was the unanimous choice of the board of trustees of Central College for its president and the choice of the retiring president, Bishop McMurry.

To the lawyer evil is crime; to the physician it is disease; to the reformer it is vice; to the psychologist it is a complex; to those in religion it is sin. We find sin everywhere except in ourselves, and there we call it behaviorism.—Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo.

Wesley Memorial congregation expresses its sympathy and love to the W. J. Fraleys in the tragic death of Bill, Jr., on Tuesday, and to the following in their bereavements: Mrs. C. L. Michael in the death of her father in Florida; Mr. W. W. Snider in the death of his brother, Mr. B. F. Snider of Archdale; Mrs. Hal Stallings in the death of her uncle, Mr. Charles Schumann of Charlotte; Mrs. T. R. Short in the death of her brother, Mr. Cicero Groome of Groometown, and to all the Buchanans in the death of Mr. C. W. Buchanan of Richmond, Va. God grant his comfort to all these sorrowing ones in their losses.—Church Bulletin.

Emory University will move up commencement exercises this year to May 29-30, to enable a number of graduates entering military service to receive their degrees in person. The commencement dates, usually set for the first week in June, have been changed, since many graduating seniors have received orders to report early in June. The exercises this year are planned to focus attention on graduates rather than speakers. Services will be held outdoors, weather permitting, in the Glenn Memorial amphitheater, adjacent to the church school building. As last year, degrees will be conferred in the open air in the cool of the evening instead of on a hot June morning.. The entire program will be confined to two days.

A FINE YOUNG WOMAN DIES IN GREENSBORO

At 6 o'clock p. m. May 12, Miss Betty Chambliss Harrison, daughter of former Mayor Roger Harrison and Mrs. Harrison, and a young woman whose friends were as numerous as those who composed her circle of acquaintances, died in the Wesley Long hospital following an extended period of ill health and two weeks spent in the hospital.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon, May 13, in the First Baptist church, being conducted by Dr. J. Clyde Turner, pastor of the church of which Miss Harrison was a devoted member.

Miss Harrison had spent her entire life in Greensboro where she was well known. She was a graduate of Greensboro high school and of West Hampton College in Richmond, Va. She was formerly connected for several years with the Gate City Building Loan Association. She made her home with her parents at 1007 West Market Street, Greensboro.

Surviving are her parents, three sisters, Mrs. W. L. Wharton, Jr., of Greensboro; Mrs. W. R. Corey of Arlington, Va., and Mrs. William S. Johnstone of Gastonia, and her grandmother, Mrs. Charles H. Nash of Greensboro.

A very large circle of friends mourn the departure of this delightful young woman whose presence carried sunshine wherever she went.

The Advocate extends its warmest sympathy to the stricken family in these hours of sorrow.

GASTONIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Gastonia district conference assembled at Hill's Chapel on the Lowesville charge May 7. The reports of the pastors and leaders of the various church organizations indicated much activity for the first half of the conference year. New buildings had been erected and a number improved despite war restrictions. The finances of the district were well beyond the half-way mark, and 254 had been received on profession of faith.

The subject of evangelism received the major attention of the conference. The report of the committee on evangelism was made the order of the day at 11 o'clcok by vote of the delegates present. Speeches were made by J .C. Grose, John Wyatt and Loy D. Thompson, ministers of the district. Following the report of the committee Dr. E. H. Blackard, pastor of Myers Park, Charlotte, brought the conference a sitmulating and challenging message on evangelism. He pointed out three things needed by the church to more effectively bring the power of Christ to bear upon society: (1) The conviction that Christ's way is the only way; (2) a reconsecrated spirit on the part of the church membership; (3) a divine empowerment for the task of soul winning.

At the "laymen's hour" in the afternoon Mr. Paul Sheean, a business man and layman of Myers Park Presbyterian church, further emphasized the theme of evangelism by bringing a message on "Personal Responsibility for Winning Men to Christ." He spoke from a depth of experience and conviction, and his hearers were deeply impressed with his message.

Jesse G. Wilkinson, Sec.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Elections of class and club officers at Greensboro College are filling the remaining weeks of this school year. Miss Rebecca Powell, Mullins, S. C., was named president of the rising senior class, with Misses Ruth Hadley, Statesville, as vice president; Mary Warner, Greensboro, secretary; Betty Simmons, Polkton, treasurer; and Dorothy Smith, council representative.

Miss Mary Virginia Price, Mount Olive, was chosen president of the rising junior class. Misses Hilda Thompson, Hallsboro, will serve as vice president, Dorothy Evans, Lexington, sceretary, Sebie Midgette, Kinston, treasurer, and Sadie Bowman, Wadesboro, council representative.

Sophomore class officers will be elected this week.

Officers of the G. C. Honor Society for next year will be Misses Betty Prosser, Greensboro, president; Mary Earle Wilson, Rowland, vice president; Albertine Lefler, Norwood, secretary-treasurer.

Monday night at 7:30 in Odell auditorium, the class ensemble of G. C. school of music was presented in an ensemble student recital. Selections played by the group included Norwegian Bridal Procession (Grieg), Spanish Dances (Moskowski), Mother Goose Suite (Ravel), Waltz, Op. 64 (Chopin-Miller), Rumberere (Goult), and the Overture to William Tell (Rossini).

Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 the school of music presented Miss Helen Reid White, Mebane, in her junior voice recital.

Wednesday night at 8 the speech and dramatic department presented Miss Kaye Edwards, Greensboro, in her senior speech recital, reading "Two Lives," by Wm. Leonard.

During the commencement season Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president, has been invited to make a number of appearances. He spoke Friday evening, May 1, to the senior class of Ramseur high school; Tuesday, May 5, Gibsonville high school; Monday, May 11, and those at Peace Junior College high school, Raleigh, May 22. Dr. Gobbel also spoke in Kernersville Sunday, May 3, upon the invitation of Rev. W. A. Barber. Miss Mary Warner, Greensboro, junior, contralto, sang, accompanied by Miss Ella Troy, Woodson, Salisbury, both of the college.

Dr. L. L. Gobbel, lay leader of the Greensboro district of the Methodist Church, has announced that Dr. W. K. Greene, Duke University, lay leader of the North Carolina conference, will speak on the "Program of Lay Activities" at the next district conference at 2 o'clock Tuesday, May 19, at Midway. Dr. Gobbel also announced that Dr. James W. Workman of the General Board of Lay Activities, Chicago, has been secured for a series of institutes in the Greensboro district at the following dates and places: June 15, 8 p. m., Leaksville; June 16, 8 p. m., Reidsville; June 17, 8 p. m., Greensboro.

A YOUNG PASTOR WHO WILL INTEREST BISHOP PURCELL

Robert Tuttle, pastor of the Sylva church, sends a check for $62; of this $26 are for renewals and $36 for new subscribers, which gives Sylva three stars in the Advocate report for new subscribers. But this is not all that the young pastor is doing. The letter that contained the check contained the following report:

Enclosed you will find our list of new subscribers and renewals to the Advocate, also with necessary check. This list includes a 100 per cent subscription list for our board of stewards. Perhaps we shall have a few more subscriptions coming later.

Sunday night at 8 o'clock we open our new educational building with a standard training school. Cullowhee, Whittier and Webster with their respective pastors, Mr. Richey, Mr. Moss and Mr. Andrews, are co-operating in our school. We are looking forward to the splendid teaching staff which Mr. King has secured for our school. Dr. C. S. Kirkpatrick will teach a course for adults on "Methodism," Miss Oliver will offer a course for teachers on "What Is Teaching?" and MacMurray Richey will be in charge of the youth group with the course on "What It Means to Be a Christian."

The group which joined our church Sunday morning brings the number received by letter to 30. The people of Sylva are working hard and showing a splendid spirit and a high sense of loyalty to their church. We hope that you can come to see us while you are in this section next summer.

SHARON'S DEDICATION UPLIFTS ALL OF US

All of Cleveland county shares with the congregation of Sharon Methodist church pride in that beautiful new church structure to be dedicated Sunday in special services conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell.

Erected at a cost of $20,000, the building, fourth on the site, is one of Cleveland county's most beautiful church structures. It so occupies a perfect setting that one approaches it necessarily in an atmosphere of reverence.

And in congratulating Sharon it would be amiss, indeed, were we to fail to pay tribute not only to the spirit and accomplishment of those who in the past worked in that vineyard, but also to the present pastor, Rev. R. M. Hauss, under whose able leadership there has been raised in the past 15 months $11,000 for further equipment and for complete liquidation of the church debt. A remarkable accomplishment, but Sharon is a remarkable church and congregation. —Shelby Daily Star.

MOTHER WOOSLEY

We dedicate this bulletin and this hour's worship to Mother J. E. Woosley of 901 Johnson street—for years wife of an itinerant Methodist preacher; mother of three lovely daughters, all of them wives and mothers, and three sons, one a minister of Christ (now promoted) another an orphanage superintendent, and a third a university professor. What a woman, wife and mother Mrs. Woosley has been all these years, and what a contribution she has made to home, church and society.—Wesley Memorial Bulletin.

THE VALLEY OF THE CATAWBA REVISITED

Last week I passed once more over the rolling hills of Iredell and Lincoln counties in attendance upon the Statesville conference at Triplett church near Mooresville and the Gastonia conference assembled in lower Lincoln at Lowesville church. What a delightful day with its memories and associations.

To recall experiences of my early years and to form the acquaintance of grandchildren of men I knew when a small boy was most interesting, so was the similarity I observed between these and their ancestors of earlier generations. The men and women have remained true to the traditions of the elders, even in the cooking of food and the idioms of speech. The outward forms of existence have changed but the inner life and religion along the Catawba remains much the same. We all certainly owe much to the past.

The genial superintendent of the Greensboro district, Rev. L. B. Hayes, made possible this delightful and much appreciated visit to the conferences and to the scenes of my early years. He and I reached Triplett in time to hear those most informing and tender words of Mrs. H. E. Rice spoken of China in these times. She is the wife of a doctor, so she was able to speak from the viewpoint of a Christian physician as she presented the needs of that wonderful people.

Then came the "Challenge of Youth" by J. C. Reichard and the sermon by Rev. W. A. Rollins, both of which met admirably the situation. Others on the program—which I did not hear—were Mrs. T. V. Goode of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Dr. G. I. Humphries of High Point College, Messrs. R. C. Bunch, L. S. Weaver, George F. Ivey and Reid Wall, who urged that we may prove worthy of these times.

Of course Supt. J. S. Hiatt as usual was at his best and all went merry as a marriage bell. The pastors and laymen were ready to co-operate in every possible way. His eager and continued support of the Advocate is known by all Methodists; so it is a delight for the editor to mingle with his people.

Brother Hayes and I pushed on following the noon hour, reaching the Gastonia Methodists at the beginning of the "laymen's hour." Rarely does one hear an address comparable to the address of Mr. Paul Sheahen of Charlotte on using the talents we have. Many of the Methodist men went away determined to use the one or the two or five talents committed to them. It does seem that the larger efforts of the laymen are taking hold in most of the districts.

Brother E. M. Jones lost no time and avoided all friction as he pushed along the business of the conference. Rarely does one see so fine and comprehensive a tabulation of all interests of a district as that distributed by Rev. J. B. McLarty for the committee on findings. The superintendent showed fine wisdom in the reports requested of the pastors. The showing made was most encouraging.

I met numerous friends of the church paper in Lincoln the same as at the morning hour in Iredell. Recent visits to five district conferences in the N. C. conference and this present visit in the Western North Carolina conference convince me that the North Carolina Christian Advocate has more good friends at this time than ever before. The reports in the office tend to confirm this observation. For all this we are most grateful and determined to work harder.

So many things about the conferences and the people crowd in that this is about to pass all normal bounds, so here and now I will end this visit in the middle of the scenes of the valley of the Catawba. M. T. P.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE HELD IN CONNECTION WITH RURAL LIFE INSTITUTE

The Waynesville district conference was held in connection with the Rural Life Institute in the First Methodist church of Waynesville on Monday, May 4. This rather unusual method was made necessary by tire shortage. By mutual co-operation the combined conferences worked out in a fine way. The first part of the day was given over to the program of the Rural Life Commission. For this program Dr. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent of the Asheville district, and his pastors were present.

Here is how it worked. The conference was called to order at 10 a. m. by the Waynesville district superintendent, W. L. Hutchins, who led the devotions. Rev John W. Hoyle was then introduced and he stated the purpose of the meeting. He then in turn introduced Dr. A. J. Walton of New York City. Dr. Walton heads up the work of the Rural Church Life Commission. He discussed in detail the work of the rural and small town church. One of the direct benefits which grew out of the combined meetings was the fact that the laymen attending as delegates the district conference had the opportunity of hearing Dr. Walton. They testified to the fact that it was a most profitable meeting. One layman said it was the best conference he had ever attended.

At the adjournment of the Rural Life conference at 4 o'clock W. L. Hutchins, the district superintendent, called the Waynesville district into a business session when the disciplinary requirements of a district conference were met. Miles Mc Lean was elected secretary. The official roll which had been ascertained quietly showed a full delegation present.

The following committees were nominated by the D. S. and elected by the conference: Interim committee, J. C. Madison, Miles McLean, L. C. Stevens, C. C. Washam and W. L. Hutchins, ex-officio; district parsonage committee, Homer Henry, Mrs. E. E. Branson, E. J. Ducket, J. R. Long and Mrs. John Queen.; layman's committee, Albert Reno, W. L. Kirkpatrick, J. H. Hampton, R. D. Coleman and Fred Trull.

The action of the conference with regard to licensing was as follows: The following had their characters passed and were recommended for renewal of license to preach: C. Alfred Smith, P. G. Morrow, J. T. Jennings, R. L. Poindexter, J. S. Johnson, Mrs. C. O. Newell, W. F. Weeks, Milton Harbin.

B. C. Moss was recommended to annual conference for admission on trial. Mrs. R. Houts was granted a license to preach. Characters were passed of H. A. Smathers and T. S. Roton.

The district conference authorized the trustees of the Waynesville district parsonage to negotiate sale of the former M. E. parsonage now situated in Clyde and apply proceeds on the Waynesville district parsonage.

Reports given by the pastors were very encouraging and showed great achievements for the first half of the conference year. The cause of Brevard College was presented by President Coltrane. He expressed appreciation of the contributions which had come in from Brevard College Day.

A spirit of friendliness characterized the day. The host pastor, J. C. Madison, and his people had made full preparations for the occasion. A bountiful dinner was served by the ladies of the church, and a light supper at the adjournment of the conference. R. G. Tuttle invited the next meeting of the conference to be held in his church at Sylva.

Miles A. McLean, Sec.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

Commencement will be held Monday morning, May 25, at 10 in the Louisburg Methodist church. The commencement address will be given by Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered Sunday morning, May 24, at the Methodist church by Dr. Walter Patten, president of the college.

Sunday evening the joint Y. M. C. A.-Y. W. C. A. sermon will be preached by Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville.



Dr. W. A. Stanbury

Bernard Howell, one of the executives of the Boy Scouts of America who is stationed in the Henderson district of the Occoneeche council, spoke to the Louisburg College student body at chapel hour recently. Mr. Howell gave a brief historical sketch of the Boy Scout movement, and indicated some of the ways in which the scouts are helping in national defense.

The May Day festival for 1942 was celebrated Saturday, May 2, on the south campus of the college. A great number of alumni were present for the occasion, as were a number of parents of those taking part in the festival.

In the afternoon, before the May court, a flag was presented to the college by the student body and hoisted to the top of a new steel flag pole at the head of the walk in front of Main building. The Mills high school band was present for the patriotic ceremony and played music appropriate for the event.

TOWN AND COUNTRY MEETINGS BIG SUCCESS

High inspiration and practical instruction characterized the four regional meetings with town and country ministers of the W. N. C. conference May 4-8. The full day sessions at Waynesville, Marion, Winston-Salem, North Wilkesboro, and Charlotte were well attended, being within reach of all ministers of the conference.

The able leadership of Dr. A. J. Walton, superintendent of town and country work, Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York, made these planning sessions spiritual retreats of the first order. Out of his wide experience as pastor, executive secretary of education, district superintendent, college dean, and his present work he brought extremely practical and helpful guidance to the ministers. He raised three basic questions in most of the sessions: 1. What things are necessary for people to have the abundant life Jesus said they should have? 2. What things keep people from having these things? 3. What can the church do to help people attain the things necessary to abundant living? Then there were discussions regarding very simple steps as to how to teach people to pray, to read the Bible, to teach religion in the home and so on. Also, questions as to how the church could help people attain health, get food, acquire love and other things necessary to abundant living.

Among other things he left with the ministers a plan being used in another state co-operatively by churches and schools. Each person is asked to do three things during the year to become a better Christian. 1. Something to help yourself. 2. Something to help the home. 3. Something to help the community. This simple plan, followed up by teachers and preachers, has been working for sometime with success.

These things were planned by the Commission on Town and Country Work and the Conference Boards of Missions and Education co-operated in sharing the expenses of the project.

Promoted by the district superintendents, these sessions were presided over by Rev. John Hoyle, Jr., chairman of the commission. Rev. L. B. Abernethy, conference missionary secretary, and Rev. Earl Brewer, secretary of the commission, attended all the meetings.

METHODIST STUDENT ACTIVITIES FAIRMONT CHURCH, RALEIGH

On April 26 Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, director of young people's work in the N. C. conference, spoke to the Methodist students of State and Meredith colleges who attend Fairmont Methodist church on "Certainty in Religion." The Lord's Supper was observed at the close of the service.

On May 3 the annual young people's banquet was held honoring the college seniors. Walton Thompson of Black Creek, new president of State College Y. M. C. A., was toastmaster. The program carried out the idea of graduation exercises and was arranged by Miss Juanita Stott, adult counselor. Rev. H. M. McLamb, pastor, gave the invocation. L. C. Williams, Jr., Salisbury, read a history of Fairmont young people's work for the past four years. Hubert Willis, Elizabethtown, read a class poem. John Pearsall, Rocky Point, gave the class prophecy. William Little, Grimesland, read the class statistics. Eula Pearl McLamb, Clinton, read the last will and testament. Charles McAdams, retiring president of State College Y. M. C. A., was class giftorian. C. D. Umberger, Mt. Ulla, president of Fairmont Methodist students, read the valedictory. Dr. Kenneth Cameron, State College, teacher of the Sunday school class, delivered a commencement address. Dr. J. W. Cell, State College, awarded the diplomas. Attendance at the banquet was 70.

The following officers were elected for next college year: President, Salby Kornegay, Mt. Olive; vice president, Verna Gray Brock, Mt. Olive; secretary, Florance Turner, Raleigh; assistant secretary, Mary Rose Suddreth, Raleigh; treasurer, Bannie Lee White, Margarettsville; assistant treasurer, Enos Winfrey, Winston-Salem; reporter, Frank McDowell, Clyde; editor of The Methodist Student, C. D. Umberger, Mt. Ulla; worship, Edison Keen, Newton Grove; world friendship, Betty Sutton, Raleigh; community service, Joe Somers, Elon College; recreation, Hugh Allen Cazel, Asheville.

Howard M. McLamb.

BLAIR-ELKS MARRIAGE IN GRIMESLAND

The marriage of Miss Reba Lee Elks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jordan Elks of Grimesland, and William Leonard Blair of Chatham, Va., was solemnized in the Methodist church in Grimesland on Sunday, May 3. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. L. Vickery.

The church was decorated with baskets of white gladioli and spirea placed against a screen of fern. The altar was entwined with ivy and bridal wreath.

Miss Mildred Marsbanks, organist, rendered a program of nuptial selections. Richard Jackson sang.

Ushers were Arthur Elks of Greenville, brother of the bride, and Edward Blair of Chatham, Va. Keith Oliver of Durham attended the bridegroom as best man.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father. She wore a costume suit of navy blue with which she used white accessories. An orchid corsage completed her costume.

Mrs. Blair is a graduate of Tayloe Hospital in Washington, N. C., and attended the college of William and Mary in Richmond, Va. For the past two years she has made her home in Burlington and was connected with the Alamance health department.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute of Blacksburg, Va. At present he is associated with the Georgia Soil Conservation Service.

After the wedding trip to unannounced points the couple will be at home in Colquitt, Ga.

Divorce Is on the Increase

Divorce is on the increase. In fact, the increase is so great as to be positively alarming. In the face of recent statistics on the subject, sober-minded American citizens and, particularly, professing Christians are asking, "Where will this thing end?" Will marriage as we have known it crash upon the rocks? Will the home be broken up? Will the sexes, not many years hence, be herded together on the Hitlerian program in one vast human stock farm?

The 1940 United States government statistics on the subject of divorce, which have just been compiled, show that all previous records for the dissolution of homes were broken. There was here in America during that peak year more than one divorce for every six new marriages. The number of divorces granted in 1940 was 264,000—four times as many as in 1901. The divorce curve from 1901 until 1929 showed a fairly steady rise, but fell somewhat in the depression years of 1930, 1931, and 1932. During the next eight years, however, following this dip of three years, the curve began to rise again, and it has since marked an increase for every twelve months with the single exception of the "business recession" year 1938. In 1940 there were 13,000 more divorces than in 1939. Among the states, Texas in 1940 led in the number of divorces—27,500; other states with unenviable "highs" were California, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, Florida, and New York, in that order. If someone were to inquire where Nevada appeared with its notorious Reno, the rather surprising answer would be, "Far down on the list, with only 5189 divorces."

Of all the social problems, divorce is one of the most complex, for it arises out of a maze of emotional conflicts in the field of private life and reaches forth into a vast entanglement of collective consequences. In facing the issue, therefore, no spirit of hasty judgment or loose license will help in the solution of the problem. There are many causes for divorce. In the newspaper accounts of cases of separation, we read of "incompatibility," "cruelty," "desertion," "drink," "adultery," and other grounds upon which couples are allowed to separate by court decree. But the newspapers in their reports cannot always reflect the true situation. Even the courts do not in every case get to the bottom of the trouble. Sometimes a husband or a wife agrees to a separation and is even willing to create the evidence by which a divorce can legally be granted. Not infrequently, likewise, a suit is brought on a commonplace charge while the deeper reason is by mutual consent concealed. Is divorce ever justified? It would be the height of folly to answer the question with a categorical "No," for there are situations where a festering evil must be dealt with by drastic action. In some other instances, if divorce is not called for, separation at least is the imperative demand, for the welfare of all concerned.

A careful study of the divorce statistics for 1940 should be rewarding. The trend indicated by these figures may or may not be modified by the returns of 1941, since it is difficult at this writing to predict the effect of the war on the home. But what do the 1940 figures signify? Of course, we must be scrupulous in guarding inference based on statistical showings against too hasty generalizations or too far-reaching conclusions. It is plain, however, that the depression lowered the divorce rate. That was a period when difficulties multiplied, self-sacrifice had to be practiced, and luxuries had to be surrendered. Co-operation and mutual sympathy were demanded, and endurance and self-control were needed. The years 1930, 1931, and 1932 were hard years. During that period, in many instances, seemingly, domestic ties were strengthened against the forces of disintegration. Is it too much to conclude that the soft life fosters disagreements and separations while the hard life develops patience, fortitude, self-control?

Clear it is also that the mounting figures for divorce have a very close connection with the free and easy life of selfish luxury. We Americans have been indulging our boasted freedom to the point of reckless license. Since the turn of the century, vast multitudes of Americans have followed in a semi-respectable way the philosophy of "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." They have become to all intents and purposes sophisticated pagans. In such soil, self-sacrifice and self-control and the other noble virtues of life wither away. "I want what I want when I want it," "Your're a long time dead," "Look out for number one," "What I do is my own business"—these are the current phrases that illuminate our desperate situation. Is it any wonder that free love flourishes, and that the divorce courts are crowded? Adultery and disloyalty are regarded by many moderns as antiquated words without any particular significance for so-called "enlightened" minds. If the homes of America are to be saved, there will have to be a widespread revival of ethical religion. We must regain moral discernment that we may be able to distinguish right from wrong, good from evil. Here is where the church comes in. The pulpit ought to ring out with warnings on the meaning of 264,000 divorces as they relate to the perpetuation of the American way of life.

Divorce statistics should direct the attention of every lover of the American home to the marriage question. Just now particularly, parents and young people need to give profound consideration to it. The war is on, and everywhere throughout the country, young men who are about to don the uniform are suddenly entering into the sacred bonds of matrimony. Anyone with imagination can understand in some measure the psychological conditions that precipitate the situation, but he should not overlook the possible evil consequences of a hasty union. Where a young man and woman have been engaged for some time or have known each other through several years, the dangers in a war marriage are no greater than in one contracted in normal times. But where it is a case of "love at first sight," followed within a week or two by a wedding, there is grave peril. Never were the old-fashioned admonitions "Look before you leap," "Marry in haste, repent at leisure," more pertinent than they are at this very moment.

Marriage is something more than mere physical union. It should involve a community of intellectual and spiritual interests. It ought to be based soundly on right-

eous principles, sterling worth, nobility of character, and the possibilities of mutual give-and-take and healthy growth in all that makes life purposeful and abundant. Without religion in the best sense of the word, no marriage is safe. It may endure for a while, but when the sun is up in the heat of the day, unless the marriage is rooted deep in the integrity of the soul of each of the partners, the high companionship will surely wither away and die. Then—the divorce court.—Zions Herald.

WOMEN AND RURAL AMERICA

Women have contributed to the development of rural leadership. "I wonder how many of you know that the first girls' club was born in a little backwoods, one-teacher school in Aiken county, South Carolina, by Miss Marie Cromer, who organized tomato clubs among her pupils. Miss Cromer offered a hundred dollar scholarship at Winthrop College to the girl who could secure the greatest returns from one-tenth acre of tomatoes. As a result of the experiment, a bill was passed in Congress in 1925 providing funds for placing home demonstration agents in many of the counties of the state. Now there is a county home demonstration agent and a county council of farm women in every one of the big counties of South Carolina."

One of the most important things is that the interdependence of city and rural life must be recognized. Few people know that about one-half of Uncle Sam's children are born and reared in rural areas, and that more than one-half of our public school teachers are rural teachers. Today urban centers depend upon the rural population for their growth and maintenance. Reports show that only about two-fifths of our country will be able to remain on the farm—the rest will come to the cities. It is said that 48.4 per cent of the ministers in city churches came from communities of less than 1,000 population. Those in the city must have a concern about what happens to those in the country and vice versa. After all, we are one people, whether we be Jew or Gentile, Negro or White, a new America or a descendant of the Pilgrim Fathers, a factory worker or a tiller of the soil, old or young. In this land foundations have been laid by our forefathers for a democratic way of life. "Religion and democracy are inseparable, for democracy is dependent upon the application of Christian ideals. The ideals of the Founder of the Christian church who conceived the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man as the norm of human relationships, and who thought man's relation to men should be the expression of his loyalty to their common Father, will ever furnish the strongest spiritual dynamic for the best community life, for the whole community movement is but one means towards the realization of his ideal of the kingdom of God on earth."



Much farm work is done by women



Rural youngsters enjoy weekly religious instruction

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

In sincere appreciation for and loving memory of one who gave so generously and efficiently of her time, her thought, and her strength, to the work of her church, we, the members of the Board of Christian Education, meeting April 29, 1942, pause to pay tribute to Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, who was missionary education counselor of the church and representative to this board from the Woman's Society of Christian Service. She answered the call of her beloved Master on April 13, 1942. Her passing is a great loss, not only to our local church but to those wider causes of Methodism in which she was so vitally interested.

She will be remembered by those who knew her best for her loyalty, her abundant knowledge, and her faithful leadership. She kept her mind grooved to lofty thoughts; lived in close communion with her Master; and sought at all times to carry out his will for her own life and for the on-going of his kingdom. Always, and in every area, she kept abreast of the progress of a progressive church, and zealously shared her information and her experience with all who knew her.

"She is traveling still the same highway
That she with us has trod;
Merely outdistanced us a bit
Upon the road to God."

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we express our reverent gratitude for her life and pray that through his strength, guidance and love we may rededicate our lives to the Christly cause for which she lived with such abandon.

Second, that copies of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this board; be made available to the local press and to certain church publications; and finally, a copy be sent to her son and his family, whose loyalty and service to First church, Charlotte, will continue to perpetuate her memory.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Joseph McLaughlin,
Mrs. Webb Bost,
Helen Gage,
E. R. Bucher,
G. Ray Jordan.

A TRIBUTE TO CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Under the faithful and competent leadership of the late Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, First Methodist church, Charlotte, has achieved outstanding results in amount of offerings received for World Service and in missionary education of its membership.

Mrs. Stewart served her church as missionary education counselor. In this capacity she always had available an abundance of material which she shared with those who helped her in various departments of the church school. Each month found her diligently at work giving to those who served under her leadership "marked copies" of Church School and Widening Horizon for their use in preparing programs for World Service Sunday. Her resource material was not limited to these periodicals, however, because she kept an adequate file of all that the church provided by way of help in missionary education. She also counseled with those who assisted her. Records show that for the conference year 1940-1941 an amount of $1339 was given for World Service by this church school. For the first six months of the present conference year $823.76 has been contributed for this purpose.

It was a course of real Christian joy to Mrs. Stewart and to her church when on the fourth Sunday in March the largest offering in the history of the church was given, amounting to $179.19. She had used as a new feature of her work World Service envelopes, which were distributed to the church school prior to the fourth Sunday. Because of illness this was the last World Service Sunday that Mrs. Stewart spent in her church, and what a fitting climax was this to a life of conscientious endeavor in a work that she loved!

However, her continued interest and concern for responsibility to her Lord and his kingdom was evidenced in sacrificial service when, although suffering severely, with the help of a good friend, she made her plans for the fourth Sunday in April. As nearly as was possible without her physical presence, these plans were executed with an offering in amount of $200 for the great cause of World Service being made by friends and loved ones as a memorial of love and honor for her.

Mrs. Stewart was not the kind of leader whose work declines when leadership is changed. She will be sorely missed by her church, but others will serve well, encouraged by her example. Her influence will help her church to remain true to the world wide mission of the kingdom in these days.

In addition to her work as missionary education counselor, Mrs. Stewart rperesented the Woman's Society of Christian Service on the board of Christian education.

Helen Gage.

MOST VALUABLE WORK ON BAILEY CHARGE

We are working on the Bailey charge with all our might. Last year, a few weeks before Bailey high school opened, Prof. Carl H. Walker, superintendent, requested me to accept a place in the school to teach the Holy Bible to the high school and seventh grade one period each week. This invitation was accepted and the task completed. Mr. Walker and the other teachers expressed great appreciation for the way the course was conducted. The pupils gave excellent attention and showed an increasing interest in the work.

Two years ago I requested the privilege of conducting one week of "Religious Cultivation in the Public Schools." Through the co-operation of the school board and the consent of the county superintendent, I was allowed to conduct these series of religious services in the schools at Bailey and Mount Pleasant. Each day the entire student body, including the fourth grade through the twelfth, assembled in the auditorium for a thirty-minute period. Mimeographic sheets were distributed to each pupil containing outline of the lesson for that day and scripture passages, memory work, questions and answers on the topic being studied. On the fourth day of the services a confession or decision card was placed in the hand of each pupil with the request for them to sign this card and return it the last day of the course. The first week of the "religious cultivation" 52 of the boys and girls signed decision cards and made requests to be received in church. These names were sent to the pastors of the various churches in the school district to be received in church. The second of the "religious cultivation" series was held in the Bailey and Mount Pleasant schools with a very fine response from both the teachers and the students. A large number of boys and girls signed decision cards and were received in church.

Our five churches have posted a list of all the young men who are in the U. S. Army, Navy or Marines, with a Sunday school class responsible for writing to them each week. The men's class will write the first week, woman's class the second week, young woman's class the third week, and the young people's class the fourth week, and it falls to the pastor to take the privilege of writing following the fifth Sundays. Our soldier boys write exceedingly fine letters of appreciation for the thoughtfulness of the their church following them with a series of letters week after week.

Mount Pleasant church has installed an automatic oil heating system at a cost of $1600 and paid for it. The Duke Endowment donated $1000 to improvements of this church. The improvements consisted of an educational building and the installation of the heating system. The total cost of improvements was around $6000. We will have the privilege of dedicating the educational building during the summer. The congregation and the pastor express sincerest appreciation to Dr. J. M. Ormond and the Duke Endowment fund for the donation which made possible for us to have a brick educational building which is adequate to care for our needs for years to come. When we dedicate our educational building we will be expecting to have the pleasure of having Dr. M. T. Plyler, our most efficient editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, with us. (Thanks). W. L. Loy.

TRIBUTE TO J. B. VONCANON

On December 23, 1941, Mr. J. B. VonCanon, at the age of 77, passed away. Mr. VonCanon was a leading citizen, industrialist and churchman in West End, and this community suffered a great loss in his going.

Until the last few months of his life Mr. VonCanon was very active in all respects, and he persistently worked for and supported civic betterment. He thought things out well and then worked hard to attain the things he considered right and best. His support of educational, charitable and religious institutions was exceedingly strong.

The leading industry of our community is a work of his mind and hands, and those in any way associated with him were impressed with his high motives in the conduct of his business.

One of his chief interests was the West End Methodist church, along with all other institutions for good, and he had been chairman of the board of stewards from the time of the founding of the church until his death. He was admired for his progressiveness and generosity. It was always evident that his greatest pleasures were derived from helping others. All of us here in West End will greatly miss Mr. VonCanon; yet we are thankful for the full life he lived and for his great contribution to his fellowmen.

The Men of the Methodist Church.

REV. AND MRS. JOHN POE GREATLY BEREAVED

Sarah Frances Poe, seven-months-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John Poe, died in Duke Hospital Saturday, May 9, after a few hours' sickness. Mrs. Poe was in Durham visiting her mother, Mrs. Lula Gattis, and attending her brother who is seriously ill. When the doctor was called to Sarah Frances it was thought wise to take her to the hospital for X-ray pictures. She was there only a short time when she died. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon by Rev. H. C. Smith, pastor of Duke Memorial church.

Brother Poe is our pastor at New Port. Sarah Frances was always bubbling over with smiles and sunshine, greatly interested in strangers as well as those who formed the circle of her little world. Naturally she had taken her place in the center of the affections and interest of her parents. Only those who have had the experience can know how they miss her. But the fellowship of Him who "spared not His own Son, but gave him up for us all" will take on new meaning. May the great Comforter be with them.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

*J. J. Boone, Graham.
2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hills, Liberty Ct.
*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

3*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
3*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

J. V. Early, Yanceyville.
R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

M. W. Warren, Garland.
C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
C. L. Grant, Lowesville.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.

WRITE YOUR OWN MORAL

A tale is going the rounds about a dim-witted chap who lived in a small town and had no means of support. The "boys" got together and decided to chip in fifty cents each and create a job for—we'll call him Lem. Then they appointed a paymaster.

There was an old brass cannon in the town square, and Lem's job was to polish this cannon every day, rain or shine. At the end of the week the paymaster would turn over seven dollars to him.

Lem worked with great zeal for about three months, polishing and polishing. Then one Saturday night he approached the paymaster with a wild gleam in his eye.

"I'm quittin' this here job," Lem announced.

"What's the matter?" the paymaster asked. "Aren't you satisfied with the working conditions and pay?"

"Oh, yes," Lem replied. "But I've been savin' my money. Yesterday I bought a cannon of my own. Now I'm goin' into business for myself!"—Selected.

SUNRISE

By B. D. Ackley

When I shall come to the end of my way,
When I shall rest at the close of life's day,
When "welcome home" I shall hear Jesus say,
O that will be sunrise for me.

When in his beauty I see the great King,
Join with the ransomed his praises to sing,
When I shall join them my tributes to bring,
O that will be sunrise for me.

When life is over and daylight is passed,
In heaven's harbor my anchor is cast,
When I see Jesus my Saviour at last,
O that will be sunrise for me.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

From a report of the Greensboro district meeting we find that Mrs. R. G. Rives, who has served most acceptably and efficiently as district corresponding secretary since 1940, was elected president of the district and Mrs. I. G. Shelly of Greensboro succeeds her as corresponding secretary of the district. We feel sure that each of these officers in their new work will continue to carry on the work of the district, with the wonderful success that has been achieved during the years past, and we wish for each of them the joy that comes from a faithful and painstaking service in the work that has been committed to them by their co-workers.

PASSING OF MRS. FRANK S. SMITH

In the death of Mrs. Frank S. Smith, the Woman's Society of Central Methodis church in Asheville, has lost a most loyal, consecrated and active member, one who through the years has been most faithful in her attendance upon the meetings and contributed unstintingly of her time, talents and service to the success of the organization.

Mrs. Smith was a Kentuckian by birth, but following her marriage to Mr. Smith in 1898, she came to Asheville to live and soon became prominently identified with the religious, civic and musical life of the city, holding offices of importance in many of these organizations. One of her friends says: "She was best known, not as a musician or club woman, but as one who made friends wherever she went."

She was at one time president of the Saturday Music Club of Asheville and of the State Federation of Music Clubs, and was made honorary president and life members of the latter, in recognition of her work in the musical world. She and her husband, who died in 1934, assisted in the establishment of the Asheville Summer Festivities, which have rendered incalculable service in the development of music appreciation in Asheville.

Mrs. Smith passed away in the early morning of Sunday, May 3, in the Mission hospital, where she had been a patient for eight weeks, and her funeral was conducted Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock at Central church by her pastor, Dr. W. A. Lambeth, and her body placed in Riverside cemetery by the side of her husband. The numerous and beautiful floral offerings were silent tributes of the great esteem in which she was held in her city, church and community. She is survived by three sons, one brother, and an aunt, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself.—Emerson.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT MEETING

Mrs. R. C. Causey, Rec. Sec.

An inspiring message from the conference president of Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, of Winston-Salem, was the outstanding feature of the Greensboro district meeting, which was held at Tabernacle church, near Julian, Thursday, April 30. Mrs. Weaver's theme was "Advance of the Woman's Work" and she gave splendid suggestions as to how this advance may be achieved.

Mrs. Dwight Davidson of Gibsonville, president of the district, presided, and Mrs. R. C. Causey of Liberty was recording secretary.

During the business session reports of several of the departments of the woman' swork were made, viz: Mrs. R. G. Rives, corresponding secretary of the Greensboro district, reported the status of her district in the conference work; Mrs. Hal Fields of Bessemer spoke on missionary education; Mrs. F. R. Stout of Greensboro told of the children's work, and Mrs. Mary Gerringer and Mrs. Grady Kirkman told of the students' work and of the Christian social relations activities. A special speaker of the day was Miss Leila Tuttle of Lenoir, returned missionary from China, who addressed the women on the magnitude of the work in that field. At the noon hour lunch was served in the hut by the ladies of the hostess church, after which the afternoon session was held.

The Wesleyan Service Guild was presented by Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., conference secretary of that important department, and Mrs. Weaver conducted an open forum on the general work of the Woman's Society. Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro brought greetings from the High Point district of which she is president. Mrs. J. W. Payne, conference secretary of missionary education, brought an interesting report of her department work. Mrs. R. G. Rives of Greensboro was elected a delegate to the assembly to be held in Columbus, Ohio, during month.

The following officers were elected for the Greensboro district: President, Mrs. R. G. Rives, Greensboro; vice president, Mrs. Grady Kirkman, Greensboro; treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Cummings, Guilford College; recording secretary, Mrs. Rollins Gibbs, Liberty, Rt. 1; corresponding secretary, Mrs. I. G. Shelley, Greensboro; secretary Christian social relations, Mrs. George Short; secretary W. S. Guild, Mrs. Lottie Duncan, Greensboro; secretary missionary education, Mrs. Hal Fields, Bessemer; secretary young women and girls' work, Mrs. H. P. Winchester, Bessemer; secretary literature and publicity and Scarritt representative, Mrs. L. A. Wharton of Gibsonville; secretary children's work, Mrs. F. R. Stout, Greensboro; secretary benevolences, Mrs. A. Bascom Holt, McLeansville; secretary student work, Mrs. E. K. McLarty, Greensboro; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. E. S. Wills, Greensboro.

HAVE YOU A STAKE IN TOMORROW?

The following comes to us from Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., with request for its publication:

"In our present state of world chaos only one thing is certain—that hostilities will cease. Either the axis or the allies will arrive at a point which they feel they can safely call 'victory,' or a stalemate will be reached in which neither side can be considered victorious, but whichever happens this wholesale slaughter cannot go on forever. Whether the 'peace' that follows will be another armed truce, such as the period between 1918 to 1939, or will mark the beginning of a new era in which—

'Till the war-drums throb no longer
And the battle flags are furled
In the Parliament of Man
The Federation of the World'

will depend largely upon the preparation of the church during these days of stress. If peace is to be permanent the women must have a stake in that peace. We must have done with treaties made by politicians whose main interest must of necessity be personal power, and strive for a peace derived from a deep and abiding interest in mankind—such an interest is to be found only in the church. But interest is not enough; there must be information as well.

Two possible studies in this realm of a just and durable peace are recommended: The Seed and the Soil, written by Richard T. Baker of our own Board of Missions, published by the Friendship Press, New York, at 60 cents per copy. It is a description in story form of the plight of this generation, and of the vision and opportunity as well. A teacher's manual has been prepared for groups who desire to make this book a basis for their study. It is Christians and World Order, by Emily C. Holder, published by the Friendship Press, New York, at 25 cents per copy.

The Churches and a Just and Durable Peace, published by The Christian Century Press, 407 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, at 15 cents per copy, has been prepared for groups desirous of more detailed study in the field of a just and durable peace.

This is a study outline based on the Delaware Conference Report with questions, explanations, and an excellent biography.

Either or both of these studies should constitute a part of the program during the current year of every Woman's Society of Christian Service in every local church. What are you doing for the world of tomorrow?

For further suggestions and information write Miss Louise Long, Commission on World Peace, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill."

We have nothing to fear if our principles are worthy of imitation.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

"THY WILL BE DONE"

"There is one prayer we should make our own: 'Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.' The highest privilege and duty in the earthly life is to do the will of God whatever it costs. God's will is to rule over us, our wills should be to make his will ours. . . . Before we pray any prayer we should pray this prayer: 'Thy will be done.' The highest prayer that we are asked to pray is this prayer. Are we afraid to pray it? When we pray this prayer it will help us to remember: (1) Whose will it is. We are asking the will of our best friend be done. Are we afraid of him? (2) That God's will is always best and always safe. We are in the hands of One infinite and compassionate. . . . The prayer is not simply a prayer of acquiescence, but a prayer of sublime call for complete co-operation with God. Every man's life is a plan of God. We are to find that plan and go his road. . . . In days like these there are to be a rededication of our all to the betterment of humanity and to God. The one hope of the world is Christianity. Christ stands at the market place of life and says, 'Try me—take my yoke upon you and learn of me.' May we say that though the day be long or short God shall have our best." Editor's note: The above meditation is some excerpts from a most pertinent and helpful sermon delivered by Dr. George W. Truett, eminent Baptist minister of Dallas, Texas, on the recent occasion of the opening of the sesqui-centennial celebration of the founding of the city of Raleigh. They are worthy of our meditation and action.

A VISION BECOMES A REALITY

The Methodist ministers of Wilmington have had new opportunities for service created by present world conditions which are more and more affecting our own nation in definite and distressing ways. Into Wilmington have migrated thousands of folk with their families who have secured work in the shipyard; also familes of officers and soldiers of Camp Davis. The government has built approximately 1500 housing units for these soldiers' families and defense workers. These new sections are now cities within themselves and are at least three miles from most of the churches of Wilmington. The City Church Extension Society of Wilmington, composed of the Methodist ministers there and led by Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent, has secured the services of Miss Mary Nichols of Roxboro to work among these new residents of the Wilmington area. Miss Nichols is a graduate of Scarritt College and has served as deaconess in city work in some of our larger cities. Last year Miss Nichols returned to Scarritt for post graduate work. She comes into her new field of service, therefore, with training and experience and we are confident that the fruitage of her work will be abundant. According to information from Rev. A. S. Parker, it is hoped that Miss Nichols will begin her work on June. We shall be eager to hear from Miss Nichols later and to have news of her activities.

MINISTERS KNOW VALUES

That Methodist ministers are becoming increasingly conscious of the inestimable worth of The Methodist Woman and World Outlook as aids in promoting the missionary program of the entire church is evidenced by the recommendations concerning same which were presented by the committee on World Service of the Raleigh district conference in session at Spring Hill church on the Mamers charge on April 22. The recommendations were read by Rev. B. H. Houston, pastor Smithfield Methodist church. Should not the women of the N. C. conference also use all their powers of persuasion and ingenuity to bring about a wider circulation of our missionary publications? Remember the goal for 1942: at least one-third increase in subscriptions in every society. The slogan: "Every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook."

DURHAM DISTRICT WILL MEET

Durham district annual meeting will be held at University church, Chapel Hill on May 27. Speakers will be Miss Elizabeth Lamb,, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mr. Harry Comer, the latter Y. M. C. A. secretary, Chapel Hill. Rev. A. J. Hobbs will also be present. Those attending are asked to bring a light lunch. Ministers are especially invited and any others interested will be welcomed.—Florine Robertson, Dis. Sec.

GREETINGS FROM MRS. HOOKER

At the annual meeting in Raleigh this spring Mrs. R. B. Hooker of Kinston was elected conference secretary of supplies, succeeding Mrs. W. L. Knight of Weldon, who resigned after having served in that capacity for many years. Mrs. Hooker in sending greetings to the women of the N. C. conference, pays high tribute to her predecessor and reminds us of our supply projects for this year. Upon the latter subject Mrs. Hooker states: "Many reports come to me on contributions to the Methodist Orphanage, to sister churches, to soldier service activities, scholarship funds, local charity, etc. These are very fine and should be kept up but should be reported as local work in C. S. R. and L. C. A. The askings for the N. C. conference in supply work for this year are: Foreign, contributions for refrigerators for China, Philippines; medical supplies for extension clinic, Ann Carson, Manila. These must be in cash and will be held until they get through. Home, Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess, East Laurinburg; Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess, Person circuit, Durham district; Miss Elizabeth Titts-worth, worker Methodist Center E. C. T. C., Greenville; any Bethlehem House, Wesley House, approval school, needy minister approved by the district superintendent. Send checks for Miss Stegar's work to her; checks for Miss Brooks' work to Mrs. H. S. Barnett, Roxboro, and for Miss Titts-worth's work to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville. If articles are preferred to cash any kind of bed linen and groceries would be fine for Miss Titts-worth's work. Miss Brooks needs any used clothing which may be sold at rummage sales. Miss Stegar will be grateful for any furnishings for the new community center. Please try to do something each quarter if possible."

PERQUIMANS-CHOWAN ZONE

Perquimans-Chowan zone met on April 9 at Woodland church, using the theme, "The Religion of Jesus Christ in Action." Mrs. George Jackson, zone leader, presided. Welcome was extended by Mrs. Ralph Harrell, to which Mrs. N. C. Haskett of New Hope church responded. Rev. J. D. Cranford, pastor Perquimans charge, brought the morning meditation, pointing out the part every individual Christian must play in bringing about an enduring world peace. Mrs. J. G. White brought recommendations on C. S. R. and L. C. A. Mrs. J. L. DeLaney discussed "The Christian Family." Mr. H. C. Stokes, Hertford, led the noon day meditation on the observance of the Sabbath Day. Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary, gave interesting information on last year's work and discussed various departments of work for this year. Mrs. J. G. White was presented an honorary life membership, gift of the zone. The presentation was made by Mrs. Charlie Skinner. Rev. Arthur Stephenson, pastor Chowan charge, led the afternoon devotional, his subject being "Love Never Faileth." World Outlook and The Methodist Woman were discussed by Mrs. W. C. Benson. Mrs. George Jackson, district director, talked on children's work. A brief open forum was held. Mrs. Eli Rogerson of Anderson church, expressed appreciation to the hostess church. The Edenton society extended an invitation to the zone for the fall meeting. The meeting was adjourned by the congregation singing "Stand Up for Jesus" and praying together "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done."

"WE LIVE BY FAITH"

We live by faith; but faith is not the slave
Of text and legend. Reason's voice and God's;
Nature's and Duty's never are at odds.
What asks our Father of his children, save
Justice, mercy and humility,
A reasonable service of good deeds,
Pure living, tenderness to human needs,
Reverence and trust, and prayer for light to see
The Master's footprints in our daily ways.

—John Greenleaf Whittier.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

DEAR FRIENDS

This leaves us mostly well. Hope you are the same. Little Jerry has the measles. We think his is the last case. Ray and Clarence, two big boys, are stretched out in bed, Ray with rheumatic fever and Clarence with an infected foot. Margaret, Mildred and Evelyn, three larger girls, are returning to school today after a short infirmary experience. It seems good to see the infirmary practically emptied.

COLD AND DRY

The weather is not what we wish. It is too cold and too dry. Our strawberries are shriveled up and our vegeables are stunted, except the onions, cabbage and Irish potatoes. The onions have combative qualities and the others have not taken notice of the drought yet. We are making a lot of hay. It is a bit short in stature but as far as it goes it is mighty good. For once in our lives the coal cars have hit us at a good time. They are being emptied, and emptied fast.

THINKING YOUTH

Our youth are doing some thinking. Sometimes we think they don't think, but we don't think that now. The boys from the front and from the firing lines are writing home. The rationing systems are beginning to get acquainted with us. The graduating class is getting ready to leave. The radios and the newspapers bring tidings of great moment. Our youth, along with youth generally, are thinking. More than that, they are doing.

STAMPS AND BONDS

All of us workers got together a few nights ago and talked about our obligations to the government and the government's challenge. We committed ourselves for the investment of ten per cent of our income in the purchase of stamps and bonds for winning the war. Like most any group, there were some who could not yet sign up but a great majority met the issue. This is the least we could do.

HE'S A GOOD GUY

Years ago while Mrs. Woosley and I were traveling along a highway in Henderson county we came across a little boy we were looking for. We weer looking for Guy, and Guy we found. He was carrying a pasteboard box and an old rifle. Guy was on his way to some place but he did not know exactly where. Eventually the lad came to the Children's Home. He was happy here. When he went away he wanted to come back. Now he is in the army. A Mother's Day letter to Mrs. Woosley states: "We are having a lot of mothers come here on Mother's Day, but mine isn't coming. I'm writing ing to you as my mother. I often write to Pop. Now I want to write to you. I wish I could come back to see you and stay a little while, but I have some important things to do. I want to thank you for all you did for me. I am going to do all I can for my country."

WON HIS WINGS

Everett Gibson, who graduated from us three years ago, has just blown in. He looks fine. His new uniform displayed a nice set of bronze wings. Everett had passed the last test for flying a bomber. On his return in a few days he will go to sea. Everett was a great chap when he was here as a boy. He will prove a good director of a big bomber. He knows how to meet opposition.

MORE THAN TODDLE

Floyd C. Todd is the lay leader of the Gastonia district, and a mighty good one. He has the spirit and the will to win. Todd does more than toddle. Among many other good things he leads in is that at every Gastonia district conference during the layman's hour he has an offering taken for the Children's Home. A letter just received from Rev. Jesse G. Wilkinson, secretary of the Gastonia district conference, states: "Mr. Floyd C. Todd followed his usual custom of taking an offering for the Chlidren's Home during the afternoon at the layman's hour. The offering amounted to $30.06, check for which is enclosed."

THEY CAME IN TIME

The picture this week is that of our girls' varsity baseball team. Thanks to the Main Street, Gastonia, board of stewards and congregation, they have new suits, this group having underwritten all our athletic outfit expense during the present year. We had a hard time getting these suits, but they came in time for the girls to use them in winning every game played so far. Clothes may not make the man, but they have had something to do with making the girls feel happy and work hard for winning.

THE BELL RINGS

Our joy bell has had a rest. In fact it has rested so long it asks for activtiy. It has begun to ring again. Those congregations having paid their ten per cent apportionment since last report and, therefore, entitled to let joy ring out are listed with their pastors as follows, to whom we have forwarded our grateful thanks:

First Church, Lenoir, Rev. J. C. Cornett.

Burnett's, Midway-Burnett's Chapel, Rev. G. E. S. Miller.

Farmer circuit, Rev. J. O. Ervin.

West Jefferson, Rev. H. H. Wood.

First Church, Marion, Dr. J. H. Barnhardt.

Teague Chapel, Sandy circuit, Rev. J. D. Pyatt.

Hill's Chapel and Fairfield, Lowesville circuit, Rev. C. L. Grant.

TWO IN ONE

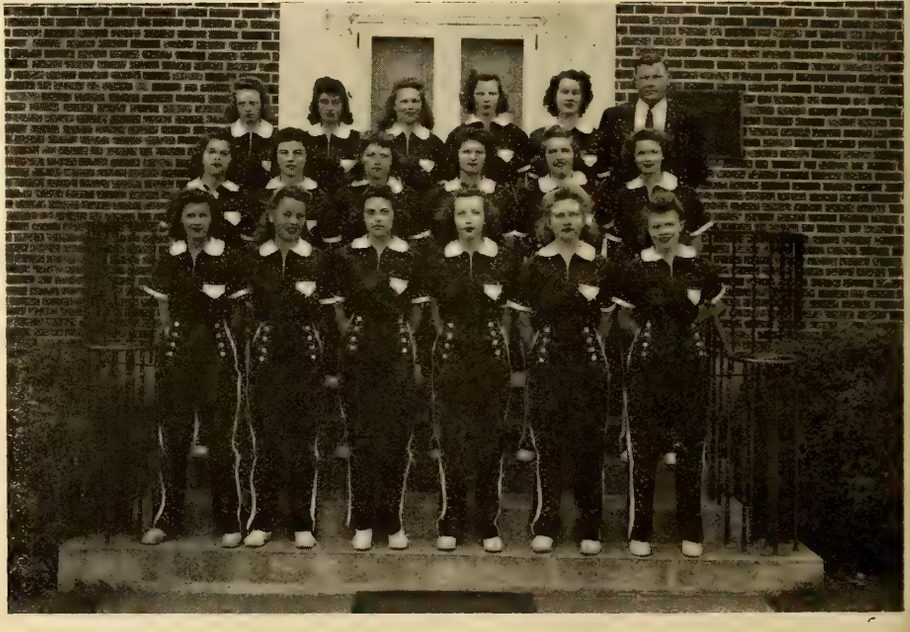
Two district conferences were visited in one day last week, the Gastonia and Statesville conferences. Rev. C. L. Grant and his people entertained the Gastonia district conference at Hill's Chapel in a fine way. District Superintendent E. M. Jones led the conference enthusiastically. The morning session was grand and glorious. We left just before noon, a poor time to leave.

Arriving at Triplett, on the Mooresville circuit, early in the afternoon, we found Rev. Joe S. Hiatt and his enthusiastic leaders getting off to an early afternoon start. The proverbial 12 baskets of dinner leavings were not visited but the conference was. It was an enjoyable visit. Things were happening so fast the group had to stay awake in spite of the big dinner they had had. Rev. H. L. Powell and his Triplett and Centenary congregations had put the fixings to them. There's nobody complaining in the Gastonia and Statesville districts.

INTERESTED IN BOYS

One of the most graceful retirements I ever noted was that of Rev. R. S. Truesdale, now living at 1244 Westover Terrace, Greensboro, when

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While not sailors they make the ball sail to the right place

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RALEIGH—On the first Sunday night in this month our glee club rendered several selections at the First Baptist church in Raleigh. They were received most cordially, and were complimented highly by the congregation. They have appeared in the First Baptist church on several other occasions, and are always warmly welcomed by the pastor and church membership.

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ON THE AIR—Tuesday night of last week the Orphanage glee club broadcast from the Needham Broughton high school in Raleigh. The 15-minute program was well received in Raleigh and throughout the state. I trust that many of our Methodist friends heard them render several selections. The Methodist Orphanage is justly proud of the record our glee club has made in recent years.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie Rives writes as follows: "The singing class gave one concert Sunday, May 3 The program was given at Jenkins Memorial church. The pastor, Rev. W. B. Penny, being away in a revival, Mr. Barnes, our superintendent, was with us and held the devotional. This is a close neighbor church, and we were especially glad to visit these friends with our sacred concert."

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RALEIGH SESQUI - CENTENNIAL—The Raleigh Sesqui-Centennial went over in a big way. Judge J. Crawford Biggs is to be congratulated on making the occasion a glowing success. There was an interesting write up of the Methodist Orphanage in the News and Observer on Sunday, April 26. The people of Raleigh hold the Methodist Orphanage in the highest esteem. They consider the Orphanage a valuable asset to the community. In many ways they give tangible expressions of their interest in our welfare.

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SELMA—Rev. O. L. Hathaway, pastor of Edgerton Memorial Methodist church, Selma, preached the commencement sermon at Princeton the first Sunday in May. I was very kindly invited to fill his pulpit in his absence, and I was happy to see a good sized congregation at the 11 o'clock service. Personally and officially I have many warm friends in Selma. The congregation received me most graciously. Brother Hathaway is enjoying a most successful pastorate among the splendid people in Selma. He is a staunch friend of the Methodist Orphanage, and never grows weary in well doing for our children. Charles Clay, one of our junior boys ,accompanied me to Selma. We enjoyed the gracious hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Wood. They have a lovely home and we were happy to fellowship with these choice spirits.

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FIFTH SUNDAY PROGRAMS—On Thursday of this week I mailed Orphanage programs to all pastors and church school superintendents in the North Carolina conference. I am sending the programs out early so that the church school superintendents may have ample time to appoint committees to put on fifth Sunday Orphanage programs. Rev. Jas. H. Overton, Jr., associate pastor of Edenton Street Methodist church, has prepared four Orphanage programs for use on fifth Sundays this conference year. These programs represent much painstaking effort, and if wisely used, will stimulate much interest in the Methodist Orphanage. I sincerely trust that every church school in the conference will use these programs the fifth Sunday in this month. The co-operation of pastors is earnestly desired. Each Sunday school will get credit on the Orphanage apportionment for the fifth Sunday offering.

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MUSIC FESTIVAL—Due to the rubber shortage it was decided by school authorites to hold the music festival of the Raleigh city schools in the individual schools this year. Saturday evening, May 2, the Methodist Orphanage held its music festival here in the auditorium of the Vann building. The music was under the direction of Frederick Stanley Smith, director of Raleigh public school music.

The general program carried out a patriotic theme, with each grade above the primary school singing one or more patriotic songs. Each grade in school sang a group of songs with several of the elementary grades playing singing games. The second grade had a very fine rhythm band directed by Jeannette Phipps. The seventh grade sang a group of two-part songs with Peggy Smith, Joyce Smith and Carolyn Rogers as soloists. The glee club, which has 45 members, was excellent in four-part singing. Beulah Mae Maness and Ethel Lee Minshew took solo parts in the glee club. At the close of the program the fifth, sixth and seventh grades joined the glee club on the stage and led the audience in singing the Star Spangled Banner.

There were several visitors present and all agreed the program was splendid and that each group sang well.

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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Church School Rally Day is being observed in many churches during the month of May. Two letters received this week indicate that the program is practical for the average church and that the people have thoroughly enpoyed the observance. These messages from W. C. Sides and A. G. Lackey show that both the program and the offering can be a meaningful experience.

Shepherds Charge

"We observed Church School Rally Day in each of the four churches on the Shepherds charge, using the program 'Resources for Christian Living,' which was furnished by your office. The offerings were taken and sent to Mr. Dunham.

"My purpose in writing you is to express my thanks for Church School Rally Day programs so well suited to the small church. Our people appreciated this type of program. I sincerely hope that this program will be extensively used, especially in our rural churches, since it is so appropriate."

Friendship Charge

"We have completed our observance of Church School Rally Day on the entire Friendship charge, Salisbury district, and we are happy to report that it was a most successful undertaking at all four churches. The people seemed to enjoy the program. We used the one suggested by the General Board of Christian Education, 'Resources for Christian Living,' in all four churches. The offering was most gratifying. It has already been remitted to Brother H. A. Dunham. The results of the offering were:

Bethel	$ 3.24
Friendship	13.79
New Mt. Tabor	3.56
Oak Grove	3.45
Total	24.04

Requests for Programs

The following churches have requested programs and indicated their intention to observe Church School Rally Day with a special program and offering. Some have already sent their offerings to Mr. H. A. Dunham, Asheville.

Asheville District

Biltmore, Jesse McMinn.
Haywod Street, H. A. Dunham.
West Asheville, L. J. Brookshire.
Black Mountain, M. F. Moores.

Charlotte District

Ansonville, Irving R. Miller.
Cedar Hill, Irving R. Miller.
Concord, Irving R. Miller.
Brevard Street, D. V. Howell.
Dilworth, L. Dale Arthur.
Duncan Memorial, Howard G. Dover.
First, Miss Helen Gage.
Hawthorne Lane, Mrs. G. G. Adams.
Spencer Memorial, Mrs. C. E. Murray.
Derita, E. O. Cole.
Indian Trail, Mrs. E. E. Austin.
Forestville, Mrs. John Spencer.
Lilesville, Mrs. W. L. Ingram.
Morven, R. B. Hardison.
Bethel, T. G. Highfill.
New Hope, T. G. Highfill.
Union, T. G. Highfill
Harrison, Mrs. E. W. Russell.
Pineville, Mrs. J. L. Rayle.
Wightman, T. A. Jones.
Hebron, H. W. Eason.

Salisbury District

Central, Albemarle, R. A. Elder.
Albemarle Ct., E. A. Bingram.
New London, E. C. Widenhouse.
Bethel-Boger charge, E. M. Graham.
First, China Grove, Wilson O. Weldon.
Anne Street, C. D. Sides.
Central, Concord, Rev. Frank Jordan.
Epworth, D. E. Sowers.
Bethel (Friendship), Mrs. Claud Hatley.
Friendship charge, W. C. Sides, Jr.
Granite Quary charge, C. G. Isley.
Bethpage, R. D. Clawson.
Midway, Frank S. Starnes.
North Kannapolis, Geo. L. Curry.
Trinity, R. M. Cochran.
Landis charge, Clegg W. Avett.
Park Avenue, G. Q. Miller.
Central, Spencer, C. W. Kirby.
Stanfield charge, John R. Hamilton.

Statesville District

Center (Balls Creek) Melva Rudisill.
Bethlehem (Catawba), Samuel W. Setzer.
Catawba, W. M. Musgrove.
Cool Springs, T. D. Sloan.
Rose Chapel, J. L. Holmes.
Granite Falls, Reid Wall.
Bethel, Hickory, Elzie Myers.
Westview, Paul Icard.
Mount Zion, Q. H. Readling.
First, Newton, Mark Q. Tuttle.
Olin, J. S. Marlin.
Shepherds charge, A. G. Lackey.
Boulevard, Mrs. J. E. Hipp.
Broad St., Statesville, C. R. Sloan.
Race Street, Mrs. F. H. Price.
Statesville Ct., G. F. Houck.

Waynesville District

Central, Canton, G. C. Suttles.
Rockwood, Miss Lura Wright.
Cullowhee, D. H. Brown.
Franklin, J. L. Stokes, II.
Meadow Grove, James Haynes.
Sylva, Mrs. David M. Hall.
Waynesville, J. Clay Madison.

Winston-Salem District

Sharon, T. G. Trivette.
Erlanger charge, F. E. Howard.
Trinity and Mt. Carmel, L. E. Mabry.
Pleasant Hill, W. A. Shore.
Love's, A. P. Ratledge.
Stokesburg, W. H. Johnson.
Burkhead, M. G. Hunt.
Central Terrace, T. S. Womble.
Ogburn Memorial, W. L. Haslett.
Crews, J. G. Alley.
New Hope, Mrs. Clyde M. Perryman.

Elkin District

Smith Grove, Mrs. W. R. Beeding.
Wesley Chapel, Kenneth Murchison.
Mocksville Ct., F. A. Wright.
Warrensville, Kay L. Eller.
Yadkinville charge, W. J. Huneycutt.

A BLESSING IN DISGUISE

We often travel into town on the same bus, Mr. Twinning and I. I nodded to him the other day.

"And your wife?"I queried. "Any better these days?"

"A little child shall lead them," replied my companion, An odd reply. But I understood.

"It's working out, then?" I asked.

He nodded. "Amazingly," said he.

How different Mr. Twining looked and sounded from, say, a year ago. He had been anxious enough in those days, troubled about his wife who was in a very poor state of health, was pitifully depressed, and seemed wholly unable to shake the war off her shoulders. Mr. Twining, I knew (indeed, he hinted as much) was afraid she would become a mental case.

To make matters worse her sister one day arrived with David, a child of five. "I'm going to evacuate him," she declared, "and you must look after him!"

Within forty-eight hours she had gone back, leaving a wistful bit of humanity behind.

A terrible blow it was to Mrs. Twining. She felt she could not bestir herself. She was more melancholy than ever. David meant more work, less ease, added responsibility, greater troubles. It was almost beyond her.

Then, one memorable night David, who was kneeling by his bed, prayed earnestly: "And please, God, give Auntie back her smile again. . . ."

David's prayer brought a rush of tears—and after the tears a new determination, and after the determination a new power, and after the power a smile.

"It's working out amazingly," said Mr. Twining the other morning.—Methodist Recorder.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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he accepted superannuate relation at the last annual conference. His swan song was full of wit, mellowness and good feeling. On finishing his remarks he confided that there was a matter he wanted to see looked after, that of the admittance of five promising boys into the Children's Home, boys for whom he had much love and admiration and boys who needed a home. In the run of time the boys came to the Children's Home. A letter received this week from Brother Truesdale states: "I often think of my five boys and wonder if they are with you and how they are getting along. They used to break my heart when I went to see them. They were so glad to have any sort of friendly attention. They are lovable boys but they needed a home. I do hope you have them."

"Whether the world is good or bad,
Is only as you make it;
It makes you happy or makes you sad,
According as you take it."

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CHRISTIAN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY

The conference - wide Christian workers' assembly at Louisburg College July 6-8 offers every adult in the North Carolina conference the opportunity for study in his chosen field, worship, personal enrichment, fellowship with others with similar interests, recreation, and various leisure-time activities.

This assembly is for all adult workers in our church schools, for any prospective adult workers, members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, general superintendents and parents. Workshop periods will include five groups: workers with children, workers with youth, workers with adults, members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and general superintendents. All adult workers in our conference are eligible for attendance and any church may send as many workers as it wishes. Pastors may attend and register in whichever group they may wish.

Registration

Upon request a bulletin giving full information about the assembly will be sent to any person desiring one. This bulletin contains a registration blank for the delegate to fill out and send in with a dollar registration fee. In case that anyone registering should be unable to attend this fee will be refunded.

Delegates are asked to arrive in time to complete registrations and secure room assignments before the opening session at 11:30 on Monday, July 6. This may be done between 10 and 11 on the opening day. The first meal served will be lunch on Monday and the last meal served will be lunch on the closing day, Wednesday, July 8.

Cost

The total cost of the assembly is $5. A one dollar registration fee should be sent in with the registration blank and the other four dollars is to be paid when the delegates arrive at Louisburg. We suggest that a church would be making a real investment in its future program by helping with the expenses of one or more of its loyal leaders.

Dr. Petry Platform Speaker

The assembly will begin on Monday, July 6, at 11:30 a. m. with the opening address by Dr. Ray C. Petry, assistant professor of church history at Duke University. Doctor Petry will speak on the assembly theme: "The Christian Churchman." Tentative subjects for Doctor Petry's addresses on Monday and Tuesday evenings are "The Churchman and Christian Education," "The Christian Churchman and World Missions."

Dr. F. L. Gibbs, member of the staff of the General Board of Education at Nashville, Tenn., will represent the board in the assembly.

Courses and Instructors

"Guiding the Adolescent" by John H. Davis, Lynchburg, Va.

"The Child's Approach to Religion" by Dr. Aline McKenzie, Chapel Hill.

"The Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Local Church" by Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount.

"The Adult Work of the Church" by Dr. F. L. Gibbs, Nashville, Tenn.

Other Leaders

Dean of the assembly, Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director adult work.

Director of music, Rev. P. F. Newton, Rich Square.

Director of recreation, Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, Louisburg.

Workshop group leaders:

Children's division, Miss Lorene Weaver, conference director of children's work.

Adult division, Rev. F. L. Gibbs, General Board of Education, Nashville.

General superintendents, Major W. A. Graham, Kinston; North Carolina Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount.

Youth division, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, conference director youth work.

Miss Elizabeth Myers, associate conference director youth work.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL INSTITUTE, DURHAM DISTRICT
Efland, May 15, 2:30-9:30 p. m.

Purpose

The purpose of this institute is to help local church leaders plan their vacation schools. A discussion of units for each department will be led by specially trained leaders; games, songs, selected activities and worship services are to be included in the four units—beginner, primary, junior and intermediate.

Who Shall Attend

Pastors, children's division superintendents and teachers, intermediate department superintendents and teachers, and others interested in vacation church schools should attend the institute.

Leaders

Leaders in the institute are as follows: Mrs. C. P. Morris, district director children's work; Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers, associate conference director youth work; Mr. Harry Panell, Duke divinity school; Rev. Brooks Patten, assistant pastor Trinity church, Durham; Rev. Arthur England, assistant pastor Duke Memorial church, Durham.

To simplify the arrangements for the evening meal, each person in attendance is asked to bring a picnic supper.

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Children's Storyland



SUE'S MAY BASKET

By Grace Krogh

Sue sat at the window on the last day of April and watched the other children troop off to the woods for May flowers and ferns.

"I do wish I could go, too," she sighed, "but my sprained ankle won't be well for several days yet."

Sue almost cried as she thought about it, but at last she decided to be a good sport and try not to mind.

"I will watch for Billy and Betty and all the rest to come back from the woods," she told herself. "Then I will see all the flowers and beautiful ferns they bring home."

A little later Sue saw them passing. Her chums waved and smiled, and Sue waved and smiled back.

The next morning she woke up with a smile, and she decided to keep smiling all day, even without any May basket to give her chums. After breakfast mother settled her in the chair by the window in the playroom. Sue took up her story-book and began to read. It was a lovely story, and in a short time Sue had forgotten everything but that. She read on and on.

After a while a soft knock came at the door.

"Come in," Sue called, wondering who could be knocking, for mother would walk right in.

The door opened with giggles and chuckles, then Billy and Betty and Babs and Jane and Johnny all came trooping in. Sue's eyes opened wide in surprise and she smiled gladly at her playmates.

"Happy May Day to you!" they sang, and Sue clapped her hands in glee.

"Here is a May basket for you," said Betty with a smile, holding out a lovely little basket filled with dainty ferns.

"Oh, thank you!" Sue cried, taking it in her hands.

A slip of paper was attached to the ferns. It said, "Lift us up."

Sue's fingers trembled with excitement as she carefully lifted the delicate ferns. Underneath was a small package, wrapped in tissue paper and tied with a pretty ribbon bow.

"This is a surprise!" Sue laughed, while all the others watched with interested smiles as she opened it.

Inside the package was a box of crayons. Sue thanked Betty and then Billy handed her another large basket.

"Oh, what a sweet one!" Sue breathed, for nestling on a soft bed of pretty green moss, was a tiny black and white kitten. "Thank you, Billy. I will have fun with him. He will keep me company while my ankle heals."

"I have a May basket for you, too," said Jane, as Sue cuddled the kitten close to her neck.

"How pretty!" Sue cried, as she accepted the basket, and when Sue opened the package she found beneath the flowers a painting-book.

"Oh, I will use my new crayons with this!" Sue exclaimed.

Johnny and Babs had May baskets for Sue, too. Under the flowers in Johnny's basket Sue found a game that all of them could play. Inside of Babs' basket was a thick story-book with lovely pictures in it.

"Oh, thank you all," Sue cried happily. "You are such good friends to think of me."

Just then mother came into the room, carrying a huge basket.

"Here is my May basket to you," she laughed "It is a picnic basket, for it is time for lunch."

All the children exclaimed with pleasure, for the basket was filled with the nicest picnic lunch, complete with everything, even hot cocoa.

The chums enjoyed their picnic and afterward they played quiet games that Sue could play.

"This has been the nicest May Day I ever had!" Sue called after the boys and girls as they began to get ready to go home.

"It is the nicest one we ever had, too," Betty smiled. "It was such fun surprising you and making you happy."—Storytime.

A RAIN SONG

By C. Scollard

Don't you love to lie and listen,
  Listen to the rain,
With its little patter, patter,
And its tiny clatter, clatter,
And its silvery spatter, spatter,
  On the roof and on the pane?

Yes, I love to lie and listen,
  Listen to the rain,
It's the fairies—Pert and Plucky,
Nip and Nimble-toes and Lucky,
Trip and Thimble-nose and Tucky,
  On the roof and on the pane!

That's my dream the while I listen,
  Listen to the rain,
I can see them running races,
I can watch their laughing faces
At their gleeful games and graces,
  On the roof and on the pane!

—Arkansas Methodist.

Two small boys at the Salvation Army dinner put their grimy hands side by side on the tablecloth.

"Mine's dirtier'n yourn!" exclaimed one, triumphantly.

"Huh!" said the other, disdainfully, "you're two years oldern't me."

THE KITE

By Verna Hills

Once there was a piece of paper. It was just a plain piece of paper, lying in the closet with many other things.

There were bits of string, and a hammer, and nails, and scissors and pencils and pieces of wood.

One morning a boy came to the closet. He took out the piece of paper. He took the string and the hammer and nails, the scissors and the pencils and the pieces of wood. He carried them all over to the table by the window. He sat there working for a long time.

When he had finished the boy took what he had made and went out of doors with it. It was a kite. It had a tail made out of string with little pieces of paper on it. It had a very long string to hold it by. The wind was blowing. Up, ,up, up went the kite. The boy held tight to the string. Suddenly the wind gave a big puff. It blew the kite string against a tree. The string caught in the branches. The boy could not get it down. He ran into the house to ask his father to help him.

While he was gone the wind gave a big jerk. Up, up, up went the kite. When the boy and his father came out they could just see it, like a little speck against the sky. The boy felt very sad, but his father said, "Never mind, son. I'll help you to make another."

So the kite went sailing on the wind. And then the wind stopped blowing. Down, down, down came the kite into a little girl's yard. When the little girl looked out of the window and saw the kite, she was very glad. She had never had a kite to play with before. She ran out to pick it up. Then she saw that the boy had written his name on the back of the kite. Underneath his name was the name of the town where he lived. That night the little girl wrote a letter to the boy. She told him she had found his kite, and asked him to come and get it.

The next afternoon the boy and his father and his mother climbed into their car. They rode past the houses, the churches, and the stores of the town. They rode across the bridge over the river, through the fields, and past the houses, the churches, and the stores of another town, until they came to the little girl's house.

But the boy did not take the kite home. He told the little girl that she might keep it, because his daddy had helped him to make another.

"Some day," said the boy to the little girl, "I will come over to play with you, and we will sail kites together."

They did sail their kites together, and the little boy and the little girl have been friends ever since, all because the kite went sailing by itself on the wind.—Zions Herald.

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 17

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By Rollin H. Walker

Tuesday: The Day of Conflict

Matthew 21:23 to 25:39

If one desires to know what Jesus meant by his command, Be ye wise as serpents, he needs only to study the way our Lord parried the sword thrusts of his questioners.

By what authority doest thou these things? asked the arrogant chief priests. Jesus quietly said, If you will tell me what authority John the Baptist preached, I will answer you. Immediately the priests had a flat tire, for they were afraid to condemn John; and in view of their rejection of him they were ashamed to confess that he was God's prophet.

When the foxy Pharisees sought by flattering his courage to make him say that it was unlawful to give tribute to Caesar, Jesus answered, Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's. His enemies could not take hold of that, and his answer is more than a bit of adroitness, for it gives us the guiding principle whenever a government's burden is heavy. It says, Pay your taxes and be loyal, but draw the line when the government demands a loyalty which is owed to God alone.

How shall we account for our Lord's readiness and skill in this time of terrible strain? In the first place, he had that X-ray to understand men, and that insight into truth that comes from utter sincerity and love. In a word, he had the reinforcement of the Holy spirit, a reinforcement which he also promises to all his followers when for his sake they get into tight places.

Jesus having resisted the attack of his enemies, now takes the offensive and asks them a question: What think ye of Christ? They said, He is David's son. Why then, said Jesus, does David call him Lord? Although in their blindness they could give no reply, the answer is very simple. Christ is to be David's son after the flesh, but David's Lord after the Spirit.

One pauses here to remind himself that the fundamental question of Christian theology is, What think ye of Christ? and every man's fate depends on the answer of his life to that question. And the whole New Testament with one voice proclaims that, although he was tempted in all points like as we are, yet he is the inexpressibly exalted Son of God (Colossians 1:12-18; Hebrews 1:1-3).

There follows in Matthew's Gospel a veritable blitzkrieg against the scribes and Pharisees. If one wonders at our Lord's terrible severity he must remember that this cannonade was not fired from behind breastworks of safety. By such attacks Jesus coolly and deliberately signed his own death warrant. It was severity inspired by sacrificial love.

But one is astonished to note how as a preface to these terrible indictments Jesus said, The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; all things therefore whatsoever they bid you, these do and observe. Here is an illustration of our Lord's amazing broadmindedness. He knew that until something better was provided it was necessary that the people continue to hear the law as read and expounded by these scholars, lest society should fall to pieces.

Occasionally, although not often, there comes to a town a priest whose red whiskey face proclaims him unfit to be the shepherd of the people; and alas, we Protestants are sometimes made to blush by the behavior of our ministers. But only a fool would tell you to desert the church, for it is by the sanctions of the church that men are held to decency. On the contrary, we would say, Go to church where the Bible is read and the hymns are sung, listen to your ministers, but do not imitate their lives. And, like Jesus, we should add, While you respectfully listen to all who are in authority, never swallow anything that does not commend itself to your conscience (Matthew 23:9), because a man's final authority, after he has listened to all that his teachers have to say, must be the Holy Spirit speaking in the inmost depths of his soul.

Why then, says someone, does Jesus at once claim for himself absolute authority over the conscience? The answer is that Jesus never demands anything that does not, after mature consideration, commend itself to every man's conscience in the sight of God. If any demand of Jesus offends our conscience we can always be sure that we have not understood it.

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A shabby youth—O more than this
Scant fare he needs!
Young girls, light laughter on their lips,
Women, on way to daily tasks,
And now and then a child—
These for a bit of breakfast ask.

Methinks I note a sense of sadness,
A loneliness for home's caress,
For a glad good-morning, a bright table spread
With wholesome food for health and happiness—
As around a drug store counter these
Ask a simple "Toast and coffee, please."

—Elisabeth F. Whisner.

Some people think they want religion when all they want is the fruits of religion.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Burlington Ct., Camp Springs, 11 17
Glen Raven-Haw River, Haw River Brick, 3 17
Orange, Efland, 7:30 17
Alamance, Rock Creek, 11 24
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 3 24
Front Street, 7:30 27
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 31
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 3 31
Eno, 7:30 31

June

West Durham, 7:30 1
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 14
Graham, 7:30 17
Chapel Hill, 7:30 18
Person, Lee's Chapel, 10:30 20
Andrew's Chapel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 21
Swepsonville, Salem, 3 21
Calvary, 7:30 24
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 27
Carrboro, Clover Garden, 11 28
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July

Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11.... 5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.

SECOND ROUND

May

Hatteras, Hatteras, 8 14
Kinnakeet, Fair Haven, 8 15
Kitty Hawk, Collington, 11 17
Currituck, Ebenezer, 3 17
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21
Person Street, Victory, 10 10
Raeford, Parkers, 3 10
Johnson Memorial, 8 10
Parkton, Sandy Grove, 11 17
Cumberland, 8 17
District Conference, Sanford, 10 to 4 21
Steadman, Bethany, 3 24
St. Andrews, 8 24
Hamlet, 10 31
St. John, 12 31
Laurinburg, 5 31

June

Rowland, 11 7
Red Springs, 8 7
Maxton, 11 14
Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July

Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Straits-Harkers Island, Straits, 11 17
Morehead City, First, 8 17
Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11 23
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 8 24
Atlantic, Cedar Island, 11 31
Marshallburg, 8 31

June

Oriental, Pamlico, 11 7
Pamlico, Hobucken, 2:30 7
Pink Hill, Webbs, 8 7
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July

Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Artnur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Garner, Holland's, 11 17
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 17
Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 24
Smithfield, 8 27
Raleigh, Person Street, 11 31
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 31

June

Stem, Stem, 11 7
Franklinton, Wesley's, 3 7
Louisburg, 8 7
Duke Pastors' School 8-13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Spring Hope, Stanhope, 11 17
Elm City, Hornes, 3:30 17
Rocky Mount, Clark Street, 8 17
Littleton Ct., Tabor (Dedication), 11 24
Enfield, Whitakers Chapel, 12 24
Littleton Ct., Corinth (Dedication), 8 24
Stantonsburg, 10 31
Kenly, Buckhorn, 12 31
Marvin-St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 31

June

Roanoke Rapids, 11 7
Sp. Church-Garysburg, Shiloh, - 7
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 7
Rosemary, 8 7
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 ... .14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July

Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.

THIRD ROUND

May

Lumberton, Chestnut St., 11 17
Lumberton Ct., Smith's, 8 17
Elizabeth, Union, 3:30 17
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 24
St. Paul's, Barkers, 3:30 24
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 8 24
Garland, Antioch, 11 31
Tabor City, Tabor City, 8 31

June

Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 ... 7
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 7
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 3:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 7 16
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July

Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville

THIRD ROUND

May

Micaville-Tipton Hill, Celo, 11 17
Burnsville, Burnsville, 3 17
Etowah, Etowah, 3 24
Hendersonville, 8 24
Oakley, 8 27
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 31
Ivy, Bright Hope, 3 31

June

Asbury Memorial, 8 3
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 6
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 7
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 7
Biltmore, 8 10
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July

Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August

Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Duncan Memorial, 8 13
Pineville, Harrrison, 11 17
Huntersville, Oak Grove, 3 17
Central Avenue, 8 17
Calvary, 8 20
Waxhaw, Heath Memorial, 10 24
Marshville, Gilboa, 3 24
Spencer Memorial, 8 24
Brevard Street, 8 25
Belmont Park, 8 27
Wesley Heights, 8 31

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June

Zoar, 3 7
Trinity, 8 7
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July

Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
SECOND ROUND—REVISED

May

Midway, 3 17
Proximity, 7:30 17
District Conference, Haw River, Midway, 9:30 19

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

May

Archdale, 8 20
Denton Central, Canaan, 8 25
Lebanon, 8 27
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2 30
Pleasant Grove, 11 31

June

Oak View, 8 3
Why Not, New Zion, 8 5
Liberty Ct., Bethany, 3 7
Denton First, Denton, 8 7
Ward Street, 8 10
Asheboro Ct., Cent. F., 11 14
Linwood, Macedonia, 8 14
Wesley Memorial, 8 15
First Church, Asheboro, 8 17
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 21

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony, 11 17
Valdese, Warlicks, 2:30 17
Clinchfield, night 17
Old Fort, 11 24
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 24
Cross Mills, night 24
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11 31
Elk Park, Newland, 3 31
Marion First, night 31

June

North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Spindale, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 17
Cool Springs, Salem, 8 17
Hickory, First, 11 24
Westview, 8 24
Lenoir, First, 11 31
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 3 31
Whitnel, 8 31

June

Statesville, Race Street, 11 7
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 7
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11 14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3 14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

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We regret our beloved classmate has left us now,
We miss her every Sunday as we draw nigh
Our church on earth,
But hope to meet her on high.

PREDDY — Brother E. B. Preddy passed away at his home in Youngsville on March 7, 1942, at the age of 80. Rev. M. M. Walters officiated and was assisted by Rev. E. M. Carter. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Sybella Jane Preddy; two sons, W. S. Preddy and Henry Preddy of Youngsville; two daughters, Mrs. Pauline Hobgood of Wake Forest, Mrs. Annie Bell Staunton of Kittrell; 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The deceased was the oldest member of his church and was a very faithful member. He was a trustee at the time of his death ,and had been a steward and teacher of the adult class for years before his health failed.

His death is an irreparable loss to his family, community and church. I believe, however, that our loss is his gain. M. M. Walters, Pastor.

DAILY—Mr. Thomas J. Daily, 63, died Saturday, March 28, 1942, in Thompson Memorial hospital, Lumberton. He was born in Reidsville on June 6, 1879, the son of the late Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Daily of the N. C. conference, they having preceded him to the grave many years ago. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. R. Freeman, Rev. Mr. Barbee and Rev. Mr. Barclift. He was laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery, Wilmington.

Mr. Daily was a member of Bethlehem Methodist church, White Oak, for many years. We will miss him in the church and community, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

He is survived by his wife and two sons, Ernest and Thomas; two sisters, Mrs. A. G. Edgerton, New York City, and Mrs. G. V. Albertson, Deland, Fla.

A Friend.

MORGAN—Joshua A. Morgan entered the heaven of rest on March 11, 1942, at the age of 81 years, 7 months and 21 days, at his home at Jackson Creek, N. C. He was the son of the late Haley and Martha Miller Morgan. He was a member of one of the pioneer and most prominent Randolph county families. He was twice married. First to Miss Pauline Catherine Evans of Winston-Salem, and of this union one daughter survives—Mrs. Gurney T. Royal of High Point. Later he married Mrs. Cornelia Harris Wicks of Davidson, who survives with three sons and one daughter: Leslie H. Morgan of Asheboro, John W. Morgan of Birmingham, Ala., L. Dwight Morgan, ensign at the naval air station, Norfolk, Va. ,and Miss Leta C. Morgan of the home; a step-daughter, Mrs. Tom R. Snyder, Trinity, R. 1; a step-son, Alfred T. Wicks, Suffolk, Va.; 14 grandchildren. One son, Ralph Holt Morgan, died in 1914.

He was a member of Piney Grove Methodist church in Randolph county for 66 years The funeral services were held at Piney Grove church on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, which was largely attended. The pastor, Rev. Wilson Nesbitt, Rev. Joel B. Trogdon and Rev. Edward Suits officiated. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. G. T. Royal.

GODWIN—On April 21, Mrs. Nettie Godwin of Swansboro, wife of the late Thomas Godwin, passed from the tabernacle of this flesh into the kingdom of our Lord. She made her departure quietly without pain and without realizing that she was leaving her family.

Mrs. Godwin began noticeably to weaken on February 22, and steadily grew weaker until the end of her earthly journey two months later. The funeral service took place at her home in Swansboro, where both old and young gathered in memory and in honor of one whose Christian life merited this parting expression of sincere love and affection.

One of her daughters writes: "It seems very lonely . . . without our dear mother, but we do have so much to be thankful for—her fine Christian life, a life so loving, so gentle, so devoted to us and her many friends, . . . and when the end came, or rather the beginning of her heavenly life, she slipped away without the slightest pain. . . . Yes, we do have much to be thankful for, and we are."

She is survived by one son, James P. Godwin, and three daughters, Mrs. R. M. Jarman, Mrs. Henry Keele, and Mrs. B. H. Marsh.

W. A. Crow.

A TRIBUTE

The Susanna Wesley Bible class of West Market Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of our most beloved members, Mrs. Charles Hendrix, who February 23, 1942, passed from this life to that more abundant life above.

Mrs. Hendrix was a most devout Christian woman. She lived close to God—she walked with him and she talked with him. For more than 20 years she was a member of this class, and the happy Christian life she lived was an inspiration to all of us. We like to remember her as she led us in prayer Sunday morning in our class room. In a voice that rang with glorious exaltation and eyes shining with happy tears she prayed, using the words of the song, "Take my life and let it be." As we listened we felt she was talking face to face with God.

She loved flowers. One of her chief delights was her flower garden, where she spent much time working among her flowers, and now we feel that she has only been transferred to that beautiful garden above.

We shall miss her—the glad, happy smile and lingering handclasp will long be remembered. To the loved ones left here, we would say that while we cannot pierce the veil and see what God has prepared for those who love and serve him, we can comfort ourselves with the thought that heaven means complete and everlasting happiness.

We ask that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family with our love and deepest sympathy, and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate for publication, and a copy be recorded in the class minutes.

Mrs. H. L. McKay,
Mrs. James Buchanan,
Mrs. Conrad S. Whittington.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

ith deepest grief we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Chadbourn Methodist church,, suffered the loss of one of our youngest and much beloved members, Mrs. Mary Boddie Casteen, on Tuesday morning, March 17, when she left this earthly abode for her eternal abiding place in heaven. We desire as a tribute to the memory of her life of service to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we give God high praise and hearty thanks for her life, her labors, her faithfulness and courage; and that we, through her example, may be more drawn to follow whither her life has led.

Resolved, That the memories of her service through her musical talents and through her willingness to use her powers and faculties for good and for the pleasure of others, be gratefully cherished by those she left behind.

Resolved, That the deepest sympathy to all members of her family in their great bereavement, with the hope that their strong Christian faith may bring them comfort and solace in these dark hours of grief.

Mrs. J. E. Koonce,
Mrs. Paul Mashburn,
Mrs. Douglas Bullard,
Mrs. J. B. Barden,
Mrs. Davis Bruton.

DAVIS—Mrs. Joanna E. Davis, the former Joanna Elizabeth Watson, daughter of George and Elizabeth Watson, was born January 22, 1858. She died March 17, 1942, at the age of 84 years, one month and 23 days. She was married July 1, 1875, to James Coleman Davis, who preceded her to the grave March 1, 1937. To this union were born ten children, two of whom have died—Dora when one month old and Arthur at the age of 63.

Mrs. Davis is survived by eight living children: George E. Davis of Greensboro, W. Dalton Davis of Summerfield, Mrs. J. F. Shelton and Mrs. C. D. Selph of Hamlet, Mrs. J. A. Gwyn of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Sam Flippin of Kinston, R. B. Davis and Mrs. C. W. Patterson of Pilot Mountain. There are 28 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Davis joined Mt. Zion Methodist Protestant church when a child. Later she moved her membership to the Pinnacle M. P. church. Recently her letter was brought to the Methodist church in Pilot Mountain, where she requested that her funeral be held. Her sweet Christian life spread sunshine wherever she went, and she was a benediction to all who knew her.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his all wise providence has seen fit to call home our dear friend, co-worker and inspirational leader, Brother John Frank Spencer, be it resolved:

First, That we, the board of stewards of Bradley Memorial Methodist church, Gastonia, do grieve at his passing and shall miss his earnest endeavor, his thoughtful solicitude of others, his uuntiring zeal for church and missions, his loving companionship, and generous contribution of self and means.

Second, That our work and association with him has given us a clear call for greater service, deeper consecration, and a more unselfish adherance to loyalty and service.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to members of the family, a copy put on the minutes of our board, and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

A. L. Allen,
W. L. Pettus,
M. B. Stewart.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 14, 1942

Dear Dr. Hartman:

The annual meeting of the Associated Church Press this year will be held under significant circumstances. All who take part in these deliberations will be impressed not only with the gravity of the crisis through which the world is passing but with the fact that such a gathering could not be held in any of the countries with which we are at war.

For the Axis Powers deny freedom of conscience and its corollary, freedom of the press, and also have trampled ruthlessly under the iron heel all of those other freedoms by which we in this country move and act and find all of our happiness as a nation. Only in the triumph of the United Nations will our cherished freedoms be preserved.

It is therefore well for us, while we are engaged in this tremendous struggle, often to reiterate the simple truth that the downfall of any of the democracies is a threat to our own democratic way of life and to freedom everywhere. Our religious press can be a guide and a beacon, a real tower of strength in this momentous struggle. It seems to me it should come within the special province of the religious press to proclaim the strength that lies in spiritual things -- a strength which no mere physical force can overcome and which, under God, we shall maintain in complete national unity.

But in striving for unity we do not aim at uniformity. Uniformity is of the very essence of the totalitarian tyranny. In the real spirit of our free institutions we must retain diversity of religious outlook. Nevertheless our church press can and will place the emphasis on fundamental unities. These we shall find if we follow the fine old teaching: unity in essentials; liberty in non-essentials -- in all things, charity.

In that spirit, which is the true spirit of our cherished freedoms, I wish you and your associates Godspeed in the deliberations you are to undertake.

Very sincerely yours,

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Rev. Dr. L. O. Hartman,
President,
Associated Church Press,
581 Boylston Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

President Roosevelt's Greetings to Church Press, Assembled in New York

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Lake Junaluska Assembly Season Opens June 14

Lake Junaluska Assembly has the best program this season which it has ever offered to the Methodist public. The North Carolina Christian Advocate, in its job printing department, is now preparing 31,000 copies of the summer booklet. These booklets will be mailed out very soon to all the Methodist preachers in North Carolina, as well as to all the preachers in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. In addition, many of the church school superintendents and lay leaders in our jurisdiction will receive copies of the booklet.

If our preachers and laymen will make announcements from the pulpit or in their bulletins about the highlights on the assembly's program, the trustees of Lake Junaluska believe that our Methodist people will come to the assembly in great numbers between June 14 and August 30, using the Southern Railway trains and the various bus lines if, perchance, their individual rubber and gasoline are showing a shortage.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate will carry the entire program soon as space will permit.

Every active bishop in the Southeastern Jurisdiction will appear on the program, the program including also Bishops Waldorf, Lee (just back from Singapore), Hammaker, Hughes, McConnell ,and Selecman.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones will preach four times; Dr. Ralph W. Sockman will speak three times; Dr. Costen J. Harrell, three times; Dr. Archibald Rutledge, two times; Dr. George W. Truett, of Dallas, once; and Dr. Edwin Mims will deliver seven lectures on "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics."

There will be a large number of carefully selected moving pictures, including "One Foot in Heaven."

The Hon. Josephus Daniels will speak on Haywood County Day, June 21. The Hon. Joseph Melville Broughton, Governor of North Carolina, will speak on the Fourth of July.

If you do not receive a printed booklet very soon, write to Lake Junaluska Assembly, Lake Junaluska, N. C., and request one.

While the battle of mechanized armies is on abroad, the battle of nerves is on at home! Our Methodist people need to get together, in large numbers, for Christian fellowship, prayer, and mutual encouragement. The religious conferences at Junaluska will build needed morale.

W. A. Lambeth, Supt.
Central Methodist Church, Asheville.

THE WAY THEY DO IT IN NORFOLK

The concentration of large numbers of service men in this naval base has served as a stimulant to Norfolk churches, and "the navy men are as great an inspiration and benefit to us as we hope we are to them," in the words of one clergyman.

This relationship, according to James W. Gainfort, executive secretary of the USO unit at the Navy Y. M. C. A., has been achieved largely through Sunday programs planned for the service men and regular church members. He explained:

"Both groups, after attending morning services, continue the day in each other's company. After home lunches, many of each go to the USO Y. M. C. A. club houses for a song session, with all voices, often including those of local choirs, joining in.

"Afterwards there is the forum hour, held in the cafeteria, at which informative lectures, good conversation and snacks are featured.

"Later in the afternoon all pile into cars and after vespers at church there are more informal gatherings in the homes. Local clergymen participate in all the events of the day."

The attendance of service men at the Sunday programs totals more than 600 weekly.

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We Guarantee That Alcohol Sold Here Will Brutalize Consumers

Our Joint Opens Every Day at 10 in the Morning and Keeps Open Until 9 at Night

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The More ABC Stuff You Buy, the Bigger the Profits of This Joint

Special Attention Paid to Purchasers in Uniform

The above is the sort of advertisement that would represent the business of the ABC stores in the liquor counties of North Carolina if they advertised their wares.

—News and Observer.

REV. R. H. KENNINGTON A STAR MAN

Rev. R. H. Kennington, pastor of Union Grove-Zion charge, Statesville district, has secured his Advocate quota, which puts a star in his crown and a star by the name of his charge. While some are singing "Will there be any stars in my crown?" with the answer, "No, not one," R. H. Kennington will be able to answer, "Yes." He never fails to answer yes to every good call.

REV. E. PAUL HAMILTON IN THE LIME LIGHT

Paul Hamilton, pastor of the Flat Rock charge, Greensboro district, is a young pastor worth watching. He sends $28 for new subscribers and says that he will in a few days complete his quota. He is now far beyond the 50-yard line and not far from the goal. Listen to what he declares: "It took only a little effort on Flat Rock charge to get the ball rolling."

A LAY LEADER WHO LEADS

Z. F. Cranford, lay leader of Concord-El Bethel charge, Gastonia district, Rev. C. D. Brown, pastor, sends $13 new and $2 renewal, which marks him as a lay leader who knows how to lead. We thank Brother Cranford.

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The round of district conferences in North Carolina for another year has ended. These eighteen church gatherings have been above the ordinary in attendance and interest. The mid-year report on May 31 made to Bishop Purcell will indicate the progress made.

Make every expenditure of money and of fine American youth to conserve the American way of life is the nation-wide plea. But let no one fail in the effort to save the soul of America. This is the one concern of the church of God. If America loses its soul these other considerations will count for little. The four freedoms will certainly fade away.

The best of all devotional books is the Bible. Let one be oft alone with God and the Bible, then within him will flow springs of living water. On the fly-leaf of a little girl's Bible a devoted mother had written four rules to guide her along an unknown way as she was a refugee from England to escape the horrors of war. The first of these was, "Read your Bible and pray each day." This eager mother put this as the first rule to follow. The devotional life is the fountain source of personal religion. This, too, is the source of the church's spiritual power.

The great awakening for which we wait and pray will come when the hearts of those who call themselves Christians are attuned each day to the will and love of Him who calls us and all men into a heritage incorruptible and that fadeth not away.

"So we may send our little timid thought
Across the void, out of God's reaching hands,
Send out our love and faith to thread the deep,
Thought after thought until the little cord
Has greatened to a chain no chance can break,
And—we are anchored to the Infinite."

—Edwin Markham.

The genuine Christian must keep the glow. The worst of all spiritual sickness is coldness of heart.

"Every morning lean thine arm awhile
Upon the windowsill of heaven
And gaze upon thy Lord;
Then, with the vision in thy heart,
Turn strong to meet thy day."

A dear friend penned this tribute to that outstanding layman who passed from us last year: "Will Knight walked with God and knew what it meant to be a loyal partner of Jesus Christ. His life was a splendid example of devotion to Christian ideals and a revelation of the triumph of Christian faith. He was faithful to the end and, in spite of great bodily suffering, his heart was filled with the peace of God and his face was radiant with the light of the Eternal. He has gone, but his influence will live in the hearts he has touched. The years may come and go, but the memory of his noble life will ever shine out in clear and radiant splendor."

After listing the ancient worthies who won their record for faith, the author of the Epistle to the Hebrews urges the early Christians: "So up with your listless hands! And strengthen your weak knees! And make straight paths for your feet to walk in." The heroes of the Faith are an encircling host of witnesses! Therefore, we are to run our appointed course steadily and keep our hearts from fainting and falling. There is no other way of creating this community than by the preaching of the Gospel of God as the Lord of the nations, and as the Father of the men, women and children who compose nations. It is only through a sense of the common Fatherhood of God that we can hope to awaken a sense of the brotherhood of man. We have heard these words many times. Now, we should heed them. Actions speak louder than words.

The World Neighborhood

TWO rather compact communities stand before us. They became widely separated in the life lived in relation to one another. The spirit and practice of the Good Samaritan prevailed in one; in the other, were strife, contention and unbrotherly conduct. It seemed that every man's hand was set against his brother. The spirit of Cain prevailed. These two small communities in the same state seemed to be at the extremes in our average life. In one the spirit of brotherhood held sway; in the other, the ravings of tooth and claw. Both got along after a fashion, being so situated as to have no contacts or fellowship.

But what about this present world neighborhood to which we are moving? Science has made the planet one with the revolutions in transportation and communications. This world war in which the nations are involved was not possible until we made an audience chamber of earth and crossed the continents and the wide oceans at will. With the coming of peace the world neighborhood must be of first concern. Following the present carnage and slaughter and the desolations made by war, the effort must be to secure a new world order. This can come only by building a spirit of world brotherhood in which the peoples of all nations, colors and races have a place. The Father of all men as revealed in Jesus made each to be his brother's keeper rather than his brother's killer as now. So the duty of all even now is to send the gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth. For moral and spiritual forces, not material confusion, will in the end determine the fate of the nations.

Remember the one agency for promoting the brotherhood of man in this present world neighborhood is the church of God. The lasting peace for which we long must be based on freedom, justice and good will. Moral and spiritual forces must supplant the militarism that threatens the world. The church of God just now has a bigger job than the vast undertakings of armies. We would falter and fail in this venture but for the assurance that God is still on his throne and the living Christ is going on before to make this world neighborhood a true world brotherhood.

As this war moves on towards the coming peace with the leading nations involved, it is more and more evident that the great nations of earth will demand an autonomous life free from the control of other peoples. So the world brotherhood will necessarliy be a matter of the spirit. This is the realm in which the church of Christ holds dominance. Unity, not uniformity, belongs to the church of God. So the church of Christ makes its way among the races in building of a common brotherhood.

"Way the Federal Government Wants It Done"

WE have been saying that the Washington government is in league with liquor. Now we have the proof, as published by Hon. Josephus Daniels in an editorial that was carried in last Sunday's News and Observer.

Here is the editorial:

"The tire rationing board at Sacramento, California, recently refused rubber for milk trucks but granted it to trucks hauling intoxicating drinks. One member of the board said, 'That's the way the federal government wants it done.'

"According to this ruling, a vehicle that delivers goods to a retailer is classified as a wholesaler's truck and is entitled to tires. But a milk wagon or a bakery wagon that delivers milk and bread to homes and hospitals is a 'retailer's delivery wagon,' and on the theory that people can carry their own purchases from the grocery, such vehicles are denied tires.

"All tires and gas should be denied to haul intoxicants and allocated to carry milk and bread to homes."

The Regimented Life

THOSE American citizens who have favored a nation regimented for the sake of efficiency as some of the European nations are will doubtless learn much before this war ends. To regiment gas has not been the simple thing some thought it would be. In fact, the many efforts to bring a nation to war time rigidity is possible because the people feel that this is temporary. War itself in taking charge of men and business is making a nation subject to the rigidity of the severest regimentation.

Men in business and the boys in the army are content to set themselves to the task of winning the war. Then they expect to return to normal life. But there is always an element who would continue this regimented order. So nations become militarized and the war lords are able to get in the saddle. With the end of the other war the boys were glad to return to the demands of civic life. They got out of

the army as soon as possible. Our hope now is that those who return this time will be eager for the "American way of life."

Consult Your Goosebone

THE weather prophet is one of the ancient institutions of this country. English, and Dutch, and French, and Spanish, with the lesser breed of settlers brought to this America those who could read the clouds, the color of the sunset and the ways of animals and birds. In addition to all these sources of instruction they wisely accepted the tutelage of the Red men of the forests. Truly the weather prophets have enjoyed the instruction of teachers not a few. But his has been a difficult task and there are plenty of people who refuse to take seriously his word of prophecy. But if he possesses an air of certainty that places him among the cocksure, he will find some people willing to accept his weather forecasts. Since the war has put the weather bureau with its daily and weekly forecast out of business, the weather prophet can again trust to his goose bone and quote the sayings of the "old people" without fear of any scientific contradiction.

That Mid-Year Report

ONE week more and the time is up for the report on May 31 as to what has been done up to that time. Some do not seem to appreciate the importance of this report in its relation to the year's work. Most important is this to the various causes such as benevolences and other financial interests. The money secured is of vital importance but of equal concern is the stimulus for the work of the year. This showing will tell on the close.

We do respectfully urge that each will report all new subscribers for the Advocate to be included along with other causes in the report made to Bishop Purcell May 31.

A Call to World Service Treasurers in North Carolina

DR. WILLIAM W. REID, director of news service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension asks us to say that the board must receive during this month $1,000,000 in order to break even with last year, and the board urges that the gifts for World Service for the whole year be paid now; also, see that they get to Dr. Auman's office before May 31.

Duke Institutes and Bible Conference

THE management is much pleased with the program offered at Duke University, June 8-13. Stanley Jones will be there Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Dr. Kepler will discuss "Contemporary Religious Thought" and Dr. J. C. Yang "The Church in China Today." A half dozen other outstanding speakers will offer courses and appear on the platform. All forward looking ministers of this section of the nation will count it a privilege to enjoy the opportunities of those days.

The university makes available its many facilities for the work of the week such as rooms, meals, recreation facilities. For twenty-four years these privileges have been offered. Remember there are no denominational lines drawn. A noble company is expected to meet and mingle on Duke campus.

Those of the two Methodist conferences for the past two decades are aware of the contribution the pastors' school has made to North Carolina Methodism. It has broadened the outlook of the ministry and stimulated for larger undertakings through the years. This year will be in line with those which have gone before.

Provincialism Is a Slow, Lingering Disease Hard to Cure

PROVINCIALISM is a disease that fails to have much respect for physical soundness and no respect at all for individual piety. In fact it flourishes in the soil of deep moral convictions. Good people are frequently afflicted with distressing cases of provincialism. It is a result largely of limited perspective and the inability to see beyond one's immediate horizons. Morals have little to do with provincialism except in the realm of social obligations.

What are the remedies for this disease which with many people seems to be incurable? One of the most effective remedies is to travel. To get out of one's native haunts and to mingle in cordial fellowship with people in other sections of the country and distant parts of the earth is well nigh a specific. Extended travel is a specific, like quinine is for malaria.

There are numerous remedies, but a cure is seldom if ever the work of a few days. The disease is deep seated and the cure is necessarily slow. But it can be and is generally cured if a man will apply the remedies.

People and Things

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

All persons interested will note the following address: Winans F. Beadle Lt. O-422725 Chaplain, A.P.O. 959, Box 304, San Francisco, California.

Y. C. Yang, Jr., son of President Y. C. Yang, Soochow University, China, and a student at Birmingham Southern College, will enter Virginia Polytechnic Institute in the next academic year to study engineering.

Bishop W. W. Peele has been notified of his recent election to the board of trustees of American University in Washington. This is a Methodist school formerly supported by the (Northern) Methodist Church.—Virginia Christian Advocate.

During the discussion regarding the difficulties arising from the calling-up of Sunday school teachers for national service, a lady teacher caused much amusement by remarking: "In my school we have only one man left—two, if you count the minister."—The Scotsman.

The Young Adult Fellowship of the Winston-Salem district will have its annual fellowship supper at the Centenary Methodist church, Friday, May 22, 7 p. m. We feel very fortunate in securing Dr. Albert C. Outler of the Duke School of Religion as the guest speaker. Mr. Zeb Barnhardt, president of the Young Adult Fellowship, will preside—Cecil G. Hefner.

The recent meeting of the national council of the Episcopal Church voted to ask Episcopal churches to launch "a spiritual offensive toward a Christian victory and a Christian peace." Translated into parish terms, the offensive means extending the work of the church to soldiers, to promote attendance at church services, and to form parish study groups on post-war problems. It adopted a budget of $2,500,000 for the coming year.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor at China Grove Methodist church, has been chosen by President J. R. McKissick to deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, Sunday night, May 24. Mr. Weldon is an alumnus of this university, class of 1931, and a B.D. alumnus of Duke. It is said that he is the youngest minister ever chosen to preach the baccalaureate sermon at the University of South Carolina.

The New York Times says: "The Bible keeps on in the face of the pagan revolution. The Gideon Society has distributed 1,000,000 copies of the New Testament to the American armed services and has 2,000,000 more copies on the presses. The American Bible Society pours out another stream of Scriptures and Scripture portions to our fighting forces and to war prisoners in many lands, and has taken on ,in addition, a large part of the work of the British, Scottish, Netherlands and French Bible societies in fields from which they are now cut off."

An "Ashram" announced for Blue Ridge, N. C. This is one of the four Christian "Ashrams" to be held this summer by the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America at Blue Ridge, July 18-August 1, with the famous missionary, Dr. E. Stanley Jones ,as one of the leaders. An Ashram, the word is Indian, is in no sense a religious conference, its leaders explain. It is a means whereby individuals of various races and denominations may gather together in community to strengthen spiritual life through prayer and meditation.

To Ed Earnhardt we commend the following reported in The Christian Leader as an advertisement from one of these modern biblical exegetes: "The Bible reveals the rise of Hitler during the automobile age; his methods of conquest; his ruthlessness; his religion; his attitude toward women; his victory over many nations, giving the names of some of them; his opposition by the British navy at sea and by mechanized armies on land and in the air. Hitler's war with Russia is mentioned and also his drive into Libya and into the Near East. The Bible gives the location of his last stand and his final defeat."

The Illinois conference of the Augustana Lutheran Synod at its recent convention at Bloomington, Ill., approved the Chicago plan for week-day religious education in cooperation with the public school. A resolution was passed declaring "that we recognize this was as a just judgment upon our failure to observe God's laws of justice and brotherhood." A resolution urged that the grains and sugar used in the manufacture of alcoholic liquor be saved and the sale of liquor in or near training camps be ended. A message of commendation and gratitude was sent to the Church of Norway for its ressitance to Hitler.

The Franklin circuit had a treat Sunday, May 17. Rev. W. L. Hutchins, our D. S., and Mrs. Hutchins spent the entire day with us. He preached three great sermons, one at Clark's Chapel, one at Louisa, and one at Bethel. The people here are convinced that he is a living refutation of the idea that district superintendents can't preach. Our second quarterly conference was held at Bethel at 7:30 with a church full of people attending. The Franklin circuit is in better financial shape that it has been in many years. Nearly all the Children's Home assessment has been paid in full. Over half of the World Service has been paid. Other items are well in hand. We are expecting to reach home plate October 1 without having to slide in.—Philip L. Green, P. C.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

The senior pupils of the music department will be presented in their third annual recital Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the college auditorium. Prof. I. D. Moon, instructor in voice, will present Jessie Mary Wilson, Roxboro; Gean Sasser, Smithfield; Jane Moon, Louisburg; and Dan McFarland, pupils in voice.

Elizabeth Harris, Sara Davis and Nancy Hayes, all of Louisburg, will be presented by Prof. James E. Byerly, instructor in piano.

Saturday evening the senior class will have its last formal banquet in the college hall. Following the banquet, "The Valiant," a one-act play, will be presented in the college auditorium by the Louisburg College Players, under the direction of Miss Virginia Peyatt, head of the department of dramatic arts. Among the members of the cast are J. E. Norris, Columbia; Dan McFarland, Salisbury; Shirley Thompson, Fairmont; Wesley Gentry, Roxboro; and Wilbur Payne, Stumpy Point.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Dr. Walter Patten, president, Sunday at 11 a. m. in the Methodist church. Sunday evening Dr. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville, will deliver the Y. M. C. A.-Y. W. C. A. sermon.

The commencement exercises Monday at 10 a. m. will be held in the Louisburg Methodist church, and will feature an address by Dr. W. A. Stanbury, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem.

FIRST COACHING CONFERENCE IN METHODIST CHURCH HELD AT DUKE DIVINITY SCHOOL

The first coaching conference on Bible conferences in the Methodist Church was conducted at the Duke Divinity School on Monday and Tuesday, May 11 and 12, by Dr. M. Leo Rippy of Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. W. A. Walton of New York, setting a precedent for such ventures at other seminaries. Instruction was given in the supervision and teaching of Bible conferences in rural and small town churches, and plans were made for a number of such conferences to be held in local churches during the coming months.

Dr. Rippy represented the department of Christian education for adults, for this project is definitely related to the education of adults, and Dr. Walton represented the division of town and country work of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension. Arrangements were made by Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University, Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary of the Western North Carolina Conference, and Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the North Carolina Conference. Specific management of the conference was in charge of Rev. O. L. Hathaway of Selma, director of adult work in the North Carolina conference and Rev. Earl D. C. Brewer, director of adult work in the Western North Carolina conference.

A number of the students in the Duke Divinity School attended the meetings, in addition to the following representative ministers from the two conferences: F. D. Hedden of Louisburg, R. F. Dawson of Raleigh. L. A. Tilley of Ayden, E. D. Weathers of Weldon, A. L. Thompson of Ahoskie, Floyd M. Patterson of Milton, T. S. Hough of Mebane, P. F. Newton of Rich Square, E. R. Shuller of Hookerton, H. F. Surratt of Windsor, and O. L. Hathaway of Selma.

J. E. Carroll of Leaksville, R. V. Martin of Harmony, J. C. Reichard of Troutman, I. L. Roberts of Randleman, J. R .Duncan of Rutherford College, M. Q. Tuttle of Newton, S. B. Moss of High Point, J. W. Braxton of Asheboro, G. R. Stafford of Morganton, C. B. Rose of Misenheimer, W. R. Thompson of Mayodan, E. D. C. Brewer of Charlotte, and Wilson O. Weldon of China Grove.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Chosen among forty college students of applicants in the United States for summer scholarships to the Plymouth Drama Festival, Plymouth, Massachusetts, are two Greensboro College senior dramatic majors, Misses Nancy Wall, Leaksville, and Frances Winstead, Roxboro. Misses Wall and Winstead will attend six weeks of dramatic instruction, including daily classes, rehearsals and productions, under the direction of professional actors and critics, during June and July.

The Greensboro College school of music is continuing its commencement preliminaries, presenting students in its department in vocal and instrumental recitals. Miss Margaret Humphrey, Burgaw, mezzo soprano, gave her senior voice recital Monday night, May 18, in Odell auditorium with Miss Rebecca Pickard, Greensboro, as her accompanist.

Two hundred and sixty-five members of the student body received honored recognition Tuesday morning at the regular chapel hour, when Gold Book Day was observed. At the close of each college year, students outstanding for scholarship, character, attitude, and campus activities, are privileged to sign the college Gold Book at a special ceremony before the entire student body and faculty. Formal dinner in the college dining room Tuesday night further honored the signers who were special dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter V. Brown, and Dr. Emilie Maxwell, instructors in the science department, had as their dinner guests Wednesday night the science majors of the college. The dinner was given at the home of Professor and Mrs. Brown.

Miss Etta Farrar Taylor, Greensboro, will be presented by the dramatics department Wednesday night in her senior recital. Miss Taylor will read James Barrie's popular comedy, "Quality Street."

The annual Greensboro College art exhibit, presented by Mrs. Mary-Braeme Seascholts, head of the department, and her pupils, will open Saturday afternoon, May 23, in Odell auditorium, with a tea honoring students and townspeople attending the first showing of the selections displayed.

THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The conference was held in the Midway church, a few miles west of Reidsville on the Winston-Salem highway, Tuesday, May 19. It was an interesting and, therefore, enjoyable conference. L. B. Hayes, the district superintendent, guided the conference with remarkable skill ,which in itself eliminated all question marks as to its success, for the presiding officer invariably makes or unmakes a district conference. Hayes seemed to know just what to do and what to leave undone. Everybody who desired to do so was given a chance to speak and a host of the brethren indulged the opportunity. But let it be said to their everlasting credit that one and all stopped when he got through. Even the pastors in their reports were becomingly brief and informing. The pastors had good reports and when a man has something to report it does not require much time, neither does he have to labor in his attempt to make a good report.

So many had a part in the work of the conference that we will not attempt to give the names of them all. So we pass the matter to Kenneth Goodson, the secretary, to wrestle with as seems best to an efficient secretary. We also leave to him all details of the conference for this Advocate, except to say that the next conference goes to Pleasant Garden.

That noonday lunch which the housewives of Midway and the other churches of the charge served called for all sorts of superlatives, and these expressions of appreciation were to be heard on every hand during the lunch hour and will be talked about for a long time to come by those who enjoyed the privilege of partaking of the food that loaded the long oaken tables which had been set under the oaks of Midway.

This scribe for twenty years attending a half dozen or more district conferences each year, has partaken of many bountiful and delicious dinners, but we put this at Midway as the best of all. Those ladies about Midway lead all the rest in the fine art of good cooking if one may judge by that table at Midway last Tuesday.

After the conference next year at Pleasant Garden we favor Midway as a permanent meeting place for district conference of the Greensboro district.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

Sunday morning, May 24, Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of the college, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon in Harrison gymnasium at 11 o'clock. Music by the college choir.

Sunday evening at 8 o'clock Dean P. E. Lindley will give his annual address to the seniors and the religious bodies on the campus. The A Capella choir will also sing on that program.

On Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock the regular commencement program will be held in Harrison gymnasium also. After the academic procession, the baccalaureate address will be given by Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of the First Methodist church in Charlotte.

REPORT OF SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The regular annual sessions of the Salisbury district conference of the Methodist Church were held in Salem church six miles west of Albemarle on the Albemarle-Concord highway. The conference was called to order at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning, May 8, by Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent. The opening devotions were conducted by Rev. H. L. Creech, pastor of the Mt. Pleasant charge.

The conference elected J. F. Harrelson secretary and R. B. Shumaker, assistant.

Rev. L. R. Spencer, host pastor, spoke cordial words of welcome and expressed sincere regrets for the absence of Mrs. Spencer, who was with a sick child in one of the hospitals in Charlotte. The chair then nominated committees and they were duly elected.

O. A. Swearingen, district lay leader, addressed the conference on the temperance question.

A letter was read from Rev. A. A. Lyerly, post chaplain at Lake Charles, La., in which he outlined the nature of his work. He was formerly a pastor in this district.

At 12 o'clock Bishop Purcell addressed the conference with reference to the missionary outlook and program. He urged that we love everybody and hate none. His appeal was most forceful and earnest.

At 12:30 the conference recessed until two o'clock. The ladies of the community spread a well prepared and appetizing dinner which was greatly enjoyed by the assemblage.

A resolution by the conference entertainment committee proposed a charge of forty cents per person for all members of the conference and visitors beginning with the 1943 session, this money to be paid to the host church. Without debate it was unanimously passed.

One inspiring feature of the afternoon session was rendition of three numbers by the Pfeiffer College Choral Club.

All pastors of the district were present and in fine spirits in view of the fact that practically all the charges were half and more on all financial matters. It is proper to mention, however, that Main Street-Rowan charge, Salisbury, made the best report on finances. This charge has paid 72 per cent of all claims and the pastor, Rev. Wade R. Bustle, was called to the front by Dr. C. N. Clark for public recognition.

The following visitors or pastors represented the various institutions: O. V. Woosley, the Children's Home; Rev. H. G. Allen, the Conference Brotherhood; Dr. A. W. Plyler, the N. C. Christian Advocate; Dr. R. A. Smith, Greensboro College; Rev. Frank Jordan, Duke University; Rev. A. M. Smith, High Point College; Rev. C. B. Ross, Pfeiffer College; and Dr. E. J. Coltrane, Brevard College.

Other visitors noted were Dr. G. T. Bond, district superintendent of the Charlotte district, Rev. E. H. Nease, pastor Hawthorne Lane church, Charlotte, and Rev. C. E. Ridge of the High Point district, and Mr. G. W. McAllister, superintendent of the Lutheran Sunday school of Mt. Pleasant.

The characters of all the local preachers were passed and their license renewed. All pastors of the district are now members of the Conference Brotherhod with an additional number of laymen. All interests of the church received attention and presentation during the day.

Revs. Wm. B. A. Culp, Charles Cleveland Sharp, Jr., and Leroy Alexander Scott were recommended for admission on trial into the annual conference which meets in Charlotte in October. These young men are supplying Norwood circuit, Tabernacle-Palestine and Midland charges on account of the assigned pastors having been inducted into armed service.

Very appropriate resolutions were offered and passed that highly commended the supervision of Dr. C. N. Clark on the district and Mrs. Clark in the district parsonage. Dr. Clark is closing his sixth and last year on the district. It has made great progress under his leadership.

Rev. Leroy Spencer and his congregation did themselves well in the entertainment of the conference and were highly commended for their hospitality and arrangements.

Next session of conference will be in Woodleaf. Everything was handled with dispatch. All concluded it was a pleasant and enjoyable conference.

J. F. Harrelson, Secretary.

PROGRAM NORTH CAROLINA PASTORS' SCHOOL AND RURAL CHURCH INSTITUTE

The North Carolina Pastors' School (24th annual session) and Rural Church Institute (9th annual session) will be held at Duke University, Durham, June 8-13:

Public Assemblies

Monday, June 8—Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

Tuesday, June 9—Dr. Thomas S. Kepler, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

Wednesday, June 10—Dr. Dwight Sanderson, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

Thursday, June 11—Dr. Sparks W. Melton, Dr. Gaius Glenn Atkins, Dr. John Bennett.

Friday, June 12—Dr. Walter T. Conner, Dr. O. E. Baker, Dr. Y. C. Yang.

Saturday, June 13—Dr. B. G. Hodge.

Courses

The Preparing and Preaching of Sermons, by Dr. Atkins.

Pastor and Community Agencies, by Dr. Baker.

The Church and Its Redemptive Ministry, by Dr. Bennett.

Building and Equipping the Church, by Dr. Conover.

Program and Administration of a Large Church, by Dr. Hodge.

Contemporaneous Religious Thought and Movements, by Dr. Kepler.

Latin America, by Miss Oscie Sanders.

Church and Rural Welfare, by Dr. Sanderson.

Developing Christian Workers, by Dr. Simpson.

The Church in China Today, by Dr. Yang.

Job and the Problem of Suffering, by Dr. Russell.

Faculty and Speakers

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, evangelist at large for the North India annual conference.

Dr. Gaius Glen Atkins, professor emeritus of Auburn Theological Seminary, present address North Marshfield, Mass.

Dr. O. E. Baker, senior social scientist, division of farm population and rural welfare, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Dr. John C. Bennett, professor of theology, Pacific School of Religion, Berkley, California.

Dr. Elbert M. Conover, director bureau of architecture, The Methodist Church, New York.

Dr. B. G. Hodge, Methodist minister, Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Thomas S. Kepler, Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin.

Dr. Dwight Sanderson, professor of rural sociology, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, Soochow, China.

Dr. Elbert Russell, dean emeritus of Duke Divinity School.

Miss Oscie Sanders, educational worker, joint division of education and cultivation, Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, New York.

Dr. J. Fisher Simpson, secretary on the General Board of Education staff, Nashville.

CHESTNUT RIDGE MEMORIAL SERVICE

Chestnut Ridge Methodist church, west of Hillsboro, will hold all-day memorial services Sunday, May 24. Rev. C. P. Morris, pastor of the congregation, announced that an outstanding speaker would be secured for the annual occasion.

Following the dinner on the grounds during the noon hour, there will be several numbers by visiting quartets and the ceremonies of the memorial service. The deceased to be especially remembered at the afternoon service will be Mrs. J. M. Minnis, Mr. W. F. Thompson, Miss Mary Eliza Sykes, Mr. Andrew J. Williams, and Mr. James Crabtree.

DEDICATION OF TABOR AND CORINTH METHODIST CHURCHES

Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University divinity school and Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent, will dedicate Tabor and Corinth Methodist churches Sunday, May 24. Dr. Ormond will speak at the 11 o'clock hour at Tabor; Rev. L. C. Larkin will speak in the afternoon. Dinner will be served on the grounds at the noon hour. The dedication will follow the afternoon address.

The present building (Tabor) was built by Rev. William Towe in 1918, replacing a one-room structure. In 1941 this building was completely renovated on the inside, the glass stained, leaded, memorial windows releaded and placed in new frames, the brick veneered and reroofed. Our good women have carpeted the church and are placing a new pulpit suit in the pulpit.

This is our second year to serve this church. The people have worked patiently and co-operatively in this program.

Corinth church has been renovated on the inside and outside with some additions. The women of this church have placed carpet in the church. Dedication will be at 8 o'clock in the evening by Dr. J. M. Ormond and Rev. L. C. Larkin.

In our four years of service here the people have worked splendidly. D. D. Broome.

MRS. B. F. LANNING OF LINWOOD DIED MAY 11

Mrs. Carrie Smith Lanning, aged 70, wife of Baxter F. Lanning, died at the home on Linwood R. 1, near Tyro, Monday, May 11, after a long illness. Mrs. Lanning was one of the most widely known and beloved women of her community, had been hopelessly ill for months and her condition had been critical for more than a week before the end came.

Funeral services were held from Tyro Methodist church, of which she was long a devoted and useful member, in charge of the pastor, Dr. O. E. Croy, and interment was made in the nearby Bethel cemetery.

Mrs. Lanning was born in Davidson county on April 30, 1872, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith, and was a life long resident of the county. A devoted and intelligent mother, she and her husband reared a family of well known children, including a college professor and a leading minister of the Methodist church. Surviving, besides the husband, are three sons, Rev. Jesse H. Lanning, pastor at Hamlet; Dr. John Tate Lanning, a professor of history at Duke University; and Kenneth Lanning of Linwood, Route 1; two daughters, Mrs. R. Bruce Talbert of this city, and Mrs. N. V. Cagle, who resides at the home on Linwood, R. 1; two brothers, Joe Smith of Linwood, R. 1, and Early Smith of Leaksville, and six grandchildren.

WINSTON CONFERENCE AT MOUNT TABOR

Friday of last week the Methodists of Winston-Salem district assembled at a wonderfully attractive country church four miles out of Winston-Salem. The beautiful location and excellent equipment of Mount Tabor may well be the pride of the fine citizenship that assembles there for worship. This is the church from which Col. J. W. Alspaugh came. Fifty years ago his name was most familiar to all the boys of Trinity and the girls of Greensboro College.

We counted it a high privilege to sojourn for a few hours at this conference. As we entered, O. V. Woosley was in the midst of an elaborate discussion of the various boards of the Methodist Church. But even better than his speech was the fine way in which he presented each of the ten or a dozen girls from the Children's Home, who delighted the conference with their presence and songs.

Then came others to represent the varied interests of the conference. Dr. Charles Weaver had his program so carefully arranged that there was not a hitch. Some say that all district conferences are alike. In a sense such an assertion is true. But the conference at Mount Tabor departed from the ordinary routine in putting other things first. Note this. Right there in the very heart of the morning session the output of the printing press was put to the front in a most attractive way. By appointment, Rev. A. A. Kyles displayed attractively samples of all our Methodist literature in full view of the crowd.

Evangelistic, missionary, children's, laymen's, women's journals, the Christian Advocates and other types of literature were exhibited and explained. Some of the brightest and most alert young pastors magnified the importance of our Methodist periodicals and books. This certainly was far removed from the oft apologetic word on the side in dealing with our Methodist publications. It was a return to the Wesleyan way.

Another faeture new to the conference may be mentioned: Dr. W. A. Stanbury spoke on the proper use of the Methodist Hymnal. In this he exalted the place of worship in the church, too often neglected in our Methodism. We are sure some had never thought of the hymn book being such a treasure house of wisdom and worship.

The morning hour was one of the best, so was the noon hour under the trees. Of the afternoon we cannot speak owing to another engagement.



Tabor Methodist Church, Littleton Circuit



Corinth Methodist Church, Littleton Circuit

The Associated Church Press in New York

By JOHN VAN SCHAICK, JR.
Editor The Christian Leader, Boston

The Associated Church Press, made up of the editors and publishers of Protestant religious papers, met at the Prince George Hotel, New York, May 4, 5 and 6. The situation in Washington made it unwise and unpatriotic to try to hold a convention in that overcrowded city, and the choice of New York as a substitute proved highly popular. Weather conditions in the main were ideal, the attendance was large, and the program was stimulating and most interesting.

On Tuesday night the meetings began with a dinner, where 48 sat down together. L. O. Hartman, editor of Zions Herald, Boston, the president, was in the chair and led an after-dinner discussion called "Review and Preview."

James R. Joy, for over 32 years the beloved editor of the New York Christian Advocate,, was introduced as a man of experience and insight, and he made a remarkable extemporaneous address, full of humor and of faith.

"I was not in religious journalism," he said, "when it was at its crest. I lived my life as editor in the period of struggle. I asked myself sometimes why the struggle was necessary. When I went back over the old issues of the paper, I did not see that the paper had changed for the worse. The change was in the people. The paper was better. In the old days there were theological discussions that were run serially. No one is interested in them today. The church no longer occupies a central place in the life of its members. It is easy to stay away. The kind of religion men preached in the earlier times took hold of people and aroused them to take hold of their papers.

"I do not want to be a pessimist. I do not wan't to praise the old times. I simply say we have something to do in pulpit and press to make religion take hold of men so that they will regard it as of transcendent importance."

When he closed, Dr. Hartman said that the trouble with church papers today does not lie in the way they are edited and circulated, but in the lessened interest of the people.

In his review of the year, Dr. Hartman said that for the church press the past year was divided into two periods, before Pearl Harbor and after Pearl Harbor. "The material coming to editors," he continued, "has changed. We get many manuscripts on war and peace. There is a change in news. Parishes report on boys going to the front, on war relief work, and on co-operation with the Red Cross and other agencies. Since the war came there has been a trend toward the church. It is superficial at this stage. It comes from desperation, but it is there.

"We have had the government pamphlet on self-censorship. There is little in it that is mandatory. It depends on voluntary co-operation. Such a thing could not happen in Italy, Germany and Japan."

In his preview, Dr. Hartman said, "I believe that the trend toward the church will become more serious as trouble strikes us, as homes are bereft, and as people are plunged into sorrow and anxiety. There is less absolute pacifism now than there was. It is, however, going to be more and more difficult to retain our Christian ideals as hate grows.

Trials and Triumphs Past and Present

Two leading men in the field of church publicity led the discussion on Wednesday forenoon. Ralph Stoody, director of Methodist information, New York City, and A. W. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C. Stoody read some fascinating pages from a new history of religious journalism that he has written, and Plyler spoke on "Editorial Trials and Triumphs Today." Stoody made us see how necessary history is "for our orientation today," and Plyler made us laugh at our trials and take new courage. Stoody said that when Martin Luther threw his inkpot at the devil, he declared a new war against evil. He closed by declaring that it is no time for us to sing a swan song over our church papers, for the signs all indicate that the churches are getting ready to re-evaluate the place that they fill.

Dr. Hartman and several members said emphatically that Dr. Stoody's history should be published at once.

Plyler is one of the men with a delightful sense of humor. He said that all men who discuss the ups and downs, the trials and triumphs of anything had better keep an eye on the liver. He declared that the real trouble in journalism was the unending struggle to get along agreeably with some of the saints. Many of the saints think that the chief end of man is to harrass the editor and do it for the glory of God, so that he may enjoy his Lord forever. Shailer Mathews described accurately some of the saints of the first century "who are called to be saints but have not yet attained." "That is the trouble with the saints who harass us. But the mass of our readers are the crown and the glory of the editor. Those subscribers who read every word from cover to cover may lack in literary discrimination, but their loyalty is beyond question."

Dr. Plyler dealt frankly with the poverty of the papers and declared it was not hell to be poor, but heavenly. He warned the editors against measuring their work by commercial standards alone. The ministers who read the church papers are the most influential people in the community. The laymen often are men of great power.

Dr. Hartman commented that nothing was more unfair than to measure the influence of papers by the number who subscribe.

Dr. Plyler replied that Zions Herald was quoted by other papers all over the country.

The papers that have been published over a hundred years under the same name were listed: The Presbyterian, the Christian Advocate, the Religious Telescope, Zions Herald, the Christian Register, the Churchman, and the Missionary Herald.

Oliver R. Williamson, a veteran editor, was introduced and made a brief address, in which he urged the men to carry on the fight to maintain a forward-looking press.

Nothing Cynical About Sam Welles

Sam Welles, religious editor of Time, New York, son of an Episcopal rector and a high churchman himself, won a Rhodes Scholarship after his course at Princeton

and was three years in Oxford. For the editors he was Exhibit A in the art of selection and condensation while maintaining interest and full coverage of the field. He spoke Wednesday night on "What's the News," giving a brilliant description of how he does his work. "Religious journalism," he said, "is the most important journalism there is. The majority of people today are living on the spiritual capital of their ancestors. Civilization is in danger of becoming a complex of nostalgia, apathy and pleasant habit. Religious journalism is in the world to grapple with that condition."

Mr. Welles described his interview with Mr. Luce, editor of Time, when he began his work. He said that the department of religion in Time is a serious section devoted to the task of discovering what the church can do to make the world a better place to live in. He defined religion as "bringing before an uninstructed people the truth about God." He declared that today there is a great opportunity before church people and church papers. "Some things," he said, "can be done. People are in the mood to have them done." He then described in detail the opportunity for religion. He said:

1. An upheaval like this makes people look beyond themselves. I have been intensely interested in foreign news. Therefore I have been intensely interested in the missionary program of the chuch. No church is stronger than its missionary program. No news has been as interesting to write in the past two years as what the missionaries have been doing and what the church leaders and ministers have been doing in countries that have been invaded. Think of Norway! Think of Niemoeller! Think of the Philippines! Think of Czechoslovakia and the other countries! There is exciting, thrilling news of what is happening.

"2. The church and the papers must stand for the future. Not only are we to bring comfort to people on all sides, but we are to look forward to the kind of peace we are to make. Malvern and Delaware point the way." His descriptnon of how Time sensed the importance of Malvern and proceeded to cover it on short notice was an eye opener to the editors.

3. A sign of the times is the steady increase in denominatnoial co-operation. Some churches ten years ago did not recognize the existence of other denominations.

"4. On the home front the church press has a big job to make local church members see what we need to do much more to help in world service.

Mr. Welles said that we could improve our papers by using shorter articles, by making them more varied, by treating subjects like church architecture, usually neglected, and by using more human interest stories. "The important thing about the church press," he declared, "is that it is the voice of the church. The voice of the church must make itself heard."

For the next meeting the following places were nominated: Fort Wayne, by King of the Protestant Voice, Fort Wayne; New York by Mosely of the Christian Evangelist, St. Louis; Chicago by Nall of the Christian Advocate, Chicago; Washington, D. C., by Howland of the Free Methodist, Winona Lake, Ind.; and Cincinnati by Dr. Hartman. A straw vote showed New York in the lead, but the decision was left to the officers who hold over for another year. They are L. O. Hartman, Boston, president; Clifford R. Morehouse, Milwaukee, vice president; Emerson H. Lalone, Boston, secretary- treasurer.

The session closed with a memorial service. Two editors have died in the past year: Walter C. Woodward of the American Friend, Richmond, Ind., and Paul S. Leinbach, editor of the Messenger, Philadelphia, who was the first president of the group. Dr. Lalone read the record. Mrs. Sue Yerkes, Charles E. Schaeffer, William E. Gilroy, W. M. Rochester and John van Schaick, Jr., spoke briefly, and the service closed with prayer by Dr. Plyler of Greensboro, N. C.

MISSION DOCTORS ON THE FRONT PAGE

No matter what may happen to the reputations of others, the missionary doctors of eastern Asia are going to emerge from this war with heightened prestige. Last week President Roosevelt took part of a radio speech to praise the heroic conduct of Lieutenant Commander C. McAlmont Wassell, former missionary who had won distinction in the battle of the Java sea. When that surprised physician was informed of the President's citation, he said, "I don't know why the President should single me out for honor. I simply did a doctor's duty." What duty means to a missionary doctor, however, is shown by his words, "The only thing that the President said about me that I deserved was that I am the pastor of a flock. The shepherd always stays with his sheep." It is devotion like this, revealed all over the blood-soaked map of Asia, which has caused hardened correspondents to write with the enthusiasm of cub reporters about these men. For example, the correspondent of the Associated Press in Burma sends a long cable about "that fabulous surgeon-missionary, Dr. Gordon S. Seagrave." Dr. Seagrave headed a little hospital far inland on the Burma road. After one attack, he operated alone on 150 cases in 36 hours. Now he has two army doctors helping him. "They swear he's a wizard on bone fractures." Stories like these are not news to the churches, but they are glad that more of the world is finding out what manner of men fill the missionary ranks.—Christian Century.

"A LECTURE THAT STIRS THE HEART"

By Dr. W. P. King

At the last session of the Tennessee conference Dr. Walt Holcomb, pastor of Wesley Memorial Downtown Community Church, Atlanta, Georgia, spoke to an audience that completely filled the large auditorium of Belmont Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee. His theme was: "Sam Jones—The Mystery of His Greatness."

Lectures on the lives of great personalities like Lincoln, Gladstone and Wesley have always been one of the most fruitful sources of inspiring audiences to higher living.

The lecture of Dr. Holcomb on Sam Jones is full of wit and humor and so vibrant with spiritual and intellectual power that at the close of the lecture, I told the speaker that it should be given throughout the country.

This lecture makes a good preparation for revival services and is most suitable for a special hour at annual conferences or any other representative gathering. The large audience in Nashville made such a response to the spiritual appeal that at the close one felt that he was in the "Presence of Pentecost."

THE CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

This conference met, May 15, in Dilworth church, Charlotte. District conferences as a rule live hard in a big church like Dilworth and a big city like Charlotte—there is too much environment. But none of these things were true last Friday in Charlotte, because of certain redeeming features. Among these was first the presiding of an experienced district superintendent in G. T. Bond, who guided affairs intelligently and wisely. The secretary was E. H. Nease, the capable secretary of the W. N. C. annual conference. In the conference as a visitor and to make a brief address was Bishop Purcell. The presence of a bishop never fails to put all candidates for superintendent and for a larger church on their good behavior. Furthermore, the Charlotte district has a good number of leading laymen who are accustomed to big things.

Among the visiting speakers was L. B. Abernethy in one of his inimitable speeches for the Golden Cross and the Elkin Hospital. We have heard L. B. Abernethy make more speeches than any other man in North Carolina and never once did he repeat himself. He invariably makes the most effectual plea for the hospital work of any man we have ever heard. He says that he intends to turn this work over to another, but we hope he will not do it.

The pastors made good reports, which was in line with what we heard at all the other conferences. But we are leaving all this to Brother Nease, who is an incomparable secretary who knows just what ought to go into the public prints and what should be left out.

As a parting word we must remind the public that Dilworth church is wonderfully equipped since the completion of the J. A. Jones educational building. This new building seems to be complete in every particular, even in that it has a small chapel for infant baptism when desired and for quiet, informal marriages, in addition to being a place for prayer and meditation. Centenary, Winston-Salem, is the only other church in the conference with such chapel, so far as we know.

THE HIGH POINT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The High Point district conference met at High Point College May 6 at 9 o'clock with Rev. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent, in the chair. Rev. C. E. Rozelle, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, led the devotions. In the absence of the president, Dean Lindley of the college extended a hearty welcome to the conference. Julian Lindsay, assistant pastor at Wesley Memorial church, was elected secretary and Miss Lucile Johnson of the bursar's office at the college statistical secretary. Pastors' reports and other business followed. Not all the time, however, was given to business. In fact other things pertaining to the relation the Christian church sustains to a vastly changed and rapidly changing world almost had the right of way.

The conference was pleased and edified by the presence of Bishop Purcell, whose message was well timed, sane and clarifying. His friendliness and his ability to get on a level with his people make him a much loved leader. The conference was fortunate again in having Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of the Duke divinity school, whose uniqueness was admirably displayed in his representation of our Methodist schools. Other helpful speakers were on the program: Rev. C. H. King, Dr. E. K. McLarty, Rev. W. B. West, Rev. W. B. McFarland, Mr. Guy Bagwell, Charlotte, in addition to local leaders. All the causes of the church were well represented. Visitors from several of the other districts were numerous.

Thirty of the 35 charges reported 255 members received on profession of faith and 231 by letter. Salaries were reported at 48 per cent paid for the year, World Service at 63 per cent for the year on 34 charges with the 35th paid for the entire year. The Children's Home has received 10 per cent to date from 17 charges, six charges having paid 10 per cent for the entire year and a plus of much more. The district work is in excellent shape. The finances in general are most satisfactory. (Every charge contributed to the Brevard College fund).

Reports were turned in from every charge although three of the pastors were not able to be present. Eight local preachers had their licenses renewed. Benjamin Hurley, First church, Asheboro, and Raymus Hilliard, Tyro church, Linwood charge, were licensed to preach.

The W. S. C. S. reported a society on every charge and 59 in the district. Mission schools were held on 16 charges with an average attendance of 550. Randleman-Union, of which our district missionary secretary, I. L. Roberts, is pastor, led with an average attendance of 226 for four consecutive Sunday nights.

The conference was splendidly entertained, especially at the noon hour when all present gathered in the dining hall for the meal. Several "anonymous" laymen from Wesley Memorial made this meal possible at no cost to the conference. The meeting place for next year will be decided on by the district superintendent and his committee.

The day's work, having been well planned and skillfully guided by the district superintendent, was most satisfactory.

O. L. B.

SALISBURY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Brother J. F. Harrelson, the secretary, in his report to this week's Advocate has the whole story of the work of the conference. To learn what was done read the concise and comprehensive report of this capable secretary. Nothing remains for us except to explain to people in other parts that Salem, the seat of the conference, is a big country church beautifully situated several miles from Albemarle on the highway to Charlotte. It was one of the first elegant country churches erected in North Carolina at the beginning of the new era of church building. But inspite of all that have come after it remains one of the best in this commonwealth which leads the nation in great country churches. These are largely the result of the Duke Foundation which has done so much for our country churches.

Dr. Clark completes this year his six years on the Salisbury district, and his last. It has been a period of great prosperity. The Salisbury is now one of the great districts with its 41 pastoral charges in one of the finest farming sections of North Carolina, and with such cities as Salisbury, Kannapolis, Concord,, and Albemarle, where the Methodist Church has big churches and growing congregations.

LET ALL THE WOMEN TAKE NOTICE

Wanted: One hat for Mrs. J. F. Coble, wife of the pastor of the Glen Raven-Haw River charge. In his report to the third quarterly conference Sunday Mr. Coble revealed that a sincere effort is being made to secure the charge quota of new Advocate subscriptions, and that the half-way mark had been reached. Furthermore, it was decreed that until the full quota of subscriptions has been sent in, there will be no new hat for the pastor's wife. The good women of the charge are rallying to the support of Mrs. Coble, and it is believed that the hat will be coming within a week or so.

A. J. Hobbs.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

*J. J. Boone, Graham.
2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock. W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hills, Liberty Ct.
*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

3*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
3*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

J. V. Early, Yanceyville.
R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

M. W. Warren, Garland.
C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
C. L. Grant, Lowesville.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.

MAN'S BEST FRIEND IN ARCTIC

Most of us, when we think of dogs in the Arctic, call to mind the Eskimo dog or Siberian husky which has served man by handling sledges for a thousand years. Actualy there are many breeds of dog which serve the Eskimos and white men who dwell in the frozen North. Increased facilities of communication with the outside world have deprived the Arctic of much of its former isolation, and with the coming of spring and the breaking up of ice, the transport steamers headed for Arctic waters carry with them a high-spirited barking cargo of pets destined for northern ports.

"Friday," the English setter, owned by trader George Jerritt of Indian Harbor, Labrador, is a fair specimen of the dog of the North who is gradually replacing his more wolf-like relative, the husky. Mr. Jerritt was eighteen months getting Friday, for the steamer on which his crate was shipped failed to make the Labrador port of Indian Harbor before freeze up time. But a year and a half's delay only made Friday a more precious package of canine liveliness when he arrived, a mature dog instead of the puppy expected. He had been cared for in the interval by a relative of Mr. Jerritt's in Newfoundland.—Our Dumb Animals.

COMMUNION

"Bread of the world in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead;
Look on the heart by sorrow broken;
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed."

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THE ETERNAL VOICE

He who looks with eyes of faith
Through all the shadows of our day,
The whirling mists, the battle storm,
The thunder of man's mortal fray,
Shall see with sight unveiled and clear
A Cross upon a darkened hill,
And hear again the voice of Christ:
"To all men peace, good will."

—Arthur Wallace Peach.

THE CHUCH IN WAR TIME

Under the above title Bishop Herbert Welch has given seven eternal verities rooted in the Christian point of view. They may become essential parts of our war time creed: (1) The Lord our God is one God, Father of all men, and to him ,rather than to the state, belong our unconditional loyalty and obedience. (2) The world of men is one; we are our "brothers' keepers." (3) True greatness in men or in nation lies not in strength, but in service: "He that would be greatest among you, let him be the servant of all." (4) Moral and spiritual, not material forces, will in the end determine the history of our race." Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit," saith the Lord. (5) It is the truth which shall make men free, and the work of love which shall win men from selfishness and sin. (6) While men pray and plan for peace their duty even now is to send the gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth. (7) Freedom, order, justice, and good will, and only these can bring about a just and lasting peace."—From The Church School, May, 1942.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The annual meeting of the Waynesville district held in the Methodist church at Andrews, April 29, was attended by a delegation of 200 or more representatives of the woman's societies of Christian Service of the district. Mrs. J. Dale Stentz, president of the district, presided over the meeting which opened with a hymn, "O Worship the King," followed by a worship service by Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent. Two selections by the high school glee club were enjoyed by those present.

The report of the district corresponding secretary was heard with great interest as Mrs. Branson reviewed the work of the year and set the goals for 1942. She stated that the district in 1941 had one of the best years in its history, with a Woman's Society of Christian Service on every charge and with the financial pledge overpaid for the eighth consecutive year.

The district officers and zone chairmen were introduced and those who did not appear on the program later were given an opportunity to present the work of their department. The officers of the district are: President, Mrs. J. Dale Stentz, Waynesville; corresponding secretary, Mrs. F. E. Branson, Canton; recording secretary, Mrs. John Ashe, Bryson City; treasurer, Mrs. H. D. Secrest, Canton; secretary C. S. Relations and L. C. Activities, Mrs. R .C. Long, Lake Junaluska; secretary mission study, Mrs. J. B. Tabor, Jr., Canton; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. G. L. Hampton, Canton; secretary literature and publcity, Mrs. Carl S. Slagle, Franklin; secretary Y. W. and girls' work, Miss Vivian Moore; secretary supplies, Mrs. T. A. Case, Murphy; secretary W. S. Guild, Mrs. Dan Tompkins, Sylva; secretary children's work, Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Waynesville; student secretary, Mrs. McMurray Richie, Cullowhee.

Special visitors for the day were Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Conf. Cor. Sec. of Greensboro, and Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Conf. Sec. Supplies of Shelby, each of whom brought messages of interest relative to their departments of work. The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Thompson in a most impressive manner and pledges assumed for 1942 were highly gratifying.

The first service of the afternoon program was a memorial service by Mrs. W. R. Kelly, which was most impressive. Rev .and Mrs. P. L. Green of Franklin sang a duet appropriate to the occasion. Eight members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the district, who have passed during the year, were honored in this service of remembrance.

Special talks for the afternoon were given as follows: Report of annual meeting, Mrs. W. L. Hutchins; missionary education and service, Mrs. J. B. Tabor, Jr.; presentation of literature and publications, Mrs. Carl S. Slagle; Christian S. R. and L. C. activities, Mrs. R. C. Long; report of conference chairman on Status of Women, Mrs. C. O. Newell, and spiritual life, Mrs. J. Dale Stentz. Two invitations were issued for 1943 meeting—Robbinsville and Sylva. Matter left to executive board to decide. Meeting closed with benediction by the pastor.

MARION DISTRICT MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Marion district was held at Marion May 30, with Mrs. A. T. Abernethy, district president, presiding. "God of Grace and God of Glory" was used as the opening hymn, after which Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent, introduced Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street church in Raleigh, who conducted the morning devotional, with his theme—Woman. In a brief but devout manner he paid a most beautiful tribute to womanhood. Mrs. H. C. Mangum, president of the hostesss soceity, gave a most sincere welcome to the guests which was responded to by Mrs. O. J. Mooneyham of Cliffside. In the absence of Mrs. C. D. Hamilton, recording secretary of the district, Mrs. C. V. Lael of Glen Alpine acted as secretary. At the roll call reports and pledges were made by each society and were most gratifying. Pages were introduced by Mrs. Mangum and the guest speakers for the day were presented by the district corresponding secretary, Miss Claudia Harbison. They were Mrs. A. L. Thompson, Conf. Cor. Sec. of Greensboro; Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Conf. Sec. Supplies, of Shelby, and Miss Kate Hackney, missionary from China. The report of Miss Harbison, district corresponding secretary, given at this time was brief but encouraging, as she told of the increase in organization and members and finances for 1941. She urged the following prayer projects for quiet hour: Pray, that you may have a greater realization of God's presence in your life; that your commitment of yourself to his service be complete; for all workers in all departments of the church work, and that God's will be dominant in the hearts of the leaders of the nation.

Visiting ministers were introduced and a beautiful solo was contributed to the program by Mr. A. C. Huitt, Jr., of Marion.

In a most helpful and impressive manner Mrs. A. L. Thompson, conference corresponding secretary, brought her message, explained the efficiency aim and discussed other departments of the work and answered many questions that were asked, giving a clearer knowledge of the work that is ours to do. Mrs. J. W. Harbison, conference secretary of supplies, presented her department in a helpful manner and called special attention to the supplies askings for 1942. The pledge service was held at noon by Mrs. Thompson ,assisted by Miss Harbison, Miss Joyce Decker and Miss Kate Hackney. Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, pastor of the hostess church, closed the morning service with prayer. A most tempting lunch was served in the community house by the ladies of Marion. The afternoon session, presided over by Miss Harbison, proved interesting. The opening devotional was conducted by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, after which Miss Kate Hackney, who has given 25 years of service in China and who has been the adopted missionary of the Marion district, brought a strong message on the opportunity and problems that exist in China today and urged our continuance of service, not only to China, but to other fields as well.

Reports of district officers were encouraging. Miss Joyce Decker, district secretary of Wesleyan Guild, reported a new guild at Rutherfordton, making a total of seven for the district. Mr. Huitt brought another message of song which was much enjoyed Two new district officers were elected—Mrs. Romulus Duncan of Spruce Pine, secretary of children's work, and Mrs. J. L. Martin of Marion, secretary of missionary education and service, in place of Mrs. F. C. Smathers, who resigned the work. The meeting closed with the spiritual life message by Mrs. J. P. Morris ,who stressed the value of prayer and urged the organization of a spiritual life group in every society, and asked that all the societies join in the prayer under the World Fellowship of Methodist Women.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THE MESSAGE THE WORLD NEEDS

"From the beginning of the church has had only one thing—the message. The disciples called that message the Gospel, the Evangel,' 'stated Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street Methodist church, at the recent annual Raleigh district conference in session at Spring Hill church. Continuing, Dr. Glenn reminded his hearers: "If we keep this message of the Gospel and proclaim it, whatever happens in the world the church will stand. The Gospel is the soul of man. The Gospel is an incarnation of all that Jesus said and did and was, sealed by his resurrection, and we do not have to prove it; it needs only to be proclaimed. It needs no defense. Let the church in this hour remain true to its spiritual mission. The church has one thing that the world at war needs now more than ever before and that thing is the message. If the church stands by this message it will withstand the war and bring a message of hope. The Gospel will bring bankrupt civilization back to normalcy, poise and brotherhood. This hope will be found in the Bible and this Gospel keeps that hope alive. The message of salvation to the individual, showing to him the face of God, brings to him the brotherhod of man and the Golden Rule, and this message writes hope in the skies of the future when men shall learn war no more."

LET'S MAKE AN HONOR ROLL

Realizing the significance of the slogan, "Every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook, Milwaukee W. S. C. S. has achieved that aim. No doubt other societies have made the slogan a reality —it is hoped that many have done so. Let's begin now to accomplish that goal in every society in the N. C. conference and let's make an honor roll composed of all societies in which the the goal is attained. If your society is one in which "Every officer is a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook," mail a postal card to your editor and she shall be happy to recognize the fact on the woman's page. The informed member is the interested, enthusiastic and fruitful member.

WEEK OF PRAYER

Last year Northampton zone, Rocky Mount district, scored 100 per cent in week of prayer observance. It is not too early to begin plans for a 100 per cent observance throughout the conference in November, 1942. Milwaukee society began plans very early last year when gift boxes were ordered from Literature Headquarters and each member began placing at least one cent each day in her box. When the boxes were opened during the week of prayer in November the results of the plan were amazing and exceedingly gratifying. We commend this plan to other societies.

A PASTOR WHO KNOWS VALUES

A few months ago Rev. Ralph Reed, pastor Siler City circuit, realizing the spiritual value of the W. S. C. S. and coveting the joys of service through this organization for the women of his organized churches, made an appeal to your editor for aid in organizing the women. He was duly referred to Mrs. S. H. Rosser, leader of Chatham zone. Mrs. Rosser writes that the fourth Sunday in March was designated as missionary day in the churches which Rev. Mr. Read is serving. Mr. Lyu, a Korean Christian who is a student at Duke University, and Mrs. Rosser made talks at Piney Grove and Hickory Grove churches, "Mr. Lyu presenting himself," writes Mrs. Rosser, "as a product of missions." A W. S. C. S. was organized in each of these churches. In the evening Rev. Mr. Read and Mr. Lyu conducted services and organized a society at West End church, Siler City. Mrs. W. A. Poe is president of Piney Grove society and Mrs. Hoyt Phillips of West End. A pastor with a vision and a will to do such as that manifested by Mr. Read is truly putting into practice the Great Commission. We congratulate and applaud Rev. Mr. Read and Mrs. Rosser for their untiring efforts and for the success of their efforts. We heartily welcome members of Piney Grove, Hickory Grove and West End W. S. C. S. into the fellowship of service in the North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S.

THE SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

The Second Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, often called "The Officers' Work Book," is a volume of 450 pages, contaiining information concerning the work of the W. D. C. S. which may be secured in no other form. It may be obtained from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, O., for the sum of 25 cents. All officers and many individual members of the W. S. C. S. should order and use this treasure store of information.

SWANSBORO SOCIETY

Mrs. Annie Virden Ard shares with us some brief excerpts from the activities of the Swansboro W. S. C. S. Mrs. Ard writes: "Study classes were held in January. 'The Methodist Meeting House,' by Dr. Paul Garber, was the text book. Spiritual life services were conducted March 31-April 2 by Mrs. Orin Weeks. On Friday, April 3, Midway church W. S. C. S. members were guests of the Swansboro society for the final spiritual life service. An Easter program was rendered, after which a social hour was held. The Baptist and Methodist churches of Swansboro are co-operating in serving muffins, doughnuts and sandwiches at the U. S. O. building on week ends. We are collecting books and magazines for the U. S. O. library. Any one wishing to help may send them to Mrs. Annie Ard, Swansboro, N. C."

RICHMOND-SCOTLAND ZONE

Richmond-Scotland zone, Fayetteville district, met on Tuesday, April 21, at Rockingham Methodist church. Mrs. John W. Covington, zone chairman, presided. The opening worship was conducted by Rev. B. B. Slaughter, pastor of the hostess church. Mrs. John Entwistle extended a cordial welcome, to which Mrs. Henry McLeod of John's responded. Seventeen of the 21 societies in the zone were represented with more than 100 present, in addition to pastors and other visitors. Mrs. Herbert Beane was elected zone chairman, Mrs. Carl Jones vice chairman, both of Caledonia; Mrs. W. L. Biggs of John's, secretary.

The theme for the day was "For the Facing of This Hour." Mrs. D .L. Lawrence, district secretary, spoke on goals. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, gave an inspirational address. Children's work was discussed by Mrs. B. B. Slaughter; young women and girls' work by Mrs. D. L. Fouts, conference secretaries of these departments. Miss Ann Slaughter spoke on Scarritt College and Scarritt Associate memberships. Miss Slaughter is a former student at Scarritt. The value of spiritual life groups was given by Mrs. B. Cole of Sanford, district spiritual life leader. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference spiritual life leader, conducted the noon day worship, emphasizing that our greatest task today is to re-evanegelize church members. A delightful luncheon was served in the church dining room. At the afternoon session reports were given by a delegate from each society. Mrs. Chadwick conducted a most helpful question hour. John Thomas Fletcher, grandson of Mrs. T. J. Fletcher, first zone chairman, was presented an honorary baby life membership.

Invitation to meet wtih Caledonia society in 1943 was accepted. Mrs. E. H. Measemer, Laurel Hill, expressed appreciation to the hostess society. Rev. E. H. Measemer pronounced the benediction.—Mrs. T. J. Fletcher.

A CORRECTION

Since the item concerning the ensuing employment of Miss Mary Nichols of Roxboro as deaconess worker in Wilmington was published in last week's issue of the N. C. Christian Advocate, Miss Nichols has written Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, that it is her intention to complete her furlough year and to begin her new field of service on September 1. We are anticipating Miss Nichols' services in the N .C. conference with interest. She will be sponsored by the Methodist ministers of Wilmington with Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent, as the leader.

The poorest way to get even with any one is to sink to their level.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

A RARE DAY

There are rare days in May as well as in June. This Monday is one of them. The sun shines brightly and the birds sing sweetly. Vegetation is green and fresh following a bountiful rain, one we had waited two months to enjoy. The garden truck and the farm crops that have been planted are growing nicely. This is one of those enjoyable days that gives out encouragement.

GRATEFUL THANKS

We pause on this busy morning to give grateful thanks for our friends and what our friends do for our children. We get away from the feeling of insecurity when we think of the loyalty of our friends to our undertaking, one of the great causes of our Methodist people. We trust that in the midst of misfortune, scarcity and anxiety there may continually be some outpouring of blessings to those who most need them. Our friends give us a wonderful example of what a fine time it is to live beyond ourselves.

THE MAY OFFERING

It is not long any more until the fifth Sunday in May, another Children's Home Sunday. There are just four of these in the run of a year. The one coming in late spring is usually our most productive one. We trust that this May opportunity for sharing with the Children's Home will be used to the fullest extent in providing necessary financial help for our boys and girls and in goodly payments on the supplementary charge apportionments. Two accounts can be greatly helped, the one at the Children's Home and the one at the local church.

WILLING GIVERS

At least three pastoral charges have already overpaid their new apportionments, these being First church, Charlotte, Centenary, Winston-Salem, Park Street, Belmont, and Cramerton. These good givers will doubtless continue to add to their surplus giving. To date First church, Charlotte, leads all our congregations in the total amount of contributions to the Children's Home.

HER FIRST VACATION

The picture herewith presented is that of Julia Conrad and Jacob Norris. The presentment shows Julia in her graduation outfit and little Jake in his mascot attire, he having been chosen by the Richard J. Reynolds high school as their mascot after having been presented to them by Julia. Following this young lady's graduation last year she has been in training for nursing at the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, where she is doing well. She is now enjoying her first vacation and is back at the baby cottage renewing her devotion to little Jake who has increased in stature quite a little bit during the run of a year.

THE ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

Last week was district conference week for the Children's Home representative. The first conference visited was at Brevard for the Asheville district. Since the Children's Home presentment was not scheduled until the afternoon, the morning was used in doing case work in that area. In the afternoon the Children's Home work was presented to those who were remaining in the conference. The Brevard Methodists, under the leadership



A lovely girl and a fine boy

of Rev. E. P. Billups, entertained the conference in a very fine way. The work of the conference was directed by District Superintendent M. T. Smathers in his usual good style.

THE ELKIN DISTRICT

Hastening away from the Asheville district conference Dr. Raymond Smith and I enjoyed the lovely mountain scenery lying between Brevard and West Jefferson. This trip was featured with an invigorative atmosphere and an opportunity to do some case work along the way. Arriving at West Jefferson, we found the Elkin district conference going in a good way under the leadership of District Superintendent A. C. Gibbs. The lovely new West Jefferson church was completely filled and the conference was busy in reviewing the work of the year. The Children's Home cause was given an early and appropriate hearing, thus enabling this scribe to get away in time to do some much needed work at home. Preparations made by Rev. H. H. Wood and his people for entertaining the conference were timely and effective.

THE SALISBURY DISTRICT

Early next morning Dr. Smith and I hastened down to Salem, near Albemarle, where the representatives from the Salisbury district were assembling in large numbers under the direction of District Superintendent C. N. Clark for a great day's work. Rev. Leroy Spencer and his people had just completed overhauling the church on the inside in a most lovely fashion. Dr. Clark gave the Children's Home man a mighty good opportunity to present his cause. Reports heard were most encouraging, both as to the Salem congregation and as to the entire district.

THE WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

District Superintendent C. C. Weaver called the Winston-Salem district conference to order at Mt. Tabor, near Winston-Salem, where a church full of people had assembled in spite of the rainy morning for discussing the work of the district. Following the devotions, a group of our older girls sang several numbers and the Children's Home man talked about the philanthropic work sponsored by the Methodist Church. Our closest friends, geographically, showed unmistable evidences of their interest in the Children's Home. Our Mt. Tabor friends, under the direction of Rev. A. J. Cox, were entertaining the conference in their usual fine way. The work in the district goes well.

THE CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

The Charlotte district conference was reached just as that fine group was enjoying lunch on the first floor of the new and commodious educational building. It is really wonderful to note what splendid facilities are now offered by the Dilworth congregation. In the afternoon District Superintendent G. T. Bond led his conference in a dispatchful way, giving the Chilren's Home man an opportunity to present his cause. Rev. H. P. Powell and his good people were giving the conference a good time and everything seemed to be going along in a harmonious and effective way.

EVENTFUL DAYS

These are eventful school days for our boys and girls. Our elementary school, conducted here on the Home grounds, is having its commencement exercises this week. The boys and girls are receiving their promotion cards and are in a gay mood. The high school will not close until the fourth of June and, therefore, our older boys and girls are busy with the preparation for examinations and the selection of courses for next year. In a school where fifteen to sixteen hundred high school boys and girls are enrolled there must be much advance preparation for next year's classification. So our youngsters are coming in to discuss what basal and elective courses they should take. As in any group, we have some youngsters who are quite purposeful and some who have not yet learned their way around in the intellectual world. Such guidance and counseling as seem wise is now the order of the day.

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MOTHER'S DAY — Mother's Day was very fittingly observed at Person Street Methodist church in Raleigh. I took a group of our large boys to the service. Rev. R. G. Dawson, the pastor, preached a most appropriate sermon for the occasion. I think everybody left the service with a keener appreciation of mothers. Under the leadership of Brother Dawson the new church is rapidly going up. The congregation is delighted with the pastor, and is glad to follow his leadership. Any church in the conference would be honored to have Brother Dawson as pastor.

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SINGING CLASS — Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "A full day was given the singing class on May 10. Rev. W. A. Crow, pastor of Richlands charge, invited us to take two appointments with him. Spending Saturday night there we gave concerts in the pretty new church in Richlands at 11 o'clock, and at Haw Branch at 12, having lunuch in the homes of the members in the country. We left there about 3 o'clock for a long drive to Dunn. We served in Divine Street Methodist church in Dunn at the evening hour, with Rev. O. W. Dowd as pastor. The class received a cordial welcome at each place and we were happy in our serving."

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RECITATION - DECLAMATION CONTEST—Friday night, May 8, our annual recitation-declamation contest was held in the auditorium of the Vann building. There were eight participants: "The Littlest Rebel," Minnie Lou Smith; "A Skate on the Lake," Mabel Wells; "Mollie at the Movies," Jean Hunter; "Roses Are Red," Frances Tucker; "Gettysburg Address," Everette Womble; "Give Me Liberty Or Give Me Death," Russell Clay; "Casey at the Bat," Harold Carroll; "In Defense of His Son," Wilson Cates. Each person did especially well and each showed a special ability for public speaking. Minnie Lou Smith and Russell Clay were chosen by Mrs. E. B. Garrett of Raleigh as the best speakers.

By Mattie Kate Muse.

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FIFTH SUNDAY — Sunday week will be another fifth Sunday. Last week the church school superintendents were sent Orphanage programs for use on the fifth Sunday. Along with the programs went a request that a program committee be appointed in each church school for the fifth Sunday observance. The use of these programs will create and stimulate increased interest in the Methodist Orphanage. The dissemination of Orphanage information among the Sunday schools of our conference will better acquaint our people with the character and ideals of our Methodist Orphanage. Offerings taken in the Sunday schools on the fifth Sunday will be applied on Orphanage apportionment.

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A LIVING SAINT—On Monday of last week Rev. J. W. Potter, a retired minister of our church, celebrated his 90th birthday. Many friends called on him during the day to congratulate him on living to such a ripe old age. Many years ago Brother Potter was pastor of the Jenkins Memorial church, where our children and official staff worshipped. He was held in the highest esteem by every worker and child in the Orphanage. He is now living just a few blocks from the Methodist Orphanage campus, and keeps in close touch with us. If there is a living saint on earth Brother Potter is one. In all my experience I have never known a more holy man than this saint. I was glad that I could offer him my felicitations. The beautiful flowers which filled his living room symbolized his holy life.

NEW BANKING FEES WHICH MAY BE IN OFFING

Recent rules and regulations, pertaining to service charges to be made effective by large banking institutions in metropolitan areas, should be more than of passing interest to our readers. The new rules for service charges are listed as follows:

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4. Speaking out of turn: To president, $1; to cashier, 50 cents; to assistant cashier, 25 cents; to any vice president, no charge.
5. Leaning on teller's window: One elbow, 50 cents; both elbows, $1.
6. Requesting reduction of interest rate on loan: In hopeless manner, 50 cents; in persistent manner, $5.
7. Telling joke to an official or employee: An original, 50 cents; second-hand, $3.
8. Keeping rendezvous in lobby: With brunette, 50 cents; with red head, 75 cents; with blonde (introduction on demand), no charge.
9. Keeping president or vice president from golf game, $100.—Lawyers Title News.

Little Elsie's father was an eminent author, and one day while he was at luncheon the child occupied a chair in his study. Shortly a caller was ushered in and with a pleasant smile he inquired, "I suppose you assist your father in entertaining bores?"

"Yes, sir," said Elsie gravely. "Please be seated."—Border City Star.

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CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE CAMPS

Registrations are being received daily for sessions of Carlyle to be held June 6-13 and June 13.20. The first persons to register were Betty Swofford of Salisbury and Gloria Snelling of Lenoir. Other persons registered are:

Mary Elizabeth Smith, Lenoir.
Sarah Minish Ingram, Lenoir.
John Stanley Tolbert, Lenoir.
Embree H. Blackard, Jr., Charlotte.
Margaret Louise Suther, Concord.
Betty Fox Suther, Concord.
Grace Troutman, Kannapolis.
Inez Williams, Kannapolis.
Earl Ralph Cook, Kannapolis.
Mary Moss, Albemarle.

Young Adult Fellowship Camp

There is also a conference-wide interest in the young adult camp to be held June 21-25. Inquiries are being made and registrations are being filed. The following persons were the first to register:

Miss Edith Causey, Liberty.
Miss Ola Stafford, Liberty.
Miss Edith Long, Lake Junaluska.

Assembly Registrations

Although the date of the first assembly is six weeks away, our young people are making plans to attend. Registration cards have been received from the following persons:

Hillery H. Rink, Salisbury.
Miss Loma Cook, Kannapolis.
Bobbie Troutman, Kannapolis.
Margaret Lee Blackard, Charlotte.

Camp Adventure

Camp Adventure, located on the grounds of the Lake Junaluska Assembly, will operate again this year. The camp is under the direction of Harold M. Patrick, formerly of Charlotte, and now director of the Wesley Foundation at Mississippi State College.

The staff is composed of mature, college-trained Christian men and women who are experienced in working with boys and girls. A unique plan of individualized camping has been developed through which each camper is dealt with on the basis of individual interests and needs.

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The camp is used as a demonstration camp for the course in Camp Leadership taught in the Leadership School. There are separate periods for older and younger campers. Rates are very reasonable.

An illustrated catalogue may be obtained by writing Harold M. Patrick, Director, State College, Mississippi.

Camp Dilworth

An attractive folder, anouncing the third annual session of Camp Dilworth, a Christian Adventure Camp at Camp York in the Kings Mountain National Park, has been received. This camp is a project of the Dilworth Methodist church and is sponsored by the youth council and the official board of the church. Dilworth is pioneering and leading in a fine way in sponsoring a local church camp. It is hoped that other churches will get the idea and will develop camping experiences for their youth. The program of the board of education cannot meet the needs of the entire conference. Miss Mary Margaret Johnson, who is heading the staff, is a talented and experienced leader in this field. Parents will want to take advantage of this opportunity for their boys and girls.

West Market Street, Grensboro, Sponsors Camping Program

Information has also been received indirectly that Miss Jo Marie Thompson, director of religious education, West Market Street church, Greensboro, is planning a camp for intermediate boys and girls. We hope this venture will be successful and that it will become a permanent part of the program of this great church.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Now is the time to complete plans for vacation church school activities for children and intermediates. Many workers are requesting the helps that are available and are planning definitely for the most enriching single period of the church school year.

Last year 550 churches in the Western North Carolina conference engaged in vacation school work, serving more than 26,000 children. In these days when we must build as wisely as possible, may more and more groups lead out in this effective means of guiding children into richer, more Christian ways of life.

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DUKE MEN

We have three men from the Duke Divinity School assigned to us for the summer whose schedules are not yet filled. If there are some churches in the conference that would like to have their services for help in vacation church schools, youth activities weeks or training schools, we shall be glad to hear from them. Weeks for which this service is available are: May 31-June 6, August 9-15, August 16-22.

ASSEMBLY REGISTRATIONS

We have mailed to pastors, general superintendents, youth division superintendents, and adult division superintendents bulletins concerning our summer assembly programs. Bulletins will also be sent to children's division superintendents and to Youth Fellowship presidents. We hope that these leaders will bring the information contained in these bulletins to the attention of all leaders in the churches of our conference. Additional bulletins will be sent upon request to anyone desiring them. These bulletins contain the official registration blanks for the respective assemblies. Requests for blanks should be sent to the conference office, Box 647, College Station, Durham.

EARLY REGISTRATIONS

Even before assembly bulletins were mailed out a number of registrations —with fees—were received. Each day additional requests are coming for "more blanks." Present indications are that registrations this summer will exceed those of any previous year. We urge those planning to come or to send delegates to send in registration blanks and fees as early as possible.

Those already registered in the assemblies are:

Senior Assembly

Dorothy Ray, Mebane.
Ann Larkin, Rocky Mount.
Lib Stutts, Erwin.
Marian Parker, Erwin.
Bennett Stephenson, Garysburg.
Billie Brooks Pennington, Aberdeen.

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Mrs. T. T. Stephenson, Garyburg.

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Glen Raven-Haw River, H. River	1.00
Mebane, First Church	1.00
Person Ct., Concord	5.00
Oak Grove	1.25
Roxboro, Long Memorial	7.50
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb	4.50
Yanceyville, Prospects	1.00
Total	65.71

Elizabeth City District

Hertford	6.05
North Gates, Parkers	3.00
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Fayetteville District

Aberdeen-Vass-Page mem. (Int.)	1.50
Page Memorial (Senior)	3.00
Fayetteville Ct.	6.00
Mount Gilead	2.50
Red Springs	3.15
Rockingham Ct., W. Rockingham	1.50
Sanford (Senior)	4.50
Sanford (Y. P.)	4.51
Total	26.66

New Bern District

Atlantic, Atlantic	.63
Fremont, Black Creek	1.50
Goldsboro, Salem	2.00
Grimesland, Wharton	5.00
Hookerton, Hookerton	1.05
Total	10.18

Raleigh District

Apex, Apex	.80
Franklinton	1.50
Garner, Garner	3.00
Newton Grove, Newton Grove	1.00
Raleigh, Edenton Street	10.34
Fairmont	7.50
Vance, Harris Chapel	3.00
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell	1.00
Total	28.14

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Milwaukee	1.50
Zion	5.00
Farmville	2.50
Norlina, Zion	1.00
Rocky Mount, First (Senior)	3.75
First (Y. P.)	1.50
First	1.75
Scotland Neck, Hobgood (Int.)	1.20
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	4.50
Whitakers, Battleboro	1.50
McTyeire	1.50
Total	25.70

Wilmington District

Burgaw, Rocky Mount	.75
Fairmont, Trinity	1.50
Faison,Kenansville, Faison	1.25
Garland, Antioch	.63
Garland	2.50
St. Pauls, Barkers	1.12
Whiteville, Whiteville	1.25
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"Good morning," she piped brightly; "how are you this morning?"

The old lady smiled at the child, who was a stranger to her.

"Very well, I thank you, dear. Is there anything I can do for you?"

"Well, you see, Granny, tomorrow is mother's birthday, and I want to give her a present. I have been saving my pennies for ever so long, and I have 24. See?"

The child held out her hand and there, sure enough, were the pennies. To her, of course, they seemed a fortune.

"I can get something lovely with them, can't I, Granny?"

"I'm sure we'll find something, my dear," returned Granny.

So together they searched among the small articles around the room. Suddenly the little girl spied a motto or sampler embroidered in bright colors.

"Oh, how pretty! Could I buy that with 24 pennies? She looked wistfully up into Granny's face.

"Why, yes, dear; you might. That is the 23rd Psalm. My little sister made it long ago," the old lady's bright face clouded; "I—hate to part with it, but it might help someone."

"O, is it a Jesus story?"

"Yes, dear."

"Please, then, Granny, I'd love mother to have it. You see since daddy died, Mother says Jesus doesn't love her any more. Grandma must feel so sorry to know that, 'cause she loves Jesus. She and daddy are in heaven, you know," she explained, simply.

"O, please can't I take it to mother, 'cause then she'll know that Jesus does love her, won't she?"

The old lady's eyes filled with tears.

"Yes, dear child, you shall have it. Maybe Jesus will show your mother how much he loves her. My dear little sister who made it died many years ago"—her voice trembled slightly—"but take this to your mother, dear, and may God bless you."

The little girl left the shop with the package under her arms, happy that she had found such a nice present for her mohter. That night when she said her prayers she asked, "Please, Jesus, show mother how very much you love her."

Before breakfast the next mornnig she ran into her mother's room with her gift.

"Here is your birthday present, mother, dear; I bought it all myself. It's a Jesus story," she added.

The mother's lips tightened, but seeing the child's clouded face, she smiled and then opened the package. She sat perfectly still for a long time, or at least it seemed a long time to the child. Then the little girl saw the tears in her mother's eyes.

"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want," she whispered to herself. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, for thou art with me."

"O daddy," she cried, hugging the little girl to her, "mother has been so foolish! The Lord IS my Shepherd," she repeated again softly.

After a little while she asked Dorothy where she had obtained the sampler. Then the child told her the story of the motto.

"We must go and see the dear old lady. I am so glad she let you have it, when it meant so much to her, too."

So as soon as breakfast was over they made their way to the little shop.

"O Granny, mother has found how much Jesus loves her, and I'm so glad!" And indeed the child looked happy.

"Yes, Mrs. Randall, I don't know how to thank you. Surely God himself led my little girl to you." There were tears in the mother's eyes, but her face was bright for the first time in many months.

"I am sure it was our heavenly Father who sent the motto to you. I am glad that it helped. I am glad the Lord is indeed your Shepherd now." —Evelyn MacLaughlin, in Epworth Herald.

"IF YOU HAVE A FRIEND WORTH LOVING"

If you have a friend worth loving,
Love him. Yes, and let him know
That you love him, ere life's evening
Tinge his brow with sunset glow.
Why should good words ne'er be said
Of a friend—till he is dead?

If you hear a song that thrills you,
Sung by any child of song,
Praise it. Do not let the singer
Wait deserved praises long.
Why should one who thrills your heart
Lack the joy you may impart?

If you see the hot tears falling
From a brother's weeping eyes,
Share them. And by kindly sharing
Own your kinship in the skies.
Why should anyone be glad
When a brother's heart is sad?

If your work is made more easy
By a friendly, helping hand,
Say so. Speak out brave and truly
Ere the darkness veil the land,
Should a brother workman dear
Falter for a word of cheer.

—Anonymous.

THE LITTLE LIZARD

One day a neighbor who had newly come to California from the East called me out to see what she called a "queer creature." "It looks something like a snake and I was wondering if we ought to kill it," she said. It turned out to be nothing more formidable than a little lizard, or swift as we more commonly call them. It was still sitting in the sun where she had first found it, but retreated hastily under some old boards when she stepped closer to get a better view of it.

She was assured that far from being harmful they are really friendly little fellows. I told her about the little pet lizard I once had who came out from his hiding place under the steps whenever he heard my voice. He would cock his little head in a friendly listening attitude. Of course it is necessay to assume a gentle tone. I have heard that some of them become so tame they can be touched. This stage must be worked up to gradually, however, or the timid little creature will drop its tail and run off in alarm. Gradually the tail grows back again after such a catastrophe.

So the little lizard's life was spared. —Leonie Hunter, in Our Dumb Animals.

BITS OF HUMOR

Little Martha had gone to church, and on her return home her mother asked her how she liked the singing.

"I liked it very much, although the people all said it was bad," she replied.

"All the people said it was bad? What do you mean, dear?"

"Oh, it was so bad that when they were praying, I heard them say, 'Lord, have mercy upon us miserable singers.' "—Ex.

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The teacher had recited "The Landing of the Pilgrims." Then she requested each pupil to draw from his or her imagination a picture of Plymouth Rock. Most of them went to work at once, but one little fellow hesitated, and at length raised his hand. "Well, Willie, what is it?" asked the teacher. "Please, ma'am, do you want us to draw a hen or a rooster?"

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Schoolmaster: "Johnny, if the earth's axis is an imaginary line, could you hang clothes on it?"

Johnny: "Yes, sir, you could."

Schoolmaster: "Is that so? And what sort of clothes?"

Johnny: "Imaginary clothes, sir."

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 24

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By Rollin H. Walker

Thursday: The Last Day With the Disciples

Luke 22:7-38

At the last supper Jesus told the disciples that he had greatly desired to eat this passover with them before he suffered. Perhaps he wished to gather up into the sacrament all the associations of the past and add to it a new and universal significance. That is the genius of Christianity. It is not a religion of novelties ,and yet it is forever new because it is a religion of fulfillments. The Jews sacrificed a lamb and sprinkled the blood over the lintel of the door. Jesus offered himself as the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world. Would that the Christian church, like Jesus, would always hold sacred the treasures of the past, but at the same time realie that this cannot be done without fulfilling the past in novel and adventurous ways.

When Jesus passed the bread and the wine, saying, This is my body broken for you, This is my blood of the new covenant which was shed for you and for many unto the remission of sins, he added, This do as oft as ye meet together in remembrance of me. Our Lord thus suggests that this partaking of the bread and of the wine symbolizes a central truth in his religion which can scarcely be overemphasized by repetition. Of course it is not always necessary literally to pass the bread and the wine when Christians gather together, but it is doubly necessary that when they meet they should remember that Christ died for them, and for the brother into whose face they look, and therefore in spite of his infirmities they should love him even as the Saviour loves us all.

It is only by partaking of the very life of God that we can live (John 6:51-58). Men, like lions and tigers, are carnivora, but while the lion and the tiger love by eating oxen and sheep and goats, wonder of wonders! we are to live by feeding upon God. Hence we are intended to be the fiercest of all carnivora in our hatred of sin and our fight for righteuosness.

This story of the last supper is suffused with infinite tenderness, but is chemically pure of sentimentality. Jesus was facing the cross on the morrow, and the apostles under its inspiration went out and for the love of him suffered the death of martyrs.

This passing of the bread and the wine by a man who was outwardly to be a complete failure, has strangely enough, been like a mighty power house from which all history receives currents of life and inspiration.

Even at this sacred hour Jesus had again to quiet the dispute of his ambitious disciples by telling them the highest glory was to be the servant of all. Nevertheless he assured them that they would sit on 12 thrones judging the 12 tribes of Israel. The promise was not fulfilled as they pictured, but behold them as they sit in majesty as the authoritative interpreters of the gospel, their honest faces glowing with the light reflected on them by the Son of God.

Then Jesus asked, When I sent you forth without purse and scrip, lacked ye anything? They said, Nothing; the experiment was a perfect success. But said Jesus, it will not be a success any longer. Instead of being popular, you will be hounded like criminals. Now he that hath a purse let him take it, and likewise a wallet. (Wonderful words, those, for every one today in face of the coming stringency!) And Jesus added, He that hath none let him sell his garment and buy a sword. They were indeed to sit upon thrones, but there was to be fighting before the coronation.

That Jesus did not mean a literal sword is proven by the fact that when Peter took him literally and attacked the soldiers that came out to arrest him, Jesus rebuked him and said, The cup which my Father giveth me, shall I not drink it? But because Peter was not to resort to a literal sword in advancing the kingdom of God, it was all the more terribly imperative that he should have the sword of spiritual readiness for the fierce attacks of the demonized enemies of righteousness, a disciplined mind, serpentine wisdom, great convictions, and indomitable courage (Philippians 1:28; Ephesains 6:10-20). God grant that in this dread hour every Christian may be armed with a sharp two-edged sword! (Isaiah 11:4; Revelation 1:16).

FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN

Christ refused the crown that glitters that he might wear the crown that wounds.

There is a look at the pierced Christ which sees more than his wounds; it sees the cause of them—our guilt.

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There are more ways of piercing Christ's heart than with a Roman spear. Do you never harden your heart against poverty and outcastness? Are you never unjust, untrue and unkind? Are not those out-distanced ones passed un-noticed, un-pitied and un-helped?

O thou who art the Lord of the Sabbath, may we keep this day for thee and thy thoughts. May we know the worth of giving one-seventh of our time to eternal things, and help us always to feel that the holy rest comes to us as a blessing rather than a limitation or obligation—in the Saviour's name. Amen. —D. H. S.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Alamance, Rock Creek, 11 24
Mt. Hermon, Cedar Cliff, 3 24
Front Street, 7:30 27
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 31
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 3 31
Eno, 7:30 31

June
West Durham, 7:30 1
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 14
Graham, 7:30 17
Chapel Hill, 7:30 18
Person, Lee's Chapel, 10:30 20
Andrew's Chapel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 21
Swepsonville, Salem, 3 21
Calvary, 7:30 24
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 27
Carrboro, Clover Garden, 11 28
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July
Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11.... 5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May
Stumpy Point, Manns Harbor, 8 22
Moyock, Moyock, 11 24
City Road, 8 24
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
District Conference, at Sanford, 10 to 4 21
Steadman, Bethany, 3 24
St. Andrews, 8 24
Hamlet, 10 31
St. John, 12 31
Laurinburg, 5 31

June
Rowland, 11 7
Red Springs, 8 7
Maxton, 11 14
Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July
Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Mt. Olive Ct., Browning's, 11 23
Fremont, Yelverton, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm Street, 3 24
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 8 24
Atlantic, Cedar Island, 11 31
Marshallburg, 8 31

June
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 7
Pamlico, Hobucken, 2:30 7
Pink Hill, Webbs, 8 7
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July
Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Artnur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Clayton, Horne Memorial, 11 24
Smithfield, 8 27
Raleigh, Person Street, 11 31
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 31

June
Stem, Stem, 11 7
Franklinton, Wesley's, 3 7
Louisburg, 8 7
Duke Pastors' School 8-13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Littleton Ct., Tabor (Dedication), 11 24
Enfield, Whitakers Chapel, 12 24
Littleton Ct., Corinth (Dedication), 8 24
Stantonsburg, 10 31
Kenly, Buckhorn, 12 31
Marvin-St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 31

June
Roanoke Rapids, 11 7
Sp. Church-Garysburg, Shiloh, - 7
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 7
Rosemary, 8 7
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 ... .14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 2 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July
Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Chadbourn, Fair Bluff, 11 24
St. Paul's, Barkers, 3:30 24
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 8 24
Garland, Antioch, 11 31
Tabor City, Tabor City, 8 31

June
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 ... 7
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 7
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 3:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 7 16
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

May
Etowah, Etowah, 3 24
Hendersonville, 8 24
Oakley, 8 27
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 31
Ivy, Bright Hope, 3 31

June
Asbury Memorial, 8 3
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 6
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 7
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 7
Biltmore, 8 10
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July
Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Waxhaw, Heath Memorial, 11 24
Marshville, Gilboa, 3 24
Spencer Memorial, 8 24
Brevard Street, 8 25
Belmont Park, 8 27
Wesley Heights, 8 31

The following charges will hold their third quarterly conferences jointly at the Anson County Methodist Rally, Sunday, May 31, at Bethel on the New Hope-Bethel charge: Ansonville, Lilesville, Morven, Polkton, and New Hope-Bethel. The conference will follow the luncheon hour.

June
Zoar, 3 7
Trinity, 8 7
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July
Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

May
Denton Central, Canaan, 8 25
Lebanon, 8 27

Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2 30
Pleasant Grove, 11 31

June

Oak View, 8 3
Why Not, New Zion, 8 5
Liberty Ct., Bethany, 3 7
Denton First, Denton, 8 7
Ward Street, 8 10
Asheboro Ct., Cent. F., 11 14
Linwood, Macedonia, 8 14
Wesley Memorial, 8 15
First Church, Asheboro, 8 17
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 21

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Old Fort, 11 24
Old Fort Ct., Bethel, 3 24
Cross Mills, night 24
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11 31
Elk Park, Newland, 3 31
Marion First, night 31

June

North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Spindale, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3..... 5

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Hickory, First, 11 24
Westview, 8 24
Lenoir, First, 11 31
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 3 31
Whitnel, 8 31

June

Statesville, Race Street, 11 7
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 7
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11 14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3 14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

May

Hanes-Clemmons, 11 24
Crews-Sedge Garden, Pisgah, 8 24
Marvin, 11 31
Maple Springs, 8 31

June

Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 11 7
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion, 3 7
Mt. Airy, Central, 8 7
Erlanger-Ebenezer, 11 14
Davidson Ct., Good Hope, 3 14
Central Terrace, 8 14
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 21
Morris Chapel, Mt. Olive, 3 21
Mount Tabor, 8 21

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May

Jamestown, 11 24
Draper, 11 31
Draper-Wayside, 3:30 (called session) 31

June

Mayodan, 11 7
Ruffin, 8 7
Danbury, 11 and 2:30 14
Stoneville, 8 14
Leaksville, 8 15
Reidsville, 8 16
West Market, 8 17

A TIRED MOTHER

She was sitting at a table for two.

Having an hour to wait for my train home—I had a hundred miles to go—I looked around into the cafe. It seemed crowded, but near a window in a far corner was a lady at a table for two. I said diffidently: "Would you mind if I joined?"

She looked up, rather wearily, I thought. "Of course not," she said.

So I sat down.

"The weather is warmer," I ventured affably.

She agreed.

"They seem busy here," I remarked.

"Yes," she said. "They usually are."

Then we were silent for a time. She toyed with a thin finger of toast. She looked beyond me. I ventured to act the bully.

"Excuse me," I said, "but you are eating very little. Now just finish off that toast, and join me with these biscuits. . . ."

It was an unlucky remark. She had to fumble in her bag for her handkerchief.

"I'm silly," she whispered. "But I'm tired. I've been hunting all over the city for one. You see," she hesitated, "my boy is home on leave, and there's nothing he enjoys quite so much as a Swiss roll. It would have been such a treat for him. . . ."

"And you havn't managed it?"

"No."

Then, rather timidly, she added: "And you know—well, I really did think I should find one somewhere. I prayed about it."

I looked at her face—not a beautiful one, but there was something wistful and lovely about it.

I said: "I think your prayer is answered. I know a little shop at home—I'll send you one."

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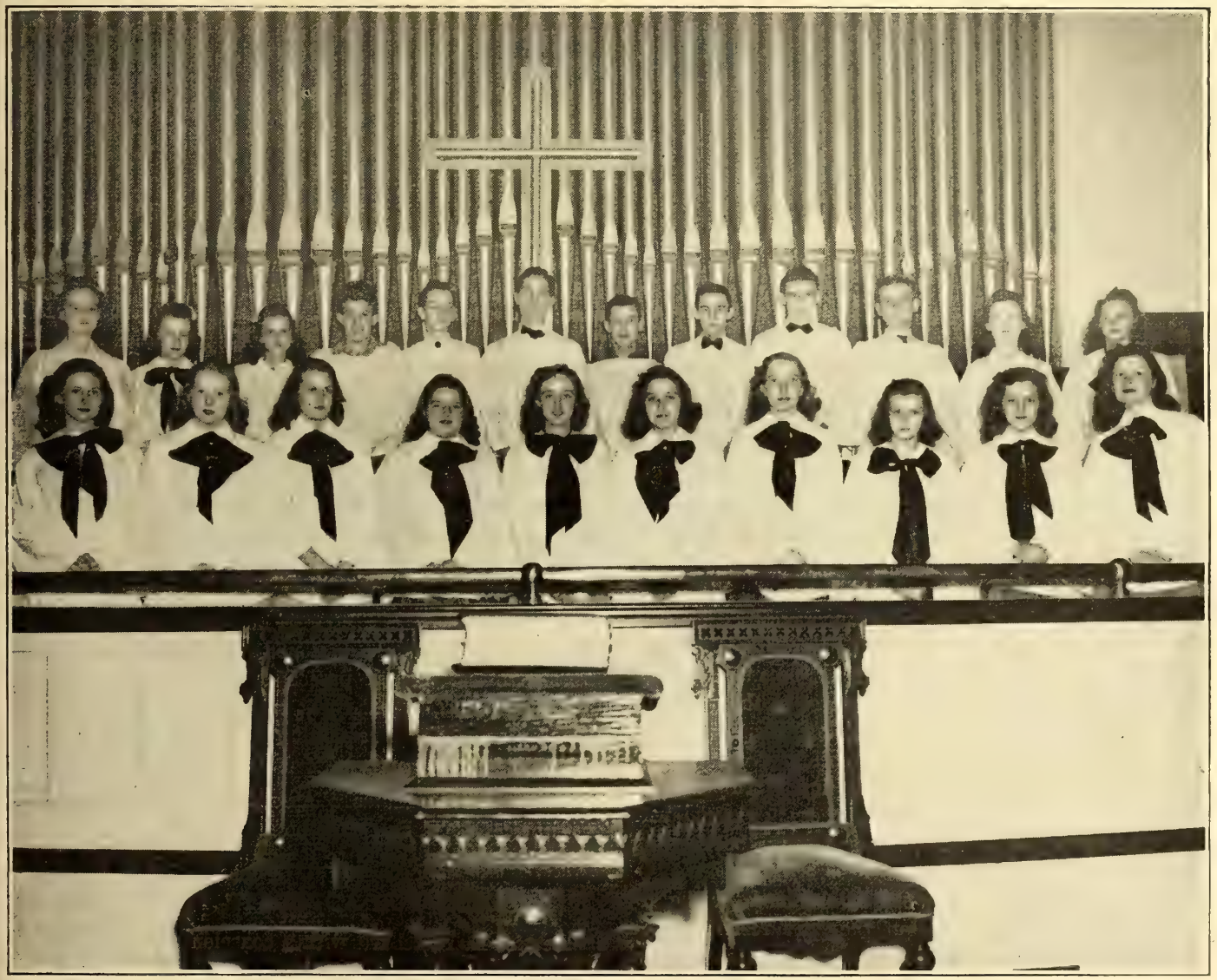
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Main Street Methodist Young People's Choir

Reidsville, North Carolina



THE newly organized Young People's Choir of Main Street Methodist Church, Reidsville, which made its first appearance at the Main Street evening worship hour on Sunday, May 3. The Choir, composed of 22 voices, is under the direction of Miss Amy Holland, Director of Christian Education, and is accompanied at the organ by Miss Mary Womack, Director of Music for the Church. In the future the Choir will appear at many of the worship services of the Church.

The Choir is only one phase of activity for the Main Street young people. On Thursday evening, June 25, the young people of Main Street and Lindsey Street Churches will present a play at the regular monthly meeting of the Rockingham Sub-district to be held at Main Street. This play will be under the direction of Rev. E. Lester Ballard, pastor of Lindsey Street Church, and Miss Amy Holland.

Main Street will be well represented at the Intermediate Christian Adventure Camps and the Lake Junaluska Assemblies. The young people will also have a visit from a Youth Caravan team for a week in July.

Sugar, Liquor and the War

By CALE K. BURGESS

About nine-tenths of a pound of sugar is consumed in making the alcohol used in the manufacture of one pound of smokeless gun powder. Every time a sixteen-inch gun is fired, it consumes as much alcohol as is manufactured from one-fifth of an acre of sugar cane. Also, alcohol is used in manufacturing certain parts of airplane and other war equipment. These facts explain the necessity of rationing sugar in American homes.

In order to help win the war and thereby preserve the lives and liberties of our people, our citizens are willing to restrict the use of sugar in our homes and in our essential industries. However, no one can justify the waste of millions of pounds of sugar in the manufacture of liquor that destroys the health, the morale and the morals of our people. Hence, all right thinking citizens feel strongly that our government should prohibit the use of sugar in making liquor. And, since the distillers state that they have in storage sufficient beverage alcohol to meet drinking purposes for five years, all right thinking people feel that these millions of gallons of beverage alcohol should be redistilled for use in making munitions of war.

Furthermore, the present system of sugar rationing creates an effective means of meeting the contentions of those persons, who claim that they favor legalizing the liquor traffic on the grounds that prohibition cannot be enforced. Many persons excuse their votes for liquor stores with the contention that, if bootlegging could be controlled, they would not favor legalizing this nefarious business. If the government can limit each person to the use of eight ounces of sugar per week, why cannot the same government prevent the sale and use of sugar in making bootleg liquor? Of course, the laws against liquor can be enforced, whenever we have efficient law enforcement officers, desiring to prevent the manufacture and sale of liquor. But, even if it should be granted that during ordinary times prohibition could not be effecitvely enforced, the sugar rationing system places in the hands of the government the means of destroying illicit distilling, if the government desires to save society from the debauchery and destruction created by liquor. This weapen destroys completely the excuses of those citizens, who claim that they favor liquor stores because bootlegging cannot be prevented.

Trucks, tires and gasoline can be obtained for the delivery of beer and whiskey, but they are restricted for use in delivering milk. The government explains this favoritism towards the liquor traffic with the excuse that it is in the wholesale distribution of beer and whiskey that tires and gas are permitted and that it is in the retail distribution of milk that these necessary factors are restricted. Whatever might be the excuses of the government, no right thinking person can justify the use of tires and gas in delivering beer and whiskey while the same are restricted in delivering milk; no person can claim rightfully that it is more important to deliver barrels of beer and whiskey than it is to deliver bottles of milk.

Every patriotic citizen is willing to have the tires, gas, sugar and other merchandise rationed, and is willing to make these and many other sacrifices; but our people are unwilling to have millions of bushels of grain and millions of pounds of sugar and other much needed materials wasted in the manufacture of liquor, while these vital essentials of life are being restricted in our homes and in other legitimate uses.

Every citizen is urged to write Senators J. W. Bailey and Robert R. Reynolds at Washington and his own congressman to petition them to use their influence in Washington to prevent the use of tires and gas in the distribution of liquor, to prevent the use of sugar, grain and other vital materials in the manufacture of liquor, and to demand that the millions of gallons of beverage alcohol, now held in storage, be redistilled for use in making gun powder and other weapons of war.

The drys in each county are urged to elect state reprepresenatives and senators, who will grant the people of North Carolina the right to vote on intoxicating liquors in a state-wide referendum, and to elect public officials who will enforce all laws against liquor.

ABOUT GASOLINE RATIONING

To the Patrons of Lake Junaluska:

While our patrons are urged partiotically to use train or bus in coming to Lake Junaluska, with schedules of trains or buses from and to Asheville printed in our summer booklet, the gasoline rationing board will issue cards to automobile patrons, who qualify as tourists, unless the present rulings are later changed, for enough gasoline to make the return trip or to reach the non-rationing area.

In addition, automobile patrons from non-rationing areas may apply, like North Carolinians, for gasoline rationing cards, the character of the card issued to be determined by the rationing board, to use while remaining at Lake Junaluska. This card will permit any patron from the non-rationing area to buy the same amount of gasoline that would be rationed, in the same circumstances, to any similar patron from the rationing area. In general, an "A" card will be issued, with one unit of three gallons for each remaining week before July 1, 1942.

W. A. Lambeth, Supt.

P. S.—Lake Junaluska Assembly will officially open on June 14, 1942, and close on August 30, 1942.

LEADERS FOR ADVOCATE THIS WEEK

Rev. J. E. Pritchard with a conscience for circulating religious literature and personal efforts for the Advocate has a way of leading. A check for $34 puts him at the head of the list this week. He already had his quota for Ramseur-Franklinville.

Rev. M. W. Maness sends $20 from Manteo. This gives him two stars and puts him at the head of the Elizabeth City district. A man who doubles his quota in the first half of the year will certainly end in high feather.

Rev. G. C. Graham sends $8 for Jonesville. This leaves him one-half short of his quota. We fully expect him to have his quota before May 31.

Rev. P. O. Lee of Clayton remitted $7 this week. He has passed the fifty-yard line. So have many others.

Our report is crowded out this week. Next week it will appear with the record for the first half of the year.

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Let the mid-year report for the two North Carolina conferences to be released on May 31 be accurate and full as possible. Much will depend on the fidelity with which this is done.

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The war has resulted in crowding college commencements into shorter periods and fewer exercises. In most respects this is a distinct advantage. The essentials can be cared for without hurt to these annual occasions. The men determined to set the world right are somewhat cramped, but in the long run the future does not suffer.

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With preachers, especially young preachers, the parable of the talents has been a favorite subject for pulpit discourse. Oh, how they do ring the changes on the proper use of the talents that we possess, whether they be five, or two, or one! Dr. Chas. L. Gooddell, that widely known Methodist preacher of a recent generation, used to tell of meeting a woman—strange if he never met a man of like gifts—who said that she had only one talent, which was a talent for criticism. He begged her to go bury it, as did the one talented man in the parable.

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Walter Lippmann referring to the official warnings against optimism, says the real point at issue is not the morale of the people but the conduct of the war. On the same day the President dissents from the views held by leaders as to the gas situation, all of which tends to confuse the people. From what we can gather in this section of the nation the morale of the people has been above reproach. The fault has been elsewhere. Some of the press insisted that the President has been embarrassed by those of the official family. So the differences continue and freedom of speech is still the privilege of the American people. Is not this what we are fighting for? To the American people freedom is most dear.

The Pharisees were great believers in dead prophets, but with no love for living prophets of which Jesus led all the rest. They tithed mint, annis and cummin, and preached tithing so much that the ass of a certain Pharisee, according to the Talmud, refused to eat corn of which the tithe had not been taken. They sought the best seats on the couch, the chief seats in the synagogue and loved to be called "doctor."

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The Scotch preacher may have been unduly severe in his characterization of what he termed "slovenly" prayers; yet they may be words spoken in due season. Listen to the minister from the land of great preachers: "When a minister embarks on the great affairs of prayer without a chart or compass, knowing not whither he may be carried, but hoping to arrive somewhere; when the congregation are certain that he does not know what he will say the next sentence; when he toils with a refractory sentence for a while and finally lets it go in despair, hiding his defeat in an outburst of artificial fervor; and when he drops into painful colloquialisms that would not be tolerated in the humblest public address."

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The indomitable spirit of the Chinese people and their leaders is well symbolized in Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek. While waging a war against terrible odds, the Chinese are going about with the fundamental reconstruction of their nation in political unity, popular government, mass education, rural economics, industrial, co-operatives, public health and in training for the professions. Such effort can scarcely be matched anywhere in the world. Since the declaration of war and the closing of all the Christian colleges in occupied China, a new trek into Free China has begun. Hundreds of young people and their teachers are slipping through the battle lines in search of freedom and the continued pursuit of education.

With the Coming of Peace

WELL do we recall Armistice Day on the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. There was general rejoicing throughout the land. The war had ended and the boys overseas would soon be coming home. Impromptu celebrations were held in many places with orators declaring that this was the first day in the first month of the new era. It was ever thus with the end of a long conflict of arms. Fifty years ago the echoes of the general rejoicing throughout the North at the close of the Civil War in 1865 were still heard in our own southland. Something akin to these former occasions is expected with the coming armistice when we expect the boys to return to their homes to take up the pursuits of peace. But then we would do well to remember that wars are not disposed of in such easy fashion. Atonement for sin is not so simple a matter as that.

War means destruction and death over extended desolations of life and treasure. With the order to cease firing the efforts at restoration begin. Construction begins about where destruction is left off. Then Jesus who came not to destroy men's lives but to save them begins his work of construction. This is the one mission of his church in times of war and of peace. The Christian church certainly has a big job in this day of war, but it will have a still bigger job with reconstruction of the world. Never in time of war has there been so much said by church leaders about the place of the church in helping to shape the new order as at this hour. They insist that no such unholy end shall come as that at Versailles. They insist that the presence and principles of Jesus must have a place at the peace table —such was not allowed in 1918.

The church has a big job in these present months to render the needed help to the men in the service and to keep fresh and strong the spiritual forces at home. The effort of some is to draw the church away from its spiritual mission and make it an adjunct of the armed forces in helping to win the war. All wise leaders know that above all else we need the presence of Jesus and the principles of his gospel to undergird our nation by making the gospel of the Son of God chief in every pulpit and about every fireside. This is urgent now and it will be still more urgent as we set about building a new and better world. This note was sounded again and again in recent days by the Baptists at San Antonio and by the Presbyterians at Minneapolis.

For Young Preachers

THE big task of a Methodist pastor is preaching; that is why in our parlance he is not called a minister but a preacher. And that is but another name for prophet, while a prophet is primarily not a man who foretells future events, but a man who speaks of God.

The preacher's task, therefore, is one of tremendous responsibility and one that requires the very best that a man can give. There is nothing harder to do than to preach.

Geo. L. Rinkliff in The Lutheran says:

"I cannot tell anyone how to preach a good sermon. To me, the quality that makes a sermon what it should be is not in its form—though form is essential—nor does it lie in the intellectual content, indispensable as that is. As nearly as I can distinguish it, that supreme quality is the sharing of the experience of a conviction—a conviction of things not seen, yet very real, and abiding and good. I believe it takes at least two to make a good sermon—the preacher and the hearer. And more than two. For the preacher and the hearer must be convinced that preaching is a triangular effort, with God at the apex of the triangle.

"There is nothing harder to do than real preaching. And there is no substitute for it—a statement that our own generation may make with authority. For our generation has seen all possible substitutes given a fair trial."

The Religious Press a Guide and Beacon

THE President of the United States in speaking of the gravity of the crisis through which the world is passing declared: "Our religious press can be a guide and beacon, a real tower of strength in this momentous struggle."

President Roosevelt hastens to add that "it comes within the province of the religious press to proclaim the strength that lies within spiritual things—a strength which no mere physical force can overcome."

This is the very truth that we have been trying to emphasize from week to week. The spiritual is the thing of primary concern both in times of peace and times of war. "It is not by might nor power, but by my spirit," saith the Lord.

Men Would See Jesus

LAST week at the Fayetteville district conference during the discussion of evangelism, Rev. R. E. Brown, our pastor at Fayetteville, in pointing out hindrances in bringing men to God, placed self first. In his own words: "I have the most trouble in getting Brown out of the way so that men may see Jesus." This is entirely in keeping with the conviction of a good woman who has heard much preaching through a long life of church attendance. She insists that most preachers fail and the pulpit remains weak because of the inability of ministers to get self out of the way so the people may "see Jesus only." Too many preachers parade self and their attainments rather than cherish a meek and lowly spirit that enables the multitudes to see the one and only Saviour. Forgetful are they of him who said, "The meek shall inherit the earth."

Those preachers who are tempted to preach war sermons should give due heed to the devoted chaplains—not the hirelings that strut their uniforms and rank—who testify without exception that the one theme of most interest to the soldier boys is the Christ they learned back in the home and at the old home church. Truly empty words and mere pretense do not count where shells are bursting and the dead and dying strew the ground. Only the living Lord is of any worth in such an hour.

Saintly men who will leave off all show of learning and pulpit oratory, willing to "be a fool for Christ's sake," would do much for the empty pews and the sad hearts in our churches so in need of a new vision of the Victim of the cross. Soon then would rapturous songs and glad hearts wake up drowsy congregations and win the crowds to see what had happened in Zion.

Praise in the Sanctuary

LAST Sunday morning Trinity church, Durham, enjoyed a real helpful service of worship. The junior choir seated on three tiers of seats, placed in the altar well below the choir loft and slightly beneath the presiding minister, added much to the service. The thirty-five youthful voices gave freshness and life to the hour—something much needed in many of our city churches.

A Christian church should be noted for its gladness and joyful life. Too often church dignity is mistaken for piety and devotion and a homily read in the pulpit is substituted for an urgent message from God. Such ends in decay and death. All such know not the joyful life and spiritual power of a Christian congregation. The early Christians went forth with a message of joy in their hearts and praises on their tongues. Something after this order the Trinity congregation felt last Sunday. Pastor James G. Huggin spoke on "Our Duty of Praise." So the congregation and the choirs reached a climax in the recessional hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers." Instead of a death march with muffled drums in the house of God, the congregation sang as though they were glad to be on the march with Jesus going on before. Would that such services could be multiplied in all our Methodist churches. Then we might be able to sing from the heart, "Lead on, O King Eternal, the day of march has come."

Holy, Holy, Holy

WE have a holy book, the Bible, a holy day, the Sabbath, a holy place, the church, a holy man, the Christian minister. Holiness is the primary distinction of the Bible, the Lord's day, the sanctuary, and the man of God.

"Without holiness no man shall see God." "Be ye holy as I am holy," declares our God.

The young man Isaiah in the temple-vision when he received the call to become a prophet of God heard above all else the voices of the seraphims crying, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of Hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory." That is, the glory of the earth is but an expression of the holy God. Glory is a correlative of holiness. They are related even as beauty and holiness are related, so that there is holiness in beauty and beauty in holiness.

Heroes of Faith

TRUST God and the future. Become the hero of a great faith. For by faith the fathers "wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness was made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the alien."

Trust the years, trust this year. The garners of the future are bigger than the garners of the past. Our thought is not of garners of grain that may become weevil-eaten, but of those treasures that never fail. In the old terminology they are the treasures in heaven where moth and rust and thieves are unknown.

People and Things

Please find a nook to announce the arrival of our son, Theodore Eugene Lamb, Sunday, May 17.—Eugene A. Lamb.

I have a few hundred copies of "Why John the Baptist Sprinkled the Multitudes at the River Jordan (all that are in print) on hand. They can be had while they last for $1.50 a hundred, postpaid.—C. T. Thrift, Warsaw, N. C.

Rev. Euclid McWhorter has recently spent five weeks in Rex Hospital and has been in bed at home for four weeks. He has suffered a great deal but bears up under his trials with Chistian fortitude. He wishes to send to his brethren his love and requests their prayers. Any message to him may be sent to 507 Tilden Street, Raleigh.—Robt. L. Jerome.

More than 3,000 representatives of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension met in Columbus, Ohio, from May 19-22, which was the first "assembly" of the division since church union. The attendance was from every state in the Union. A story of the meeting will appear next week.

Frank R. Morris of Texas has been in Raleigh holding revival meetings. He seems to be an Old Testament preacher if one may judge by one of his utterances, which runs as follows: "We need again the spirit of old Samuel when he would not spare Agag. We need again the spirit of Elijah on Mount Carmel when he took the 800 false prophets down to the river—and not for a baptism. We need again the spirit of David when he brought back the head of Goliath."

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale returns to the NBC-RED Network for the summer, presenting a series of informal addresses under the general title, "The Art of Living" (6:30 p. m. E.W.T.) Pastor of New York City's Marble Collegiate church, Dr. Peale's talks replace "Religion in the News," conducted by Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk. Dr. Peale's subjects for June include: June 6, "I Believe the Future Is Bright"; June 13, "Is Life Giving You What You Want?" June 20, "How God Can Come to a Man"; June 27, "God Is Still Here."

Yadkin College, June 26.—Note that the sixteenth Yadkin College home coming will be held in the Methodist church on June 4, with services beginning at 11 o'cock. Hon. Z. I. Walser of High Point will preside. Dr. C. C. Crittendon, state secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission, Raleigh, will give the address. The state highway marker for Yadkin College will be unveiled by Miss Frances Walser of Lexington and Miss Lelia Byerly of Lexington, R. 3. The attendants are Mrs. J. R. English, Martinsville, Va., Mrs. H. L. Greene, Yadkin College, Mrs. A. P. Hartman, Winston-Salem, and Mrs. John Totten, Lexington. All former students and friends are invited to attend. Come, bring your basket and enjoy the day with us.—Mrs. H. L. Greene, Sec.

Our work is progressing here at Old Fort in a fine way. We were proud of our report for the district conference. Rev. Mr. Kirkpatrick preached for us Sunday and at the close of the service held our third quarterly conference. Mr. Kirkpatrick's message, along the line of personal evangelism was very fitting at this time. We are looking forward to a great revival under the leadership of Rev. Mr. Groce, our conference evangelist, beginning the first Sunday in June. We extend a hearty welcome to every one to take part in this revival campaign. We are now having our vacation Bible school. During the revival meeting we expect to have the children again for an afternoon service and to have a morning service. Evening services at 8:30.—Reporter.

Raymond Clapper, who many people regard as tops among columnists, submits some remarks that Congress should not cast lightly aside. He says: "Senator Barkley can call this indignation over unlimited gasoline cards for congressmen a tempest in a teapot if he wants to. But he is the majority leader in the Senate, and as he wants to preserve Congress as a force in our public affairs, he might do well to let down his blood pressure and think it over. As a force in our government Congress is sliding down hill. It is endangered not by the press nor by the executive branch, but by its own shallow incompetency."

The Central Methodist church, Asheboro, has employed Miss Margaret Brannan as director of music and religious education. Miss Brannan was born in Korea, daughter of (former) Southern Methodist missionaries. She received her B.A. degree from Berea College, Berea, Kentucky, in 1937. She then taught piano in one of the mission high schools in Korea for a year. She received her B. Music degree from Westminster Choir College, Princeton, N. J., 1940; studied one year at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., where she majored in religious education. During the past year she has served as director of religious education and secretary of Central Methodist church, Decatur, Alabama. Miss Brannan will assume her work at Central church, Asheboro, about June 20.—J. W. Braxton.

Mrs. Edna Petree Alspaugh (below) celebrated her 80th birthday on May 6 and baked her own birthday cake. Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered at the old home place in the afternoon bringing gifts and baskets of a sumptuous dinner. The celebration of her birthday has been an annual event for her family and the pastor of Mt. Tabor church, near Winston-Salem, together with his family for the past ten years. Mrs. Alspaugh is a loyal member of Mount Tabor, where she attends Sunday school and church regularly. In this old church her father, Rev. J. Edward Petree, preached once a month for 50 years. Besides her church and Sunday school, her chief interest is in her home, where she entertains a wide circle of relatives and friends. Her hobbies are her chickens and flowers.



Mrs. Edna Petree Alspaugh, an honored member of Mt. Tabor Church, near Winston-Salem

WIFE OF REV. I. L. SHARPE DIES AT RURAL HALL PARSONAGE

Mrs. Mildred Holland Sharpe, 38, wife of Rev. I. L. Sharpe, pastor of the Rural Hall Methodist circuit, died May 10 at 3:45 o'clock at the Methodist parsonage at Rural Hall. She had been ill for some time.

Mrs. Sharpe was born at Elwood, Indiana, August 6, 1903, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Holland. She moved to Iredell county with her parents when a child and received her education at the Warm Life School in Harmony, Mountain View Institute and Duke University. She taught in the schools of Iredell and Alexander counties for several years.

On July 26, 1924, she was married to Rev. Mr. Sharpe at Statesville. She was a member of Ham's Grove Baptist church until her marriage when she joined the Methodist



Mrs. Mildred Holland Sharpe

church. She was active in church work, especially in the young people's department and in woman's work, until her health failed.

Surviving are the husband; three daughters, Lena, Jeanette and Frances Sharpe, all of Rural Hall; her parents; five brothers, James Richard Holland of Frankton, Indiana; Rev. C. C. Holland of Hickory; Ernest Lawrence and Verlie Holland of Statesville; three sisters, Mrs. Fred Davis and Mrs. G. D. White of Statesville, and Mrs. Fred McLain of Hickory.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at the Rural Hall Methodist church by Drs. C. C. Weaver and A. C. Gibbs.

The funeral proper was held at 3:30 o'clock at Pisgah Methodist church, 12 miles northwest of Statesville. The body lay in state from 2:30 until 3:30 o'clock. Dr. C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem conducted the services. Burial was in the church graveyard. O. L. Kiger, C. R. Payne, J. C. Carson, Sr., Frank Strupe, Oscar Merritt and A. R. Hooker, Methodist ministers of the Winston-Salem district, were honorary pallbearers.

FINALS AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

A student-alumnae dinner, with mothers of the seniors as special guests, Saturday night at 6 in the college dining room will include a student skit, entitled "Now and Then," showing life at G. C. in the past and present.

Sunday morning, May 31, at 11 in West Market Street church, Bishop W. W. Peele will give the baccalaureate sermon, followed Sunday afternoon at 4 in Odell auditorium a joint musical concert presented by the G. C. glee club, orchestra, and Meistersingers.

Final commencement exercises will be held Monday morning in Odell auditorium at 10:30, with Dr. Y. C. Yang, of Soochow University, delivering the address.

Saturday morning, May 30, at 9:15 in the Wedgewood Room of the King Cotton Hotel, the senior class will hold its last informal gathering at the traditional senior breakfast. Miss Thompson will preside throughout the program, which will feature the class prophecy, written and read by Miss Mildred Whitener, Shelby; class poem, by Miss Janella Kirk, Cliffside; the last will and testament, by Miss Sarah West Davis, Weldon; and the statement of the Giftorian, Miss Janette Gore, Waxhaw.

The annual business meeting of the alumnae association, Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, president, at which the class of 1942 will be initiated into the association, will be followed by the traditional class day exercises Saturday afternoon at 4, with Misses Taylor and Thomason leading the big and little sister classes. With the senior class mascot, little Miss Carolyn Jones, Ramseur, sister of one of the graduates, Miss Taylor will lead the graduating class in forming a friendship circle on the front campus of the college. Singing their big-sister song and carrying the customary daisy chain, the sophomores, wearing white, will form a figure '42. The removal of the senior caps and gowns by the little sisters will complete the exercises.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Winston-Salem district conference met in Mt. Tabor church on May 15. Dr. Weaver, the district superintendent, was in charge of the program. In the morning session Mr. O. V. Woosley told the conference something about the organization of the church into boards and their functions. He then spoke in the interest of homes and orphanages. He presented a group of young women from the the Children's Home who delighted the conference with their songs. The educational exhibit of good literature was under Rev. A. A. Kyles. This was an outstanding feature of the morning. The publications of the church press was exhibited and the conference invited to examine them.

In the afternoon session Mr. Paul F. Evans, district lay leader, was presented and he in turn discussed the report of the findings committee. The conference elected him district lay leader, Mr. G. C. Hauser, Ira Shemwell and Geo. D. Finch, associate lay leaders. The conference licensed George Willie Dalton as local preacher and recommended A. C. Kennedy, Jr., for admission into the annual conference on trial.

The conference meets next year with Bethesda church on the Erlanger charge. C. O. Kennerly, Sec.

MINISTERS' WIVES ENTERTAINED

The Association of Methodist Ministers' Wives of the Statesville district met Wednesday afternoon, May 20, at the parsonage of First Methodist church of Newton with Mrs. Mark Q. Tuttle, Mrs. C. A. Morrison of North Newton, Mrs. J. C. Auman of Maiden and Mrs. W. Q. Grigg of Catawba as associate hostesses.

The parsonage was attractively decorated with pink roses and other spring flowers. Mrs. Auman, president, presided over a brief business session. A musical program followed with piano selections by Mrs. Claude A. Simpson, Marcus and Marianne Tuttle, and three vocal solos by Miss Eugenia Booth, local public school music teacher.

Refreshments in two courses were served. The following ministers' wives attended in addition to the hostesses: Mrs. W. S. Cherry, Newton, Mesdames H. G. Allen, E. W. Fox, J. S. Hiatt, J. E. Hipp, G. F. Houck, F. H. Price, and J. B. Tabor of Statesville; J. C. Cornett and W. L. Harkey, Lenoir; W. A. Rollins, J. A. Peeler, J. P. Hornbuckle and H. C. Freeman, Hickory and A. G. Lackey of Mooresville. Mrs. Simpson and Miss Booth were special guests.

A FAITHFUL MINISTER PASSES

Rev. D. A. Bailey, Liberty, N. C., and pastor of Liberty circuit until his health gave way a year and a half ago, died Wednesday morning, May 27, at 5 o'clock. A brief funeral service was held in the home Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, with the final services following at Eagle Springs Methodist church at 2 p. m. Interment was in the church cemetery. The writer was assisted in the service by Dr. George R. Brown, Dr. W. A. Parsons, Rev. Mr. Andrews and Rev. Mr. Edwards. Brother Bailey was a world war veteran and a faithful minister of the gospel. S. W. Taylor.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Charlotte district conference, with Rev. Grover T. Bond, district superintendent, presiding, met in the Dilworth church on Friday, May 15, at 9 a. m. E. H. Blackard, pastor of the Myers Park church, led the devotions, and E. H. Brendall was in charge of the music with Mrs. James M. Howe at the piano.

E. H. Nease was elected secretary, and J. E. Rink was named assistant secretary. F. H. Shinn, C. J. Winslow and I. R. Miller were elected statistical secretaries. H. P. Powell, the host pastor, and Edwin L. Jones welcomed the conference to Dilworth church and Dr. Bond responded.

The report on Christian education was read by G. R. Jordan and Carl H. King, Miss Kate Crowell, Miss Mary Margaret Johnson and James A. Bell spoke on phases of this work. The Greensboro College trio sang selections.

J .W. Fitzgerald presented the report on missions and church extension and Mrs. C. E. Wakefield spoke on the work of the women in the Charlotte district; and Miss Ruby Berkley and A. W. Lawing stressed the importance of the work of the Bethlehem Center.

The cause of hospitals and homes was presented by J. B. Ivey, L. B. Abernethy and O. V. Woosley. After the report of the committee on Christian literature was read by T. G. Highfill, A. W. Plyler challenged the people to take and read the Advocate.

The report on temperance was made by C. C. Benton and C. M. Pickens urged an aggressive campaign against the liquor traffic.

The following resolution, the idea of which was also stressed by Bishop Purcell, was unanimously adopted by the conference:

In view of our national emergency in which we find ourselves, we, as members of our Charlotte district conference, urge all of our people to co-operate to the fullest with our government in the conservation of gasoline.

We suggest that our members in attending church services plan to bring as many people in their cars as possible. In this way we will not only conserve gasoline and rubber, but will also bring people to the church school and worship of God.

We as ministers while appreciating the recognition the government has given to the importance of the church and its work, in granting us gasoline cards, pledge that we will do all within our power to conserve gasoline and to use our cars as sparingly as possible consistent with the spiritual life of our nation.

The hour before lunch was set aside for evangelism and H. P. Powell was asked to preside. The report on spiritual life and evangelism was read by E. H. Blackard. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., gave the address stressing the fact that the world at its worst needs the church and evangelism at their best. For this service Miss Woodside sang the solo, "Under His Wing."

Immediately after lunch laymen's hour, with Guy O. Bagwell presiding, was observed. Hon. Paul R. Ervin was the speaker for this service and he gave a ringing challenge on church attendance, pointing out in a forceful way the folly of the excuses given for failure to attend church services. The report of the committee on lay activities was read by Edwin L. Jones and was adopted, electing Guy O. Bagwell as district lay leader and Paul R. Ervin, S. M. Kale and J. W. Cameron as associate district lay leaders.

The following district trustees were elected: For one year, Mrs. Joe McLaughlin, W. B. Love and A. J. Hagood; two years, J. S. Broome, Bryan Moore and E. L. Jones; for three years, J. Luther Snyder, J. B. Ivey and F. A. Wilkinson (treasurer).

Other speakers heard during the conference were Bishop Purcell on World Service, Dr. E. J. Coltrane on plans to guarantee the support of Brevard College for the next school year, E. A. Cole on scouting with special emphasis on work with negro boys, and N. S. Ogburn who urged the church to re-enter the mission fields after the war.

Charles Eugene Shannon of Central church, Monroe, was recommended to the Western North Carolina annual conference for admission on trial.

On invitation of J. E. Armbrust the conference voted to meet for the 1943 session in Central church, Monroe. Resolutions expressing appreciation for the splendid entertainment afforded the conference by the Dilworth church were adopted by the conference. Particular reference was made to the excellent luncheon and the way in which it was served.

The conference was adjourned at 3:50 p. m. with Bishop Purcell pronouncing the benediction.

HONORARY DEGREES: HIGH POINT COLLEGE

Two honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity were conferred by President G. I. Humphreys of High Point College at the regular commencement exercises on Monday, May 25. Degrees were presented to the Rev. C. Excelle Rozzelle of High Point, N. C., and to the Rev. Henry I. Glass of Raleigh, N. C.



Dr. C. E. Rozzelle



DR. H. I. Glass

Dr. C. E. Rozzelle is now pastor of the Wesley Memorial Methodist church in High Point. He has had many years of service in the North Carolina conferences and in civic affairs. Dr. Rozzelle has held pastorates at Myers Park Methodist church in Charlotte, the University church at Chapel Hill, the First Methodist in Lenoir, Main Street Methodist in Gastonia. He has traveled extensively in Europe, Asia and Africa. He holds several positions in the state conference.

Dr. Rozzelle holds thirty-two degrees in Masonry and has been a member of the Rotary Clubs in each city where he has lived. He is honorary president of the Law Enforcement Organization of North and South Carolina, and a member of the N. C. Inter-racial Committee.

Dr. Rozzelle is a graduate of Emory University, having completed his theological education there after transferring from Vanderbilt University. He is an alumni of old Trinity College and the Mt. Holly public schools also.

Dr. Henry Iverson Glass is the Raleigh district superintendent of the Methodist Church. He has held this position for three years and formerly held a similar position in the Elizabeth City district. Dr. Glass has been pastor at Tarboro, Edenton, Washington, Burlington, Raleigh. He has been a member of the Board of Christian Education and the executive committee, the Jurisdictional Board of Missions and Church Extension and the Examining League. As a leader of young people, he has been instructor at young people's assemblies many times. His service has been varied and extensive throughout the conference.

Dr. Glass has also been outstanding in civic affairs. He has been president of the Kiwanis Club and Rotary Club in Burlington. He has served on the county board of welfare and is a leader in Boy Scout activities. He is a member of the state committee of 100 on inter-racial affairs.

The academic background of Dr. Glass includes work at Vanderbilt University, Columbia University, and Trinity College. He is a graduate of the School of Religion of Vanderbilt University.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Asheville district conference was held in the Brevard Methodist church May 12. The session began at 9 and lasted, with an hour's intermission, until 4:45. The whole conference was characterized by a fine spirit. The reports of committees were forward-looking and challenging. Practically every charge was represented by one or more delegates, and all but three of the pastors were present. Total registration, including pastors, 138. Quite a good many visitors attended also.

A number of visitors from other parts had places on the program. Dr. Raymond Smith of Greensboro, represented both the Advocate and the Greensboro College. Brother Woosley was there to talk about the Children's Home; Dr. L. B. Abernethy and Rev. H. F. Duncan from Elkin, to tell us about the Golden Cross and the Chatham Memorial Hospital; and Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, superintendent of the Marion district, to lift up our souls in the conference sermon, as he told us of some of the beauties of God's world, to which all too many of us are blind.

Following the luncheon served in the basement of the church by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the laymen held a meeting, presided over by the district chairman, Brother H. A. Dunham. The report of the Board of Lay Activities show the laymen of the district are alive to their opportunities. They seem to be sold on the fourth Sunday offering for World Service. Judge Guy Weaver reported the district parsonage out of debt, the deed of trust having been turned over to the parsonage trustees.

Three of the brethren were licensed to preach: Dr. E. J. Coltrane, president of Brevard College, Vance N. Allen and Alva Burchfield. Every ballot was unanimous. Carl Willis Dennis was recommended for readmission on trial in the traveling connection, and to be ordained to local deacon's orders. Rev. R. W. Blanchard, who has recently been appointed pastor of Tryon charge, succeeding Rev. George Schreyer, who has been called into military service, was introduced.

Because of the lateness of the hour, the last item, pastors' reports, was omitted. But a check of the reports submitted shows a healthy condition on the charges, with the finances in good shape. It is expected that the charges will close their financial year with the last day of September.

Dr. M. T. Smathers, the district superintendent, kept the conference moving finely.

Two of the brethren were reported ill: Rev. C. M. White, pastor of Pisgah charge, is in St. Joseph's Hospital in Asheville. Brother G. C. Brinkman, one of our retired ministers, is confined to his home at Brevard.

On invitation of Dr. W. A. Lambeth, conference voted to hold its next session in Central church, Asheville.

C. W. Bates, Secretary.

GOLDEN CROSS IN WILMINGTON DISTRICT

I received this week the first report from the district on Golden Cross. This report is from C. W. Barbee, a capable pastoral leader who always comes in near the first. Note that the report represents a contribution from each of the churches on his great circuit.

Elizabeth charge: Clarkton $4.00; Purdie $2.00; Singletary $3.50; Trinity $12; Union $8.35; Wesley Chapel $7.50. Total $37.35.

This money has already been sent to Mr. Dillon, conference treasurer.

Grace church, Wilmington, took its Golden Cross offering on Mother's Day. Net amount to be sent to Mr. Dillon will be $100. I am proud of that from these fine people. A noteworthy offering, too, was our special Easter offering at Grace. The offering was especially for the Methodist Orphanage and related benevolences. Well over $800 cash was put into the plates on Easter morning over and above the regular envelope collections. Some more has trickled in since on this Easter special, so that the total is now $907. Furman Herbert, Pastor.

CLOSING EXERCISES AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

The Louisburg College commencement for 1942 came to a close yesterday with the commencement address to the graduating class made by Dr. W. A. Stanbury, Winston-Salem, and the presentation of diplomas and honors by President Walter Patten.

Dr. Stanbury spoke to the graduating class imagining himself a graduate of the occasion. He stressed the need of working, and not being satisfied with merely working, but going on toward the unattainable perfection in achievement.

The commencement exercises opened Friday evening when the students of the voice and piano departments were presented in recital. Jessie Mary Wilson, Jane Moon, Gean Sasser and Dan McFarland were presented by Mr. I. D. Moon, instructor in voice; and Sarah Davis and Nancy Hayes were presented at the piano by Mr. James E. Byerly.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Dr. Walter Patten, president of the college, Sunday morning, at the Louisburg Methodist church. His topic, "Living Witnesses," was an effective exposition of the necessity for actual and effective living for Jesus Christ in the world today.

Sunday afternoon, from 4:30 to 5:30, President and Mrs. Patten, assisted by members of the faculty, received in their home in honor of the members of the graduating class and their parents.

Sunday evening on the north campus of the college the annual Y. M. C. A.-Y. W. C. A. vesper service was held. Dr. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street Methodist church, Fayetteville, was the visiting speaker. He spoke on character as an agency in building a Christian world, and stressed the need for vigilance and caution every moment of every day, lest the work of a life time be undone in a brief moment.

The following honors were announced by President Patten: Sarah Davis and Virginia Spivey, Louisburg, and Edward F. Smith, Fayetteville, were graduated magna cum laude. Ruth Braswell, Princeton, was graduated cum laude. The college nomination for a scholarship at Duke University was awarded to Edward F. Smith; scholarships to High Point College were awarded Willis Gupton, Hollister; and John Maides, Maysville.

The Brantley medals for the best all-round students, boy and girl, were presented to Sarah Davis and Daniel Miles McFarland.

A complete list of the graduating class in all departments of the college follows:

Associate Arts

Annie Sue Barrett, Troy James Barrett, Ruth Davis Braswell, Peggy Harris Brooks, Myrle Colley, Emma Dell Dark, Sarah Irwin Davis, James F. Featherston, Jr., Willis F. Gupton, Marina Ann Hawkins, Nancy Clafton Hayes, Sybil Horton, Norwood Lee Jones, William Douglas Joyner, Lillie Beatrice Lewis, Annie Pearl McDonald, Daniel Miles McFarland, Jean Lenore McKinnon, John Maides, Elnora Louise Mason, Oleta Odum, Wilbur Payne, Gean Elizabeth Sasser, Edward F. Smith, William M. Spence, Virginia Spivey, Frances Elizabeth Terrell, Shirley Alese Thompson, Dorothy Louise Watson, Jessie Mary Wilson, James Thomas Wooters.

Secretarial Certificates

Maxine Alford, Juanita Cannon, Kate Davis, Daphne Sue Dunham, Melba Jeanette Everett, Hattie Boyd Faulkner, Bebe Ann Ford, Vivian Inez Gaines, Lily Hancock, Jacqueline Harkins, Betty Allen Harris, Dorothy Louise Hockaday, Zelda Grace Holleman, Jane Gray Ingram, Sarah Ingram, Irma Louise Jackson, Kathryn Moe Jones, Nina Ruth Kirkpatrick, Janie Ray Manning, Ruby Grey Massenburg, Carolyn Massey, Rachel May, Minnie Morse, Pearl Virginia Pritchard, Leona Mozelle Privette, Esther Rosadell Roberson, Rebecca Claude Stainback, Atawah Louise Sutton, Bettie Pearl Vandiford, Sallie Frances Weaver, Mary Catherine Webb, Emily Malone Winn.

Accounting Certificates

Ellis Jennings Bedsworth, Lily Hancock, Irma Louise Jackson, Lucille McPherson, Reginald Thomas Styron.

Program of Lake Junaluska Assembly, 1942

Assembly Auditorium, Lake Junaluska, North Carolina

June 14-20 (First Week)

June 14 (Sun.), 11 a.m—Sermon, "God's Search for Man," The Rev. M. A. McLean.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Franciscan Direction of Life," The Rev. McMurry S. Richey.

June 15 (Mon.), 8:30 p. m. — Moving Picture, "Smilin' Through," and Disney Cartoon, "Art of Skiing."

June 16 (Tues.), 8:30 p. m. — Moving Picture, "Smilin' Through," and Disney Cartoon, "Art of Skiing."

June 17 (Wed.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Tarzan's Secret Treasure," and Disney Cartoon, "Baggage Buster."

June 18 (Thu.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Tarzan's Secret Treasure," and Disney Cartoon, "Baggage Buster."

June 19 (Fri.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Shepherd of the Hills," and Disney Cartoon, "Donald's Camera."

June 20 (Sat.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Shepherd of the Hills," and Disney Cartoon, "Donald's Camera."

June 21-27 (Second Week)

June 21 (Sun.), HAYWOOD COUNTY DAY.

11:30 a.m.—Address, "For Freedom's battle once begun
Bequeath'd by bleeding sire to son
Though baffled oft is ever won."
The Honorable Josephus Daniels.

8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Place of Suffering in Human Life," The Rev. W. L. Hutchins.

June 22 (Mon.), 8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "The Temple or Four Great Discoveries," The Rev. W. L. Hutchins.

June 23 (Tue.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "How Green Was My Valley," and Disney Cartoon, "Good Time for a Dime."

June 24 (Wed.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Playmates," and Disney Cartoon, "Lend a Paw."

June 25 (Thu.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Kathleen," and Disney Cartoon, "Pluto, Jr."

June 26 (Fri.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Blossoms in the Dust," and Disney Cartoon, "Village Smithy."

June 27 (Sat.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Meet John Doe," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Alley Cat."

June 28-July 4 (Third Week)

June 28 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium.
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "When Man Plays God," The Rev. J. C. Madison.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Paying Our Fare," Dr. M. T. Smathers.

June 29 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Pleading Element in Prayer," Dr. M. T. Smathers.
8:00 p.m.—Junaluska Choir, and Central Church Choir, Asheville.

June 30 (Tue.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Naval Academy," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Lonesome Stranger."

July 1 (Wed.), 8:00 p.m.—Concert, under direction of Mrs. Henry F. MacFadyen.

July 2 (Thu.), 8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "Homes Are Not What They Used to Be," Dr. Mildred Inskeep Morgan.

July 3 (Fri.), 8:00 p.m.—Music and Dramatic Readings, Plonk School of Creative Arts.

July 4 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Waynesville Band.
11:00 a.m.—Address, "Patriotic Dedications," The Hon. Joseph Melville Broughton, Governor of North Carolina.
8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "To the Shores of Tripoli," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Mrs. Ladybug."

July 5-11 (Fourth Week)

July 5 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "The Rapture of the Forward View," The Rev. R. Dwight Ware.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon "Methodist Missions in the War Area," Dr. Elmer T. Clark.

July 6 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Address, "Matching This Hour With the Master," The Rev. R. Dwight Ware.
8:00 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.

July 7 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "What I Saw in South America," Dr. Elmer T. Clark.
8:00 p.m.—Address, "The New Crusade: The Road to Victory," Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr.

July 8 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Address, "The New Crusade: Paths to Permanent Peace," Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr.
8:30 p.m.—Illustrated Lecture, "With a Naturalist in the Great Smoky Mountains." Mr. Arthur Stupka.

July 9 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Illustrated Lecture (in lecture room, back of platform), "Further Studies in the Great Smokies," Mr. Arthur Stupka.
8:00 p.m.—Address, "The Religious Implications of the War in the Far East," L. Nelson Bell, M.D.

July 10 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Concert: Chinese Music, Professor Bliss Wiant.
8:00 p.m.—Dramatic Interpretations, Plonk School of Creative Arts.

July 11 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Program by Ivey Playground Children, directed by Miss Louise Blue.
8:00 p.m.—Concert by our Negroes.

July 12-18 (Fifth Week)

July 12 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Asembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "The Light Still Shines," Bishop Clare Purcell.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The New Man in an Old World," Bishop J. L. Decell.

July 13 (Mon.),10:30 a.m.—Address, "Major Interests," Bishop J. L. Decell.
8:00 p.m.—Original Monologue, "Fools, Feuds, and Furriners," (Smoky Mountains), Miss Irene Bewley.

July 14 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Address, "Christian Strategy for Today," Bishop Clare Purcell.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 15 (Wed.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop Clare Purcell, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 16 (Thu.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 17 (Fri.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop J. L. Decell, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 18 (Sat.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop W. T. Watkins, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "One Foot in Heaven," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Little Caesario."

July 19-25 (Sixth Week)

July 19 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in the Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "This Crucial Hour," Bishop W. T. Watkins.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Bishop U. V. W. Darlington.

July 20 (Mon.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop W. W. Peele, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "Let's Learn Our A B Cs," Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.

July 21 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Four Corners and a Straight Line," Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "On the Fundamentals: The Church," Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf.

July 22 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "On the Fundamentals: The Christ," Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Opening Address, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.

July 23 (Thu.), 9:30 a.m.—Devotions, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.
10:10 a.m.—Forum on Men's Work, Mr. E. Dow Bancroft.
11:10 a.m.—Recess.

11:20 a.m.—Song Service.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.
4:00 p.m.—Forum Discussion.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.

July 24 (Fri.), 9:30 a.m.—Devotions, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.
10:10 a.m.—Forum on Stewardship, Dr. James W. Workman.
11:10 a.m.—Recess.
11:20 a.m.—Song Service.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.
4:00 p.m.—Forum Discussion.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.

July 25 (Sat.), 9:30 a.m.—Devotions, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.
10:10 a.m.—Forum on Lay Activities, Dr. G. L. Morelock.
11:10 a.m.—Recess.
11:20 a.m.—Address, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.
4:00 p.m.—Forum Discussion.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Address, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

July 26-August 1 (Seventh Week)

July 26 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

July 27 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Southward With George Washington," Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.
8:00 p.m.—Address, "Strategy We Must Have to Win War," Brigadier-General Henry Joseph Reilly.

July 28 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Refinding the Thirty Lost Years in the Life of Jesus,' 'Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.
8:00 p.m.—Opening Address, Dr. W. G. Cram.
8:30 p.m.—Address, "Experiences in Singapore and Malaya," Bishop Edwin F. Lee.

July 29 (Wed.), 9:15 a.m.— Conference Hour, Bishop Edwin F. Lee.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—General Forum Hour, Presentation of All Areas of Work. Miss Elizabeth Lee, Dr. W. S. Rycroft, Dr. Hugh Stuntz.
8:00 p.m.—Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft.

July 30 (Thu.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Dr Elmer T. Clark.
8:00 p.m.—Miss Elizabeth Lee.

July 31 (Fri.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour, Dr. H. P. Myers.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Dr. H. B. Trimble.
8:00 p.m.—President Y. C. Yang, Soochow University.

August 1 (Sat.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Dr. A. J. Walton.
8:30 p.m.—Kodachrome-Slide Pictures, taken by Dr. Elmer T. Clark in South and Central America, as well as Stereopticon Slides on China Relief.

August 2-8 (Eighth Week)

August 2 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "Christian Missions in a World Like This," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Deathless Church," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

August 3 (Mon.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour, Dr. C. K. Vliet.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Presentation of All Areas of Work by Missionaries and Deaconesses.
8:00 p.m.—Hymns of the Church, Junaluska Choir.

August 4 (Tue.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour, Dr. Karl K. Quimby.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Summation of Conference Program: What Can We Do? Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Dr. Wm. F. Quillian.
8:00 p.m.—Address, "The Christian Minister As Prophet," Bishop Francis J. McConnell.

August 5 (Wed.), 9:00 a.m.—Address, "The Christian Minister As Pastor," Dr. Costen J. Harrell.
10:15 a.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
11:00 a.m.—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
8:00 a.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
8:30 p.m.—Dr. Costen J. Harrell.

August 6 (Thu.), 9:00 a.m.—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
10:15 a.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
11:00 a.m.—Address, "The Christian Minister As Preacher," Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.
4:00-6:00 p.m.—Tea for Wives of Bishops and Preachers by Ministers' Wives of W. N. C. Conference.
8:00 p.m.—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.

August 7 (Fri.), 9:00 a.m.—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.
10:00 a.m.—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
11:00 a.m.—Dr. Costen J. Harrell.
8:00 p.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
8:30 p.m.—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.

August 8 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Inner Resources and Bright Intervals," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture "Remember the Day," and M. G. M. Short, "Colorful North Carolina."

August 9-15 (Ninth Week)

August 9 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Bishop Paul B. Kern.

August 10 Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: "The Bible," Dr. Edwin Mims.
7:00-8:00 p.m.—Waynesville Band.
8:00 p.m.—Duke Day.

August 11 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: Shakespeare," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Address, Dr. A. B. Potorf.

August 12 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: Milton and Bunyan," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Address, Dr. Claud Nelson.

August 13 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: Pope and Swift," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Address, Dr. John Q. Schisler.

August 14 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: The Romantic Poets," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: The Mid-Victorians," Dr. Edwin Mims.

August 15 (Sat.), 11:00 a.m.—Address, Dr. Robert MacGowan (Florida Day).
5:00 p.m.—Boat Pageant and Waynesville Band.
8:00 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.

August 16-22 (Tenth Week)

August 16 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Dr. Robert MacGowan (Florida Day).
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Christ's Power to Re-make Life," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

August 17 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "Safety in the Storm," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Redeeming Power of His Name," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

August 18 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "The Father's Business," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Who Stand at the Cross?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.

August 19 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "What Doors Do You Enter?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.
8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "Shakespeare Is Always Right," Professor Archibald Rutledge.

August 20 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Why I Believe in Christ," Professor Archibald Rutledge.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "What Are the Sins of Youth?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.

August 21 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "Are You Really Evangelistic?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. George W. Truett.

August 22 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: Rome in the Days of Paul," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:30 p.m.—Coronation of Junaluska Queen.

August 23-30 (Eleventh Week)

August 23 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "John Wesley, Itinerant," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 24 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: The Universal Indictment," Bishop Paul .B Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Cure for Sorrow," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

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THE LIQUOR SITUATION

By William N. Ainsworth

The leading nations of the world are spending staggering sums of money to preserve men's very existence at the present time.

The struggle will apparently take the major portion, or in the end it may be all, our estimated national wealth in the United States. Already the government is laying its controlling hand upon many commodities of universal use in the people's life.

The family sugar bowl and gasoline tank are being emptied for the war effort, along with requisitioned tires and automobiles, but so far nothing has been done that particularly counts in the restriction of the sale and use of liquor and beer.

Walter Winchell has declared in his widely read columns that the government heads in Washington have promised the liquor interests of America that nothing will be done to interfere with their business.

Now this does not make sense. For anybody to buy and drink as much liquor as they want, made by wasting millions of bushels of grain that the world needs for bread; for brewery trucks to wear out tires, while milk trucks must stand in the shed for lack of them, is beginning to make sensible people mad.

No war was ever won with the free use of alcoholic liquors and beer. They have been lost through its unrestrained debauchery.

This was a potent factor in the recent fall of France. It played no minor part in the disaster of the American troops at Pearl Harbor.

All that Lincoln and Lee and Gladstone and Bismarck and Sam Jones and Henry Grady said about liquor is still true. We cannot base a conquering morale for any great struggle on any thing less than good morals, and it is time for the American government to take a decisive step to remove liquor and beer from the entire range in which our fighting forces move.

VIKING SPIRIT PERSISTS IN NORWAY

The stories that continue to come out of Norway, telling of unshaken resistance to the program of nazification, take on more and more the quality of old Norse sagas of fortitude and heroism. But they are not mere legends. They are true. Or perhaps one might say that the spirit of the Hebrew prophets lives again in the clergy, the teachers and, what is even more significant, the people of Norway. Bishop Berggrav stands before Quisling like Nathan before David and says to him, "Thou art the man." Unfortunately, Quisling has not the dignity or decency of even a sinning David. He bellows back: "You triple traitor! You deserve to have your head chopped off." "Well, here I am," replies the bishop. To that there seems no safe answer, especially when the primate who resigned rather than take orders from Berlin through Quisling, and all the other bishops who resigned in sympathy with him, and all the pastors who have resigned in sympathy with him, and all the teachers (more than 90 per cent of the whole number) who have given up their posts rather than become the instruments of nazi education—when all these are supported by the masses of the people whenever opportunity is afforded for a peaceful but pronounced demonstration of their sentiments. Cutting off heads is not a policy to be lightly embarked upon where almost all the necks in the nation are offered to the ax. In support of the action of the Lutheran clergy in resisting the policies for which Quisling is the puppet administrator, practically all other religious groups in the country, both Catholic and Protestant, have issued statements. As a demonstration of non-violent resistance that is far from passive, nothing quite equal to this has been seen in recent year. It is not war, but it is magnificent.—The Christian Century..

FRANKLINTON'S FACE TO THE SUNRISE

Last week was a very outstanding week in the life of Franklinton Methodist church. Dr. J. C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street church in Raleigh, was our revival preacher. Dr. Glenn's sermons appealed both to the head and the heart. They were interesting, persuasive, encouraging and inspiring. He led our young people in one of the most effective consecration services I have witnessed. Attendance was splendid throughout the meeting, and the spirit of fellowship and consecration was a delight to us all.

At Easter time we paid more than half of our $400 benevolent acceptance for the year and also half or more of all the items that have been taken out of the benevolent acceptance, including the sustentation fund. We have also paid half of our orphanage apportionment for the year. The church will make contributions this year amounting to at least $12 or $1300 more than when my brief pastorate began here. S. E. Mercer.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

(Continued from page eleven)

August 25 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: Life's Grandest Event," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "How to Handle Life," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 26 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: The Victory of the Spirit," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Concert: Chinese Music, Prof. Bliss Wiant.

August 27 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: The Christian Way of Life," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Permanent Elements in Religion," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 28 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Apostles or Fishermen," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 29 (Sat.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Whistling in the Dark," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Prospecting Bear."

August 30 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "Eternal Goodness," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Christ's Grip on a Man," Bishop Charles C. Seleman.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Y. C. Yang will speak in Centenary church, New Bern, on next Sunday morning, May 31, at 11 o'clock. We extend a very cordial invitation to Methodists in this section of our conference to worship with us and share what we believe to be a rare privilege.

Leon Russell.

NOTICE TO PASTORS

In accordance with the action of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina conference, those pastors whose salary is less than $1500 per year, who attend the pastors' school at Duke University June 8-13 and take at least one course for credit, will be granted a scholarship amounting to $6.00. S. J. Starnes, Secretary.

The Rural Church Institutes at Duke University June 8-13

For the past eight years the Rural Church Institute, which has its headquarters at Duke University, has been bringing together at that place a group of the leading religious leaders of the world for instruction, for inspiration, for counsel, for fellowship, and for general mutual help in a common task. Those responsible for providing the program for this institute consider themselves peculiarly fortunate this year in what they are able to offer to all who come. And all ministers and leaders in the field of religion are invited to come and share what is here offered.



Pictured here are: (top, left to right) Dr. John C. Bennett, author and professor of theology, Pacific School of Religion, Berkley, Calif.; Dr. J. M. Ormond, dean and director of the institutes; Dr. E. Stanley Jones, evengelist and missionary to India, and author of "Christ of the Indian Road" and other books; Dr. Gaius Glen Atkins, author and member of the faculty of Auburn Theological Seminary; (bottom, left to right) Dr. O. E. Baker, senior social scientist, Division of Farm Population and Rural Welfare, United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Agricultual Economics; Dr. Thomas S. Kepler, author and member of faculty of Lawrence College; Dr. E. M. Conover, director of the Bureau of Architecture, The Methodist Church, New York, author of "Building the House of God"; Dr. Dwight Sanderson, professor of rural sociology, Cornell University.

It will be the twenty-fourth annual session of the North Carolina Pastors' School, held under auspices of the two North Carolina Methodist conferences and the university, and the ninth annual session of the Rural Church Institute, held under inter-denominational auspices.

The time for the institute this year will be June 8-13, inclusive. Registration and assignment of rooms may be attended to on arrival. The first address will be given in Duke Chapel at 8 o'clock Monday evening, June 8. This opening address will be made by Dr. E. Stanley Jones of India. Dr. Jones will make four other addresses during the week. Other speakers and leaders for the institute include Dr. John C. Bennett of the Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, California; Dr. Gaius Glenn Atkins, professor emeritus of Auburn Theological Seminary; Dr. O. E. Baker, senior social scientist, Division of Farm Population and Rural Welfare, United States Department of Agriculture; Dr. Thomas S. Kepler, Lawrence College; Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University; and Dr. Dwight Sanderson of Cornell University. Such outstanding men have attended every session of the Duke institutes and it is my deliberate judgment that no Bible conference or religious institute in the land furnishes more or richer help than does this one at Duke.

Those who register for the work in question will pay a fee of $1.00 which will entitle them to furnished room for the week. Meals may be had in the dining hall of the university at 85 cents per day. And so at a mere nominal cost this institute will furnish an opportunity for mental and spiirtual enlargement and enrichment that cannot be surpassed at any place.

To get the best out of what is here offered one should, of course, come in at the beginning and remain until the close. Where one cannot do this, he may enter at any time and withdraw at will.

For bulletin giving details of program or for further information, write Dr. J. M. Ormond, Duke University, Durham, N. C.

W. R. Cullom, Chm.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

METHODIST WOMEN IN SESSION IN COLUMBUS

During this week (May 19-22) the Assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church, is meeting for its first session in Columbus, Ohio, where interested women from all the jurisdictions have gathered to share in the programs of these days and to get the inspiration and spiritual strength for the "facing of this hour" in united Methodism. Mrs. J. D. Bragg is president of the division and presiding officer at this great meeting of the women. We hope to be able to give some of the happenings of this week in our next issue of the Advocate. The Christian Advocate for May 14th carried this message from Mrs. Bragg, which we pass on to our readers:

Methodist Women Facing This Hour

" 'Design for Living'—these words form the title of a publication, but they also describe the purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of The Methodist Church. More than a million Methodist women have accepted a 'design for living'—that is being written upon their hearts; is being practiced in their daily lives. To unite—in Christian living and service, develop and support Christian work among women and children around the world; to develop the spiritual life; to study the needs of the world; to take part in such service activities as will strengthen the local church, improve civic, community, and world conditions —to secure funds for support of the work undertaken at home and abroad for the establishment of a world Christian community. With purpose strong and faith unwavering we face this hour!"

INSTITUTE AND BIBLE CONFERENCE AT DUKE UNIVERSITY

A bulletin of the twenty-fourth annual session of the North Carolina Pastors' School and the ninth annual session of the Rural Church Institute to be held at Duke University, June 8-11, has been received from Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary of literature and publications of the W. S. C. S. of W. N. C. conference, who is very anxious for a large representation of our missionary women at these meetings. A great array of outstanding speakers are to be present, among them: Dr. E. Stanley Jones, evangelist at large for North India annual conference; Dr. G. G. Atkins, professor emeritus of Auburn Theological Seminary, North Marshfield, Mass.; Dr. O. E. Baker, social scientist, Division Farm Population and Rural Welfare; Dr. Dwight Sanderson, professor rural sociology, Cornell University; Dr. Y. C. Yang, president Soochow University; Dr. Elbert Russell, dean emeritus of Duke University; Miss Oscie Sanders, educational worker, Joint Division Education and Cultivation, Methodist Church, and Dr. J. Fisher Simpson, secretary General Board of Education staff, Nashville, Tenn.

Announcement of the courses to be used is made in the bulletin as well as speakers at the public assemblies.

Miss Oscie Sanders will teach the course on Latin America, the topic for our fall study for Woman's Societies of Christian Service. Mrs. Payne asks that bulletins be ordered from Duke University as the number sent her has been exhausted. Information as to opening, headquarters and registration, rooms, meals, recreation, denominational group meetings, etc., may be obtained from Prof. J. M. Ormond, Duke University, Durham, N. C.

All persons attending the institutes are requested to have mail directed to College Station, Durham, N. C.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the Winston-Salem district, which was held at Fair Grove-Thomasville, April 28, elected the following officers for 1942: President, Mrs. T. L. Speas, 226 Sunset Drive, Winston-Salem; vice president, Mrs. B. J. Lindley, 1834 Academy St., Winston-Salem; recording secretary, Mrs. K. M. Yokeley, Roslyn Road, Winston-Salem; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. G. Sterling, 1602 Patterson Ave., Winston-Salem; treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Voss, Hutton St., Winston-Salem; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. A. E. Hire, R. 2, Winston-Salem; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. L. V. Scott, 2359 Okalina Ave., Winston-Salem; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. H. C. Nicholson, 17 Winston St., Thomasville; secretary supplies, Mrs. J. L. Woltz, 132 Rawley St., Mount Airy; secretary student work, Mrs. Walter Lanier, Thomasville; secretary young women and girls' work, Mrs. A. C. Payne, Rural Hall; secretary children's work, Mrs. J. F. Hunter, Tobaccoville; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. P. A. Masten, 415 Spring St., Winston-Salem; Chm. spiritual life groups, Mrs. A. H. Ragan, Thomasville; Chm. status of women, Mrs. Clara Clark, Mt. Airy; Chm. missionary personnel, Mrs. R .A. Hunter, R.F.D., Winston-Salem. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, gave detailed information concerning the new efficiency aim for 1942 and explained the use of the cultivation fund for the district. In the yearly report made by the district corresponding secretary the district showed 76 organizations, a membership of approximately 4,000, and more than $10,000 contributed for missions, and more than that amount for local church activities.

Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, secretary missionary education and service, stressed the requirements of a jurisdictional study class and pointed out the differences in the kinds of study classes, both missionary and Bible. The same women are expected to have at least three distinct study courses during a calendar year. To be better prepared Mrs. Payne urged the societies to send their secretaries to Duke University June 8-13 for the meetings to be held there at that time. At the pledge service each president went to the front, gave the amount of her society's pledge and quoted an appropriate Scripture verse before placing her written report in the receptacle. Miss Leila Tuttle of Lenoir, who was called home from China on account of war conditions, was present and stated that China would continue to resist the enemy, and urged that all try to make amends for having sold the enemy scrap iron and other things with which to make weapons of war.

The memorial service showed that 14 members of the district societies had passed away during 1941. Soft music was played as the roll was called. A prayer was offered by Mrs. A. H. Ragan, spiritual life leader of the district. Each district officer gave plans for immediate work and a committee with Mrs. Ira Baity as chairman made a report on the possibilities of having the Bible taught in the county schools. A ready response was made to the request that tooth brushes and tooth paste be sent to Sunny Acres and the Bethlehem Center at Winston-Salem. Another immediate response was made to the call of the supply work in the form of a number of tuning forks to be sent to Miss Kelly in Africa to be given to the natives who have been taught music by Miss Kelly. The invitation for next meeting at Main Street church, Lexington, was accepted.

DAVIE ZONE MEETING

By Mary J. Heitman

The Davie county zone fo the Elkin district, Woman's Society of Christian Service, met in the Mocksville Methodist church April 9, with Mrs. J. G. Crawford of Cooleemee, presiding officer. The devotionals were led by Miss Eunice Mae Ward of Cooleemee, and Miss Ruth Booe of Mocksville, acted as secretary. Mrs. Mason Lillard, district corresponding secretary, responded to the welcome extended by Miss Mary Heitman. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, and Mrs. Mason Lillard spoke on vital topics of the woman's work. A vocal duet, "Ivory Palaces," was sung by Mrs. F. H. Bahnson and Mrs. Graham Madison of Farmington. Talks were made by the following district chairmen: Mrs. J. Frank Clement, literature and publications; Mrs. Arnold Kirk, Bible and mission study; Mrs. T. H. Redmon, supplies. Ten of the 13 societies in Davie zone were represented. An offering of $8.49 was taken for the district fund. Mrs. Vernon Miller of Wesley Chapel was elected district leader of young people. Brief remarks were made by Rev. R. M. Hardee, pastor of the Mocksville church, and Rev. A. C. Gibbs, district superintendent of the Elkin district. The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. B. C. Brock of

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

CONSOLATION

Not dead—oh, no! but borne beyond the shadows
Into the full, clear light;
Forever done with mist and cloud and tempest,
Where all is calm and bright.

Not even sleeping—called to glad awakening
In heaven's endless day;
Not still, and moveless—stepped from earth's rough places
To walk the King's highway.

Not silent—just passed out of earthly hearing
To sing heaven's sweet, new song;
Not lonely—dearly loved and dearly loving
Amid the white-robed throng.

But not forgetful—keeping fond remembrance
Of dear ones left awhile;
And looking gladly to the bright reunion
With hand-clasp and with smile.

Oh, no, not dead! but past all fear of dying,
And with all the suffering o'er—
Say not that I am dead when Jesus calls me
To live forever more.

Editor's note: This poem is graciously shared with us by Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer.

WOMEN AND PASTORS' SCHOOL

Increasingly are women of the N. C. conference becoming aware of the high privileges afforded them by attendance at the annual sessions of the Pastors' School at Duke University. The course which will be taught this year for members of the W. S. C. S. will be a study of Latin America, the approved mission study for next fall. Miss Oscie Saunders, educational worker, joint division of education and cultivation, Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, will be the teacher. Miss Saunders is an experienced teacher with ability and pleasing personality. In addition to the courses offered at the Pastors' School inspirational addresses, recreational program, good fellowship will insure a week of extreme pleasure and profit. Among the several speakers will be Dr. E. Stanley Jones and Dr. Y. C. Yang. Registration fee is $1.00. The only other expense will be meals and transportation. The school will open with an address by Dr. E. Stanley Jones on Monday evening, June 8, and will continue through June 13. It is not too early to begin to make plans to attend.

OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS DAY

Mrs. Harvey Boney, chairman of the conference committee on local church and community co-operation of the department of Christian social relations and local church activities, suggests some pertinent and practical opportunities for this committee in the local societies. Mrs. Boney writes: "Do we as a church help rehabilitate a man or woman who has been paroled, put on probation or discharged from prison? . . . Christianity has always supposed to mean that we reach out to all peoples—being concerned with those in need. Protect little children; look after dependent, neglected, delinquent and defective ones. See that proper laws are carried out—it is not enough to enact them. Safe places should be provided for feeble-minded and epileptics. Understand those who fail. Find out facts about conditions and share the best with them. Sharing the best with others means not only to give of our finances but to give of our interest and ourselves; to help improve the personality of others by giving them a brighter outlook on life. Try to get them to come away from the half-pint world in which they see only themselves, and induce those who are so in need, for whom we must share our best, to give themselves. Our Methodist women should lead out in helping with the Red Cross nutrition and first aid classes, home service and other Red Cross departments. Shall we, after all these years of civilization, not realize more keenly that we have not begun to establish democracy until we have extended it to the unequal places, and may we not make it a Christian democracy?"

A NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENT

"At East Laurinburg four mills are in operation day and night, the workers having little outside interests but craving the things which are so often denied." This statement of Miss Priscilla Stegar, deaconess at East Laurinburg, expresses in a few words conditions which she found when she began her work there in the summer of 1940. Miss Stegar found no facilities for the plans which she had for the enrichment of the life of those mill folk. However, undaunted, she immediately visited in the homes of the mill owners and other influential residents of Laurinburg, and as a result created in them keen interest in her plans. In her contacts with the residents of the mill village of East Laurinburg she sought to stimulate an interest in beauty, and as a result of these efforts a large lot in the center of the town has been turned into a community garden, cultivated by the natives of the community. More and more throughout the village a spirit of co-operation is being created. Miss Stegar's dream of a community center has been realized and community club work is of vital influence. Young people's group sewing and knitting for the Red Cross is taking on a new interest. Many other activities are included at the community center. Miss Stegar is very active in church school, Wesleyan Service Guild, W. S. C. S., vacation church schools and other capacities. Support of Miss Stegar's work at East Laurinburg is a portion of our list of opportunities for supply work. Send checks to her. Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at E. C. T. C., and Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on Person circuit, also merit our prayers and material aid. Send checks for Miss Tittsworth to Mrs. J. C. Wooten, Greenville, and for Miss Brooks to Mrs. H. S. Barnett, Roxboro. Miss Brooks is also happy to receive used clothing to be sold as rummage.

CHATHAM-LEE ZONE MEETS

"The greatest task of any church today is re-evangelizing the indifferent church members," declared Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary of spiritual life groups, in a message at the Chatham-Lee zone in Siler City on April 29. "We do not come close to God in time of crisis unless we have been with him before," continues she.

Other speakers on the program included Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, who related interesting and inspirational events of the recent Jurisdictional conference; Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary missionary education and service, who brought a challenging message on the value of missions and Bible study; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, conference secretary of young women and girls' work, spoke on the new plans for missionary education of youth; Miss Mary Gardner, conference secretary publicity and publications, talked of literature and publications. In the absence of Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, district secretary, Mrs. S. H. Rosser read a report of district work, emphasizing the four district goals for 1942. These are: A spiritual life group in every society; study classes reporting; one-third increase in offerings; reporting on time. The opening devotional was led by Rev. C. B. Culbreth, pastor Siler City Methodist church. Welcome was extended by Mrs. D. L. Johnson, to which Mrs. A. P. Brantley responded. Mrs. Presnall sang "My Task." Mrs. S. H. Rosser, zone leader, presided.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

"Exploring the Bible" is a Bible study approved by the department of education and promotion of the Woman's Division of Christian Service and is designed to give a deeper insight and stimulate wider interest into the study of the Scriptures. On May 14 the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church completed a study of this text, having had four sessions of one and one-half hours each. Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., brought much revealing and inspirational information concerning the Old Testament. Studies in the New Testament were also ably and interestingly led by Rev. Robert L. Jerome, pastor of Hayes-Barton Methodist church. Leading the meditations were: Miss Daisy Bailey Waitte, Miss Frances Burkhead, Miss Mattie McDonald and Mrs. L. A. Watts. Miss Waitte is secretary of missionary education and service of the Edenton Street Guild. Mrs. A. W. Hoffman is president.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

IT HAS RAINED

It was dry so very long. We needed rain so very much. At length the rain came, as it always does. When it came it came in great volume. It was a trash mover and a gully washer. In fact, it covered our bottom land, washing away some of it. Thanks to our good terracing system, our hillsides are still with us unscarred. The rain brought heavy showers of blessings. The pasture land is green with good grass. The alfalfa is growing. The Irish potatoes are blooming and the sweet potatoes, tomatoes and all the other garden truck are struttin' their stuff. Yes, it has rained, some more than we needed, but if it hadn't come we'd be weeping and wailing. Thanks for the rain.

JOHN AND BILL

John Wesley Crayton and Bill Plyler are among the very few boys who are in the infirmary. They are there because they ate too many green cherries. We have very few fruit trees here, because of limited area, and the fruit on them never gets ripe. The boys get the cherries even before the birds will taste them. John and Bill have found out that too many green cherries aren't good for a fellow. Such is the lesson that must be learned by experience.

MUCH OR NONE

We have learned that we must have a great deal of any tasty growing stuff or we had better not have any of it. There is an element of much satisfaction to any group of growing youngsters in being able to enjoy a "help yourself" situation. We have found that a little patch of grapes did more to break down our moral standard than it did to build up physical stamina. A little patch of strawberries will do more to break the eighth commandment than it will add to a boy's growing stature. So every patch of tasty vegetables must expand into a field in order to serve our family very well.

THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT

The Greensboro district conference held at Midway on the Haw River circuit, a former Methodist Protestant charge, was good to the last drop. It started well, went well and ended well. Not the least of the fineness about the meeting was the exceptionaly good outdoor dinner prepared by the good women of the charge. Rev. T. V. Crouse, after nine years on the nearby Reidsville circuit, now wisely leads the good Haw Riverites. Rev. L. B. Hayes, the district superintendent, in line with his usual custom, gave the visiting brethren a good hearing, starting off with the Children's Home representative. More effective short speeches were made than usually are catalogued in a day's duration. Doubtless this meeting will be of much help to the Greensboro district brethren in winning the last half of the conference race.

THE BELL RINGERS

Listen to the ten per cent apportionment bell ringers. They have paid their dues and are full fledged members of the Methodist music makers. The tones peal forth to the tune of not only Old Hundred but several hundred dollars for the Children's Home. Note them and join in the chorus:

Cooleemee, Rev. F. J. Stough.

Gibsonville, Rev. A. L. Aycock.

Brevard Street, Charlotte, Rev. D. V. Howell.

Morganton circuit, Rev. F. W. Dowd Bangle.

Hildrebran, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. J. N. Randall.

Lilesville, Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.

PAID IN FULL

While we are celebrating over the well doers let us take into account the fact that the following charges have not only paid their ten per cent apportionment but also the supplementary apportionment, the total quota in full as of April 30. Kindly note them and join us in grateful thanks: First church, Charlotte; Park Street, Belmont; Cramerton; Newlyn Street, Greensboro; Farmer circuit; Liberty circuit; Ramseur-Franklinville; Randolph-Gray's Chapel circuit; North Davidson circuit; and Centenary, Winston-Salem. They will keep on doing well.

A WELL STATED FACT

The morning's mail brings the following note from Richard G. Stockton, president of our board of trustees:

"Thank you very much for your letter of the 22nd enclosing comparative figures from Duke Endowment Fund.

I think this is a splendid showing for the Children's Home. It is quite a tribute to your management to be able to show that the operating expenses make such a favorable showing. As far as the comparison of food and clothing, I believe that your children get as good or better care on these two items and that the showing is made on good management of the farm and garden the care exercised in purchasing clothing. I thoroughly agree with you that we do have to keep our eyes open for future developments, because we shall certainly have a rocky road on income from endowments for the next several years. I think increased contributions from our people is one hope and we have to keep a weather eye on this because of the trend towards such terrible increases in taxes."

MAY DAY PAY

Our various helping congregations can make a big inroad on any supplementary apportionment deficit with a big May day payment on next fifth Sunday. This is a good opportunity for doing a good thing in a big way. Our friends are doing well for us this year. They will doubtless use the next fifth Sunday as another instance of doing well for our boys and girls.

UP THEY GROW

Up they grow and out they go. Such is a continual process with our boys and girls. Our youngsters do grow up and they do come to the point when they must leave their home and make a go of things for themselves. The picture this week is that of four of our girls who happened to be sitting out on the lawn last fall. Three of them are now ready to graduate. From left to right these girls are Elizabeth Mullis, Jane Kluttz, Betty Welborn and Sarah Kate Maree, the last three being ready to graduate. Elizabeth has two years to go yet. Jane and Betty hope to enter college and Sarah Kate will go in training for becoming a nurse.

A MATTER OF GOOD SENSE

The rationing of tires and the rationing of gas is now with us. We may soon face an actual deprivation of both. Facing such a situation, it behooves us to make as few trips as possible. While it will be necessary to do case work, we shall want to make one trip serve for as much service as possible. This will slow down our operations some. We feel sure that our friends will not call on us for any service beyond which prudence would direct. In times like these our service should not be curtailed but the expense connected with it should be limited as much as possible. This is a matter of good sense.



A Sunday afternoon sitting party

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

OUR DAIRY—Our dairy is the best that we have ever had. The supply of milk amply meets the needs of all of our children and workers. At present we are getting at least one hundred and ten gallons of milk every day. Our herd is one of the best in the state. At present we have two cows that are giving seven gallons of milk each per day. The dairyman and milk boys take personal interest in the cows, and are proud of the record that our dairy is making.

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FIFTH SUNDAY OBSERVANCE—I trust that all the church school superintendents received Orphanage programs, which were sent to them several days ago. It is earnestly hoped that the church school superintendents of the conference will use the programs this coming Sunday. These programs come right out of the heart of the Methodist Orphanage, which should make them intensely interesting to our church schools. The offerings taken on each fifth Sunday will be applied on the Orphanage apportionment from each charge.

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REX HOSPITAL GRADUATES — On Tuesday night of last week Virginia Carney and Ethel Britt, two of our former daughters, received their diplomas from Rex Hospital. Hon. Josephus Daniels, a member of the Orphanage board of trustees, delivered the address on that happy occasion. Both of these fine young ladies made a good record while in training at Rex Hospital, and it is confidently expected that these splendid young women will give a good account of themselves in the field of nursing. I was happy to attend the graduating exercises and see the happy, radiant faces of our two devoted daughters.

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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The singing class visited the Community church at Core Creek, near Beaufort, on May 17. Dr. and Mrs. W. Y. Stewart, and the people of the community, were hosts to us. This was a delightful visit. We gave our sacred concert at the 11 o'clock hour, and had lunch and left for Beston church on the Seven Springs charge for a night service. Rev. W. E. Howard is pastor there, and he had our visit well advertised, so a large crowd was out for the service. We had an enjoyable evening. Mr. Barnes accompanied the class to Core Creek and Beston."

A BEAUTIFUL DEED — Several days ago Mr. J. C. Braswell, president of our board of trustees, sent each of our 18 high school graduates a new five dollar bill. For several years Mr. Braswell has remembered our graduates with like gifts. Needless for me to say that our high school graduates appreciate such tokens of interest and love. This outstanding layman and banker never loses an opportunity to do something worth while for our children and Orphanage. Two years ago he gave us money for a large and beautiful athletic field. Men and women of means are becoming more and more interested in doing worth while things for our boys and girls.

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FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE — The Fayetteville district conference was held in Steele Street Methodist church, Sanford, on Thursday of last week. There were a number of very interesting and inspiring addresses, which were well received by all present. The Steele Street church has erected an up-to-date beautiful educational building. Brother A. P. Brantley and his congregation are to be congratulated for the erection of this much needed building. Brother McRae, district superintendent, was very cordial toward all the connectional men, and gave them ample time to represent the various interests of the church. The attendance was not as large as it would have been because of the gasoline rationing. The dominant note of the conference was evangelism. Mr. A. W. Pridgen, business addressed the conference on the new manager of the Methodist Orphanage, financial plan for the Orphanage.

THE BOY TO THE SCHOOLMASTER
By Edward Jewitt Wheeler

You've quizzed me often and puzzled me long;
You've asked me to cipher and spell,
You've called me a dunce if I answered wrong,
Or a dolt if I failed to tell
Just when to say lie and when to say lay,
Or what nine-sevenths may make.
Or the longtitude of Ramchatka Bay,
Or the I-forgot-what's-its-name Lake.
So I think it's about my turn, I do,
To ask a question or so of you.
The schoolmaster grim, he opened his eyes,
But said not a word out of sheer surprise.
Can you tell me where the nest of the oriole swings,
Or the color its egg may be?
Do you know the time when the squirrel brings
Its young from the nest in the tree?
Can you tell when the chestnuts are ready to drop
Or where the best hazel-nuts grow?
Can you climb a high tree to the very tip-top
Then gaze, without trembling, below?
Can you swim and dive, can you jump and run
Or do anything else we boys call fun?
The master's voice trembled as he replied:
"You're right, my lad. I'm the dunce," he sighed.

—New York Times.

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LEADERSHIP FOR CAMP CARLYLE JUNE 6-20

Plans are now practically complete for our Christian Adventure camps for intermediate boys and girls. We have selected leaders who are well prepared by training and experience for the work. The majority of the staff members have served before, and every effort has been made to provide a wholesome camp experience for every boy and girl. The following persons will compose our staff, which is complete with the exception of a nurse:

Courtney Ross, Misenheimer.
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Mrs. Wilmar Tolle, Misenheimer.
R. W. McCulley, Rt. 1, Kannapolis.
Majelle Morris, Park Ave., Salisbury.
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Blanche Gluck, 1601 Academy St., Winston-Salem.
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Mary Emma Knox, Cleveland.
Marian Craig, Wadesboro.
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Phil Shore, Jr., 808 Brown Street, Greensboro.
J. W. Braxton, Asheboro.
W .C. Sides, Jr., Rt. 3, Albemarle.
Janette Gore, Waxhaw.
Mary Margaret Johnson, Charlotte.

Wanted, a Nurse

At the time of this writing a nurse has not been secured for camp. Suggestions about interested persons should be sent to Carl H. King, Box 828, Salisbury.

Registrations Received to May 21

Registrations are being received on nearly every mail. Personal inquiries are coming from all sections of the conference. Indications are that both camps will be filled. The following persons had completed their registrations in every respect on May 21:

Betty Swofford, 504 Park Ave., Salisbury.
Margaret Louise Suther, 300 Vance St., Concord.
Betty Fox Suther, 300 Vance St., Concord.
Grace Troutman, Rt. 2, Box 84, Rockwell.
Inez Williams, 507 S. East Ave., Kannapolis.
Earl Ralph Cook, R. 2, Box 179, Kannapolis.
James Willett, 414 Park Ave., Salisbury.
Mary Allison Moss, 521 S. 4th St., Albemarle.
Dorothy Yarborough, 520 E. Cemetery St., Salisbury.
Martha Hoffner, 509 Grove St., Salisbury.
Milo Myron Sharp, Misenheimer.
Marilyn Penegar, 1120 Cumberland Ave., Gastonia.
Robert Hand Rankin, 602 S. York St., Gastonia.
Daniel Boone Moser, 141 S. Oakland, Gastonia.
Rebecca Moser, 141 S. Oakland, Gastonia.
Virginia Doris Morris, Box 83, Denton.
Vista Jean Sexton, Denton.
Gloria Snelling, E. Harper Ave., Lenoir.
Mary Elizabeth Smith, 310 Abernethy St., Lenoir.
Embree H. Blackard, Jr., 1527 Queens Road, Charlotte.
John Stanley Talbert, 319 E. Harper, Lenoir.
Donald E. Rollins, 1340 13th St., Hickory.
Daphne Marilyn Fletcher, Boonville.
Alice Lee Miller, 247 Vance, Concord.
Mary Louise Plott, 18 Douglas Ave., Concord.
Sarah Minish Ingram, 330 S. Mulberry St., Lenoir.
Patsy Willett, 414 Park Ave., Salisbury.
Lounelle Sells, Misenheimer.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

More than a hundred churches have requested programs in the past few weeks and are planning for this special observance in the next few weeks. There are, however, many churches in the conference that have not responded. Free programs are still available on request. Interesting comments and good offerings have been received from a number of places where the program has been given.

STUDYING THE BIBLE

Revivals of religion and revivals of Bible reading go together. Sales of Bibles have reached a new high. Families have more time at home now. Will the summer be used profitably in intelligent Bible study and Christian growth?

How shall we stimulate our people to read the Bible intelligently? How shall we teach them the great truths of the Bible? To help answer these questions the boards of missions and education sponsored a coaching conference on Bible conferences at Duke University May 11 and 12.

A Bible conference is an informal discussion and study group with the Bible as the text book. It may last three or four nights, be held during prayer meeting time each week, at the morning hour during revival meetings, or at any other time that people and leader can get together. There are no set rules.

Thirteen ministers from the W. N. C. conference attended this coaching conference as follows: J. Elwood Carroll, 107 Jay Street, Leaksville; J. W. Braxton, Asheboro; I. L. Roberts, Randleman; Sam B. Moss, Main Street Methodist church, High Point; Garland R. Stafford, E. Concord Street, Morganton; P. R. Duncan, Rutherford College; Wilson O .Weldon, China Grove; Earl Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury; Courtney Ross, Misenheimer; Robert V. Martin, Harmony; J. C. Reichard, Troutman, Mark Q. Tuttle, Newton; Walter Thompson, Mayodan.

These men are available to help in Bible conferences on nearby charges. If interested, write them directly, or Earl Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury.

Also a helpful bulletin on methods of encouraging Bible study on the part of individuals and homes may be had without cost by requesting "Studying the Bible" from Dr. A. J. Walton, 150 Fifth Ave., New York.

OPPOSITION STIMULATES ACTION

How one acts when things are against him determines character. One can be indifferent and never care nor try. One can whine and complain and blame God and men. Or one can rise and resist. Only he who feels the stirring of mighty impulses within himself to stand and fight can overcome. Resistance releases one's best in thought and initiative that seeks a way to overcome.

The business man becomes inventive when business is slack. The student becomes diligent when the problem is baffling. The housewife studies new economies when funds are low. The farmer plants a new crop when the old is low in yield and low in price. The preacher, when his congregation is small and his people are indifferent, becomes prayerful and more concerned for his members. The failures one meets, the indifferent people and untoward conditions of life comple the thoughtful and prayerful to draw on their better selves and to seek new ways of working.—Christian Advocate.

WHO DOES GOD'S WORK WILL GET GOD'S PAY

(Author unknown)

Who does God's work will get God's pay,
However long may seem the day,
However weary be the way.
Though powers may thunder "Nay,"
No human hand God's hand may stay,
Who does God's work will get his pay.
God hurries not, nor makes delay,
Who works for him will get his pay,
Some certain hour, some certain day.
He does not pay as others pay,
In gold or land or raiment gay,
In goods that perish and decay.
But God's high wisdom knows a way,
And this is sure, let come what may,
Who does God's work will get God's pay.

—Selected.

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YOUNG ADULT ASSEMBLY

A TWO-DAY ASSEMBLY
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LOUISBURG COLLEGE
JULY 4-5

Theme: "Young Adults as Churchmen"

Purpose

The purpose of the Young Adult Assembly is to bring together representative young adults from the churches of our conference for a period of study and fellowship. This is the one area of work that needs special attention and we hope that the two days spent together will enrich the lives of the young adults attending, and will inspire them to render increased service in the local churches from which they come.

Who Should Attend

Any young adult in the North Carolina conference (the young adult age-range is approximately 24-36 years of age) is urged to attend this assembly. there is no limit in the number of registrations from any church. Organized young adult classes should be well represented. Churches desiring to place an emphasis on young adult work in the church should send one or two of its choice young adults to Louisburg. Young adults who would like to spend a week-end in fine Christian fellowship should come to Louisburg July 4-5.

Program

The assembly will open with an informal banquet on Saturday evening. Following the banquet the group will divide into three quest groups for a period of study and discussion. These quests are "The Christian Home," "Christian Brotherhood," "Christian Service." Then will come a period of fellowship and recreation. Sunday will be spent in worship periods, quest periods, a business session at which conference officers will be elected, and a closing communion service.

Assembly Leaders

Dr. F. L. Gibbs, head of the young adult work of our church, will be with us to lead one of the quest periods and to preach the sermon on Sunday morning.

Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director of adult work, will serve as dean of the assembly.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Greene of Four Oaks will lead one of the quest periods.

Rev. P. E. Newton of Rich Square will serve as director of music.

Rev. Forrest D. Hedden of Louisburg will serve as director of recreation.

Members of the conference staff will also assist with the young adult assembly.

Cost

The cost of the young adult assembly is $2.50 per delegate. One dollar is to be sent in as a registration fee with the registration blank and the other $1.50 is to be paid upon arrival at Louisburg. In case one finds after registering that he cannot attend, the registration fee will be refunded.

Young Adult-Christian Workers' Assembly Cost

The Young Adult Assembly is followed on the next day by the Christian Workers' Assembly. If a young adult should like to attend both assemblies the total cost for the two will be $6.50. The one dollar registration fee will serve for both assemblies if the plan to attend both is indicated on the registration blank. We trust many young adults will take advantage of both assemblies.

Opening and Closing Hour

Registration will take place from 4-5 o'clock on Saturday, July 4. The first meal for delegates will be the supper meal on that day. The assembly activities will end at approximately 4:30 on Sunday afternoon.

QUOTAS IN YOUTH ASSEMBLIES

We have received several requests concerning the number of delegates a church may send to the respective youth assemblies. We are giving a suggestion here that might be helpful to others who have similar questions.

1. There is no limit to the number of delegates a church may register in the Intermediate Assemblies until the assemblies are filled.

2. There is a suggested quota on delegates to the senior and young people's assemblies. This quota limit is effective only until June 10. If on June 10 the capacity of the assemblies is not filled we will accept any number of delegates from any church. We advise, therefore, that any church desiring to send more delegates than the quota calls for should send the additional registrations in right away and they will receive first consideration after the quota restrictions are eliminated. Last year every person who was registered by the date set was accepted in the assembly.

You may be ever so learned and talented, yet you will find it more effective to teach your religion with your life than with your lips.

Perfection does not consist in doing extraordinary things but in doing ordinary things in extraordinary ways.

AN AGED MAN OF GOD RESCUED THE MEETING

There was another of those everlasting committees—this time a meeting about local Sunday school affairs.

Only a few of us showed up. After all, committee meetings are not particularly attractive, are they? Besides, it was a moonless night, cold, wet, windy—just the night to miss a committee meeting about next to nothing!

We drifted into the dimly lighted classroom. We shook the rain from our coats. The place was none too warm. The secretary came late; but it didn't matter—we'd get through the agenda pretty sharp.

Said our chairman: "Perhaps Brother Sawdon will lead us in prayer?"

Brother Sawdon did—an old man (who ought to have had more sense than to turn out on a night like that) with a quavery voice. We hoped he wouldn't be long about it.

He asked God to bless us. He reminded us of the glories of the past. He prayed that we might feel a Pentecostal fire, that we might understand what we were doing, and the challenge of what we might yet do. He said that to do anything for the Master was an unspeakable privilege.

"Lord," said he, "fill us with thy spirit that our smallest service may be done in thy name and for thy kingdom. Warm our hearts. Lift up our spirits. Stir us to great endeavor; and meet us here in this room that we may feel the kindling of thy love, and so discharge this little task that it may be worthy service unto thee."

It was a new and mighty baptism. Chastened and inspired, we made that committee meeting a time of useful worship.—Methodist Recorder.

FELLOW-TRAVELERS

I see so many travelers on the road,
Each bearing his own burden, day by day,
Who reach free hands, and help to lift the load
From shoulders touching theirs along the way;

Who find that there is still a song to sing,
And roadways, blossoming for their delight;
Who keep their faith a lovely, shining thing,
And see beyond the road, the rest at night.

Who see before their eyes, horizons bend
To shut tomorrow's journey from their view;
That burdens may be carried to the end
Of any day, if hearts be staunch and true.

I see so many who go cheerfully,
Despite the heavy loads they carry far—
These fellow-travelers who walk with me—
It heartens me to find how brave they are.

—Grace Noll Crowell.

Children's Storyland



LONGEVITY IN ANIMALS

By Robert E. Pike

What is the oldest living animal? Most people would probably answer, the elephant. But while the elephant does live to an average age of 150 years, and specimens have been known to surpass 200, yet the whale lives twice as long. Three hundred years is a good old age for a whale, though some have been caught whose age was estimated at 400 years.

The methods of judging age in animals are interesting. In whales, it is done by the size of the whalebone; for turtles, by the average yearly increase in weight; for roosters, by their combs; for horses, an expert can tell within a year by the teeth; with cattle, or at least with horned cattle, one can tell by the horns.

Parrots have been known to live to the age of 120 years. There is a story of a German scientist who went to study the unique language of a small tribe of Indians in the jungles of Venezuela, but when he arrived he found the last member of the tribe dying of an epidemic, and this man gave him a parrot he had owned for many years. The bird had a vocabulary of about 150 words, but the scientist never did succeed in translating them.

Dogs and cats, although 12 years is a good ripe age for either, have been known to live to be as old as 24, and while 20 years is a fairly old age for a horse, I have seen specimens over 40, while instances are recorded of some that lived to be over 50.

Horses usually get thin and ragged if they live to be over 30, yet the noted race horse, "Ethan Allen," was 45 when he was deemed the handsomest horse in Vermont and as such was chosen by the governor to ride in a procession.

Fish are much longer-lived than most people think. A woman in Worcestershire, England, had a tame trout that lived to be 20 years old, and a German writer named Gesner tells of a pike 267 years old that was caught at Halibrun in Suabia in 1497. A ring was found in its tail bearing this inscription: "I am the fish that was first of all put into this lake by the hands of the Governor of the Universe, Frederick the Second, the fifth of October, 1230." It weighed 350 pounds and was 19 feet long. Its skeleton was exhibited at Mannheim.

Of course everyone remembers the recent case of the horned toad who was released from a 38-year imprisonment in the cornerstone of a Texas building and hopped nonchalantly away. This makes more credible the story in Hall's "History of Vermont," where he tells of excavations in an ancient gravel bed along the Winooski river, where, in a strata estimated to be 700 years old, toads were dug up who immediately hopped away with no noticeable stiffness in their joints.

The Galapagos turtles live to be more than 200 years old, but the first prize probably goes to some of the sacred crocodiles still in India, who were lively youngsters, only a century or two old, when William the Conqueror landed in England.—Our Dumb Animals.

I HAD A LITTLE DOGGY

I had a little doggy that used to sit and beg;
But doggy tumbled down the stairs and broke his little leg.
Oh! doggy, I will nurse you, and try to make you well,
And you shall have a collar with a little silver bell.

Ah! doggy, don't you think that you should very faithful be,
For having such a loving friend to comfort you as me?
And when your leg is better, and you can run and play,
We'll have a scamper in the fields and see them making hay.

But, doggy, you must promise (and mind your word to keep)
Not once to tease the little lambs, or run among the sheep;
And then the little yellow chicks that play upon the grass,
You must not even wag your tail to scare them as you pass.

—Author Unknown.

NOBILITY AND STATURE

Cyrus, King of Persia, after a famous victory, took prisoner a noble prince with his wife and children. When they were brought into the tent of the victors, Cyrus said to the prince, "What will you give me to set you at liberty?"

The prince replied, "I will give you half of what I possess."

"And what will you give me if I set your wife at liberty?" asked Cyrus.

"I will gladly give you my life," replied the prince.

Cyrus touched by such true nobility, set them free without recompense.

That evening when the prince and his wife rejoiced together over their freedom, he said, "Did you not think Cyrus a very handsome man?"

The wife replied, "I did not notice him sufficiently well to tell."

"Where were your eyes?" exclaimed the prince.

"I had eyes only for the man who said he would lay down his life for me!"—Canadian Baptist.

A SPRING SURPRISE

(A True Stroy)

H. C. G. and M. E. J.

The robbins, the bluebirds, and the grackles had all had advance information that spring had come in West Virginia, so they began to settle up their affairs in Florida, where they had been spending the winter.

Of course they had no money, so they had to pay their debts in other ways. They ate an extra lot of worms from Mr. Jones' orange groves to pay him for the use of his trees. They sang extra long and sweetly to Mr. Brown, who had allowed them to bathe and drink freely in his pond all the season. They also sang for Mrs. Lester to pay her for her land-rent—they had done a great deal of tramping and hunting on her ground.

Having settled everything to their satisfaction, they met together to decide what time to start and what air-route to take.

Before sunrise the next day they had eaten their breakfast, had said their farewells to the other birds, and were on their way north.

Now, the rest of my story will be about a pair of robins who came with this group of birds from the south, and who stopped in West Virginia to build a cozy nest in an apple tree that looked into a doctor's dining room. The nest was finished and the four greenish-blue eggs were laid about Easter time. The leaves of the apple tree had already come out, and they sheltered but did not hide the nest from those who were watching it from the inside of the house.

Then one night a surprise snowstorm came and covered everything with a blanket of white.

Mother robin didn't know just what to do—it was all so strange—but she bravely sat still. The greenish-blue eggs must not get wet and cold!

The next morning's sunshine showed a strange sight—the edge of a nest and a mother robin's back all covered with snow, while a father robin sat with his feet on a snow-covered branch near by, calling to her to "cheer up, cheer up."

Soon father robin's cheery word was not so much needed, for the warm sun melted the snow and again the spring showed through.—Zions Herald.

A little boy in Sunday school was asked: "What proof have we in Scripture that a man must have only one wife?"

"Please, ma'am," said Jimmy, a smart little lad, "the Bible says 'no man can serve two masters.'"

"The cat was making an awful noise last night."

"Yes, ever since she at the canary she thinks she can sing."

Sunday School Lesson

MAY 31

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By Rollin H. Walker

Friday: The Day of Suffering

(I. Gethsemane and Trials)

Mark 14:32-34, 44-46; 15:1-5

At the last supper Jesus had been a fountain of comfort to his troubled disciples, and had spoken words that were destined to assuage the sorrows and quiet the fears of his followers through all the ages. But when he left the upper room and went into the garden of Gethsemane, a sudden storm of agony began to buffet him in the darkness, and he who had said to his disciples, Let not your heart be troubled, now said to them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful even unto death.

The depth of that struggle we cannot plumb, because we do not have our Lord's extreme sensitiveness to suffering; nor do we realize all the dark and malevolent forces that at this time were centering upon him.

In his agony our Lord gave himself to prayer. He prayed mightily that he might be delivered from his coming terrible fate. One is moved to say at this point that we have no right to endure any suffering that can be removed by prayer. There is so much inevitable suffering for us all that it is rash to allow ourselves to be burdened with any unnecessary trouble.

But like Jesus when we pray against the terror of a threatening woe, we must pray with almost equal intensity that the will of God be done. In that case we always receive an answer to our prayers. Often it is deliverance from the trouble we fear. Often an angel is sent strengthening us, and not only that, but the trouble and the trouble and the shame is transformed into blessing, just as the cross of Jesus was transfigured so that the church now sings, In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time.

When Jesus came the third time and found the disciples sleeping he said, sadly, Sleep on now and take your rest. By failing to watch with Jesus in prayer Peter had missed his chance to gain the strength that would have kept him from denying his Lord. And then suddenly he saw the torches of of those who were coming to take him, and he must rouse the disciples.

Leading the crowd that came to seize Jesus, one of the twelve, Just as when the germs of pneumonia begin to mulitply in the body they do their deadly work with frightful swiftness, so when the germs of insincerity get into a man's soul the swiftness of his descent is frightful. Think of it! Judas had doubtless been a uniquely sincere and aspiring soul, or Jesus would not have chosen him. But now he is coming as the guide of his enemies, and he has gotten so low down that he actually arranges to betray the Son of man with a kiss!

John tells us that Jesus went out boldly to meet the crowd, and told them that he was the man whom they were seeking. And at first they went backward and fell to the ground. There was a majesty about him that came as the direct result of his terrible agony and complete victory. There is no kingly coronation like the coronation that comes from victory over suffering and temptation.

The Gospels unite in saying that the Sanhedrin decided that Jesus was worthy of death because of his blasphemy. He had just announced that they would see him coming in the clouds of heaven. Today there is a strong tendency in many quarters to say that the exalted picture of Christ in the Gospels reflects not so much what he said and did as the conceptions which the church came later to have of him. But why should the chief priests seize upon the accusation of blasphemy if Jesus had not made great claims for himself? They would not have dared to execute so loved and popular a prophet unless they had had an accusation that furnished a talking point with some semblance to reason. It is true that all along Jesus studiously refrained from calling himself the Messiah, but this was not because he deemed the title too great for him but, as popularily conceived, not great enough. The authority he assumed was not that of an earthly ruler, but of one who had power to forgive sins (Mark 2:6), and who was to be the head of the corner of Israel's history (Luke 20:9-15), and the final judge of the world (Matthew 7:21-23; 25:1-46). His condemnation on the charge of blasphemy is a strong evidence that the gospel account of his exalted claims is authentic.

EXPERIENCE

By Leona B. Cox

I walked in a garden of roses
All wet with the dew of night;
Their fragrance filled me with gladness,
Their colors were rich and bright.

I climbed the heights of pleasure,
And flew like a bird on the wing,
Seeking here and there greater measure
Of joys from every new spring.

I went down in the valley of sorrow,
I trod the winepress alone;
The long night was one of horror,
Yet I dreaded the coming of dawn.

I waited through long months of suffering
For health and strength to return;
I fought a hard fight always trusting,
And lost when vict'ry seemed almost won.

I knelt in the light of His Presence,
And the world became like new;
I heard his low, sweet message
Which was meant for me and for you.

"The things which now fret and distress thee
Some day will become as naught,
Whatever is borne or done for me
Into gems for thy crown shall be wrought."

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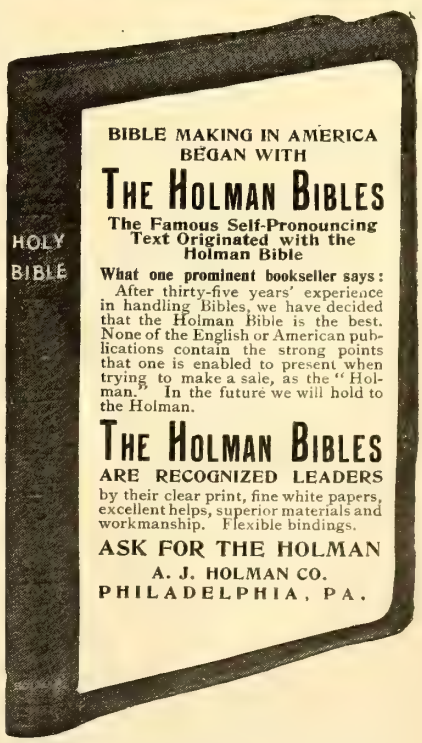
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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Brooksdale, Trinity, 11 31
Bahama, Ellis Chapel, 3 31
Eno, 7:30 31

June
West Durham, 7:30 1
Long Memorial, 7:30 4
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 9
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 14
Graham, 7:30 17
Chapel Hill, 7:30 18
Person, Lee's Chapel, 10:30 20
Andrew's Chapel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 21
Swepsonville, Salem, 3 21
Calvary, 7:30 24
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 27
Carrboro, Clover Garden, 11 28
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July
Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11.... 5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
SECOND ROUND

May
First Church, 11 31

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Hamlet, 10 31
St. John, 12 31
Laurinburg, 5 31

June
Rowland, 11 7
Red Springs, 8 7
Maxton, 11 14
Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July
Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Atlantic, Cedar Island, 11 31
Marshallburg, 8 31

June
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 7
Pamlico, Hobucken, 2:30 7
Pink Hill, Webbs, 8 7
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July
Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Raleigh, Person Street, 11 31
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 31

June
Stem, Stem, 11 7
Franklinton, Wesley's, 3 7
Louisburg, 8 7
Duke Pastors' School 8-13

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Stantonsburg, 10 31
Kenly, Buckhorn, 12 31
Marvin-St. Paul, Maple Creek, 3:30 31

June
Roanoke Rapids, 11 7
Sp. Church-Garysburg, Shiloh, - 7
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 7
Rosemary, 8 7
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 ... .14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July
Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Garland, Antioch, 11 31
Tabor City, Tabor City, 8 31

June
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 ... 7
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 7
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 3:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 7 16
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

May
Bald Creek, Elk Shoals, 11 31
Ivy, Bright Hope, 3 31

June
Asbury Memorial, 8 3
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 6
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 7
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 7
Biltmore, 8 10
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July
Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Wesley Heights, 8 31

The following charges will hold their third quarterly conferences jointly at the Anson County Methodist Rally, Sunday, May 31, at Bethel on the New Hope-Bethel charge: Ansonville, Lilesville, Morven, Polkton, and New Hope-Bethel. The conference will follow the luncheon hour.

June
Zoar, 3 7
Trinity, 8 7
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July
Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

May
Boone, 11 31
Watauga, 3 31
Green Valley, night 31

June
Sparta, 11 7
Laurel Springs, 3 7
Jefferson, night 7
Ararat, 11 14
Dobson, 3 14
Jonesville, night 14
Helton, 11 21
Warrensville, 3 21
Creston, night 21
West Jefferson, 11 28
Todd, 3 28
Miller's Creek, night 28

July
Farmington, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Cooleemee, night 5
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11 12
Trap Hill, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

	May
Pleasant City, 11	31
Mt. Holly, night	31
	June
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11	7
Rhyne Heights, Laboratory, night	7
Lincolnton, First Church, 11	14
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3	14
Boger City, night	14
Rock Springs, Webb's, 11	21
Lowesville, Fairfield, 3	21
Dallas, High Shoals, night	21
South Fork, Wesley's Chapel, 11	28
Vale, Palm Tree, 3	28
Cherryville, First Church, night	28
	July
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul's, 11	5
Belmont, Main Street, night	5
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11	12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3	12
King's Mountain, Grace, night	12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11	26
Stanley, Iron Station, night	26
	August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30	2
Bradley Memorial, 11	2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Draper, 11	31
Draper-Wayside, 3:30 (called session)	31
	June
Mayodan, 11	7
Ruffin, 8	7
Danbury, 11 and 2:30	14
Stoneville, 8	14
Leaksville, 8	15
Reidsville, 8	16
West Market, 8	17

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

	May
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2	30
Pleasant Grove, 11	31
	June
Oak View, 8	3
Why Not, New Zion, 8	5
Liberty Ct., Bethany, 3	7
Denton First, Denton, 8	7
Ward Street, 8	10
Asheboro Ct., Cent. F., 11	14
Linwood, Macedonia, 8	14
Wesley Memorial, 8	15
First Church, Asheboro, 8	17
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11	21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8	21

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Bakersville, Glen Ayre, 11	31
Elk Park, Newland, 3	31
Marion First, night	31
	June
North Morganton, 11	7
Table Rock, Linville, 3	7
Morganton First, night	7
Pleasant Grove, 11	14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3	14
Spindale, night	14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11	21
Broad River, Providence, 3	21
Cliffside, night	21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night	21
Training Class, Cliffside, night	21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10	28
Dedication, Friendship, 3	28
Drexel, Zion, night	28
	July
Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45	5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3	5
Glen Alpine, night	5
Rutherfordton, 11	12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3	12
Forest City, night	12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11	25
Marion, First, 11	26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3	26

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	May
Lenoir, First, 11	31
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 3	31
Whitnel, 8	31
	June
Statesville, Race Street, 11	7
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3	7
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11	14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3	14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11	21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8	21
Stony Point, 11	28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3	28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

	May
Marvin, 11	31
Maple Springs, 8	31
	June
Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 11	7
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion, 3	7
Mt. Airy, Central, 8	7
Erlanger-Ebenezer, 11	14
Davidson Ct., Good Hope, 3	14
Central Terrace, 8	14
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11	21
Morris Chapel, Mt. Olive, 3	21
Mount Tabor, 8	21

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Front Street Methodist church, Burlington, wish to pay tribute to one of our beloved members.

On Sunday evening, March 15, 1942, death came as a silent visitor and slipped quietly away the spirit of Mrs. Mollie Bryan Brown. She had been in declining health for several years but bore her suffering with great patience.

As wife, as mother and grandmother, she made family ties dear. As neighbor and friend she won the affection of all those who knew her.

We miss her and are conscious of a great loss in her going. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, children and relatives.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and one placed in the records of the society.

Mrs. M. L. Jones,
Mrs. W. T. Williams,
Mrs. E. W. Harviel.

Committee.

W. N. C. WOMEN

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Farmington, the amount pledged being $353. The Davie zone will meet in October with the Farmington and Wesley Chapel societies. At the close of the interesting program refreshments were served by the hostess society. About 65 were in attendance, among them Miss Blanche Eaton, charter member of the Mocksville society. Special guests were Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Gibbs and Mrs. Mason Lillard of Elkin, and Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem.

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C. D. Brown, Pastor.

REYNOLDS — Mrs. Wilma Irene Adair Reynolds was born August 2, 1898, and departed this life April 28, 1942. When a young girl the deceased professed faith in Jesus Christ and joined Flint Hill Baptist church. Nearly three years ago she united with the congregation of El Bethel Methodist church, where she remained a loyal and consistent member.

October 31, 1918, Miss Wilma Irene Adair was married to Mr. Edward Reynolds. From this union the following survive: Husband, and children: Myrtle Lee, Mrs. J. W. Gant, Jr., Raymond, Alfred, Corrine; and brothers, Theodore Adair, Otto Adair of Gastonia, and her mother, Mrs. T. N. Adair.

C. D. Brown, Pastor.

A TRIBUTE

We, the members of Bunn Methodist church, wish to pay tribute to one of our charter members, Dr. B. C. Johnson. When the town of Bunn was laid off and the lots sold Dr. Johnson accepted the lot as a gift from the North State Development Company in 1910. He was one of the main aids in building the church and was elected a charter steward and trustee of the church. During the remainder of his life he held these offices. The church and the community has lost one of its best and most loved citizens in the passing of Dr. Johnson on April 11, 1942.

Mrs. Bob. White,
Mrs. J. D. White,
Mrs. C. H. Richardson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Pittsboro Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful and loving members, Mrs. W. M. Eubanks, who passed from this life to the great beyond April 13, 1942.

In the last few years Mrs. Eubanks was not well and had to spend part of her time in bed, but whenever possible she always attended church service. Her devotion to her church and society has been an inspiration to us. Therefore be it resolved:

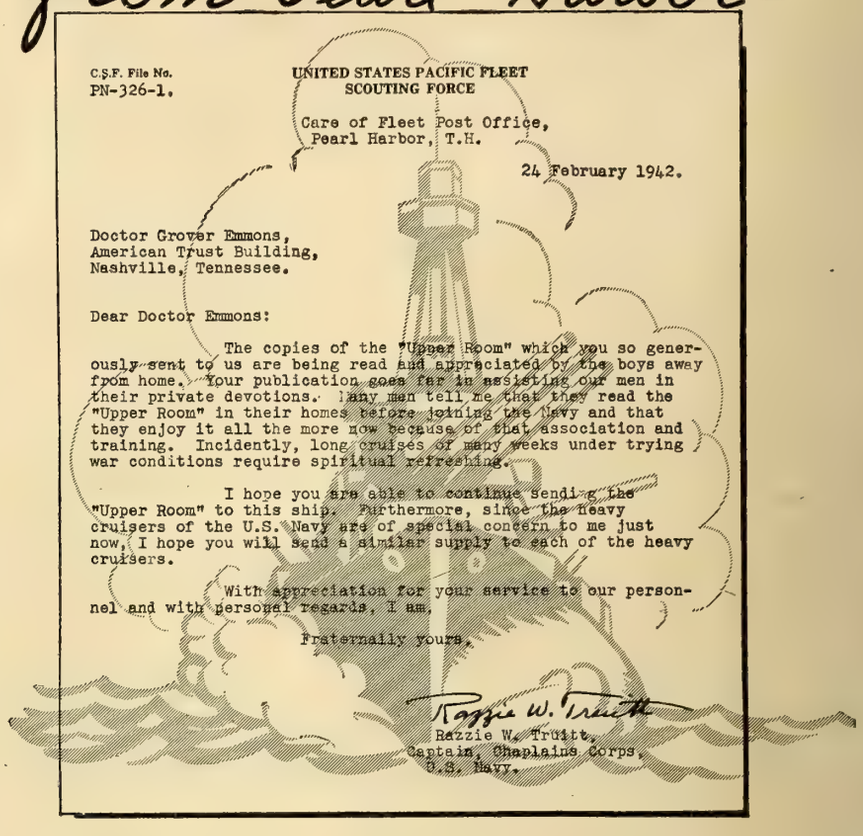
First, That her life was one of loyal service. She did what she could for the advancement of God's kingdom and the missionary cause. Her beautiful Christian character, her devotion to her church and friends have been a benediction to us, and we thank God for her life.

Second, That we wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to her family, especially her son, and may her God she served so faithfully comfort them as he alone can.

Third, That a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy sent to her son, and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

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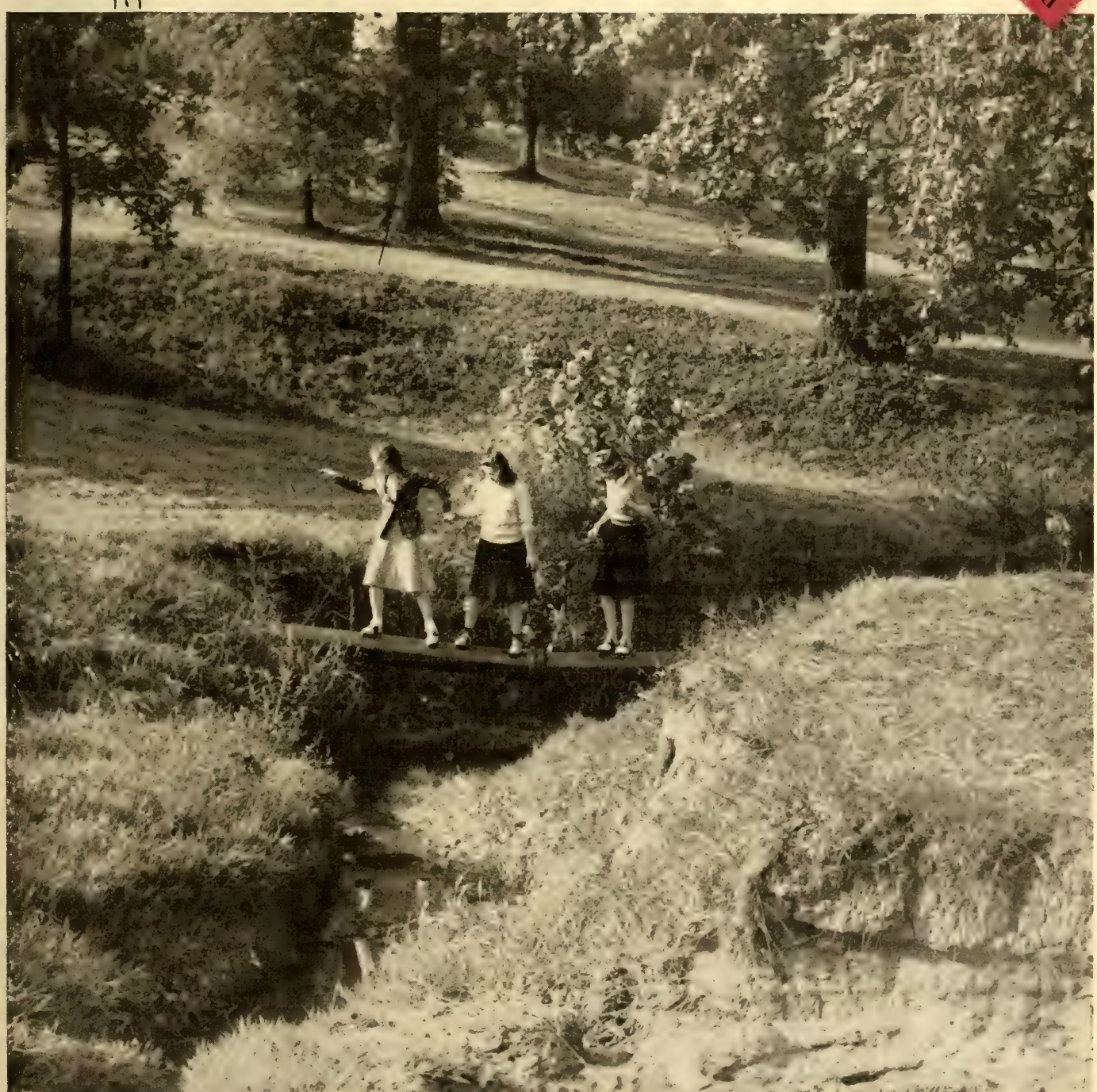
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Duke Commencement Has Patriotic Touch

Patriotic feeling was mixed with academic solemnity as Duke University conferred 854 degrees upon a group of young men and women ,of whom many shortly will enter military services and various war-time jobs.

Governor J. Melville Broughton was present to wish the young graduates godspeed in behalf of the state and to declare "we may look forward to the challenging days ahead with greater faith because of the men and women who go out into the world from our great institutions."

Hundreds of parents would not deprive themselves the pleasure of seeing sons and daughters graduate, and, despite transportation difficulties, one of the largest galleries in recent Duke commencement records was on hand for the morning exercises. Likewise, returning alumni and alumnae were present in unexpectedly large numbers for the annual luncheon program.

Departing from the practice of recent years, no honorary degrees were conferred by Duke.

All of the speakers on Duke's 90th commencement program noted the fact that the class of 1942, like that of 1917, is the first to graduate after the declaration of war.

Governor Broughton, President R. L. Flowers of Duke, and Dr. G. Ray Jordan of Charlotte, alumni speaker, referred to the peculiar responsibilities of the college graduate in his fitness and training to serve the nation during time of crisis.

Two hundred and three of the degrees conferred by the trustees were for work completed at the conclusion of the 1941 summer school. The degrees included 63 doctors of medicine, 21 bachelors of divinity, 23 bachelors of laws, 39 diplomas in nursing, 117 masters of arts, 58 masters arts, 58 masters of education, and 34 doctors of philosophy.

At its commencement meeting the Duke University board of trustees announced that the United States Public Health service has recommended an appropriation of $17,500 to Duke University to be used in connection with the training of an increased class of nurses and for the accelerated nursing program during 1942-43. Ninety pupil nurses will be admitted June 29, instead of October 1, as usual.

At the same time the trustees announced the acceptance of a grant of $10,000 made by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Mich., to the Duke University School of Medicine to be used for loans and scholarships for medical students.

J. Walter Lambeth of Thomasville presided at the alumni-alumnae luncheon which followed the graduation exercises.

Mrs. Margaret Frank Heath of Oxford, president of the General Alumnae Association, extended greetings of Duke's 5,000 alumnae. Dr. G. Ray Jordan of Charlotte spoke in behalf of the 25th year reunion class.

Added Notes of Interest

Werner Curt Brown, Norfolk, Va., who received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Duke University's 90th commencement, was also awarded the coveted Robert E. Lee prize for "having most nearly realized the standard of the ideal student."

He has been an outstanding member of Duke track teams for the last four seasons, while maintaining an unusually high scholastic average. He has majored in chemistry, and has also taken special courses in economics.

Brown is a member of Tombs honorary athletic order and Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership fraternity. He has served as vice president of his fraternity chapter, Alpha Tau Omega, and was also a member of the Freshman Advisory Council during his senior year.

With the graduating exercises this year Duke's family of living alumni and alumnae passed the 20,000 mark, Henry R. Dwire, vice president of the university and director of public relations and alumni affairs, reported at the meetings of the Alumni and Alumnae Councils.

There are 7,244 alumni and alumnae in North Carolina, 9,429 out of the state, and a total of 230 gave their last addresses in 34 foreign countries and territories (these last two figures likely to be somewhat different now due to the war).

Every county in the state except Clay is represented in the alumni files, and every state of the Union is represented, it was stated.

June 9 will mark the beginning of what promises to be the busiest summer in Duke history. With the government, industry, and the various branches of military service clamoring for college-trained men and women, Duke students, along with others, are in a hurry to get into the work that awaits them.

Too, an unprecedented number of current high school graduates are going to forego vacations, summer camps, and temporary jobs to plunge into their college careers ahead of schedule.

RESOLUTIONS CONDEMNING USE OF WHISKEY BY THE AMERICAN ARMED FORCES

Whereas, it has been observed that in those areas where whiskey stores have been set up or are maintained near military camps, it appears that the sale of whiskey has rapidly increased as the soldiers and sailors are sent to camps for training; and

Whereas, it is observed that the use of alcoholic beverages is a serious detriment to the development of a good soldier or sailor and that the use of alcoholic beverages also seriously impairs the spirtiual tenor of all people and is contrary to the making of best citizens and soldiers.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Elizabeth City district conference of the Methodist Church in session duly assembled at Windsor, North Carolina, on the 14th day of May, 1942, does now condemn and most earnestly disapprove of the use of alcoholic beverages by all people, particularly the soldiers and sailors constituting a part of the armed forces of the United States, and does now call upon the civil and military authorities to set up and maintain more rigid rules and regulations as to the use of alcoholic beverages by soldiers and sailors and to declare all military camps and areas frequented by soldiers and sailors prohibition areas and to prohibit soldiers and sailors from frequenting those places where whiskey may be obtained.

It is further resolved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the conference, a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and that a copy be sent to the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, and to the congressmen of the First and Second congressional districts of North Carolina and to the United States senator from the eastern section of North Carolina.

Adopted by unanimous consent and respectfully submitted.

C. L. Hardwick, Secretary.

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The Bible is not a text book in science. Neither is it an authority in mathematics. It does not contain the multiplication table nor the rule of three, but it does contain the golden rule and is the sufficient rule of faith and practice. It is God's Word and is good for everything that God intended it to be.

When his son flunks at college dad ceases to believe in heredity. He becomes at once a strong believer in environment. The boy got in with bad associates or the college faculty did not give the lad a square deal. But when the youngster stars in football and makes Phi Beta Kappa, then the old man swells up and boasts that success runs in the blood. With Andy he declares that such is the way of the Gumps. The boy could never have done it but for the Gump blood that ran in his veins.

The visible presence is quite valuable, but a sense of the invisible is of most value. The best things are not the seen. We need to learn the transcendant value of the unseen. Jesus said to the disciples in their sorrow at being left alone, "It is good for you that I leave you alone—that I go away." He would give them a new sense of appreciation of him as he left them to themselves, But the assurance of ultimate victory came with the assurance of the unseen presence. "Lo, I am with you always."

A questioning age is a progressive age. Society advances by raising fundamental questions and sometimes when they are not fundamental. The fact that one generation has declared the case closed is no reason that a later generation should not inquire into the same matter. Whenever a generation or an individual ceases to ask questions, dry rot is getting a hold upon that once green tree. Regardless of the calendar the young are invaribly asking questions. Old age is devoid of all questionings.

The world likes a winner. Humanity is especially partial to one who wins in the face of fearful odds. The highest and best that is written of the great company in white is, "These came up through great tribulations." The way of the cross leads home. The mount of God is a bloody mount, the summit of which is gained only by those who bear their cross. The easy way is not the road to victory. Victory waits on those who will pay the price of conquest—those who will march breast forward.

A dream of four centuries found its fulfilment in the completion of the Panama Canal. Columbus, who discovered America, was not sailing westward to discover an unknown land but was seeking a way to India. On one of his voyages Columbus spent weeks along the shores of Central America in search for a gateway to the west. Henry Hudson when sailing up the river that bears his name was in quest of a western gateway. These things took place even before explorers knew there was a Pacific ocean. But men of limited knowledge dared to dream and to seek the fulfilment of these dreams until they were fulfiled.

If God in his material universe does not make a difference in his treatment of good people and bad people, there is a long established notion that he ought. Jesus ran counter to this notion enthroned as it was in the minds of the Jew when he declared that God "maketh his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sendeth rain on the just and the unjust." Would it not be an impressive lesson if God should shut off the sunlight for a week or a month as a warning to the wicked or banish the rain clouds till the earth should become a desert? It may appear to us that God overlooks a great opportunity to impress folks with how bad wrong doing really is and at the same time to teach some really valuable moral lessons. But Jesus says that such is not God's method.

Bishop W. W. Peele Baccalaureate Preacher for Greensboro College

IN West Market Street church last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Bishop Peele of the Richmond Area of the Methodist Church delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the senior class of Greensboro College. He addressed his message directly to the graduating class, but the great audience that packed the church was none the less interested in his timely and interesting sermon.

The speaker urged in the first place that they learn to "live heroically" and pointed out that the conditions of the present age contributed to such living. For example, Milton who wrote "Paradise Lost," but Milton in his blindness added to the heroism of his momentous task. Handel wrote the "Messiah," but Handel at the time physically afflicted and his property gone, was the dark background of the "Alleluiah Chorus." With such illustrations he emphasized heroic living and that sacrificial service which is expected, especially of those with trained intellects and who are professed followers of the Nazarene.

The people of Greensboro were delighted to have in their midst again this highly esteemed gospel minister, who when elected bishop was serving as presiding elder of the Greensboro district, where his services were most highly appreciated, as has been true wherever he was called to serve as a Methodist preacher. And his record as bishop has been a repetition of the record that he made in North Carolina as an educator, a pastor and a presiding elder.

Doing the Job

A LITTLE while ago we heard a sergeant with the American forces located at present in northern Ireland answering questions over the radio. These questions pertained to Ireland and how the soldiers were enjoying themselves. His answers all complimentary to the "Emerald Isle" and its people. A final question was, "Do you want to go home?" This sergeant answered, "No; we have a job to do here. After that is done we will be glad to go home."

We have a job to do, is a big word with the army just now. One hears it on every hand: "We have a job to do."

And it is a big word in every department of life. If a ball player can hit .300 nobody cares where or how he learned to do it. Nobody cares whether he came from the cotton mill towns of the Carolinas or from the citrus groves of the Golden West. Babe Ruth came out of a Roman Catholic orphanage, but for almost a generation he was the home run king of Protestant America. And as in baseball, the same rule applies, or should apply, in every other department of human activities. The big question is, can a man do the job, and not how he learned it or where he happened to be born.

"Living on the Spiritual Capital of Their Grandfathers"

SAM WELLES, one of the editors of "Time," in his address, replete with fine utterances, which he delivered at the Associated Church Press meeting in New York City, perhaps, said nothing better than the following: "A great majority of the irreligious people of this country are living on the spiritual capital of their grandfathers." This son of an Episcopal rector and a high churchman himself who graduated from Princeton, than spent three years as a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, and since that time has been everywhere and become familiar with every aspect of life, does not hesitate to value religion at its real worth and has also a due appreciation of the spiritual worth of our grandfathers.

We have all seen these men and women of whom Mr. Welles was speaking. Instead of appreciating the traditions and records of their ancestors, they squander their spiritual heritage and live utterly unworthy of the men and women whose examples they should be glad to follow. Such is the tragedy of so many lives. They are prodigals who spend their heritage in careless or riotous living. What is a man advantaged in having a rich granddaddy if he himself by careless and foolish living is as poor as Job's turkey?

This thought of living worthy of those who have gone before may be applied to us as citizens. A catch-phrase, which is better than many of the catch-phrases that are on numerous tongues is this: "I am an American." Well and good, but what sort of an American? In these times of war have you the spirit of Patrick Henry, of Paul Revere, of George Washington and the men at Valley Forge? Are you an American to be classed with the men and women who laid the foundations of our nation? Are you an American to be classed with those pioneers who felled the forests, who builded their cabins in the wilderness and worshipped their God in the little churches of the

wildwood? What are we doing with the spiritual capital that we have inherited from those who have gone before? Are we wasting it or adding thereto?

The Bible in China

AMONG the notable Christian rulers of the nations of earth Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and that marvelous wife of his stand in the front rank. Many think of China today as one of the leading forces for Christianity in the coming reconstruction of the world. Along with these notable Christian rulers is another mighty force in that ancient land. It is the wide circulation of the Bible.

The Bible societies report that they sell more Bibles in China than in any other land. Whatever one may think of the Bible this fact is highly significant. Whether one regards it fact or fiction, ancient history or legend, the Bible remains the most revolutionary book ever written. It has ever transformed national life and individual character wherever it has gone. The Bible will certainly have a big influence on the China of tomorrow.

For China is no longer stoic lingering about the tombs of its ancestors. The people with all the enforced migrations resulting from the bombings and wreck and ruin of war are still alert and eager to hold fast to the best of their own as well as to gather the best of other peoples. The Christ and the Bible are making wonderful appeal to the great multitudes of China.

Wake Up Your Thinking

SOME writer whose name is unknown to us has set up a series of contrasts that are more than interesting. Listen to these terse contrasts and they may stir up your thinking apparatus and set it going in a fashion that will result in fresh thoughts:

"Theology defines; religion refines.

Theology is a matter of science; religion is a matter of conscience.

Theology theorizes; religion works.

Theology is a theoretical hypothesis; religion is a working principle.

Theology differentiates; religion unifies.

Theology is what you think about God; religion is the way you act towards God.

Theology erects seminaries for the study of God; religion builds churches for the worship of God.

Theology tears brothers asunder."

"All God's Chillun Got Wings"

THE old theology laid too much emphasis upon the idea that man had fallen, and not only had fallen, but that he is inclined to keep on falling. In a sense that is tragically true. But that old theology failed to put proper emphasis upon the glorious truth that man is born to rise. The theology of the negro spiritual is superior to many gloomy volumes of so-called Christian theology.

God meant that his children should fly and fly high. "All God's chillun got wings."

We all remember the story of the eagle that had been chained with the chickens, ducks and geese of the barn yard till he had lost his eagle spirit. But one day an eagle from the distant crag swooped down and awoke in the barn yard eagle the true eagle spirit and with a mighty effort he flew away to his proper home among the tall crags of the mountains. So it becomes a question of the spirit as to what use we make of our wings, whether we tarry in the barn yard or soar to the heights.

"They that wait upon the Lord shall mount up on wings as eagles." Yea, even to rise, "beyond the track of the outmost star and farther than ever star-dust swirled," to rise even to the throne of God.

So It Goes

GIVE one man a sand bank and he will convert it into a flower garden; give another man a garden and in a little while he will convert it into a desert. This is also the way with preachers. Send one to "Nubbin Ridge" circuit and he will convert it into a land of promise, to which the chosen of the Lord are glad to migrate. Send another preacher to the "best circuit in the conference" and he will in a few years be calling on the bishop and the superintendents to get him another pastoral charge because this is such an unappreciative people.

Bishops know two kinds of pastors, those that everybody would be glad to get and those that nobody wants. In an effort to get rid of the latter class is the source of the old saying that supers handle the truth carelessly at times. The old time horse trader got the same reputation by trying to trade a spavin or wind broken horse. Yet we are not sure that the sins of a lying horse trader should be heaped upon a spavin or wind broken animal.

✤ People and Things ✤

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Stanley Potter of Beaufort announce the birth of a son, Frank Grafton, on May 11 at Duke Hospital.

I am very anxious to locate a copy of Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon's book, "Doctrines of Personal Salvation." I wish you would run an advertisement for me in your paper asking for a copy. I will be glad to pay for same.—Harry Denman.

The sudden death of Rev. D. V. Howell, pastor of Brevard Street, Charlotte, has taken from us a devoted minister and has brought sorrow to a large circle of friends. We hope that the superintendent of the Charlotte district will see that a fitting tribute to this good minister be provided for this Advocate.

Rev. S. F. Nicks is to be the preacher in the Shiloh revival, Burlington circuit, June 7-12. Services in late afternoon and night that week. Rev. J. W. Groce, evangelist of W. N .C. conference, to be the preacher in the Bethel revival, Burlington circuit, June 21-28. These services conducted in faith; we request prayers.

The Asheville district conference was not one whit behind the other districts in passing ringing resolutions calling upon our representatives in Washington to use their influence in working for pending bills to do away with liquor and other forms of vice, especially those near our military camps.—N. G. Bethea, Member Temperance Committee.

Dr. C. F. Boss, Jr., secretary of the General Commission on World Peace, will teach a course at the Duke pastors' school on "The Church and the New World Order." This course was arranged too late to be included in the printed announcements of the school. But it is obvious how important this subject is at the present time, and it is to be hoped that many will choose to take this course.—Henry G. Ruark, Sec. N. C. Conf. Com. on World Peace.

Hon. Clyde R. Hoey is to be the speaker at the annual home coming at the Maiden Methodist church, Sunday, June 21, at 11 a. m. The pastor and people invite all former pastors and friends of the church to come and enjoy the day with us. We are exceedingly fortunate to have Mr. Hoey, and on that account we advise that you come early. A picnic dinner will be served on the grounds at the lunch hour. In the afternoon at 1:30 a program will be given by the children of the vacation church school.

Mr. J. F. Minnis, one of our missionaries to India, is to be located at Hillsboro during July and August and both he and Mrs. Minnis will be available for visits to our churches during that time. Mr. Minnis has had two terms of service in India in rural work. Words of high appreciation come to us from the board of missions and Dr. Donohugh, the associate secretary. Until the coming of Brother Minnis to North Carolina from Cornell University I shall be glad to make engagements for him.—F. S. Love.

The bulletin of First church, Asheboro,, contains the following note: "We extend a cordial welcome to Miss Doris Wharton, who, tomorrow morning, begins her official connection with First church as director of Christian education and young people's choirs. Miss Wharton has just graduated from Westminster Choir College and is well qualified for the position which she will occupy in our church. As we welcome her to our church staff we bespeak for her the complete co-operation of our entire membership."

The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. Thomas S. Donohugh of New York at the commencement exercises of Dakota Wesleyan University on May 26. Dr. Donohugh is a former missionary of the Methodist Church in India, and for the past 25 years has been an associate secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, administering Methodist mission activity in India and Africa. The degree was awarded in recognition of his outstanding service to Africa.

Union Grove church on Orange charge, located about midway between Hillsboro and Chapel Hill just off the highway, will hold its annual home coming and memorial services the first Sunday in June. The principal address will be by Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University at 11 o'clock. Dinner will be picnic style. In the afternoon there will be short talks by Mr. Charlie Davis of Roanoke Rapids, Rev. D. R. Williams of Graham, and others. The public is cordially invited.—C. P. Morris, Pastor.

The ministers' wives of the Elizabeth City district met at Windsor parsonage May 14 during the lunch hour of the district conference. Dr. Walter Patten spoke to us and encouraged each one to secure boys and girls to attend Louisburg College next year. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. W. N. Vaughn; vice president, Mrs. J. D. Cranford; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Chaplin. After a discussion a motion was carried to not have the yearly picnic because of the shortage of gas and oil.—Mrs. A. L. Chaplin, Sec.

Candler charge is almost out on World Service acceptance for the year; Snow Hill is paid in full. All churches paid 10 per cent Children's Home for year—going on unto perfection with fifth Sunday offerings. Montmorenci folks to repair and repaint church inside and out; money being raised; contract already given. Some 90 pieces of shrubbery set out around parsonage—going to have a park on this hill in a year or two. Montmorenci has ceiled hut with knotty white pine. Pleasant Hill put in new pews at cost of $350. Merrily we roll along.—C. W. Bates, Pastor.

Dr. E. K. McLarty, Sr., has just concluded a week of helpful preaching at First church, Morganton. Services were held morning and evening. Increasingly large congregations attended. There was a definite uplift in all the services. First church carried a good report to the recent district conference—63 members received this year, 30 on profession of faith; and all budgetary items paid in full for the half year. Feeling that a new church building is an imperative for the future, the church has raised the money to purchase a $10,000 defense bond, which will be placed in trust for the purpose of building in the future.—Fletcher Nelson.

The Methodist ministers and their wives of Rowan county were entertained at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Avett of Landis on Thursday evening, May 28. The home was beautifully decorated with spring flowers. Mrs. W. G. McFarland, chairman, presided over the business session, and it was decided not to meet again until September. Mrs. McFarland invited the group to meet with her and Mr. McFarland for the next meeting. During the social hour the group enjoyed games together. Rev. and Mrs. Avett served delicious refreshments. Those present other than the host and hostess were: Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Clark, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. West, Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Swofford, Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Weldon, Miss Elizabeth Oliver and Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Kirby.—Mrs. C. W. Kirby, Sec.

WALTER GREENE REALLY "GOES TO TOWN"

The rain, so much needed up here in the beautiful valley of Virginia, was pouring down, but this did not keep the official members of Roanoke Methodism from being present in large numbers on that rainy Friday night of May 15. The tables were beautifully decorated with lovely red rambler roses. The food was in abundance. Rich fellowship was much in evidence. Walter Greene was present for an address and really "went to town."

This occasion was the combined third quarterly conference of the churches of Roanoke, Salem and Vinton. The place was Raleigh Court church, Roanoke. Dr. Hubert Sydenstricker, district superintendent of the Roanoke district, had invited Dr. Greene to come. Bishop Walter Peele had suggested that this splendidly equipped lay leader of the North Carolina conference would "fill the bill" for that night's meeting.

It was the writer's privilege to present Dr. Walter K. Greene of Duke University to this great gathering of more than 200 official members. His challenge, from an intellectual and spiritual standpoint, was of a superb order. Nothing better has been heard in these parts from a Methodist layman in a number of years. Dr. Greene spoke with the cultural influence of a university campus, yet with the simplicity of his words carried conviction and authority. To have him as a guest in our parsonage was a very rich experience. He made a definite contribution to the cause of Christ and the advancement of Methodism in this city and section. Edward J. Rees.

BREVARD COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

In keeping with the general spirit of the times, the commencement program at Brevard College was somewhat abbreviated this year, and the results were apparently satisfactory to faculty, students and parents.

On Sunday morning, May 24, the annual commencement service was held in the Brevard Methodist church with Rev. M. T. Smathers, D. D., as the preacher of the occasion. Both students and faculty have come to have a very high appreciation of Dr. Smathers as district superintendent of the Asheville district, but on this occasion they became acquainted with him as a minister of the gospel and they were highly pleased with his inspiring message.

The annual alumni banquet was staged in the college dining hall Monday evening, May 25, with Rev. E. H. Nease, pastor of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church in Charlotte, as guest speaker. Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of Brevard Methodist church, acted as toastmaster. This is always an enjoyable occasion but this year it was unusually significant. Members of the graduating class, visiting alumni, members of the faculty, and several citizens of the community, enjoyed a period of good food and fellowship. Mr. Nease was at his best and so was Mr. Billups.

The final graduation program took place in the college auditorium Tuesday morning, May 26. Rev. Claude H. Moser, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, Gastonia, delivered the annual address to the graduating class which numbered exactly one hundred members. Taking as his subject "Confidence," Mr. Moser urged members of the class to rely upon the faith that a divine providence stands at the foundation of all things and that it is the business of the human being to relate himself properly to the Eternal. At Brevard College we always know that Claude Moser will give a good account of himself and that this applies to all platforms upon which he may stand. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, chairman of the board of trustees, made a short inspirational address to the large audience assembled. Music included a violin duet by Hubert and Julia Owen of Asheville and a vocal solo by John Roach, a member of the graduating class. The following students were graduated:

Margaret Marie Adams, Margaret Virginia Aiken, Margaret Alice Amon, Alex Arnold, Norma Lee Ashby, Jean Arline Bennett, Raymond Dotson Biddix, Smaro Lee Black, Shirley Elizabeth Blanton, Sims Blanton, Walton Herbert Boring, Hettie Lou Bridges, Earle Roberts Brinkley, Mavis Mozelle Bryson, Ruth Elaine Burgin, Mary Jane Byrd, Jesse Sylvester Calloway, Jr., Odell Gordon Carmichael, Hubert Earl Carter, Thomas Elijah Cartner, Everett Dinnerson, Caudle, James Hale Chamberlain, Clyde Louis Collins, Wiley Gayle Comer, Margaret Lea Corpening, Mary Jay Cothran, Dixie Elizabeth Courtney, Louise Waldrop Culver, Charles Marshall Curtis, Frances Aileen Dettmar, Romulus Jolley Duncan, Robert Hoyle Elliott.

John William Franklin, James Byron Freeman, John Beatty Garren, Carl William Gibson, George Washington Gordon, Robert Emmett Gregory, Patricia Earnestine Grimshawe, Helen Elizabeth Hampton, Johnnie Elizabeth Hamrick, Samuel Floyd Harrill, Ola Harwood, F. J. Henderson, Margaret Lucille Hendricks, Eunice Lovel Hitt, Lillian Irene Houston, Joseph Glenwood Jenkins, Joyce Elmore Kale, Juanita Lea Kays, June Cecil Keeter, Frank Thomas Laney, Jr., Russell Henry Lawson, Caryl Justine Lewis, Doris Ruth McGill, Doris McIntosh, Mamie Beulah McMurray, Frances McRae, Fred Herman Martin, Robert Lee May, Jr., George Thomas Moore, Martha Grey Moore, Josephine Add Lea Morgan, Roy Edward Norman.

Sylvia Jean Oates, Charles R. Owens, Clinton Enoch Parker, Sara Lois Parker, Reid Parker, Johnsie Marceline Peck, Marjorie Grace Perry, Charles Joseph Pickelsimer, Mary Helen Pickelsimer, Edith Evelyn Poindexter, Doris Megan Radford, Juanita Elizabeth Redict, Claire Belle Rhodes, John Grover Roach, Glenn Broughton Rogers, Flossie Maye Sellars, Ruth Smith Setzer, Mary Mildred Shacklette, Zebulon Weaver Shope, Mary Ruth Snow, Charles Frederick Spivey, Harold Kenneth Stallcup, Ernest Edward Starr, Charles William Strickland, Jr., Ray Franklin Swink, Gloria Olive Tweed, Dorothy Louise Tweed, Edith Loraine Vail, Agnes Lois Ward, Nellie Loree Ward, Benjamin James Washburn, Ruth Elizabeth Watkins, Berlin Lawrence Welch, Charlotte Frances Whisnant, James Robert Whisnant, Kathleen DeLoris Wilson.

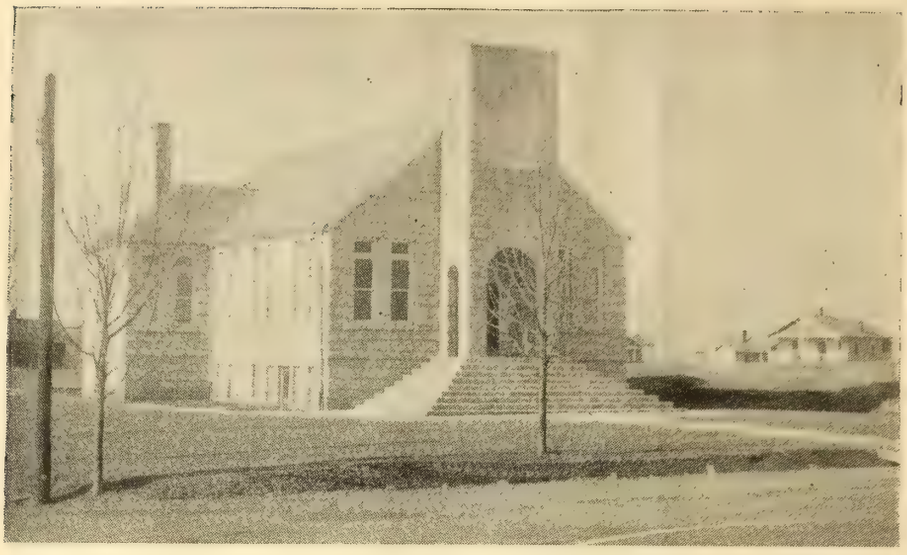
THE DUKE INSTITUTES VERSUS RATIONING

"Should I attend the Duke Institutes this year?" is one of the questions many ministers and lay workers will probably consider more seriously than usual. To find the right answer to this question, two aspects of the situation need to be considered. The first of these is whether or not one can attend the the institutes and still keep faith with the government in the matter of rationing of gas and tires. The vast majority of those who should take advantage of the institutes can travel by bus or train. The slight inconvenience entailed by such modes of travel should not keep anyone away from any important meeting. However, judicious use of automobiles is still permitted. Ministers have been granted freer use of cars in recognition of the value of service they render. No good minister will abuse the privilege by using the needed materials for non-essential service. But if several ministers in a given area will agree to come in one automobile, it will be the most economical mode of travel and at the same time will not in the slightest degree abuse the privilege allowed by the government.

Those who expect to attend the institutes should arrive not later than eight o'clock Monday evening, June 8. The office on the Woman's College campus will be open for registration at nine o'clock a. m. June 8. The university has limited dormitory capacity this year because of the summer school opening June 9. All available rooms will be assigned in order of arrivals. J. M. Ormond.

PLACES AND DATES OF OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCES

The schedule of fall conferences was released in Nashville last week. The Western N. C. conference will meet at First church, Charlotte, at 10 a. m. Tuesday, October 20. The date and place of meeting for the N. C. conference were referred to the cabinet which will meet in called session at Duke University, 2 p. m. Tuesday, June 9. It was necessary to relieve Goldsboro of the entertainment of the conference because of the large army camp now under construction there. Clare Purcell.



The new Rowan Church, near Salisbury, with complete new equipment



Bishop Clare Purcell

Dedicate Rowan Church, Sunday, June 7

The members and friends of the Rowan Methodist church are happy to announce their plans for the dedication of their new stone church building on June 7 at 3 p. m. Bishop Clare Purcell, Dr. C. N. Clark, the district superintendent, and Rev. Wade R. Bustle, the pastor, will be in charge of the ceremonies. Located about two miles south of Salisbury in the Rowan mill village, this beautifully designed stone edifice is ideally built for worship and suitably located for service to the people of the village and surrounding country. The new pews and pulpit furniture were finished to match and blend in with the wood work of the building. A very beautiful carpet has been purchased and placed on the pulpit and altar floors by a worthy friend of the church. A fully equipped heating plant has been installed which also may be used for cooling the building in summer. Class rooms, a kitchen, and an assembly room are located in the basement. The lot on which the building stands was donated to the church by the Rowan Cotton Mill Company. The entire cost of the building and equipment was near $10,000 and this amount was raised by sacrificial giving on the part of the members and friends, and by donations from the mill and the general and conference boards of the Methodist Church.

Begun first as a union Sunday school with the Baptist people in 1921, the nucleus of the church continued to grow until officially organized around 1922-23 with Rev. J. Max Brandon as pastor. Since then the church has been served by the following, ministers: V. O. Dutton Rev. Mr. Strickland, Harold Groce, V. E. Queen, Web Haggar, John James Powell, C. B. Ross, and W. R. Bustle. Meetings were held in the public school building nearby until the church building was completed in 1940. The construction of the new church actually begun under the pastorate of J. J. Powell and was completed under the pastorate of C. B. Ross. All former pastors and friends are cordially invited to attend the dedication service Sunday afternoon.



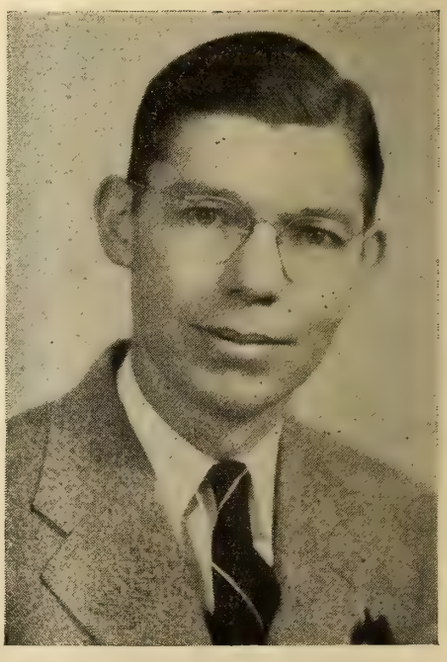
Dr. C. N. Clark, District Superintendent

DR. ALBERT OUTLER ADDRESSES YOUNG ADULTS

The young adult work of the Winston-Salem district was recently given added impetus by a most successful banquet held at Centenary church Friday night, May 22. A good meal and a full, encircling program were enjoyed by the 80 odd persons present. Dr. C. C. Weaver pronounced the invocation. Following the meal, with Mr. Zeb Barnhardt presiding, greetings were extended the group by Dr. W. A. Stanbury. Miss Becky Nifong, accompanied by Miss Virginia Lawrence, then rendered two lovely selections, and Mr. Grady Miller led the group in singing several well chosen songs. Rev. C. G. Hefner, district director of the young adult work, then introduced Dr. Albert C. Outler of the Duke divinity school. Dr. Outler delivered a challenging address to the group upon the general thought, "Shall we be passengers or architects of the forthcoming civilization?

The meeting was closed with the group's singing of "God of grace and God of glory" as the benediction.

Joe T. Shackford, Dis. Cor.



Rev. Wade R. Bustle, Pastor

Graduating Exercises of Greensboro College, Monday, June 1

With Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college, presiding the exercises included the conferring of degrees upon 77 candidates, the largest graduating class in the history of the college. Special music for the program included "Concerto in E Flat" (Listz) played by Mark Hoffman, dean of the school of music, Miss Blanche Burrus and Miss Mildred Town, both of the music faculty, at the second piano and organ.

Dr. Y. C. Yang's Address

Designating America, Britain, and China as the three great republics, with strategic positions in the future world reconstruction, Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, China, introduced his message "Sino-American Co-operation in World Reconstruction" when he addressed the Greensboro College graduating class Monday, June 1, in Odell auditorium, pointing out to them their obligation in a reconstructed world. Dr. Yang, first Chinese to hold the office of president of Soochow University, has been in America on two previous speaking tours, first in 1929 as guest speaker at the International Missionary Council, Memphis, Tenn., and in 1938, with the Bishops' Crusade.

Developing the idea of Sino-American co-operation, Dr. Yang pointed out that China and America have a natural friendship which is not a friendship between governments, but between peoples. "This feeling is not artificial, but is rooted in a common culture and Christianity," he emphasized, calling attention to the fact that American missionaries have taken the most interest in China and that there are more Chinese students in America than in all other western countries.

Continuing, Dr. Yang reminded his audience that in their friendship America and China have two tasks before them, winning both the war and the peace. "In winning the peace the interest of all peoples must be taken into consideration," he stated, "and they must be taught to see better, think better, and believe in a better world." Answering "Who will teach them?" he named educated leaders of the world, particularly those who have a Christian education. Dr. Yang pictured the educated man as Atlas with the world on his shoulders ,and urged the graduating class to undertake their share in world reconstruction.

Concluding his address, Dr. Yang stressed the fact that the character of the dominant power in Asia will also become the character of Asia. He explained China's character in terms of "humanitarianism, enlightened pacifism, and social stability," emphasizing one's self and spreads until it ends with improving and harmonizing the world." This philosophy, in direct opposition to Japan's nationalism, militarism, and imperialism, compares favorably with America's ideals and sustains the Sino-American friendship.

Sunday morning in West Market Street Methodist church Bishop Walter W. Peele delivered the baccalaureate sermon to seniors and their friends, basing his message on "Help save democracy by the application of principles of Christianity to affairs of the world."

On Sunday afternoon the Greensboro College orchestra, glee club, and Greensboro Meistersingers presented a varied concert in Odell Memorial auditorium.

The following seniors received diplomas Monday:

Misses Carolyn Albright, Winston-Salem; Rachel Hobbs Alexander, Clinton; Mary Hester Austin, Roxboro; Jean Ayres, Greensboro; Mary Baldwin, Ellerbe; Virginia Boren, Greensboro; Margaret Louise Brown, Asheville; Maymie Casey, Mount Olive; Elaine Causey, Liberty; Virginia Clarke, Lynchburg, Va.; Grace Osborne Clayton, Roseboro; Josephine Corbett, Wilmington; Margaret Cox, Greensboro; Sarah Cox, Goldsboro; Helen Cunningham, Greensboro; Elizabeth Curry, Richmond, Va.; Sarah Dameron, Yanceyville; Annie Davidson, Mooresville; Sarah West Davis, Weldon; Jean Davis, Guilford College; Elizabeth Dickman, Florence, S. C.; Hilda Douglas, Hillsboro; Florence Dowdy, Evington, Va.; Jean Edgerton, Goldsboro; Katheryn Edwards, Guilford College; Pauline Eggleston, Leaksville; Helen Finney, Elkin; Margaret Foard, Lenoir; Minnie Mae Franklin, Stem; Jane Giersch, Galax, Va.; Janette Gore, Waxhaw; Marie Haines, Merchantville, N. J.; Martha Harwell, Greensboro; Gladys Heffner, Maiden; Frances Hill, Hillsboro; Sara Hill, Kinston; Margaret Humphrey, Burgaw.

Carolyn Janssen, Winter Haven, Fla.; Mary Carter Jones, Ramseur; Frances Kelly, Mount Holly; Elizabeth Kendrick, Charlotte; Oma Kent, Greensboro; Janella Kirk, Cliffside; Jewel Lambeth, Trinity; Laura Jane Liles, Greensboro; Mary Lovern, Richmond, Va.; Margaret Brown Martin, Bethel; Velda Mecum, Winston-Salem; Anne Miller, Raleigh; Margraet Morrison, Chapel Hill; Margaret Nifong, Cherryville; Josephine Pepper, Thomasville; Helen Porter, Greensboro; Vivian Rathburn, Thomasville; Nancy Richardson, Pinehurst; Elizabeth Robertson, Raleigh; Jessie Simmons, Roanoke Rapids; Dorothy G. Smith, Bridgeton; Margaret Smith, Mooresville; Hilda Somers, Burlington; Elsie Stallings, Bridgeton; Etta Farrar Taylor, Greensboro; Octavia Temple, Kinston; Mary Jon Thomas, Jonesboro; Anna Marguerite Thomason, Lexington; Catherine Tucker, Greensboro; Frances Turner, Waynesville; Dorothy Wade, Conway; Nancy Wall, Leaksville; Lorene Weaver, Asheville; Rachel Whitaker, Greensboro; Mildred Whitener, Shelby; Susannah Wimbish, Greensboro; Frances Winstead, Roxboro; Sadie Wolfe, Mount Airy; and Martha Yarborough, Louisburg.



Graduating Class of Greensboro College, 1942

THE MARION DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Marion district conference was held in the Spruce Pine Methodist church Tuesday, May 19. This district, which stretches across the state from the South Carolina line to the elevated boundary of the Volunteer State, is working under the genial and enthusiastic leadership of Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S.

At ten o'clock the conference was called to order by the district superintendent. After brief devotions the roll of clerical members and district officials was called. G. R. Stafford was elected secretary with R. G. Nimon and M. W. Edwards to assist him. After the attendance of the lay delegates was recorded the committees, as nominated by the district superintendent, were elected. Miss Elizabeth Oliver then spoke, representing the board of education. The report of the committee on education was read by J. R. Duncan, chairman. Among other things the report called for the patronage of our Methodist institutions of higher education of our people and the holding of Bible conferences in every charge. J. H. Barnhardt then spoke, representing Duke University, and Mrs. E. J. Coltrane did the same for Brevard College and presented Miss Mabel Cherry, an instructor in that institution.

At this point the reports of the work in 23 of the pastoral charges were heard. Visiting brethren including H. G. Allen, E. W. Fox, J. S. Hiatt and G. W. Clay were introduced. H. G. Allen spoke for the conference Brotherhood.

At 11:30 the conference preaching service was held with the host pastor, M. T. Hipps, presiding and J. H. Barnhardt of Marion bringing the message on the subject, "The Relation of the Child to the Kingdom." At 12:30 the conference adjourned to the church lawn and partook of the bountiful lunch of excellent mountain food prepared and served by ladies of Spruce Pine, Avery and Bakersville charges.

The conference resumed at two o'clock and, after devotions, E. L. Walker of Forest City was elected district lay leader for the ensuing year, and A. W. Phillips of Spruce Pine and L. H. McNeeley of the Drexel circuit were elected his associates. E. L. Walker then made the report for the committee on lay activities and introduced Prof. Fred G. Brummitt of Bakersville, who delivered an inspiring address.

J. H. Barnhardt read the report of the committee on spiritual life and evangelism, in which it was declared that "never within our lifetime has there been a greater challenge to the church to present the great themes of Christianity to the people."

An ad interim committee on licensing and recommendation consisting of J. H. Barnhardt, J. O. Banks, F. R. Barber and H. W. Bell was elected.

Fletcher Nelson announced for H. G. Allen that 25 laymen had joined the Brotherhood during the lunch period.

The choir sang another beautiful anthem, after which the pastors' reports were resumed and completed.

R. C. Nimon read the report on young people's work and Mrs. Connie Cope, district director of youth work, spoke to it.

The committee on license and recommendation made its report through the secretary, F. R. Barber. Iverson McCoy Brendle of the Morganton circuit was licensed to preach.

Mrs. A. T. Abernethy, district president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, spoke on that work and in behalf of the Golden Cross Society. Miss Claudia Harbison, district corresponding secretary of the woman's society, reported on her work, and Miss Joyce Decker spoke about the work of the Wesleyan Guild.

M. C. Reece then made the report for the committee on quarterly conference records.

F. W. Dowd Bangle, on behalf of Morganton First church, Morganton North-Forest and Morganton circuit invited the conference to meet at Morganton First church next year, and the invitation was accepted unanimously.

E. L. Kirk, who holds an enviable record in placing the North Carolina Christian Advocate in the homes of his people, read the report of the committee on Christian literature. This was followed by the report of the committee on temperance read by M. T. Hipps. F. C. Smathers, district missionary secretary, then presented a very thorough report for the committee on missions, hospitals and homes.

W. J. Plint, for the committee on findings, reported that 51 per cent of salaries were paid for the year, 48 per cent of ministerial support items had been sent to the district treasurer, World Service acceptances were 52 per cent paid, $816 was raised on Brevard College, 150 persons had been received on profession of faith and 61 churches expected to hold vacation church schools.

McRae Crawford presented resolutions, adopted by standing vote, which expressed the gratitude of the conference to the Spruce Pine, Avery and Bakersville charges for the splendid entertainment consisting of "good food, kindly hospitality and Christian brotherliness." The conference adjourned ten minutes after four with the pronouncing of the benediction. It had been an unhurried session of work well done, fine fellowship and progressive spirit.

In spite of tire and gasoline rationing the entire district was well represented. The Spruce Pine church was an admirable place for the meeting. The building has been entirely redocorated and refinished recently. The generous service of the choir and the playing of the new memorial electric organ added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. The delegates could see readily that under the leadership of M. T. Hipps the morale of Methodism in the Spruce Pine area was excellent, and everyone was glad he came.

Garland R. Stafford, Secretary.

DR. C. F. WINBERLY AND THE REVIVAL AT SOUTH LENOIR METHODIST CHURCH

Dr. Winberly came to South Lenoir Methodist church on Monday after the fourth Sunday in April and preached for 11 days, which resulted in the conversion of a good number of people—perhaps 40 or 50—and a large number of members were added to the church.

The pastor, Rev. W. L. Harkey, was very fortunate in securing Dr. Winberly for his meeting. It is not often that an evangelist of the ability and experience of Dr. Winberly can be secured for one of our smaller churches, but Dr. Winberly's consecration takes him anyhere the Lord leads.

Dr. Winberly preaches the old time gospel—the sinfulness of sin and its awful consequences, repentance, justification, or pardon, and the sanctification without which no man shall see the Lord (Heb. 12:14), holding up the risen and glorified Lord as the only hope of a lost world. This is the message of the gospel.

A great many preachers of our day have no gospel message. They preach and maybe all their messages are the truth, and no error, but no one is convicted or saved—no one's soul is stirred. They say much about building the kingdom, or a new world order (and behold the new world order they are building), but they are bringing no one out of darkness into the marvelous light of God. What is the trouble with them? Let the word answer. Romans 1:16: "For I am not ashamed of the power of Christ unto salvation to every one that believeth." Peter 1:12: "Preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven." No one has a gospel to preach who desires not the doctrine of the baptism of the Holy Ghost or does not have the experience, for the Holy Ghost is the author of this salvation and the administrator, and when a man ignores him, his truth and his work, he had as well go at something else than preaching. I attended the meeting and enjoyed Dr. Winberly's preaching and was much helped by it.

Ebenezer Myers.

NORTH KANNAPOLIS METHODIST CHURCH

Recently our pulpit rostrum has undergone some very decided improvements that have added very much to the appearance and impressiveness of the church. The floor has been rearranged, a new chancel rail and kneeling board have been built, the choir loft has been improved and a door placed behind the choir loft for the use of the choir. This improvement makes our church much more worshipful as well as more convenient.

A new roof on one-half of the church, the work being done by free labor, is another improvement made necessary by recent storms.

A few years ago the property (house and lot) between our original property and the street corner of N. Walnut and Locust streets came on the market. Our people took advantage of the opportunity and purchased this property. This purchase made a debt which was met regularly. We are now out of debt. We are happy.

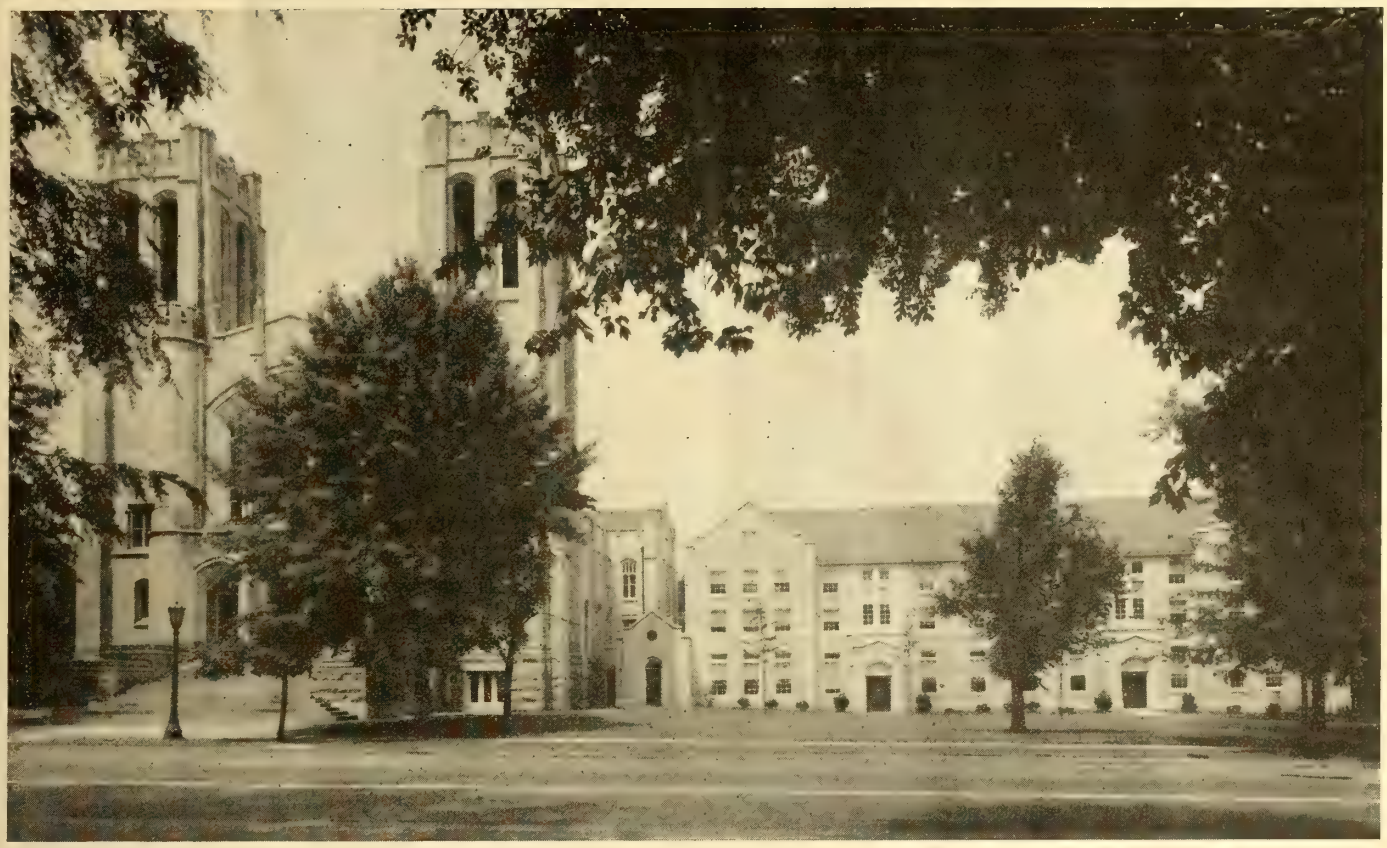
On Sunday, June 14, we are to celebrate the 15th anniversary of our church, which was organized with 15 charter members. At this anniversary Dr. C. N. Clark, the district superintendent of the Salisbury district, will preach. Dinner will be served in the church and the afternoon program will consist of appropriate music and good words from our visiting neighbors and former pastors. Among the interesting parts of the program will be the burning of the papers that have been against the church because of debt.

Our friends, and especially former pastors, are invited to be present.

One of the highlights of this anniversary occasion is the starting of a building fund which will be used in the building of a new church as soon as war time conditions will allow.

Geo. L. Curry, Pastor.

Dedication of Dilworth's New Educational Building Sunday



Bishop Purcell will dedicate the J. A. Jones Educational Building, Dilworth church, Charlotte, Sunday morning, June 7.

Dilworth Methodist church was organized by Rev. John F. Butt, a local preacher, in 1896. Mr. Butt was assisted in the pastorate of the church by Rev. George A. Page, who preached on alternate Sundays. The first church building was built with the personal funds of the founder, Rev. John F. Butt. This building was a one-room frame building at the corner of Worthington and Cleveland avenues. The lot was donated for the purpose of a house of worship by the late B. D. Heath.

In 1913, during the ministry of Rev. J. O. Ervin, a brick building was erected to meet the needs of the growing congregation. This building was used until the present church was built while Rev. George D. Herman was pastor in 1926.

The J. A. Jones Educational Building was completed in the fall of 1941, and was made possible by the generosity of Mr. J. A. Jones and his son, Mr. Edwin L. Jones. These two loyal members of Dilworth church supplemented very substantially a gift that was made possible by a resolution adopted by the congregation of old Trinity church, since a number of the members of that church came to Dilworth church at the time of the consolidation of Trinity and Tryon Street churches. This new building provides adequately for the church school from the nursery through the senior department, while the young adults and young people are housed in the main church building.

At Christmas time, 1941, a group of the members of the church and some friends gave to the church carillonic bells, installed by Schulmerich Electronics, Inc., Glenside, Pa.

The following pastors have served the Dilworth Methodist church: John F. Butt, Plato Durham, J. A. Baldwin, C. M. Short, A. L. Coburn, W. C. Jones, R. H. Kennington, J. O. Ervin, W. E. Abernethy, L. B. Abernethy, Lee A. Falls, Walter B. West, George D. Herman, G. Ray Jordan, John W. Moore, C. M. Pickens, G. T. Bond, L. D. Thompson, and Howard P. Powell.

FROM PHOENIX TO TUCSON, ARIZONA

After having lived in this city of Phoenix for more than 18 months, due to the serious illness of my daughter on whose account I came to the desert Southwest, we are moving to Tucson, Ariz. This is a marvelously beautiful state and the climate is glorious. Since residing here there has been no snow to fall in this Valley of the Sun, nor have I seen any ice except the manufactured kind. It seldom ever rains; in fact, I am sure as little as half an inch the past year.

Now, some back home will wonder why we are moving to Tucson. It is this: On three sides of Phoenix is desert, but on the west side is a rich farming section stretching for many miles. In order to produce, the farmer must have water. So the waters from the Verde and Salt rivers are impounded by the Roosevelt and Bartlett dams far in the mountains to the northeast and diverted by great canals running through the city for irrigation purposes. It seems, on this account, the air becomes ladened in the early morning. So for asthmatics the breathing is somewhat difficult until the sun is well up. At Tucson, in the desert proper, 125 miles to the southeast, there is no running water for many miles around, the city being furnished with water from deep wells. Hence it is far better for my daughter there. Therefore we are moving the first of June and our new address is 2522 E. 3rd St., Tucson, Ariz. We shall be glad to hear from friends there.

I rejoice in the added success of your church paper.

J. A. Dailey.

THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

With Charles Wesley's great hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," the Greensboro district conference was called to order by Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent. The site of the meeting was Midway church on the Haw River circuit, Brother T. V. Crouse, pastor. Brother Hayes led the opening prayer, invoking the blessings of God upon the district and all those who labor for the kingdom therein. After the election of a secretary, Rev. R. H. Laughlin reported for the committee on district conference minutes of the previous year. Then Dr. R. S. Truesdale, using as a basis for his meditation the Twenty-fourth Psalm, led the morning devotional. "The important thing," Dr. Truesdale reminded his listeners, "was to remember not who you are but whose you are." The text was "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof."

The committees for the day's work were announced and approved by the conference. The first matter before the conference was the report of the preachers of their work on their various charges. These reports, which were concluded at the afternoon session, were most encouraging. Many fine things are being accomplished in the Greensboro district. The work of the Wesley Foundation at Woman's College was then ably discussed by Miss Louise Penangot, secretary of that work. O. V. Woosley in his usual manner spoke for the hospitals and homes of the Methodist Church and brought greetings from the Children's Home in Winston-Salem. At this point Dr. and Mrs. Dixon, formerly heads of the Children's Home in High Point, were recognized in the audience and tribute was paid to them by Brother Woosley and Brother Hayes. Dr. E. J. Coltrane was present and brought greetings and appreciation for support for Brevard College. J. B. Craven then spoke for Duke University, paying tribute to the liberal policy of that great institution. Mr. C. W. Phillips spoke of the religious work on the campus of the Woman's College, calling attention to the fact that over 700 Methodist young women are a part of the student body there. He paid tribute to the Wesley Foundation work. Brother Paul Taylor spoke concerning his work at Oak Ridge Institute. R. L. Owenby represented the board of education of the conference. The secretary read the report of Mrs. O. D. Nelson, district director of children's work. Miss Hollyce Highfill represented the youth work in the district, calling special attention to the summer conferences. Brother Rollin Gibbs spoke of the work of the young adults and called for a greater emphasis at this point. A. W. Plyler spoke on the subject of Christian literature and called for a renewed devotion to the religious press and strengthened co-operation for the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The superannuate preachers of the district were then recognized and honored by the district superintendent. After the singing of a great hymn, Brother Hayes called on Rev. W. F. Ashburn for a prayer.

At this point Rev. Emmett K. McLarty, Jr., district missionary secretary, led a worship service on "Missions and World Service." As a part of the program brief addresses were heard from Mrs. Ira Shelley, district secretary for the woman's society, and Rev. R. M. Courtney, conference missionary secretary. This beautiful worship service concluded the morning's session. Then Brother Tom Crouse and his good people at Midway put food, food, food on the tables. The people ate and ate, but still there remained much food. It was a great meal. Midway almost was elected as a permanent spot for district conference.

The afternoon session was begun by a devotional period conducted by Dr. S. W. Taylor, district superintendent of the High Point district, who along with two other district superintendents were our guests for the day. Dr. L. B. Abernethy spoke for the Golden Cross and the Hugh Chatham Hospital at Elkin. It was an Abernethy speech. Raymond Smith then made one of his very best speeches in behalf of Christian education, with an emphasis on the work of Greensboro College. Following this came the laymen's period over which the district lay leader, Dr. L. L. Gobbel, presided. Dr. Gobbel announced a series of laymen's institutes for June 15, 16, 17, at which time Dr. James Workman of the General Board of Lay Activities will be in our district. The speaker for the laymen's period was Dr. Henry Louis Smith, distinguished educator, who spoke on "The Laymen's Task in North Carolina." Dr. Gobbel was elected lay leader for the coming year. The characters of the local preachers was then called and passed upon. Brother Donald Durham was licensed by the district conference. The afternoon was concluded by a period on evangelism led by Rev. J. W. Fowler, Jr., of Ruffin. The principal speaker for this period was Rev. E. E. Snow of Thomasville, whose subject was "Evangelism, the Transforming Grace of God." The meeting was adjourned with the benediction by Rev. R. C. Goforth, to meet again next year as the guests of the Methodist people at Pleasant Garden.

Kenneth Goodson, Sec.

ELKIN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Last week's Advocate carried many fine reports of current district conferences, but that of the "lost provinces" was not among them. Elkin district, led by its intrepid captain, Rev. A. C. Gibbs, held its annual session amidst happy surroundings at West Jefferson May 13. The charm of Ashe county by the middle of May is widely known, and on this occasion all of its nature enticements were there. The newly finished auditorium of the almost new church, fragrant and beautiful with flowers, provided an ideal staging of the smooth running program. Host Hoyt Wood and his committee were highly efficient.

Captain Gibbs had conspired to make it a good day for both soul and body. The spiritual messages were scheduled and were given by Rev. R. M. Hardee and Rev. A. C. Waggoner, at the opening and near the close of the morning session. Between these homiletic peaks, so to speak, came many items of commanding interest to the conference. In addition to the 31 pastors, all of whom made reports during the day, representatives of the accustomed institutions of the church were heard.

Rev. H. G. Allen presented the conference Brotherhood in cript and telling words. Soon he was smiling with a coat pocket full of new members among the lay delegates. Oscar Woosley and his 440 children furnished the next theme. He was so certain of the standing merit of his cause that he used half of his brief time in praising the Elkin Hospital and its faithful sponsor, L. B. Abernethy. The veteran Abernethy then took a bit of extra liberty in his double capacity of Golden Cross chief and missionary secretary and delivered an old fashioned Scotch exhortation to the Methodist hosts to "wake up and live" and get some work done for the Lord worthy of their numbers and their traditions. He was somewhere near his best form. Dr. Raymond Smith spoke for Greensboro College and the Christian Advocate, and did a good job for both causes. Dr. Chas. C. Weaver came over from his thriving Winston-Salem district and ably represented Duke University.

The laymen's hour was well handled under B. C. Brock's direction. The loss of their outstanding leader, Walter Worth, was noted with suitable memorial. Lay supervision of the district for next year was divided into three sections under three men, J. F. McDuffie, B. C. Brock and L. F. Amburn. Marion Allen of Elkin delivered the lay address.

Pastors' reports indicated a healthy condition in the district. Practically all finances were up to the 50 per cent goal. Condensed statistics will be furnished later.

G. C. Graham, Secretary.

P. T. DIXON'S GOOD WORK

Rev. P. T. Dixon, pastor at Morven, sends $17 for new subscribers and expects to send others. We thank Brother Dixon for his good work and commend his example to other pastors who are eager to do a good work for the conference organ and other interests of the kingdom of God.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hills, Liberty Ct.
*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

3*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

4*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.
T. J. Whitehead, N. Gates.

Fayetteville District

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"THIS AND THAT"

Too many people make a stopping place of a stepping stone.

There may be a vast difference between worship and church attendance.

Cash has more than a commercial value when it is controlled by character.

The serpent has never changed its nature since its first appearance in the Garden of Eden.

It may be necessary to tolerate faults in others, but it never is necessary to tolerate faults in ourselves.

Man's supreme sacrifice is in dying for his friends. Christ's supreme sacrifice was in dying for his enemies.

There is no good substitute for wisdom, but silence is the best that has been discovered.—H. W. Shaw in Christian Union Herald.

It takes a lot of horse sense to do team work.—Charley Grant in Christian Advocate.

"Teachers should not be the mere merchants of dead yesterdays but advance agents of unborn tomorrows." —Glenn Frank.

One of the outstanding miracles of the Christian religion is its record of great achievements with small resources.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

With the three district meetings to be held this week, the list for 1042 will be completed, and it is gratifying to know that these meetings are being well attended, with interesting and helpful programs and with encouraging prospects for another year of successful achievement in 1942.

The meetings to be held this week are: Statesville district at Newton, June 2; Gastonia district at Lincolnton, June 3; Charlotte district at First church, Charlotte, June 8.

REPRESENTATIVES AT ASSEMBLY (From W. N. C. Conference)

The following representatives from the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina conference attended the first assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church, at Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president; Mrs. C. N. Clark, vice president; Mrs. A. L. Thompson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., secretary Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary missionary education and service; Miss Amy Hackney, corresponding secretary of Asheville district; Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Charlotte district; Mrs. Wilbur Baber, Gastonia district; Mrs. R. J. Rives, Greensboro district; Mrs. G. C. Halton, High Point district; Mrs. H. C. Mangum, Marion district; Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Salisbury district; Mrs. T. V. Goode, Statesville district, and Mrs. J. G. Sterling, Winston-Salem district.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY SCARRITT COLLEGE

1942 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Scarritt Bible and Training School in Kansas City, Mo., and a very simple, but significant celebration will be observed in connection with the semi-centennial commencement this week (May 31-June 4), and the desire of the president of the institution, Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, is that "it should be the inauguration of an adequate program to meet the challenging demands of tomorrow, and that Scarritt College may be able to begin its second half-century adequately equipped to meet its full responsibility to the kingdom of God."

It is hoped that among the features of this 50th commencement program will be the dedication of the Gibson Memorial and the attendance of a large number of Scarritt alumni and other friends of the college. The Gibson dormitory represents an outlay of approximately $103,000 and is a worthy memorial to Miss Maria Lyang Gibson, the former principal of Scarritt Bible and Training School. Rooms, with the exception of the tower rooms, have been furnished by various individuals in groups in honor of beloved Christian workers, and it is the earnest desire that by the time of the commencement the tower rooms also will have been furnished, as most of the funds are now in hand, only about $900 remaining yet to be raised. Among the speakers for the commencement is Dr. E. Stanley Jones, who will give a series of four evening addresses, and three mornings will be devoted, under his direction, to a retreat for the deepening of spiritual life. "Scarritt College plans both its celebration of the progress of the first fifty years of its history, and the development of its program to meet the challenging opportunities of a new era."

A GREAT CHINESE WOMAN TO BE HONORED

Goucher College of Baltimore will confer the degree of Doctor of Laws on Madame Mayling Soong Chiang, wife of the Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, at its 51st commencement exercises on Tuesday of this week. Dr. David Allan Robertson, Goucher president, has announced that the diplomas awarded in absentia will be received by Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese ambassador to the United States, principal speaker at the exercises.

THE ASSEMBLY AT COLUMBUS

With approximately one thousand delegates in attendance, the first meeting of the assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church was held on Tuesday afternoon, May 19, at Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division, presided and the opening prayer was by Mrs. J. W. Mills, vice president. A feature of the afternoon was the message of Mrs. Bragg, "Facing This Hour," based on the Lord's Prayer, and preceded by a vocal solo, "The Lord's Prayer," by Mrs. Betty Dumaree, soloist. The service of communion was in charge of Bishop Lester Smith of the North Central jurisdiction and Bishop Robert E. Jones of the Central jurisdiction, assisted by Bishops Ralph S. Cushman, Arthur J. Moore and William C. Martin.

The evening meeting of the first day was held in Memorial Hall, headquarters of the assembly. Seated on the platform were Mrs. J. D. Bragg and the four vice presidents, and behind them were 165 of the missionaries and deaconesses of the woman's societies. The opening hymn was "Be Still My Soul," which was used at the opening of each morning service.

Dr. F. C. Laubach, missionary from the Congregational Church, brought the devotional message and Bishop Arthur J. Moore, president of the Board of Missions, was the keynote speaker of the evening, using as his theme, "To Serve the Present Age." He called upon the Methodist Church to launch the "greatest offensive" in history, saying: "We are in one of the critical and fateful hours of human history, with the furnace of life hotter than ever before. The world of tomorrow will be determined by the ideals we cherish, the goals we seek and the convictions we hold about man, about brotherhood and about immortality. Surely 8,000,000 people called Methodists, in this prosperous land, will rise to the emergency and launch such a missionary offensive as has never been known."

"Evangelism—the Christian Imperative" was the theme of Wednesday morning's session with a number of speakers delivering messages of inspiration and interest. Keynote messages were brought by two negro educators, President Thomas Elsa Jones of Fisk University, and President David D. Jones of Bennett College. Wednesday afternoon program had for its featuring message "Christian Social Program in the Crisis," delivered by Miss Katherine Lenroot of the Children's Bureau in the U. S. Department of Labor, and "Methodist Women and Social Welfare" by Mrs. James Oldshue. Wednesday evening's program was presided over by Mrs. J. C. Mills, vice president, and was based on the World Federation of Methodist Women, with a colorful procession of missionaries and "Messages from Many Lands," bringing close together the women of a score of nations where the Woman's Division is at work.

Of special interest at the Thursday morning session was the address by Bishop Edwin Lee on "Christianity's Battle Front in the Orient," and the keynote message by Mrs. Arthur Brin, of the National Council of Jewish Women, on "The Place of the Church in Planning for a Just and Durable Peace."

Thursday afternoon was given over to a panel discussion by the four commissions, with their findings presented at the Friday morning session, viz: Evangelism, Education, Social Welfare and World Citizenship.

Thursday was youth night and youth work in the local church and in home and foreign missions was presented most interestingly. Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons staff members of the Woman's Division directed ten separate groups in discussion of the work. Wesleyan Guild and children's work were presented at special mealtime meetings, and on Thursday at the First Congregational church a sacrificial offering was received for children in defense and war areas. Each noon day inspirational messages were brought by church leaders. Wednesday, Bishop Ralph S. Cushman; Thursday, Bishop W. C. Martin; Friday, Bishop James C. Baker. At the closing session on Friday afternoon, presided over by Mrs. Bragg, a pledge service was held led by the treasurer, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, and a recognition service, in charge of Mrs. L. R. Peel. Miss Mabel K. Howell and Miss Ruth Ransom preceded the keynote address by Dr. Homer C. Stuntz of Scarritt College. A consecration of gifts and service of the 1,250,000 women, members of the Woman's Societies, closed the first historic assembly.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THE FIRST ASSEMBLY

"For the Facing of This Hour" was most appropriately chosen for the theme of the first assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church which was in session on May 19-22 in Columbus, O. 3,120 registered delegates and visitors were in attendance, 708 of whom were missionaries and deaconeses. Keynote addresses were made by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president W. D. C. S.; Bishop Arthur Moore, Dr. Thomas Elsa Jones, Dr. David Jones, Miss Katherine Lenroot, Mrs. Arthur Brin and others. A number of bishops, missionaries and representatives of woman's work brought messages of hope, courage and challenge. Among the challenging thoughts emphasized were: "Christian fellowship without regard to race or group." "The church above nationalism," "Emphasis upon personal Christianity in every area of personal life," "Preparation for peace."

The approximately one and one quarter million women who comprise the membership of the six jurisdictions of the Woman's Division of Christian service have pledged $2,922,120.81 for 1942.

Since the uniting conference 53 Home and 39 Foreign missionaries have been sent out by the W. D. C. S.; 677 deaconesses, 106 homeland missionaries and 654 foreign missionaries; a total of 1,437 workers are now in service under the W. D. C. S.

Representing the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. were: Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, conference president; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Raleigh, conference secretary; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, Raleigh,, member of the board of missions and church extension. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, represented the Southeastern Jurisdiction, of which she is president. Miss Sarah McCracken, deaconess, now on furlough at the home of her parents in Durham, was also present. We are gratefully indebted to Mrs. Hood for sharing with us this and other information concerning the assembly.

PASTORS' SCHOOL

The 1942 program of the 24th annual N. C. pastors' school to be held at Duke University on June 8-13 is one of the most attractive which has ever been offered during the history of the school. Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Dr. Y. C. Yang, Dr. Thomas S. Kepler, Dr. Sparks Melton, Dr. Ganius Glenn Atkins, Dr. John C. Bennett, Dr. Walter T. Conner, Dr. O. E. Baker and Dr. B. G. Hodge, all of whom are outstanding Christian leaders, will be the platform speakers. Of special interest to members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be the course on Latin America, the fall study text, taught by Miss Oscie Saunders, field worker for the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The cost of the school is nominal, the profits gained by attendance are immense. Every W. S. C. S. in the N. C. conference which can possibly do so should send a representative, and every individual member who can attend should take advantage of the opportunities afforded at pastors' school. It is of special importance that those women who will assist in mission study classes next fall shall attend and avail themselves of the course taught by Miss Saunders.

SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS

Each summer a golden opportunity for inter-racial co-operation comes to the Woman's Societies of Christian Service in the N. C. conference in the form of defraying expenses of one or more delegates to the N. C. School for Christian Workers at Winston-Salem. The school is designed for negro pastors, missionary women, laymen and young people, and courses are offered for each of these groups. The dates which have been set for the 1942 school for Christian workers are July 6-11 and the place chosen is Hanes Memorial Institutional church. This year a youth conference will be held in connection with the school. The cost consists of one dollar for registration; three dollars for entertainment; one dollar for text books and the price of transportation. It is hoped that many societies will pay the expenses of at least one delegate as a summer project of the department of Christian social relations and local activities. Any further information desired concerning the school may be had by writing Mrs. L. V. Scott, 2359 Okalina Ave., Winston-Salem, N. C.

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

"Exploring the Bible" is a Bible study approved by the department of education and promotion of the Woman's Division of Christian Service and is intended to give a deeper insight and to stimulate interest in the matter of Bible study. On May 14 the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church completed a study of the text, having met in four sessions of one and one-half hours each. The Old Testament was taught by Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., assistant pastor of Edenton Street church. Studies in the New Testament were led by Rev. Robert L. Jerome, pastor Hayes-Barton Methodist church. Miss Daisy Bailey Waitte, Miss Frences Burkhead, Miss Mattie McDonald and Mrs. L. A. Watts contributed much in the devotional messages which they brought. Miss Waitte is secretary of missionary education and service of the Edenton Street Guild; Mrs. A. W. Hoffman is president.

MOORE-MONTGOMERY ZONE

Speaking upon the subject "Stewardship," Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, told the women in attendance at the Montgomery-Moore zone meeting at Page Memorial Methodist church, Aberdeen, on May 15 that "God has entrusted into our lives our time, our talents and many other things, but he has entrusted them to us to use and to share with others." After pointing out the characteristics of a good steward Mrs. Hood declared: "In our Woman's Society of Christian Service we have so many opportunities, so many varied ways to use our talents. We should use these opportunities to develop our talents." Other speakers on the program were: Mrs. Dan C. Lawrence, Sanford, Fayetteville district secretary; Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro, conference secretary young women and girls' work; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, conference secretary publicity and publications; Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen; Mrs. Dan Ferrell, Aberdeen, and Miss Alberta Monroe, West End. Dr. S. A. Maxwell led the opening worship and Mrs. B. Cole, Sanford, led the afternoon devotional. Mrs. F. W. Cummings extended words of welcome, to which Mrs. J. G. Downing, Carthage, responded. Mrs. Mark Walker and Mrs. A. K. Pennington sang "Beyond the Sunset." Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage, zone leader, presided.

NEW BERN DISTRICT MEETS

The annual conference of New Bern district W. S. C. S. was held at Tabernacle church, Snow Hill charge, on May 15. The conference sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Russell, New Bern district superintendent. Leading the meditations were Rev. B. O. Merritt, Snow Hill, Mrs. J. Q. Patrick, Pikeville, and Rev. E. M. Hall, Grifton. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern district secretary, told of the work of the district, stating that the district led the conference in number of new societies in 1941 and that already this year five new societies have been organized. Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Goldsboro, conference treasurer, gave an inspirational message; Miss Ruth Brooks, deaconess on the Person circuit, brought interesting information concerning her work; Miss Mary McSwain talked on the work in Brazil. Discussions of several departments of work were led by Mrs. Leon Russell, New Bern, young women and girls' work; Mrs. W. A. Cade, Goldsboro, children's work; Mrs. Gertie Matthews, mission and Bible study. Mrs. R. W. Bynum, Jr., graciously welcomed the guests to which Mrs. Gertie Matthews responded. Solos were sung by Mrs. L. H. Cutler, Jr., and Mrs. T. Sloan Guy. Mrs. Gertie Matthews presided. Mrs. W. E. Howard was appointed secretary. Rev. W. H. Brady, Vanceboro, pronounced the benediction. An invitation to meet in 1943 at Centenary Methodist church, New Bern, was accepted. Queen Street, Kinston; Jarvis Memorial, Greenville; Pink Hill, Seven Springs, Thompson's Chapel, Beston and Salem societies were awarded certificates for mission and Bible study classes.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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SOMETHING DIFFERENT

In delivering the graduating address at Pfeiffer College this morning Dean R. B. House of the University of North Carolina stated that he spoke from notes. He then took from his pocket a harmonica, better known as a mouth harp, and proceeded to play a breakdown. His notes so enthused the audience that they applauded vociferously. Whereupon the speaker announced that if he used more notes his speech would be prolonged. He then stated that there were three things a speaker need to keep in mind—get up, speak up and shut up. Dean House then proceeded in a most entertaining and convincing way to speak on living with oneself, one's neighbors and one's God. His speech was a masterpiece of human interest stories and commonplace philosophy of living.

IN THE FULLNESS OF TIME

Misses Imogene Williamson and Virginia Baker graduated from Pfeiffer College this morning. It seems only a little while ago that they were taken down one September morning for enrollment in this college. In fact, two college years have passed and the girls are now ready for the next step. Only a little while ago, it seems, Miss Dorothy Griffith enrolled in Appalachian State Teachers College. Now she has graduated after four successful years of work and study. She is now ready to enter into her athletic and teaching career. She was one of the most outstanding feminine basketball players we have ever had, and, for that matter, as good as any who has ever enrolled at Appalachian. In the fullness of time the youngsters do come along into readiness of service.

BAREBACK ACTION

On the way home we came by "Salem bottoms" to see how the boys were getting along separating the Johnson grass from the corn. Away up in the bottom working in the long rows were some 20 barebacked boys plying their hoes. Shirts get in the way with our farm boys and are usually hung up in a nearby tree while the work is going on. In a few days when the high school graduating exercises have got through evercising the number of barebacked boys will be doubled in our corn fields and in our harvest fields. It can truthfully be said that our youngsters have a mind to work and a willingness for action.

SILENT THINKING

Yesterday morning in the junior-intermediate department of our Sunday school nearly 200 boys and girls bowed their heads in grateful gratiture as they silently gave thanks for their friends who on that day in their church school would be making contributions to their maintenance. In the period of silence only the leader in a few words spoke what the boys and girls were evidently thinking. We have a feeling that tomorrow's mail and the mail of other days will be bringing in good tidings of great joy as the checks and post office money orders reveal what our friends have done for our 440 children.

RAISING AN ORPHAN

In the recent heavy rain and wind storm a robin's nest was blown out of a nearby tree. The little watchers noted that the young birds were thrown out. One could fly a little and went off with the mother bird. Another was hit by a hailstone and was killed. The third, the least active one in the bunch, was partially drowned. When the rain stopped sufficiently the Anna Hanes cottage boys, the six, seven and eight-year olders, adopted the little half drowned bird, placed him under the jack stove and proceeded to administer such forms of first aid as they were capable of. Soon the bird revived. Worms were found. Little pieces of meat were secured and the bird grew in stature and in favor with the boys. It wasn't long until he would jump from one place to another and even fly a little bit. At length an older robin came by and the little orphan seemed to hesitate whether to leave the boys or go with what they called the mother bird. Finally the little bird went over into a nearby garden but soon came back to hobnob with the boys. But on the following day the young bird went away with the older bird while the little boys stood in silence but with the understanding that that was the way it should be.

MORE THAN ROBINS

There are more than robins at Robbinsville, the county seat of Graham county, bordering the Tennessee line. There are some good contributing Methodists over there who believe in the Children's Home. Already our Robbinsville friends have overpaid their apportionment and supplementary apportionment and are still going strong. They are led by Rev. H. D. Garmon, a product of the former Methodist Protestant Children's Home at High Point.

Probably the greatest overpayment percentage of all apportionments made so far this conference year is now to the credit of Ramseur-Franklinville charge, always good Children's Home supporters but now better than ever. This charge is led by Dr. J. E. Pritchard, former president of the North Carolina Methodist Protestant annual conference.

NEVER A DULL MOMENT

There is never a dull moment for those of us here at the Children's Home who have a real interest in our large family of children. There are no times in which boredom takes possession of us. Something is always happening. If it isn't good it is bad. It is never indifferent. To those friends who don't seem to understand why we can't be making trips with the singing class or going off to fill some pulpit on Sunday morning we continually remind them of the fact that we live with 440 children ranging in age from a little less than two to a little over nineteen years of age, each one of whom counts for one and every one of whom demands attention of one kind or another. Sometimes it would be a good deal easier to go off and talk about our children than to stay at home and talk with our children. We think the latter is more important.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

Since the coming of warm weather and the closing of formal indoor instruction outdoor exercises have come into operation with our family. Reading lessons similar to that portrayed in the accompanying picture, as well as other learning processes, are now done outdoors. The swimming pool will be opened next week and baseball, hard and soft, will be played by various groups each afternoon.

CHEERING MESSAGES

Messages recently received from Messrs. Fred N. Tate and R. O. Lindsay, two valuable Children's Home trustees who live in High Point, are to the effect that Brother Tate is recovering from his serious illness slowly but surely. Brother Lindsay has returned from wintering in Florida and is hale and hearty. Both of these good fellows write cheering words of concongratulations over the management of the Children's Home.



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SINGING CLASS—Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "The class from the Methodist Orphanage was on the Burlington circuit with Rev. M. C. Ellerbe for two concerts on May 24. The morning service was at Fairview church, and the afternoon service was at Bethel church, where they observed home coming day. A large crowd attended and dinner was served on the lawn. We had very attentive congregations out for both services. Mr. Ellerbe always advertises our visits and gives us a cordial welcome. We enjoyed the day."

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MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES—The annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage will be held on Wednesday, June 10. Preceding the meeting of the board there will be interesting exercises by the children in the Vann auditorium beginning at 10 o'clock, to which the members of the board of trustees and the public are cordially invited. It is earnestly hoped that every member of the board will be present on June 10.

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COMMENCEMENT — On Friday night, May 29, ten of our boys and eight of our girls graduated from the Raleigh high school. As far as I am able to ascertain this is the first time in the history of the Orphanage that we have had more boys than girls in our graduating class. I am happy to state that all the members of our senior class had positions awaiting them upon their graduation, except those who go to college, take business courses or go in training to become nurses. Through the years we train our boys and girls to become self-supporting upon graduation, with the exception of those who wish to take business courses, go in training to become nurses, or those who wish to go to college.

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FARM ACTIVITIES—For the past two weeks our boys have been working early and late saving hay and cultivating our truck farm. Last week we saved about 75 or 80 thousand pounds of hay. We are now getting a large supply of vegetables from our truck farm. Since school is out we expect to catch up with all our farming activities at an early date. All the work of the Orphanage is done by our boys and girls under supervision. The public has no idea how much work our boys and girls do each day. The right kind of education, in my opinion, must train the hand, the mind and the heart. That is the kind of training that we are endeavoring to give our sons and daughters at the Methodist Orphanage.

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"WHAT IT DID TO ME"—Some time ago I was talking with a prominent lady, who told me that she had helped a deserving young man at the time of his greatest need. Her service was highly appreciated by the young man in question. Then the lady made this significant remark: "What it did for me on the inside was far greater than what I did for the young man." Something always takes place on the inside of us when we do an unselfish deed or render timely service. More people would be happy if they followed the example of this elect lady. The Methodist Orphanage furnishes many opportunities for people to do more for our children. As I travel over the conference I meet a great many friends who never grow weary in doing noble deeds for our boys and girls. I trust that the number will greatly increase as time goes on.

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COUPONS—I am deeply grateful to the Societies of Christian Service for the coupons which are being sent to us each week. Our large dining hall floor is badly in need of battleship linoleum. It will cost us about $1500 to cover the dining hall floor with battleship linoleum. If all the societies of Christian Service will redouble their efforts, we can get enough coupons with which to buy the linoleum by early fall. Our small dining room girls have to scrub the floor two or three times each week, which is more than they should have to do. When we get the battleship linoleum on the floor, they can mop the floor without having to exert themselves to such an extent. It is impossible to keep wooden floors in a good santitary condition where a thousand miles have to be served each day. I think our good women want to save our little girls from such laborious efforts along this line. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, secretary of the North Carolina Conference Society of Christian Service, knows of our need, and is appealing to the local societies of Christian service for coupons with which to buy the battleship linoleum.

LIVE AND LET LIVE

"Live and let live!" was the call of the Old—
The call of the world when the world was cold—
The call of men when they pulled apart—
The call of the race with a chill on the heart.
But "Live and help live!" is the cry of the New—
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Advance registration is necessary. In order to insure a place in your delegation send your registration application to Rev. R .W. Bradshaw, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C. A fee of $2.50 must accompany this registration. The quota for the North Carolina conference is 30. Additional information about this conference may be secured upon request from the Board of Christian Education, Durham.

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When the National Convocation meets at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, on Septmber 1-5, it will be the first large nation-wide gathering of Methodist youth since unification. The eyes of the church will be focused upon this group as they think and plan together under the guidance of outstanding religious leaders. There is need for such a meeting of youth. It will be a rare privilege and opporunity to study and plan with the keenest youth of Methodism.

Who Should Attend

1. Youth. All Methodist youth, whether connected with local Methodist Youth Fellowship groups or with the Methodist Student Movement. Of ficers and leaders will be greatly benefited by attending. It seemed advisable to limit the conference to about 1,500 delegates. The quota for the North Carolina conference has been set for 18 young people and five adult leaders.

Cost

Room and board for the conference will be $8, registration fee $5, total $13. All delegates will be housed in comfortable, modern dormitories of the university and all meals will be served in the dining halls.

Theme and Leaders

The theme for the convocation is "For the Living of These Days" and the following nationally known speakers have agreed to paticipate: Dr. Walter Van Kirk, radio commentator "Religion and the News"; Dr. E. Stanley Jones, world missionary; Dean W. J. Faulkner, Fisk University; Bishop Paul B. Kern, bishop Nashville Area; Prof. Albert Outler, Duke University; Dr. James S. Chubb, executive secretary, Kansas conference.

Upon request a leaflet giving details of the convocation may be had from the board of education office.

We have one registration for the convocation to date and that is the registration of Walter McDonald of Durham.

REGISTRATIONS

Registrations for our summer assemblies are coming in every day and present indications are that we will have the largest attendance in the history of our assembly program. We would urge all churches planning to send delegates to send in the registrations as soon as possible so that their delegates may be assured of places in the assembly of their choice.

"CHAUFFEURS"

It has been suggested to us that some adults who drive to Louisburg from a distance to bring young people might like to stay on at Louisburg for the four days rather than having to return home and then come back for the delegates. We have a limited amount of space that we can use to make this arrangement possible for those who might want to stay. The number we can accommodate is limited, but reservations of this kind will be accepted in the order received. The cost of this entertainment will be $5 per person.

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Windsor	.95
Total	29.94

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Vass	6.85
Total	13.40

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Morehead City	21.68
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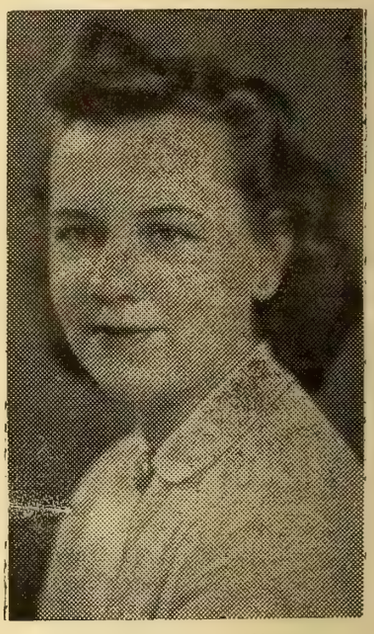
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Wilmington, Fifth Ave.	20.00
Grand total	149.43

MISS MILDRED WHITENER

Miss Mildred Whitener becomes director of religious education of First Methodist church, Henderson. She assumes her duties next Sunday.

Miss Whitener received her degree this week from Greensboro College,



Miss Mildred Whitener

where she had taken courses specializing in young people's activities.

Miss Whitener, a junior transfer to Greensboro College from Sue Bennett College, London, Ky., has been an active participant in all college extracurricular activities. A member of the Emerson literary society, she has been assistant college editor of the yearbook, literary editor of the newspaper, and editor of the Handbook. This year she served on the publications committee of the Y. W. C. A., from which she has been college representative to a number of student conferences and summer assemblies.

Miss Whitener is also a member of the Raymond A. Smith Religious Education Club. Before coming to Greensboro College, she served as first vice president of the Danville district Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Kentucky Methodist Student Movement, as well as being editor of the Sue Bennett College newspaper. During the past college year she was Greensboro College correspondent for the Greensboro Daily News.

She has served as councilor of a number of summer camps, including the Methodist camp at Lake Junaluska, N. C.

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SPRUCE PINE METHODISTS ARE BUSY

Those attending the Marion district conference, entertained by Rev. M. Teague Hipps and his people, found many evidences of real growth. The new carpet which covers the aisles and the altar adds to the general beauty and quietness of the sanctuary. A new altar rail, flower stands, and pulpit furniture are in keeping with the increased beauty of the room and make it a fitting setting for worship.

Through the generosity of Mrs. C. C. Robbins a new Orgraton organ has been given in memory of Mr. C. C. Robbins, long a leader in the Spruce Pine church. It was dedicated on Palm Sunday, the anniversary of Mr. Robbin's birthday. The entire congregation sincerely appreciates this gift.

Changes have not stopped with the auditorium. Fresh new curtains, adequate cabinets for materials, and a newly arranged worship center have been provided for the children of the church school.

Neither was the parsonage forgotten. This comfortable, attractive home is being made more convenient by the furnishing of the kitchen with a complete set of cabinets. Those who have contact with kitchens will know how much these will be enjoyed and appreciated.

In addition to the physical evidences of good work, the spirit of these people is unusually fine. It is good to visit such a church and community. Our very best wishes go to the Spruce Pine congregation, their pastor and his family.

Sylva Area Takes a Big Step Farward

Beginning on Sunday, May 10, the people of Sylva and the nearby section entered into a school for Christian tian workers. The response to this school was so fine that one is tempted to go into superlatives in reporting it.

The pastors of the various churches involved, with their committees, did a superb piece of work in enlisting the loyalty of a grand group of workers. More than one hundred were present each evening, with 82 persons qualifying for credit. The three classes were: The Methodist Church in Service, taught by Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick; What It Means to Be a Christian, taught for young people by Rev. McMurry S. Richey; and How to Teach in the Church School, taught by Miss Elizabeth Oliver.

Churches sending representatives were: Sylva Baptist, Bryson City, Cullowhee, Love's Chapel, Royston, Georgia; Sylva Methodist, Webster, Wesleyanna, Worley's Chapel, Whittier. The following pastors attended the the school and brought their workers: W. E. Andrews, B. C. Moss, C. O. Newell, R. G. Tuttle, McMurry S. Richey.

The school met in the new education building at the Sylva church. Mr. Tuttle and his people have planned, built and paid for this excellent brick structure since conference. It is beautifully finished in pine paneling throughout. This building is planned for juniors, intermediates and young people, and has class rooms, assembly rooms—one of which is a large room with a great fireplace in one end, to be used as a dining room and also as a meeting place for young people. The kitchen is being equipped with complete sets of silver and dishes, and will add much to the usefulness of the building. Many people have given of their time, energy, and funds to make this dream come true for the Methodists of Sylva. Mr. Tuttle and his workers are doing a good piece of work and are going forward wonderfully.

CAMP CARLYLE, JUNE 6-13

A nurse has been secured and the staff for camp is now complete. At the time of this writing there are enough registrations in hand or requested to fill the camp the week of June 6-13. The response has been most encouraging and is indicative of success for our summer activities at Carlyle and at Junaluska.

As of this date, June 1, we can still take about twelve boys and about forty girls at Camp Carlyle the week of June 13-20. Registration cards filled out in detail along with the registration fee must be in hand before places can be reserved.

Young Adult Fellowship Camp and Senior and Young People's Assemblies

Registrations are also being received for these activities. In the face of difficulties our people are planning to attend. Send your registrations at once.

VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS ARE COMING IN

With special joy we acknowledge the first reports of vacation schools. Many others are now in progress, and others have been held whose reports have not yet come in. Let us know about your school. The following reports have come in:

New London, Mrs. Ernest Widenhouse.
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Children's Storyland



LITTLE PRINCESS SHANTI'S JALSA

Little Princess Shanti was having a jalsa, which means a party. It was a birthday party, and such a birthday party never was! All the little noble children from far and near were invited—one hundred of them. They were playing in the great council room, and having such a good time. My, how they did romp and scamper!

On a table in the middle of the veranda was the birthday cake. My, me! what a cake! It wasn't one cake, but six cakes, because the little Princess was six years old. And the last cake was the biggest, and the first one was the littlest. All six were piled one on top of the other like building blocks.

When Princess Shanti and her guests had eaten all the fruits, nuts and sweets they could possibly eat, they ran back to the big council room again.

There the servants children and the unfortunate children of the city were standing about watching the party. One little girl, Phulwa, which means flowers, was a cripple, and her big brother, Sunni, had to carry her.

When everyone was tired with racing and playing they gathered around a big table loaded with toys. The Princess began to give the toys to the guests.

Little Phulwa watched so wistfully. When the Princess took up a beautiful big Kewpie doll and gave it away to a dear little girl, Phulwa put her hands over her eyes and cried.

Sunni said, "Why do you cry, Little Sister?"

And Phulwa answered, "I have no doll, and oh, Big Brother, the Kewpie doll is so beautiful!"

Now, just at that very moment the little girl with the Kewpie doll happened to be coming toward Phulwa and Sunni. Sunni put his little sister down on the floor and waited till the little girl had come quite close. Then he snatched away the doll from the little girl and gave it to Phulwa.

The children screamed and shouted, and a big servant began to beat Sunni, and the Princess' father, the big Maharajah, came running out of his room to see what was the matter.

"What?" said he. "Tears on the Princess' birthday! This won't do. Now tell me all about it."

"My little sister has no doll," said Sunni, "and Princess Shanti has so many. I only took one Kewpie doll."

The little Princess stood quite still for nearly half a minute. She was thinking hard. She put her arms about the neck of the little girl who had the Kewpie doll.

"Will you give me the Kewpie doll back for my birthday?" she asked.

The little girl said, "Yes, of course, because you are the Princess."

So Shanti took the Kewpie doll and gave it back to the little crippled Phulwa, and then she said to her little friends, "I have given each of you a toy. Will you give it back to me?"

And they did, because she was the Princess, you know.

Shanti gave each toy to an unfortunate child.

And when all these children had each been given a toy, she said, "And now, father (he was the big Maharajah, you know), let us give these children the rest of the birthday cake and fruits and sweets."

And they did. And everybody said the little Princess Shanti would grow up to be a kind, beautiful Maharani. And she did.—Apples of Gold.

THE WAY OF IT

A little boy made him a wee snowball
And rolled it about in the snow;
And it gathered the crystals and clung to them all,
And oh! how that snowball did grow,
Oh, my!
You've made one, of course, so you know.

A little boy whispered a word one day
Unkind of some one he knew,
And each one who heard it reported his way
The story till, oh, how it grew!
Oh, my!
And a heartache was caused by it, too!

Two little red mittens the small ball rolled,
That grew in such a magical way,
And a little red tongue was the one that told
The tale that grew big in a day.
Oh, my!
Be careful, wee tongue, what you say!

—Child's Hour.

THE TWIN UMBRELLAS

By Grayce Krogh

Joan hurried along the wet pavements toward the schoolyard, carrying her little green umbrella in one hand and her school books in the other. It had rained all night, though it was not raining now.

"Oh, dear," Joan wrinkled up her nose in distress, "I don't like to carry an umbrella one bit! I do wish I didn't have to!"

It was a very pretty umbrella, with a handle carved in the form of a daisy. Joan should have liked it. She did, really, but carrying it seemed such a bother!

"I know I'll forget it when school is over," she told herself, as she went to the classroom.

There was a cloakroom in the back where the boys and girls left their coats and hats, overshoes and umbrellas until school was out. Joan hung up her coat and hat, put her umbrella in the rack, and set her overshoes in a corner.

"My, what a lot of umbrellas and overshoes there are," she laughed. "I'm glad mother marked my initials in mine, so that they won't get mixed up. Of course, I'd know my daisy-topped umbrella anywhere, but overshoes all look alike."

Joan sat down at the desk and looked around. She had gone to this school only a few weeks. Sometimes she felt lonely because she did not know the children well. There was one little girl whom Joan liked very much. Her name was Janet Lee, and Joan hoped that they might be friends and playmates. Janet sat on the other side of the room, and Joan smiled at her in a friendly way.

"Some day I'll ask her to come to my house and play," she thought as she got out her book.

It rained all morning and when it was time to go home for lunch, Joan saw that it was still raining. She buttoned her coat, put on her overshoes and picked up the daisy-topped umbrella.

"That is my umbrella you have taken," she heard someone say. She turned around.

There stood Janet smiling at her.

"You have my umbrella," she explained again.

"But I haven't," Joan cried. "This is my green, daisy-topped umbrella that my aunt gave me. See, it has my initials inside of it."

Joan pulled out the top, where mother had marked her initials in red.

"But, no, these are 'J. L.' and mine are 'J. T.'" she cried with a frown. "How—?"

"Well, I have a green daisy-topped umbrella," Janet told her, "and I'm Janet Lee."

"Then, where is mine," Joan asked.

"I'll help you look," Janet promised. So the two little girls went back to the cloakroom and there, all alone, stood the umbrella.

"How funny that we have umbrellas alike," Joan laughed. "We're almost twins."

"Our umbrellas are twins, anyway," Janet smiled. "I go home the same way you do. Let's walk together. I live near you."

"Oh, let's play together Saturday!" Joan suggested, and Janet promised that she would.

"I'm so glad I brought my umbrella!" Joan cried. "I wanted to be friends with you, and our twin umbrellas helped."

"I'm glad, too," Janet agreed."—Story World.

Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 7

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By Rollin H. Walker

Friday: The Day of Suffering

(II. Christ's Words on the Cross)

Mark 15:33, 34; Luke 23:33-46

On the way to the cross Jesus turned to say a word of pity and warning to the crowd of friends who followed him weeping, and especially to the daughters of Jerusalem who were fated to endure the horrors of the coming siege. This forgetting of himself in sympathy for the woes of others was an expression of a life habit. It found expression again in his prayer for the soldiers as they nailed him to the cross. How surprised they must have been! They were accustomed to hear the frantic curses of the victims whom they were nailing down. One is greatly comforted with the thought that this prayer, Father, forgive them, they know not what they do, availed not merely for the soldiers who crucified him, but for all who know not what they do ;and this, alas! includes most of us at times.

In spite of themselves, the cruel taunt of the chief priests expressed eternal truth. He did indeed save others, but this involved the continual sacrifice of himself. Himself he could not save.

And now comes an incident that shines like a star through a rift in the murky clouds. One of the bandits rebuked his fellow who had joined in the railing, and said, We receive the due reward of our deeds, but this man hath done nothing amiss. Then turning to Jesus he said, Remember me when thou comest in thy kingdom. How astonishing this request! If ever a man seemed to be a goner it was Jesus. And yet this rough bandit sees in him a comer! More than that, a coming King! How did the poor wretch gain this insight? Perhaps he was impressed by our Lord's prayer for his executioners; probably Jesus also uttered a sympathetic prayer for him and the other bandit as they were nailed down. At any rate, there was something about the Saviour as he suffered that impressed this rough man with a sense of our Lord's divine majesty.

Just as the story of the cruel mockery of the chief priests illustrates the depth to which religious respectables can descend, so also this prayer of the bandit illustrates the height to which men who have broken with respectability can ascend.

Our Lord replied that he would do better than bless him in the future. This day, said he, shalt thou be with me in paradise. And so the Lord entered into glory in bad company, and —thank God! he has been in bad company ever since, else what would have become of us?

When Jseus cried, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? some of the bystanders thought he was calling Elijah. The Gospels differ in their accounts, but according to Mark one sympathetic soul ran and filled a sponge and lifted it to his mouth. There was something about Jesus that made him wonder whether Elijah who had ascended to heaven in a chariot of fire would not come down and deliver him, and he offered him the wine in hopes to keep him alive until Elijah come. It was the last act of kindness Jesus received on this earth.

We differ with those who say that, as the cry, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? is the first verse of Psalm 22, and this Psalm ends in a triumphant burst of victory, Jesus therefore had a vivid consciousness of coming victory as he began to quote the Psalm. This is to lift our Lord above the level of the deepest agonies which his faithful ones are called upon to suffer, and thus to make him a less perfect sympathizer and hence a less perfect Saviour. Nay, the cry came out of the thick darkness.

But the outcome shows that our God is one who answers the questioning cries of his children, for after the resurrection we hear Jesus saying, with a sure insight into the mystery of the cross, Thus it behooved the Christ to suffer and enter into his glory. And even before his death Luke tells us that he received grace to say, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. And this is psychologically altogether credible. Nearly all the Psalms that begin with despairing cries end in praise and confidence (Psalms 10, 12, 16, 25, 60, etc., etc.) Luke says that he uttered this committal of his soul to the Father in a loud voice. It was his last broadcast to humanity, witnessing to the fact that he trusted God as a Father even in the depest darkness.

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR ATTENDANTS OF ANY CHURCH

1. .Thou shalt not come to service late,
   Nor for the Amen refuse to wait.
2. Thy noisy tongue thou shalt restrain
   When speaks the organ its refrain.
3. But when the hymns are sounded out,
   Thou shalt lift thy voice and shout.
4. The endmost seat thou shalt leave free,
   For more must share the pew with thee.
5. The offering plate thou shalt not fear,
   But give with thine utmost with cheer.
6. Thou shalt this calendar peruse,
   And look here for the church's news.
7. Thou shalt the minister give heed,
   Nor blame him when thou'rt disagreed.
8. Unto thy neighbor thou shalt bend,
   And if a stranger, make a friend.
9. Thou shalt in every way be kind,
   Compassionate, of tender mind.
10. And so, by all thy spirit's grace,
    Thou shalt show God within this place.

—John Haynes Holmes, in Expositor.

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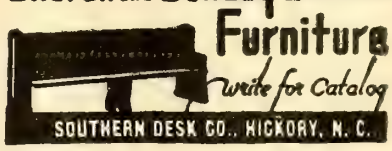
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Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July
Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8 19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Oriental, Pamlico, 11 7
Pamlico, Hobucken, 2:30 7
Pink Hill, Webbs, 8 7
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July
Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Stem, Stem, 11 7
Franklinton, Wesley's, 3 7
Louisburg, 8 7
Duke Pastors' School 8-13
Oxford, 11 14
Jenkins Memorial, Jenkins Memorial, 8 14
Princeton, Micro, 11 21
Bailey, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 11 28
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3 28

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Roanoke Rapids, 11 7
Sp. Church-Garysburg, Shiloh, ... 7
Halifax, Ebenezer, 3:30 7
Rosemary, 8 7
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July
Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, Federal Point, 11 ... 7
Fairmont, Olivet, 8 7
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 3:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 7 16
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

June
Asbury Memorial, 8 3
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 6
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 7
Rosman, Lake Toxaway, 3 7
Biltmore, 8 10
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July
Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 14
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Zoar, 3 7
Trinity, 8 7
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July
Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Sparta, 11 7
Laurel Springs, 3 7
Jefferson, night 7
Ararat, 11 14
Dobson, 3 14
Jonesville, night 14
Helton, 11 21
Warrensville, 3 21
Creston, night 21
West Jefferson, 11 28
Todd, 3 28
Miller's Creek, night 28

July
Farmington, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Cooleemee, night 5
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11 12
Trap Hill, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Crouse, Pleasant Grove, 11 7
Rhyne Heights, Laboratory, night 7
Lincolnton, First Church, 11 14
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 14
Boger City, night 14
Rock Springs, Webb's, 11 21
Lowesville, Fairfield, 3 21
Dallas, High Shoals, night 21
South Fork, Wesley's Chapel, 11 28
Vale, Palm Tree, 3 28
Cherryville, First Church, night 28

July
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul's, 11 5
Belmont, Main Street, night 5
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Mayodan, 11 7
Ruffin, 8 7
Danbury, 11 and 2:30 14
Stoneville, 8 14

Leaksville, 8 15
Reidsville, 8 16
West Market, 8 17

Laymen's Meetings—Dr. J. M. Washman, Speaker

Madison, Leaksville-Draper-Spray, at Leaksville, 8 p.m 15
Reidsville, Main St., Lindsay St., Reidsville Ct., Ruffin, at Main St., Reidsville, 8 p.m. 16
All churches of Greensboro and Guilford County at West Market, Greensboro, 8 p.m. 17
Reidsville Ct., Salem, 11 20
Mt. Pleasant Station, 11 21
Guilford, Fairfield, 8 21

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

Oak View, 8 3
Why Not, New Zion, 8 5
Liberty Ct., Bethany, 3 7
Denton First, Denton, 8 7
Ward Street, 8 10
Asheboro Ct., Cent. F., 11 14
Linwood, Macedonia, 8 14
Wesley Memorial, 8 15
First Church, Asheboro, 8 17
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 21
Main Street, 7:30 24
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 25
S. Davidson, Pine Hall, 2 26
Seagrove, Seagrove, 8 27
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 28
Richland, Giles, 2 28
Shiloh, Friendship, 7:30 29
First Church, High Point, 8 30

July

Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 8 1
First Church, Hight Point, 8 2
Greer's, 11 5
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 5
Farmer, Oak Grove, 8 5

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

North Morganton, 11 7
Table Rock, Linville, 3 7
Morganton First, night 7
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Spindale, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Mt. Olivet, 11 7
Rowan Mill, 3 7
Bishop Purcell will preach at this service and dedicate the Rowan church.
N. Kannapolis ,11 14
Harmony, 11 21
Ann Street, 3:30 21
At this service a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Cabarrus County.
Granite Quarry at Providence, 11 28
Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will preach and dedicate the Providence Church.
Main St., Albemarle, 3:30 28
At this hour a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Stanly County.

July

Coburn Memorial, 3:30 5
A joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Rowan County.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

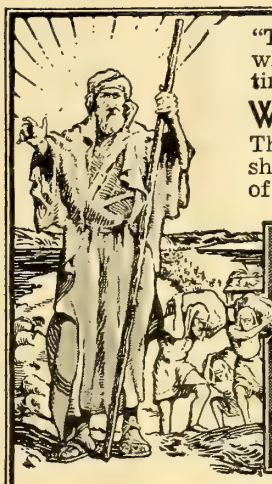
June

Statesville, Race Street, 11 7
Elmwood, Ebenezer, 3 7
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11 14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3 14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

Mt. Airy, Rockford St., 11 7
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion, 3 7
Mt. Airy, Central, 8 7
Erlanger-Ebenezer, 11 14
Davidson Ct., Good Hope, 3 14
Central Terrace, 8 14
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 21
Morris Chapel, Mt. Olive, 3 21
Mount Tabor, 8 21



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First, Denton, Rev. Wilson Nesbitt.
Central, Denton, Rev. Wilson Nesbitt.
Fair Grove, Miss Jewell Crouse.
The pictures from Bessemer and the program from Fair Grove are much appreciated.

THREADS OF GOLD
By Arthur Wallace Peach

As though a tapestry of rare design
A single golden thread, inwoven fine,
May shed soft beauty though not reveal
Itself to eyes that wonder, hands that feel.

So is her love a golden thread she weaves
Through other lives, though none of them perceives
Their lives are beautiful because of her
Who fashions thus the wefts of character!

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A TRIBUTE

The board of stewards of Trinity Methodist church in session Monday, April 13, 1942, desire to express their sorrow in the death of their loved fellow member, Clinton F. Williams, who went to his heavenly reward April 7, 1942.

Mr. Williams was a loyal member of Trinity church and for many years a faithful member of the board of stewards. We have lost a man of deep Christian convictions and exemplary life.

We extend to his loved widow, daughters and son, our sincere sympathy. We assure them their loss is our loss also. Our comfort is in God. "He will swallow up death in victory and the Lord God will wipe tears from off all faces."—Isaiah 25:8.

R. S. McKeithan,
G. T. Morgan,
Mrs. E. L. Prince.

MARLER—In the passing of J. P. Marler a good man has gone from our ranks. He fell on sleep Monday, May 18, 1942, at the home of his daughter in Mount Airy, N. C. Mr. Marler was born in Yadkin county February 10, 1870, and had spent his entire life in this section.

J. P. Marler and C. F. Sanders were married February 7, 1892. To this union were born four children. Sidney remained to give cheer and love for only a short stay, when God took this bud to live with him. Gilbert Marler passed on to his reward in 1912.

Mrs. Marler and two children survive: Mrs. B. B. Vogler of Mt. Airy and Walter H. Marler of Smithtown; also one daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. H. Myers of Greensboro; one brother, Henry Marler of East Bend; one sister, Mrs. J. A. Smitherman of East Bend, and two grandchildren, Mrs. Jessie Allen Amburn of Elkin and Norman Marler of Winston-Salem.

Mr. Marler was a member of Prospect Methodist church. A great soul moved out to his heavenly home.

G. H. Hovis, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On January 25, 1942, the gentle spirit of Mrs. Rhodema Hobbs entered into life eternal. She was a loyal and faithful member of Parkers Methodist church. Though she was confined to her bed for several months, she bore her illness with great patience and fortitude.

We who knew her and loved her in the church and in her home will sorely miss her. We will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition and gracious character. She was always ready to be a helpful and sympathetic friend to any one in distress.

She possessed a steadfast hope in God and eternal life. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we remember her for her loyal service and strive to follow her good example.

Second, That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy placed on the records of the church.

When the faces we love fade from sight,
And we no more with them can be,
The thought that cheers our lonely night
Is this, "Dear Lord, they are with thee."

Mrs. Earl Barnes,
Mrs. Lee Riddick,
Mrs. C. C. Savage.



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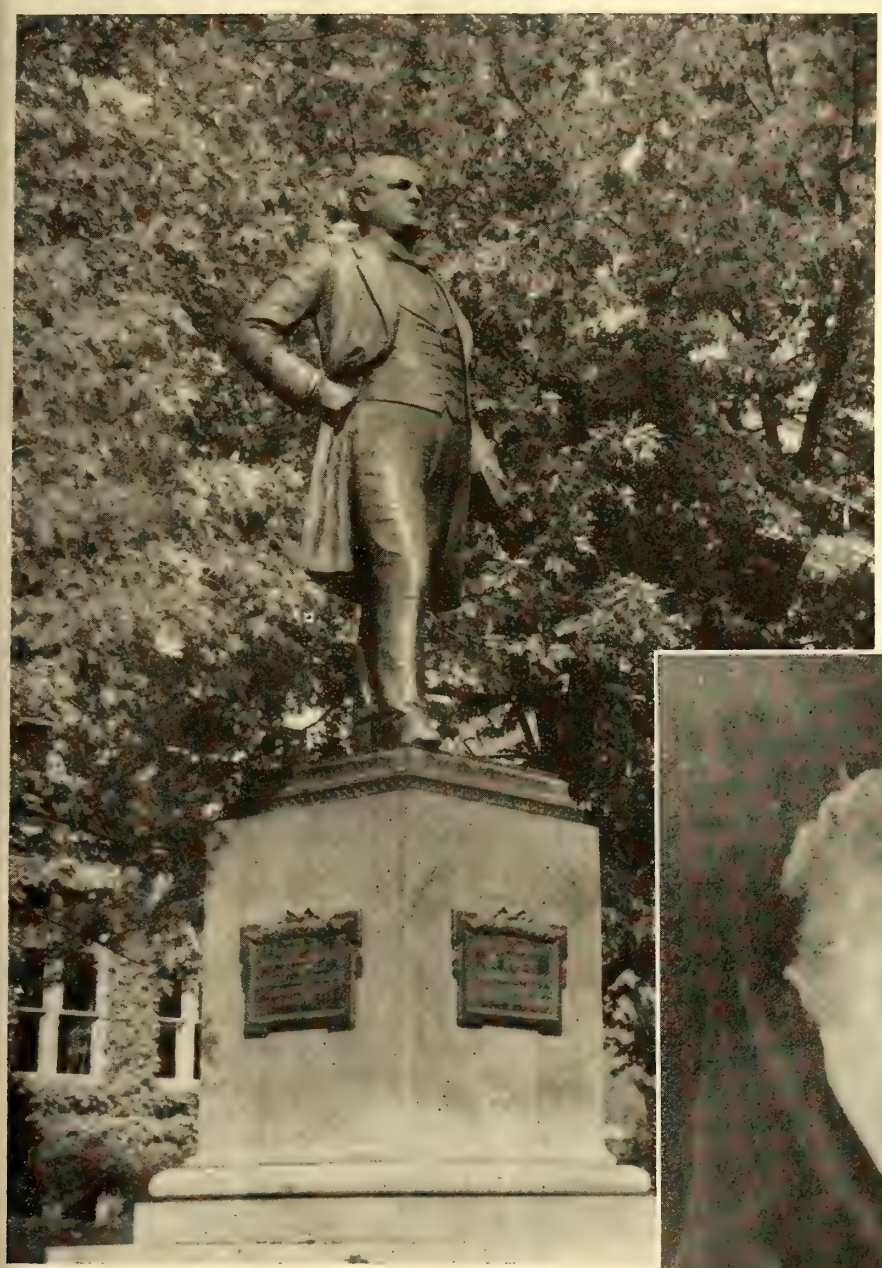
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"North Carolina—Eighteen sixty-five.
There were eight hundred thousand women
Who could not read or write their names.
The census taker called them illiterates.
There was a man and there was a woman—
And about them rose a torrent
A rising, swelling torrent of words,
'We need a school, We need a school'."



From *We, the Women,* symphonic drama written by Marion and Foster Fitz-Simons in tribute to the honored few and the nameless thousands who have given the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina fifty years of service and face for the future.

More Than 800 Receive Degrees at Chapel Hill

Raymond Cram Swing Is Commencement Speaker

Doubt and courage and inexperience are the virtues that belong to the younger generation that will fight this war, finish it, and take the lead in building the world of tomorrow, Raymond Gram Swing, famed news commentator and former correspondent in Berlin and London, reminded members of the graduating class of the University of North Carolina who received their degrees at the 148th commencement exercises in Kenan stadium.

"I am not sorry for you," he declared. "I do not lament that you have come upon the scene in this tragic hour. You have the stamina and fortitude to bear the exactions of deep change. You will dare to examine all, to doubt all. You will build the new world with the bricks and the mortar of doubt.

Terming this period in the history of the world an age of doubt, Mr. Swing said that, although it may seem paradoxical he had believed in the vision of doubt, asserting that underneath it is a foundation of positive faith.

"There is faith in the need for freedom in the practicality of freedom, freedom of mind and freedom under the law," he declared. "Such faith is the cornerstone of democracy. For democracy itself is a paradox, a society of individuals who are true to their own visions, but who are concerned with the rights of other individuals . . . for democracy, whatever its constitutional form is dedicated to the protection and fulfilment of the individual, and the individual can only grow if he has the courage to doubt."

Mr. Swing told the graduates: "You will erect and then have to change your plans in rebuilding the world. But you will press forward. The forward-movers always are the doubters. You, too, will toss on your pillows. You, too, will feel the dread that goes with growth. You will know that you do not know. Well may we put our positive faith in you, for you give promise of being what we your fathers were not able to be, a generation of builders."

Climaxing the three-day program, the exercises graduated the largest class in the history of the institution. More than 800 young men and women received their diplomas from the hands of Governor J. M. Broughton, after which President Frank P. Graham made them a touching farewell.

Administrative Dean Robert B. House presided over the ceremonies.

Honorary Degrees

Honorary degrees were conferred on the following men: Governor Broughton, President Robert L. Flowers of Duke University; Dr. James G. K. McClure of Fairview, N. C., general manager of the Farmers Federation, Inc., and editor of the Farmers Federation News; Dr. George Marion Cooper, assistant state health officer in charge of health education work for the state board and medical director of the Crippled Children's work, and Dr. William S. Tillett, native of Charlotte, now professor of bacteriological laboratories of the New York University College of Medicine.

Among the prizes and fellowships awarded were:

Eben Alexander prize in Greek, Robert Alexander Moore, Jr., Winston-Salem.

The Bryan prize in political science, Robert Haldeman, Doylestown, Pa.

Archibald Henderson medal in mathematics, Stephen Bruce Langfield, Philadelphia, Pa.

Graham Kenan Fellowship in Philosophy, Philip Peichun Cheng, Los Angeles, Cal.

Delta Sigma Pi scholarship key, Louis Cornelius Stephens, Jr., Dunn.

The Patterson Medal, Robert Selwyn Gersten, Long Beach, N. Y.

The Roland Holt Award in play writing, Wen Shun Tang, Tientsin, China, and Barry Farnol, Chicago, Ill.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

June 14-20 (First Week)

June 14 (Sun.), 11 a.m—Sermon, "God's Search for Man," The Rev. M. A. McLean.

8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Franciscan Direction of Life," The Rev. McMurry S. Richey.

June 15 (Mon.), 8:30 p. m. — Moving Picture, "Smilin' Through," and Disney Cartoon, "Art of Skiing."

June 16 (Tues.), 8:30 p. m. — Moving Picture, "Smilin' Through," and Disney Cartoon, "Art of Skiing."

June 17 (Wed.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Tarzan's Secret Treasure," and Disney Cartoon, "Baggage Buster."

June 18 (Thu.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Tarzan's Secret Treasure," and Disney Cartoon, "Baggage Buster."

June 19 (Fri.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Shepherd of the Hills," and Disney Cartoon, "Donald's Camera."

June 20 (Sat.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Shepherd of the Hills," and Disney Cartoon, "Donald's Camera."

DUKE INSTITUTES START WELL

Many said the Duke institutes would not amount to much this year owing to the scarcity of gas. But the record is against these prophets. More than 500 are in attendance so far, and the real problem is to house all who are present at the schools and the institutes. The presence of Stanley Jones and other features have turned many this way.

Monday and Tuesday nights the Duke Chapel was well filled. This note is written Tuesday night and the week is full of promise.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE TO MEET IN WILSON NOVEMBER 3

Bishop Purcell passed through Greensboro last Tuesday night on his way from Durham to Washington, D. C. Between trains he called the Advocate and announced that he met the district superintendents of the N. C. conference in Durham Tuesday and that Wilson had been chosen as the place of the next annual meeting of the conference. The time will be Tuesday, November 3.

The bishop was on his way to Washington to attend a meeting Wednesday of the Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains. He announced that the attendance upon the pastors' school in Durham was larger than usual, the report being that 50 more than usual are on hand for the work.

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This is no lotus land in which the inhabitants' voices are thin and their bodies languid. We are not to rest on flowery beds of ease in these urgent days before us.

S S S

Dr. Chas. R. Brown of Yale says: "The sermon has dimensions—height, depth and breadth. The people who do the listening are sometimes painfully aware of a fourth dimension—length."

S S S

The story is told of a good old man who loved his Lord and did what he could to make people better and to make the world better. But he frequently became discouraged and worried because of the wickedness of men. Once at midnight he was tossing upon his bed unable to sleep when he thought he heard his Lord say, "Go to sleep, my friend. I will sit up the rest of the night." Then the old man went to sleep.

S S S

It becomes more and more apparent that the new order to follow this war cannot be a regimented life, an American or British imperialism, or a white man's order. The yellow races and the brown men of the East are to be the neighbors of all other peoples. In all areas the church must set itself to build the highways of the new kingdom on earth. The love essential to the task is deep as the love of Christ on Calvary.

S S S

In the beginning—God! If I could put a megaphone to my lips and shout to all the dictators and plenipotentiaries and statesmen who are talking glibly about a new world order, I would ask them to take these four words as the keynote of their splendid schemes. Leave God out, and we shall rush back once more to the ghastly horrors that today afflict us. Exalt him, and the way of peace and prosperity will shine through our agony and our tears.—F .W. Boreham.

The college commencements with their conferring of degrees, the training schools of one kind and another, the revivals in country churches, and the many demands of a nation at war mean that this is to be a busy summer.

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Bishop Hughes recently declared: "The surest test of a man's religion is his fairness in dividing time with his fellows on a program. If a speaker is allotted twenty minutes and takes thirty, it is a certain sign he is not fully sanctified." Then he tested out four speakers who preceded him. It seems that the bishop was very gentle in his castigations. He should have used hell fire.

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George A. Buttrick in the Christian Century, issue of June 3, sets down the duty of the church as the Body of Christ in these clear declarations: 1. The church must offer confession for its own transgression and for the world's inquity. 2. The church must build now the highway to a righteous peace. 3. But the prime task of the church in our time is a revival of faith. 4. The church undergirds morale. All interested in the task of the church should read and ponder well the message of this notable minister.

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Delivering the baccalaureate sermon at the opening of the University's 148th commencement, Dr. John A. Redhead, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church of Charlotte, told the graduates that "the religion of Christ offers us three gifts which no money can buy, no diploma can guarantee and no college head can confer, and without which none of us can win success in making a life. These gifts are, first, a meaning to life; second, a moral platform, and third, momentum to life. Add up those needs—a philosophy of life, an ethic life, and a power behind life, and what they come to is this: the religion of Christ. All that you need to have is in him."

Colonial Williamsburg Today

JAMESTOWN, the first permanent English settlement in America, Williamsburg, where colonial government was at its height, and Yorktown, the scene of the last battle of the American Revolution, are of permanent historical interest to the American people. At Jamestown stood the first capitol of Virginia. The destruction of the last of these buildings by fire in 1698 led to the removal of the capital to the Middle Plantation, known as the city of Williamsburg. The foundations of the capitol were laid in 1701. From this time to the Revolution this was the capital of Virginia.

The restoration undertaken in 1928 has resulted in restoring the capitol, the Raleigh Tavern, the governor's palace, the public gaol and the Ludwell Paradise House, but by far the most interesting are the first three mentioned. The capitol was the center of colonial government, the Raleigh Tavern a gathering place for the social life of the colony, and the governor's palace a place for assembly and entertainment of the gentry and government officials. All these early colonial structures had been laid waste by fire—some of them more than once. So the restoration had to go back to the early foundations, some of which did not exist. For instance, a railroad was run across the palace lands, and a factory was erected at the north end of what had been the garden. In more recent years a large high school was erected at the head of the palace green.

For all who are interested in colonial life during the century and a half before the beginning of our Republic, nothing can be more interesting than to move through the reconstructed capital and visualize the scenes of government in the eighteenth century. Goveernors Gouch and Robert Dinwiddie, George Washington and Patrick Henry, and many other notables prior to the Revolution pass before the visitors. The Raleigh Tavern has a special interest for college men, for here was organized the first Phi Beta Kappa society. This was indeed a commercial center with much jollity and good living. It was a center of social activity and later a center of Revolutionary activity, for here assembled those who came from every section of the Virginia Colony. Especially true was this during the days of the Revolution.

The governor's palace from 1705 to 1781 stood as a symbol of royal authority and prestige in Virginia. It was the residence of able men as governors under the Crown and the first two governors of the Virginia Commonwealth, Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson, who resided here. The palace was destroyed by fire in December, 1781, while serving as a military hospital.

To know Williamsburg of today one must visit and study the restored buildings with some care. It is well worth while.

Sons of American Revolution Gather From Afar

FROM the deep South and the far West, and all the region north of the Mason and Dixon Line, they came into Tide Water Virginia for the fifty-third annual congress. Sunday afternoon on the campus of William and Mary College delegates, along with many service men so abundant in all that region, assembled for the congress sermon by the chaplain general, Rev. Charles W. Maus, and for a patriotic address by the governor of Virginia, Hon. Colgate W. Darden.

Monday's session, June 1, was crowded with reports from officers and committees. President General G. Ridgely Sappington of Baltimore gave the outstanding address of the day. At noon the Virginia State Society gave a complimentary luncheon for the officers and delegates of the congress. Thus business, courtesies and tours of Williamsburg, Jamestown and Yorktown filled the three days.

New York has more members than any other state, and North Carolina for the second year showed the largest percentage increase, though California has more enthusiasm for the enrollment of "sons." The lower South is also manifesting interest. Next year the congress may go to Rochester, N. Y., but it is safe to say that few places have so fine a background for an S. A. R. congress as does Williamsburg, Virginia.

Concluding its fifty-third annual congress, the society elected Sterling F. Mutz of Lincoln, Neb., president-general; Henry R. Dutcher, Rochester, N. Y. chancellor-general; Ross K. Cook, East Orange, N. J., genealogist-general; Dr. M. T. Plyler, Durham, N. C., chaplain-general; McDonald Miller, Washington, librarian-general; W. MacFarland Jones, Richmond, historical- general; Frank B. Steele, Washington, registrar-general; George S. Robertson, Baltimore, treasurer-general, and Frank Bartlett Steele, Washington, secretary-general.

Golden Jubilee of the Woman's College, Greensboro

AT the recent commencement the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina celebrated with becoming ceremonials the golden jubilee of this widely and favorably known institution for the higher education of women, which was the direct outgrowth of a campagin led by Charles D. McIver for the better education of the young women of North Carolina.

A bronze statue of this man who with a crusader's zeal advocated better provisions for the higher education of our young women stands upon the Woman's College campus, but a far more impressive monument is the institution itself. From the first it was a growing affair and for half a century this growth has been constant. Each year more and more students have flocked to the college, and the result has been the erection of new and larger buildings and constant additions to the teaching force. With these enlargements came an advance in educational standards and the addition of courses as the needs of the students and the changed conditions of the times demanded, until now it is one of the leading colleges for young women in the entire nation.

The ceremonials of the Golden Jubilee greatly enhanced the interest of the commencement and the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. George W. Truett was a remarkable utterance that held the great audience spellbound for 45 minutes, and to all appearances he could have continued many more with perfect safety. The sermon was in every respect worthy of the man who has earned the reputation of being one of the greatest preachers of this generation.

Perils of Poverty and Wealth

BOTH poverty and wealth tend to degeneration and misery. Both the individual and the race are weakened by extreme poverty. The same is true of great wealth. The middle ground is really the safe way. So we would do well to avoid the self-indulgence and ease that come with wealth and the misery and discouragements of dire poverty. Both the idle rich and the idle poor suffer the perils endangered by too much leisure.

A prominent physician of this state, educated in America and Europe, enjoyed a long and a lucrative practice among all classes. He often observed late in life that he was fully convinced that the truly happy people are not found among the extremely rich or the really poor, but in the great middle class. This Christian doctor in his long, extensive life's work among the poor and in his wide contacts with the rich and leisure class had watched the effects of poverty and of riches upon both the individual and the groups. So he was able to speak out of wide observation with deep conviction as to the dangers of poverty and of wealth.

To be saved from dire poverty and from crushing wealth should be the earnest prayer of all who would escape the snares and perils that come to life and religion. True, some wealthy families are able to continue unimpaired and influential, but most of them are destroyed by ease and self-indulgence. Perhaps in this respect the Rockefeller family has excelled all other American families of great wealth. The shame of America, however, lies in the other direction. Some of the families of great wealth are now but a name. The hardy virtues have perished and shameful degradation is the record.

When it comes to the support of the church and conquests for God the great middle class must be relied upon to furnish the resources of men and money to make effective the pulpits and the pews. From these hardy and devoted men and women must come the leaders who are able to save the race from degeneration and decay.

"Ill fares the land to hastening ills a prey
Where wealth accumulates and men decay."

The Deacon's Prayer

THE good deacon was wiser than he knew when he invariably prayed for his pastor that he might "be always learning and never come to the knowledge of the truth." For the man who concludes that he knows it all and that there is no further need to learn, is intellectually dead as a door nail.

The peril of the closed mind is the deadliest of all perils whether it overtakes a man in middle life or in old age. To be ever learning is the one gateway to the fountain of youth. Across that path there is no deadlines. When laziness stops a man from thinking and fear prevents him from exploring new realms of truth, that man is on the way to the museum. His contentment, if he has attained such, is the contentment of the fossil.

People and Things

Dr. Franklin N. Parker was the commencement preacher at Centenary College on May 24. He used as his subject, "Life's High Calling and Dedication."

Many ministers from Louisiana and surrounding territory were in New Orleans the past week for the four-day mission being held by Dr. E. Stanley Jones. The closing service was held Wednesday evening.

I wish to announce through the Advocate that West End church in Siler City will hold its home coming day on June 21. All former pastors and all friends are invited to enjoy this day with us.—Ralph Reed, Pastor.

Trying to give a friend a definition of "oratory" a Negro elucidated thus: "If you says black am white, dat's foolish. But if you says black am white an' bellers like a bull an' pounds de table with both fists, dat's oratory."

All former pastors and friends of Asbury Memorial church, Asheville, are cordially invited to the dedication services June 14. Dr. L. B. Abernethy, former pastor, will preach at 11 o'clock. Lunch will be served in the church dining room.

You can state through your good paper that those who have not read Dr. Edwin Lewis' recent book, Christian Truth for Christian Living, have missed a real treat. I have placed ten of them with my people and am ordering one dozen more today.—Geo. W. Clay.

There will be a home coming at Fairfield near Denver, Sunday, June 14. All day services. Sunday school at 10; home coming sermon at 11 by the pastor. In the afternoon there will be a program of singing. The Mid-State quartet of Lexington, a well known colored quartet, and others will be present. Bring well filled baskets and spend the day.—C. L. Grant.

We are now in our second week of our revival meeting here at Old Fort. Rev. J. W. Groce is doing the preaching. We will continue through Sunday evening, June 14. We are having a very good meeting and the Lord is blessing us in these services. Mr. Groce is preaching with power from on high. We cordially invite everyone who is in reach of our church to worship with us.—Robt. M. Varner.

"All the way from Moses with his Ten Commandments down to Christ with his Great Commandment, men have had to rely upon religion for their morals. And you and I must do the same. We can win no success at all in the business of making life unless we have a pattern to go by. And Christ is the pattern. Touching any question as to what is right and what is wrong, ask yourself this: What would Christ say or do? He is the Touchstone of the good life—he is God's last word. Beyond him we cannot go, and short of him we cannot rest." These were the closing words of Dr. Redhead to the college men at Chapel Hill last Sunday morning.

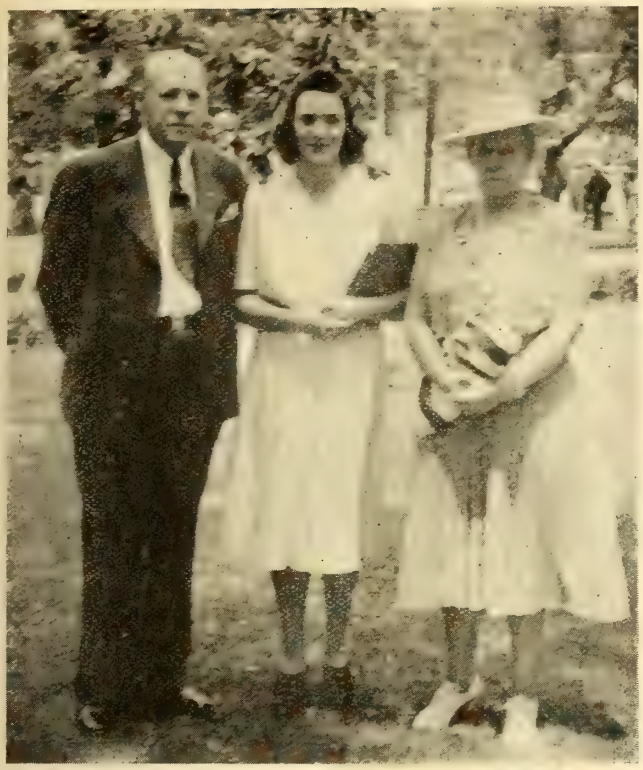
Our Oak Forest church of North Forest charge has been putting to good use two hundred dollars by improving their property. The church has been painted white outside; the interior is ivory with mahogany trim. This includes class rooms. The aisles and hall of the church have been covered with a rubberized carpet, a gift from a friend of the church. We are quite proud of the efforts of our people who have not stopped there but are looking toward a new plant after the war.. They have turned money into bonds; church school classes are turning money into stamps; so young and old have a hand in the cause. The amount of the building fund is now equal to $700 in war bonds.—R. C. Nimon, P. C.

Mrs. Mule and I have lived together for some decades and have never had but one cross word. This morning we differed sharply when she poured my third cup on my three spoons of sugar and observed that these overfed parsons ought to volunteer for the chaplaincy. Feeling it my duty to uphold the integrity of the cloth, I reminded her that when our neighbor went from the bank to the army he was assured that his job would be held in trust pending his return. I called to her mind that when her cousin went from the tobacco factory to the navy he was assured his same job and also his salary for the balance of the year. I pressed home the point that her uncle was promised his same job of tasting when he went from the brewery. Now the preachers are assured only that upon their return there will be plenty room at the bottom. Your brother in partimony, A. N. Mule, D.Ph.

Our meeting was concluded Sunday night, May 31. Rev. Wade Goldston was the preacher. Good congregations at both morning and evening services were deeply moved by the messages from this young man. He combines the prophet and evangelist within himself in remarkable fashion. There will be several additions to the church and a lasting influence for good for our church and community. During the past four years 58 members have been added to an original membership of 134 at Spring Hope, and ten to a membership of 40 at Stanhope. During these years Spring Hope has purchased a Hammond organ, and recently has had its stained glass windows completely repaired and strengthened. Very acceptable repair work has been done on the parsonage. Spring Hope has ten subscribers to our Christian Advocate. Its finances are in sound condition.—Geo. W. Blount, Pastor.

From May 24 to June 3 seemed to be very outstanding in the life of West End Methodist church, Thomasville, when Rev. Charles D. White, pastor, conducted a ten days' revival. Each sermon delivered was interesting, encouraging and inspiring to both young people and old. Mr. White also conducted the song service and several special selections were rendered by himself and his wife. Each evening for one-half hour before service a young people's meeting was in session and well attended. Mr. White also encouraged each one to read the Bible every day and took count of the chapters every evening. During the entire revival the amount of chapters equaled to reading the Bible through a little over nine times. Attendance was good for every service and some 25 people were converted. On Sunday following we received into the church 16 members by baptism and one by letter.—Reporter.

Rev. Joseph Paul Bartak, D.D., superintendent of the Methodist Church in Prague, Czechoslovakia (now the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia under Germany), and Methodism's outstanding leader in that country, arrived in New York City on the "diplomatic ship" Drottningholm on June 1. He was one of more than 900 American prisoners and refugees from the Axis nations exchanged under diplomatic arrangements between the warring groups. Although born in old Bohemia, Dr. Bartak has long been an American citizen and a missionary of the Methodist Church to his native land. As an enemy alien, he was arrested by the German Gestapo when war with the United States was declared. First he was thrown into prison in Prague and kept without communication with his friends for several days. Later, as an internee, he was transferred to Germany and kept a prisoner in a feudal castle and its grounds, near the Austrian border, until he was exchanged under the articles of war. His prison camp was in Laufen, Germany.



At the Greensboro College commencement last week Mrs. George M. Foard of Statesville, sister of J. B. Ivey, saw her granddaughter receive the Bachelor of Music degree. Miss Margaret Foard, representing the third generation of her family to attend Greensboro College, which was also her mother's and her grandmother's Alma Mater, was outstanding during her four years there, particularly as a member of the college glee club. This spring she took a major role in an opera presented by the school of music. Shown here are her father, A. G. Foard, Lenoir, Miss Foard, and Mrs. George M. Foard, her grandmother.

Mrs. Eleanor M. Robertson Easley died in the Duke hospital, Durham, N. C., May 8. Her husband, Rev. John Allen Easley, is pastor of our church at Wake Forest, N. C. Mrs. Easley was the daughter of the late Dr. A. T. Robertson and the granddaughter of the late Dr. John A. Broadus. To her husband at Wake Forest and to Mrs. Robertson, who still lives in Louisville, Ky., we send our tenderest sympathy.—Watchman-Examiner.

Last Sunday was an unusual day on Durham circuit. Fifty-two new members were received into church membership—32 at Fletchers Chapel and 20 at Bethany. A large number of those coming into Fletchers Chapel came from the Camp Butner area. They had to seal their homes and seek new locations. Some came from other sources. At Bethany we had closed a revival about two weeks ago in which Rev. J. J. Boone did the preaching. Ten joined on profession and 10 by transfer at Bethany. Practically all these were largely the result of personal work. We had a fine service at each church. Dinner on the grounds at Fletchers, with large congregations at each church.—S. J. Starnes.

DR. L. B. ABERNETHY TURNS TO LIGHTER READING—TO SELL HEAVY BOOKS

I have the following books that should be of more use to someone else than to me:

The Preachers Homiletic Commentary Old and New Testament.

Hastings Great Texts of the Bible.

Alexander Maclarens Expositions.

Pulpit Commentary Only New Testament.

Some of our young men want these and I will be glad to sell them at a price that will fit the man and the charge. I am trying to make room for some lighter reading.

L. B. Abernethy.

MAY NOW INVEST $100,000 PER YEAR IN WAR BONDS

Churches, religious organizations and similar institutions may now invest $100,000 per year in United States War Bonds, Series F and Series G, according to an announcement by Treasury Secretary Henry Morganthau, Jr.

The new regulation becomes effective on July 1. It was made following numerous inquiries and requests of organizations which have postponed building activities for the duration of the war and have voted to place their semi-permanent funds in war bonds.

Treasury officials emphasize that this is not a new bond issue and not a new series bond. The $100,000 limitation on holdings will be placed on a calendar year basis effective for the current calendar year, 1942. Series F Bonds may be purchased for as little as $18.50 for a $25 bond. Series G Bonds are on sale from $100.

There will be no change in the present limit of $5,000 on individual holdings of Series E Bonds in any calendar year.

Unlike Series E Bonds which may be registered only in the names of individuals, Series F and G Bonds are intended primarily for larger investors and may be registered in the names of fiduciaries, organizations, corporations, unincorporated associations, labor unions and other groups as well as in the names of individuals.

The Series F Bonds is a twelve-year appreciation bond, issued on a discount basis at 74 per cent of maturity value. If held to maturity, twelve years from the date of issue, the bond draws interest equivalent to 2.53 per cent a year computed on the purchase price, compounded semi-annually.

The Series G Bond is a twelve-year current income bond issued at par, and draws interest of 2.5 per cent a year, paid semi-annually by Treasury check. The new limitation on holdings of $100,000 in any one calendar year in either Series F or Series G, or in both is on cost price.

TRIBUTE TO REV. D. V. HOWELL

The members of the board of stewards of Brevard Street church wish to pay tribute to their beloved pastor, Rev. D. V. Howell, who left us for his heavenly home Friday, May 29, 1942.

Brother Howell has served us well for a year and a half and the work of our church is in excellent condition. It would be needless to say that we shall miss him.

We are greatly saddened at his going and extend our heartfelt sympathy to his loyal and devoted wife and children, and may his life of devotion to his Lord continue to be a great inspiration to all of us who still carry on.

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

E. A. Lawing (for the board).

ROLL OF HONOR STUDENTS AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Students graduating with honors were Elaine Causey, Liberty; Sarah Cox, Goldsboro; Helen Cunningham, Greensboro; Sarah West Davis, Weldon; Jean Davis, Guilford College; Elizabeth Dickman, Florence; Minnie Mae Franklin, Stem; Gladys Heffner, Maiden; Carolyn Janssen, Winter Haven, Fla.; Janella Kirk, Cliffside; Jewel Lambeth, Trinity; Margaret Nifong, Cherryville; Helen Porter, Greensboro; Dorothy Smith, Bridgeton; Marguerite Thomason, Lexington; Frances Turner, Waynesville; Nancy Wall, Leaksville; Lorene Weaver, Asheville; Sadie Wolfe, Mount Airy; and Martha Yarborough, Louisburg. Graduating with highest honors was Miss Carolyn Janssen, Winter Haven, Florida.

PRESIDENT CUNINGGIM RESIGNS AS HEAD OF SCARRITT

Dr. Jesse L. Cuninggim was made president of Scarritt Bible and Training School twenty-one years ago, when the institution was located in Kansas City, Mo. Under his leadership the school was moved to Nashville, Tenn., the name was changed to Scarritt College for Christian Workers, and the program of education was altered so as to provide senior college and graduate school training for men and women preparing for social-religious service.

Since the school was moved to Nashville affiliation with George Peabody College for Teachers and further co-operation with Vanderbilt University have been arranged and several joint projects have been undertaken. Chief of these are: The joint library of the three institutions, for which the General Education Board gave one million dollars; and during the present year the establishment of a graduate school of social work, for which the General Education Board provided $40,000 for the operation of the school during its first three years.

The college, under Dr. Cuninggim's leadership, has been admitted to the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges and has taken a unique and outstanding place in Methodism as a center for the training of missionaries, deaconesses and other social-religious workers.

A native of North Carolina, Dr. Cuninggim has been in educational and religious work for fifty years. He received his A.B. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1891, and four years later earned his B.D. degree at Vanderbilt, where later he became a professor in the Bible department. He has received honorary degrees from Southern Methodist and Duke universities.

From 1902 to 1910 Dr. Cuninggim was director of the Correspondence School of the Methodist Church, South, and from 1910 to 1914 he was director of ministerial supply and training for the denomination. He is also the author of several religious education books. In 1910 Dr. Cuninggim was married to Miss Maude L. Merrimon of Raleigh, North Carolina. They have two children, Dr. A. Merrimon Cuninggim, a Rhodes Scholar and head of the department of Bible and director of religious education activities at Emory and Henry University, Emory, Va.; and Miss Margaret Louise Cuninggim, professor of art for the past five years in the Alabama State College for Women, Montevallo, Alabama.

J. H. GILES, PROMINENT CITIZEN OF BURKE COUNTY, PASSES

John Hampton Giles, prominent resident of Glen Alpine and for a generation a leading figure in Burke county business, political and church affairs, died Friday, May 29, at Davis hospital in Statesville.

A native of Glen Alpine, Mr. Giles was born February 22, 1867. He early became interested in public affairs, serving before the turn of the century as register of deeds. He was several times a member of the General Assembly from his county. For many years he served as a director of the State Hospital at Morganton.

A leader in his home community, he was at the time of his death chairman of the school board of the Glen Alpine school system, an office held without opposition for more than 35 years. For more than 20 years he had been chairman of the board of stewards and Sunday school superintendent of the Glen Alpine Methodist church. He will be missed in many of the business, political and church activities of this community and the state.

He is survived by his wife, seven sons and four daughters. Two brothers also survive.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Glen Alpine Methodist church by the pastor, T. B. Huneycutt, assisted by C. S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent, and the following former pastors, A. C. Swofford, R. C. Goforth, M. F. Moores, R. L. Young and Fletcher Nelson.

A throng of people estimated at 1500 came out to pay tribute to this great man, who loved his church, his home, his family and his friends. T. B. Huneycutt.

REV. H. G. ALLEN HONORED

Rev. H. G. Allen last Monday had conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity by his alma mater, Lincoln Memorial University, in Harrogate, Tenn. It is an honor worthily bestowed. Mr. Allen, now pastor of Broad Street Methodist church, Statesville, where his work has been very effective, which is a repetition of the services he has rendered wherever he has served as pastor. He knows how to work and he knows how to preach effectively and to the delight of the people and to the glory of God.

A native of Catawba county, Mr. Allen was graduated from Asheville Farm School in 1911 and from Lincoln Memorial University in 1915. He received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Emory University in 1919. He later did post graduate work at University of Chicago. In 1921 Mr. Allen married Miss Jennie Lee Apperson of Siloam.

GREAT DAY FOR BELMONT, CHARLOTTE

Sunday was a great day for Belmont Park Methodists. A congregation that taxed the capacity of our church listened for the first time to the new organ that has been purchased for this church. As an expression of their delight $700 was laid on the table as a part payment of the $1800 cost. But that is not all. A glance over the records for the past two years will show a 25 per cent increase in giving to World Service.. $100 increase on salary; 12 per cent increase in membership; $700 heating plant installed in parsonage; $300 on furnishing and repairing parsonage; $3,000 on painting and repairing church buildings; all budget items and salaries paid promptly; the North Carolina Christian Advocate in 34 homes. What more could you ask of any congregation.

J. W. Fitzgerald, Pastor.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTEREST

Henry W. Ervin of Farmer and Wilmington and Miss Rachel Lowe of Farmer are to be married at the Farmer Methodist church on next Sunday, June 14, at 4 p. m. The father of the groom, Rev. J. O. Ervin, will pronounce the ceremony.

Henry, a son of Rev. J. O. and Mrs. Stella Conger Ervin, was educated in the state schools and at Davidson and High Point colleges. He has been for some time a welder and later welder instructor in the shipyards of Wilmington.

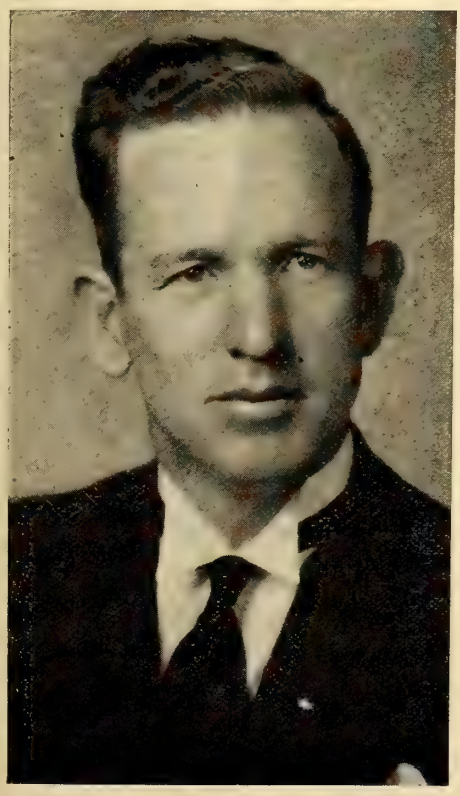
Miss Lowe is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doak Lowe of Farmer. She graduated at the head of her class in the Farmer high school in 1940. She has since been employed by one of Asheboro's leading industrial establishments. The Ervins will be at home to their friends in Wilmington after June 21.



Bishop Clare Purcell



Dr. M. T. Smathers, District Superintendent



Rev. Ralph Taylor, Pastor



Asbury Memorial Church, Asheville, to be Dedicated Sunday

Bishop Purcell will lead in the services of dedication of Asbury Memorial church, Asheville, on June 14 at 3 o'clock. Rev. Ralph Taylor, the pastor, will preside, and Dr. M. T. Smathers, D.S., Dr. L. B. Abernethy, Dr. R. B. Templeton, Rev. J. O. Cox and Rev. T. A. Groce, former pastors, will participate in the service.

The people of Asbury Memorial are greatly rejoiced that the debt is paid. Last fall when we returned from the annual conference we gave close study to the fourteen point goal which the bishop presented and which was adopted by the conference as the goal for this year. All fourteen points were challenging, but our attention was drawn to point eleven, "an effort to pay off all local indebtedness." The people here put their hands to the task and their hearts into the work, and now they are filled with rejoicing in the day of their victory—a day for which they had longed.

Historical Sketch

Bishop Francis Asbury was the first Methodist bishop of America, having been sent here by John Wesley in 1771, and it was for him the Asbury Memorial church on Beaverdam Road, Asheville, N. C., was named at its opening March 4, 1928, in memory of his work in this section in the early days.

Bishop Asbury began making trips into the mountain wilderness in the year 1800. On one of these early trips the Killian family, who were one of the first families to settle west of the Blue Ridge mountains on land granted to them by the King of England, hearing that Bishop Asbury was holding meetings in a log house near Buncombe Courthouse, invited him to their home. (Asbury's Journal, Nov. 1800, Vol. 3, page 91).

It was from the inspiration of these meetings that a small log church house was built and named Mt. Pleasant. The land for this church was donated by the Killian family from a part of their grant, and therefore, has never been bought or sold.

It is not definitely known in what year the church was first organized, but it was some time between 1795 and 1800; nor is it known whether the organization took place at the Killian home or in the log house. The first conference was held by Bishop Asbury in 1801. (North Carolina Christian Advocate, Nov. 8, 1917).

Also from N. C. Advocate same date, "In 1879 the old log house was removed and the present frame building was erected in its place. The new building or church was dedicated in 1881 by Bishop Wightman."

The second Mt. Pleasant church was torn down and the present church building, named in memory of the bishop, was started in May 1927, and was formally opened on March 4, 1928. The present building was erected at a cost of $50,000.

The change of name from Mt. Pleasant to Asbury Memorial was first suggested by Mrs. R. C. Stevens. The name was changed by the late Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon.

In the pulpit of the Asbury Memorial church is a chair made by Daniel Killian, which he had made especially for Bishop Asbury to sit in when he presided over the first conference in 1801 in the log church.

PEACE WITH THEE

By Leona B. Cox

The morning was bright and golden,
There was music in every tree,
But the song in my heart was sweeter,
For it sang, my Lord, of thee.

The noon was dazzling in splendor,
Beauty was in everything,
But the joy in my heart was greater—
It held communion with thee.

The sun moved down in glory,
Far beyond the western lea;
In my heart was a place most holy,
An abiding place for thee.

Dear day of days most sacred, blest,
When my heart like a bird set free,
Thrilled with thy spirit as its guest,
For my soul had just found thee.

431 Are Awarded Diplomas at Woman's College, in Greensboro

Topping off a commencement which has been turned to commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the institution, the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina on Monday graduated the largest class in its history of rapid, but sound growth and progress.

The 431 recipients of bachelors' degrees were dispatched, with stirring reminders of the splendid history of their institution as a symbol of the rise of women into their place in the sun of a democratic country, by Governor Broughton and Dr. Frank Graham, president of the University, into a world admittedly troubled and tragic, but challenging women with unprecedented opportunities.

Speaking for the graduates, Miss Rose Wilson of Rocky Mount acknowledged the debt which the present day college owes to its founder and pioneers and accepted the challenge for the future, declaring: "It is with hopeful hearts and clear minds that we take our places as educated, mature women in a world torn and confused by combat. Upon us must fall the task of planning an enduring peace. We will have to assume with courage and faith the job of rearing and educating another generation of Americans which will believe in good will among men of all nations."

In the same vein Dr. Graham said: "We are in the midst of a struggle which involves the highest heritages of the past, the future of freedom, and the most aspirations of the human spirit. It is the high responsibility of women to preserve and transmit to their children the decent, the humane, and the spiritual values of our civilization."

The Governor said it this way:

"You go into a troubled world, it is true, but it is one which carries for women the largest opportunity for participation in the history of the world. Upon women as on no other group will fall the important task of preserving in the midst of war the beauty and nobility of our civilization. Women, too, must have a constructive and decisive part in helping prevent recurrence of these tragedies and horrors we are now experiencing."

President Graham and the Governor of North Carolina in the foregoing have uttered timely and wise words of instruction to the people of our state, and to all men and women everywhere.

Awards Are Made

Announcement of awards by Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration, who presided for the exercises, brought Miss Jeanne Malin, member of the graduating class, of Greensboro, the top Weil Fellowship for graduate study; Miss Shirley Elliott, Woodland, a rising senior, the Mendenhall Scholarship in mathematics and allied sciences, and Miss Suzanne Walker, Charlotte, a junior, the Martha Winfred Scholarship in English. A special 50th anniversary gift by the college section of Phi Beta Kappa, a $50 scholarship went to Miss Carrie Ola Hughes of Snow Hill, a senior.

Dean Jackson presented the undergraduates, and Dr. W. W. Pierson of Chapel Hill, dean of the graduate school of the Consolidated University, the five graduate students, and President Graham conferred the degrees. Governor Broughton presented the diplomas.

Woman's College Contributes to the Social and Intellectual Life of Greensboro

The Woman's College is a great social asset to the city with its huge faculty of cultured and influential teachers and their families. These and the student body contribute to the social and intellectual progress of the entire city.

The series of lectures that feature each winter's entertainment and the high class musicals which bring the very best musical talent to the city are of great cultural value and at the same time adds to the pleasure of a large number of people who enjoy the finer things of life.

Dr. Jackson and his co-laborers are doing a great work not only in the field of higher education of women, but they are in a very fine way ministering to the intellectual, social, financial and moral progress of the "Gate City."

STATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

A special feature of the pastors' reports to the Statesville district conference was that every pastor knows his men who are in the armed forces of our country and keeps in regular contact with them. The means of serving these boys who are away from home include Testaments and Bibles, gifts, regular correspondence, scrolls of honor in the churches and many other methods of keeping the bonds of friendship and mutual faith strong.

This conference, held at Triplett church on the Mooresville circuit, with Rev. Hubert L. Powell, the host pastor, licensed four young men to preach: Clyde Louis Colins, Joseph Marion Taylor, Jr., William Webster Blanton, and John Silas Oakley. Three were recommended for admission into the annual conference on trial: Wayne McLean, Joseph Edmund Caldwell and John James Powell.

The pastors' reports were uniformly good. The majority of the men reported their budgets more than balanced. All were up to date in finances. In many other ways they gave evidence of spiritual and material well being and progress throughout the district.

The program of the day was well organized. Every person assigned a part did it well. Their team work resulted in a cohesive, instructive and inspirational conference. Instead of coming to the close of the day with a harassed sense of having been bombarded with many causes, as is often the case at such conferences, the people left the conference with the feeling that the day had been well spent, that Christ's kingdom is the only way for the world, and that God is the One worthy of supreme devotion. It suffices to say that they made us conscious that our church is doing the work of God in this crucial period. Reid Wall.

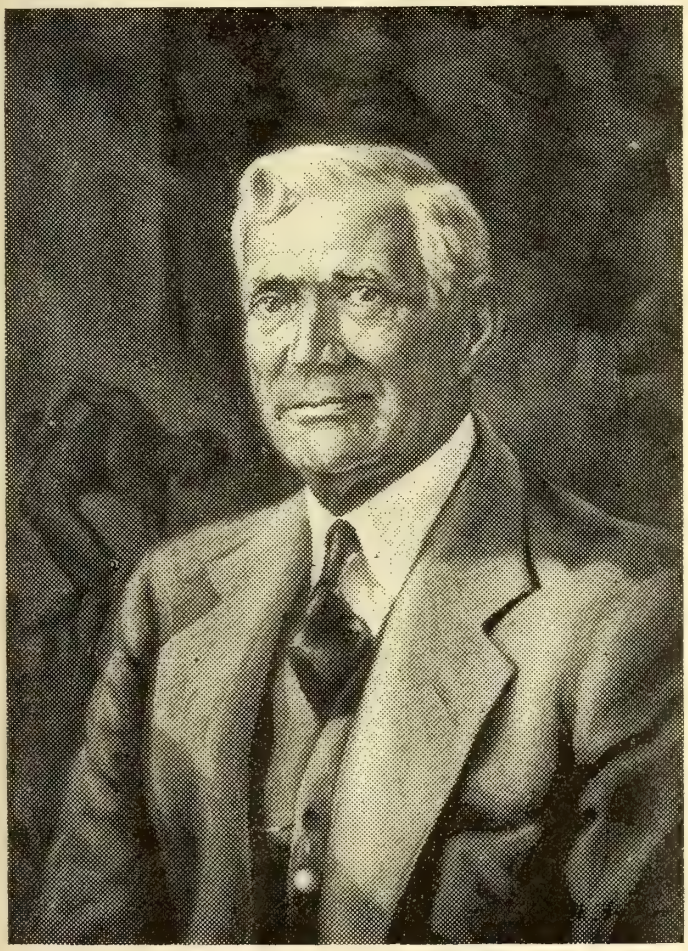
GOLDEN CROSS

Golden Cross receipts so far this conference year have been very encouraging. This is good news. On July 1 a statement will be furnished the North Carolina Christian Advocate showing payments by charges up to that time. All monies collected for the Golden Cross should be in the hands of the treasurer before the end of June.

R. M. Courtney, Treasurer,
College Place Church, Greensboro.

AN INTERESTING FEATURE OF THE DUKE ALUMNI LUNCHEON AT COMMENCEMENT

The unveiling of a portrait of W. W. (Cap) Card was an outstanding feature of the Duke alumni luncheon Friday of last week, immediately following the graduating exercises which began at 11 o'clock. "Cap" Card, as he is known to all Trinity and Duke men, has been for forty years on the athletic staff of this institution, where he is



Portrait of W. W. (Cap) Card

loved and admired by all the generations of college students who have come and gone during these four decades.

Dr. Hersey E. Spence of the Divinity School presented the portrait in the following address:

Mr. Toastmaster, President Flowers, Friends of Duke University:

Among the many privileges which have been mine throughout the years, I esteem none more highly than the one which is now accorded me—that of presenting a portrait of a good friend and faithful servant of this institution.

If a narration of facts were all that were appropriate, my task would soon be done. Simply stated they are these: Mr. Paul Whitener of Hickory, N. C., an alumnus of the class of 1936, has painted a portrait of Mr. Wilbur Wade Card, and is donating this portrait to his alma mater on this occasion. Mr. Card was graduated in 1900 and has been on the athletic staff of this institution for forty years.

But behind these mere facts is a human interest story of a boy whose love for his alma mater and whose high regard and affection for his teacher prompted him to this service of love and this generous gift.

Nor can the character or contribution of the subject of the portrait be stated in cold facts. From his freshman year when he literally burst into the limelight by knocking that famous home run through the knot hole until now he has always turned up with something ingenius, fresh, unpredictable. Incidentally (with scholarly instinct and the theologian's love for truth) I am compelled to debunk the knot hole story. There wasn't even a fence around the park. He merely knocked the ball through the hole that would have been in the fence if the fence had been there.

Cap received his physical training education at Harvard University, where he was known as the strongest man at Harvard. He was also reputed to be the handsomest man at Trinity and with his usual agreeable disposition, he was too well bred to dispute either point. His work here may be briefly stated under three categories.

First, there is the concrete contribution which he made to the athletic interests of the college, and for that matter to the entire section. At a time when men thought of basketball as an impracticable game that would never attain popularity, Cap advocated it as an intercollegiate sport. He is commonly accredited with having introduced it as such in this state. I am unusually proud to acclaim him as the granddaddy of North Carolina basketball, since I had the honor of being a member of his first squad. He also made a great contribution in the field of gymnastics in his capacity as director of the Angier Duke Gymnasium. He was not only expert in all forms of indoor sports, but he had the willingness to work tirelessly with his men, encouraging them with friendly tone and cheering smile and actually showing them how the difficult and arduous feats were performed. His gymnasium teams were notable for their skill and ability.

Second, Cap also did much to lay the foundation for the phenomenally successful athletic program which characterizes the Duke University of today. Even in those days of small squads, little money, and no help, he showed the way in successful amateur athletics. It is a far cry from the seven men basketball squads and the ten men baseball teams of those days to the multitudes of candidates today, but there was the indomitable spirit and careful training there that made those teams compare favorably with any that we have had since. Favorably, did I say? We have rarely seen their equals. What names in all our lists will compare with those of Arthur Bradsher and Bob Gantt? Cap's teams were so limited in number that his two pitchers worked on the mound every other day and played infield the rest of the time. Nor was there any compromise with low standards. They were hard hitting, fair fighting, game as losers and gracious as winners. Cap himself was so honest that we hated to see him umpire a game, which he frequently had to do. He was so eager to play fair with his opponents that he gave them every close decision.

Cap's greatest contribution, however, is in the realm of the intangible and immeasurable. He has been a personal friend to thousands of discouraged young students, encouraging them with his kindly attention, bracing them with a hearty slap on the back, gladdening their lives with his cheering smile. No student was ever too insignificant to share his sympathetic attention. My most vivid recollection of him is his tireless attempt to teach a poor crippled boy the use of his helpless limbs. And many a man throughout the length and breadth of the world today owes his healthy body and fine frame of mind to the efforts of this man who cheered him on to success

And so, President Flowers, on behalf of the painter and donor, Mr. Paul Whitener, I take this pleasure in presenting to you, and through you to Duke University, this portrait of that inimitable and beloved alumnus and teacher, Cap W. W. Card.

DELEGATES PRESENT AT WILLIAMSBURG

The delegates from North Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution present at the National Congress in Williamsburg were McDaniel Lewis, Greensboro; W. E. Caldwell, Chapel Hill; Chas. U. Harris, Raleigh; M. L. Shipman, Raleigh; J. Edward Allen, Warrenton; M. T. Plyler, Durham. Accompaning these delegates were Mrs. Lewis and Miss Mary Lynn Lewis, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Plyler and Misses Grace and Eleanor Plyler. Another visitor was Alan T. Bowler, formerly of Greensboro, now of Richmond.

Western North Carolina Conference Financial Report to June 3, 1942

Amounts paid by charges include all payments reaching me on or before June 3. Pastors and treasurers are urged to compare these amounts with their records and report any discrepancy at once.

First column shows General and Conference Benevolences (World Service); second column, General Administration Fund. E. O. Cole, Treas.

Asheville District

Charges	Benev.	G.A.F.
Acton	$ 202.00	$ 7.50
Asheville—		
Asbury Mem.	81.31	
Biltmore	41.02	
Central	1042.33	
Haywood St.	406.44	
Hillside-Merrimon	150.35	1.17
Oakley	37.00	
W. Asheville	410.00	9.00
Asheville Ct.	85.30	
Bald Creek	6.00	
Bernardsville	10.50	
Back Mountain	112.69	
Brevard	100.53	
Burnsville	50.00	
Candler	182.70	
E. Flat Rock	130.08	6.00
Etowah	26.38	
Fairview	25.28	
Fletcher	205.00	13.00
Hendersonville	237.42	
Hot Springs	61.61	
Ivy	38.10	.75
Leicester-Grace	22.85	
Marshall	16.08	
Micaville-Tipton	33.56	
Mills River	78.83	
Pisgah	74.00	
Rosman	19.87	
Saluda	30.00	
Sandy	37.00	
Swannanoa	104.63	
Tryon	40.58	
Weaverville	292.00	7.50
Weaverville Ct.	63.21	
Wolf Mountain	12.50	
Totals	4467.25	44.92

Charlotte District

Ansonville	70.17	.47
Big Spring	140.00	10.00
Charlotte—		
Belmont Park	422.94	
Brevard St.	200.00	
Calvary	261.12	
Central Ave.	58.27	
Chadwick	125.00	7.00
Dilworth	1532.97	31.25
Duncan Mem.	10.00	
First	3196.85	20.32
Hawthorne Lane	1500.00	13.13
Myers Park	3000.00	37.50
Spencer Mem.	90.57	
Wesley Heights	240.00	
Derita	30.00	
Hickory Grove	162.05	
Homestead-Pl. Grv.	368.00	12.50
Huntersville	83.67	
Indian Trail-Stallings	63.36	
Lilesville	70.00	
Marshville	35.00	
Matthews	61.70	
Monroe — Central	991.55	10.92
North Monroe	35.00	
Morven	253.35	11.25
Peachland	81.45	3.00
Pineville	258.15	
Prospect	225.00	6.34
Thrift-Moores	208.13	6.70
Trinity	62.50	5.00
Wadesboro	840.44	19.00
Waxhaw	10.81	
Weddington	18.32	
Zoar	5.00	
Totals	14,711.37	194.38

Elkin District

Advance	99.83	
Ararat	27.50	
Bryant Memorial	15.00	
Boone	180.00	
Cooleemee	51.00	
Creston	14.00	
Davie	28.00	
Dobson	66.10	
Elkin	685.85	
Farmington	61.41	
Green Valley	35.00	1.00
Helton	29.50	
Jonesville	60.00	
Laurel Springs	15.00	
Millers Creek	87.50	4.00
Mocksville	232.71	10.00
Mocksville Ct.	69.28	
Moravian Falls	26.53	
N. Wilkesboro	550.00	
St. Paul	50.10	
Todd	4.95	
Warrenville	63.75	
Watauga	35.00	
W. Jefferson	50.00	
Wilesboro	52.50	
Yadkinville	167.00	3.05
Totals	2747.51	18.50

Gastonia District

Belmont: Main St.	142.88	8.00
Park St.	312.13	
Belwood	91.68	
Bessemer City	225.00	
Boger City	444.15	2.40
Cleveland	130.00	
Cherryville	316.50	
Cherryville Ct.	99.30	
Concord-El Bethel	50.58	
Cramerton	158.80	
Crouse	23.43	
Dallas	246.00	4.50
Ebenezer	62.07	
Fallston	113.50	
Gastonia—		
Bradley Mem.	433.11	
East End	65.25	
Main St.	2050.00	27.00
Maylo-Smyre	201.72	
Trinity	224.70	4.02
West End	166.10	11.00
Kings Mountain—		
Central	150.00	3.30
Grace	148.30	
Lincoln Ct.	68.07	
Lincolnton: First	800.00	18.00
Rhyne Heights	37.50	6.00
Lowell	96.55	
Lowesville	180.77	
McAdenville	51.00	
Mt. Holly	340.00	
Polkville	114.29	
Rock Springs	167.74	
Shelby: Central	1538.05	
Lafayette St.	238.44	
West Shelby	15.05	
Shelby Ct.	151.81	
South Fork	37.05	
Stanley	63.44	
Totals	9754.96	84.22

Greensboro District

Danbury	36.85	
Draper	75.00	
Flat Rock	134.23	6.31
Gibsonville	183.75	
Greensboro—		
Bessemer	123.21	
Bethel-Battlegro'd	90.98	
Calvary	37.50	
Carraway Mem.	251.97	10.00
Cetenary	675.15	10.50
College Place	625.01	
Glenwood	133.00	
Grace	160.50	
Midway-Burnette's	67.50	5.75
Newlyn St.	75.00	
Proximity	225.00	
St. Paul	111.00	
West End	55.43	
West Market St.	4064.37	
Muir's Chapel	450.00	
Guilford	148.50	
Haw River	206.07	
Jamestown-Oakdale	97.16	3.15
Leaksville	121.19	
Lee's Chapel	45.00	
Madison	150.00	9.00
Mayodan	50.00	
Moriah	49.50	
Mt. Pleasant Ct.	188.00	2.40
Mitchell's-Vickery	63.70	
Pleasant Garden	391.14	
Reidsville—		
Lindsey St.	91.91	
Main St.	753.34	
Reidsville Ct.	131.32	
Ruffin	67.76	
Sandy Ridge	39.17	
Stoneville-Boulevard	11.31	
Summerfield	103.09	
Spray	280.42	
Stokesdale	45.49	
Totals	10,609.60	47.11

High Point District

Archdale	116.70	5.39
Asheboro: Central	438.56	
First	895.89	25.00
Asheboro Ct.	41.57	2.00
Coleridge	53.30	1.08
Denton: Central	172.08	8.75
First	25.00	
Farmer	66.36	10.00
Greer's Chapel	65.32	2.05
High Point: Calvary	262.50	8.00
First	92.75	
Highland	45.93	4.14
Lebanon	90.00	
Oak View	80.00	
Main St.	217.32	
Rankin Memorial	60.00	6.24
Ward St.	62.50	3.08
Welch Memorial	122.00	
Wesley Memorial	5409.63	40.02
Liberty: First	40.89	
Liberty Ct.	64.87	
Linwood	153.13	
Mt. Vernon	8.60	
Pleasant Grove	151.50	7.77
Ramseur-Franklinv'l	186.27	6.60
Randleman-Union	251.67	6.70
Randleman Ct.	64.06	2.14
Randolph-Gray's	142.08	10.82
Richland	78.32	
Seagrove	12.00	
Shiloh	185.77	7.30
South Davidson	21.08	
Trinity	47.41	
West Randolph	36.00	
Why Not	38.00	4.00
Totals	9798.96	151.08

Marion District

Bostic	65.37	
Cliffside-Avondale	220.00	5.00
Connelly Springs	282.80	12.00
Drexel Ct.	66.42	
Forest City	224.00	
Glen Alpine	50.00	5.00
Marion—		
Cross Mills	148.00	7.00
First	634.18	
Marion Mills	125.00	
Marion Ct.	61.90	
McDowell Ct.	65.00	5.00
Mill Spring	58.49	3.50
Morganton: First	1082.32	22.00
North Forest	172.50	5.25
Morganton Ct.	102.05	5.00
Old Fort	62.00	
Old Fort Ct.	72.50	
Pleasant Grove	171.40	6.00
Rutherford College	65.33	
Rutherfordton.	253.85	
Spindale	163.51	10.00
Spruce Pine	42.23	
Sunshine	17.40	
Table Rock	60.00	7.00
Valdese	43.00	
Totals	4301.25	92.75

Salisbury District

Albemarle: Central	1087.00	
First St.	295.57	
Main St.	120.00	
Tabernacle	75.00	
Albemarle Ct.	162.00	8.00
Badin-New London	256.00	2.20
Bethel-Boger	165.00	4.00
China Grove	290.08	10.00
Concord: Ann St.	236.96	
Central	753.29	12.50
Epworth	325.00	
Forest Hill	1263.15	25.00
Harmony	93.37	3.00
Kerr St.	59.00	
Roberta	73.50	
Rocky Ridge	35.06	
Westford	33.29	
E. Spencer-Yadkin	56.50	
Friendship	127.01	5.00
Gold Hill	125.00	
Granite Quarry	116.44	
Kannapolis: Bethpage	68.97	
Jackson Park	128.21	4.00
Midway	192.50	
Mt. Mitchell	109.52	4.00
N. Kannapolis	98.67	
Trinity	1107.83	17.50
Landis	97.28	
Midland	166.70	8.00
Mt. Olivet	405.82	
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs	287.50	
Norwood	255.00	
Norwood Ct.	39.46	
Pfeiffer	207.89	
Salisbury—		
Coburn Memorial	127.23	
First	1471.91	51.20
Main St.-Rowan	121.10	
Park Avenue	100.84	
Spencer: Central	91.80	
Stanfield	100.00	5.00
Woodleaf	48.66	
Totals	10,975.11	164.42

Statesville District

Balls Creek	126.00	5.00
Catawba	363.64	15.00
Cool Springs	86.80	6.00
Davidson-Fairview	85.00	7.12
Elmwod	31.42	
Grace-Rhodhiss	58.46	6.16
Granite Falls	251.00	8.00
Harmony	38.68	
Hickory: Bethel	106.78	6.75
First	654.00	14.50
Highlands	100.00	
Westview	90.82	6.75
Hiddenite	38.00	1.50
Hudson	93.35	
Lenoir: First	515.93	16.00
Lenoir Ct.	75.11	.25
Maiden	98.00	5.00
Mooresville—		
Broad St.	50.61	6.00
Central	530.00	13.50
Jones Memorial	24.01	
Mooresville Ct.	156.86	6.75
Mount Zion	524.95	
Newton	450.00	18.75
North Newton	125.00	
Olin	22.54	
Shepherds	123.00	4.40
Statesville—		
Boulevard	50.00	4.00
Broad St.	710.00	15.00
Race St.	455.81	
Statesville Ct.	14.15	2.00
Stony Point	116.38	5.72
Taylorsville	95.00	4.25
Troutman	55.67	
Union Grove-Zion	46.62	
Whitnel	46.00	5.50
Totals	6409.59	183.90

Waynesville District

Andrews	40.00	
Beaver Dam	20.44	
Bethel	28.01	
Bryson City	90.00	
Canton: Central	473.35	
First	57.62	
Rockwood	60.00	3.48
Clyde	53.94	
Crabtree	19.87	1.03
Cullowhee	58.55	6.10
Dellwood	22.25	
Fines Creek	16.62	
Franklin	108.50	5.50
Franklin Ct.	16.00	
Hayesville	118.53	3.97
Highlands	27.92	3.78
Jonathan	47.52	
Junaluska	100.10	5.00
Macon	26.58	
Morning Star	60.00	
Murphy	409.63	
Murphy Ct.	22.19	
Pigeon Valley	48.42	
Robbinsville	75.65	
Shooting Creek	24.00	
Sylva	206.35	6.30
Waynesville	502.23	
Webster	27.91	.50
Whittier	51.20	.58
Totals	2813.38	36.24

Winston-Salem District

Concord-Sharon	69.66	
Davidson	145.52	5.00
Hanes-Clemmons	79.94	4.00
Kernersville	82.40	
Kernersville Ct.	24.00	
Lexington: Erlanger	169.91	8.00
First	1025.00	20.00
Trinity-Mt. Carmel	73.00	7.00
Maple Springs	80.00	5.00
Mt. Airy: Central	1121.22	
Rockford St.	127.14	
Mt. Airy Ct.	34.00	
Mt. Carmel-Pine Grv.	47.75	
Mt. Tabor	155.52	5.00
North Davidson	262.79	
Pilot Mountain	85.19	5.00
Pinnacle	116.83	
Rural Hall	68.38	
Thomasville—		
Community	210.22	
First-West End	121.58	
Main St.	1000.000	40.00
Trinity-Bethel	60.00	4.00
Thomasville Ct.	160.19	6.00
Unity-Fair Grove	315.49	8.00
Walkertown: Love's	432.60	12.50
Morris Chapel	117.32	
Walnut Cove	35.00	
Welcome	301.11	
West Forsyth	135.12	
Winston-Salem—		
Ardmore	350.00	10.00
Burkhead	750.00	12.50
Centenary	4422.47	110.00
Central Terrace	283.00	5.00
First	227.50	
Green St.	155.88	
Ogburn Memorial	92.90	2.50
Sedge Garden	57.04	
Winston Ct.	108.13	2.00
City Mission	45.00	
Totals	13,148.80	271.50

Total Benevolences	$89,737.78
Total G. A. F.	1,299.02

Report of District Supts.' Fund

Bgt. forward from 1940-41	$ 5771.35
From district 1941-42:	
Asheville	$ 1785.80
Charlotte	2358.16
Elkin	1001.58
Gastonia	2504.21
Greensboro	2478.67
High Point	2116.19
Marion	1894.41
Salisbury	2897.49
Statesville	2209.70
Waynesville	1006.58
Winston-Salem	2810.81
Total	28,834.95
Total paid out to date	28.204.66
Rec'd since checks were mailed	630.29
	28,834.95
Paid each Dist. Supt.	2,564.06

E. O. Cole, Treas.

Western North Carolina Conference, The Methodist Church

To Members of Commission on World Service and Finance:

I am giving below a statement of Receipts and Disbursements from the beginning of the fiscal year 1941-1942 up to and including May 31st, 1942. (The general church year closes May 31st. This statement includes receipts up to June 3rd, but does not include Fourth Sunday offerings of May 24th, amounting to $1,551.93.)

Receipts

General and Conference Benevolences		
Regular Payments	$69,220.66	
Fourth Sunday Offerings	18,976.19	
		$ 88,196.85
General Administration Fund		1,288.02
Episcopal Fund		6,577.97
Conference Claimants		25,583.97
District Superintendents		28,834.95
World Comradeship Fund		277.67
Accumulated for Conference Expense		2,887.55
Miscellaneous Accounts		10,278.31
Total		$163,925.29

Disbursements

General Benevolences (World Service)		$ 44,048.56
General Administration Fund		1,288.02
Episcopal Fund		6,577.97
District Superintendents		28,204.66
World Comradeship Fund		277.67
Conference Expense		3,759.24
Certificates of Deposit Purchased		26,000.00
Miscellaneous Accounts		10,419.43
N. C. Council of Churches—Distribution		100.00
Total Disbursements		$120,675.55
Balance W. B. and T. Co., Charlotte	$34,360.90	
Deposited June 2nd and 3rd	8,888.84	
		43,249.74
Total		$163,925.29
Increase in Benevolences over last year	$18,908.27	
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Respectfully submitted, E. O. Cole, *Treasurer.*

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

MAY DUSK

By Hope Turner

Spring-drenched landscapes are purpled now;
The wings of night bend low.
The lacy-rimmed, dark trees are etched
Against the crimson glow;
One lone faint star, like some rare gem,
Is mounted in the sky,
And small dark birds above the trees
So slowly homeward fly.
A mockingbird on his high throne,
In his sweet heartfelt lay,
Voices to God the thanks I feel
For peace this closing day.

—The Teacher.

ATTENTION! LOCAL SECRETARIES OF LITERATURE

It is almost time for your second quarterly report. I want to urge you to send this in to your district corresponding secretary promptly, and PLEASE, all of you send a report. You know this is the only way I have of knowing the number of subscriptions in our Western North Carolina conference to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. I sincerely hope that each of you will have a number of new subscriptions this quarter.

Mrs. D. M. Davidson,
Secretary of Literature.

SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

An inspiring occasion for zone No. — of the Asheville district was the spiritual life retreat held on May 24 at Grace Methodist church, near Leicester. The zone leader, Mrs. F. O. Dryman, was in charge of the meeting, which had for its theme "The Christian's Holy Habits." The meeting opened with quiet music followed by a silent meditation, at which time each person present was asked to read "The Christian Holy Habits" by Ralph S. Cushman.

This meditation was followed by a hymn, "Take Time to Be Holy," after which a worship service consisting of a talk, reading and prayer, was given by Mrs. M. H. Moore of Weaverville. A vocal duet, "My Mother's Bible," was sung by Mrs. W. Dabney and Mrs. M. F. Coffee and was followed by another meditation in which was given THE AIMS of the spiritual life group. Mrs. Eugene Brown spoke on "Service to Your Fellowmen" and Mrs. Frank Phibbs gave an impressive reading, "Where Love Is There God Is." The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. Frank Phibbs. Lunch was from 12 to 1 o'clock with an atmosphere of quiet and reverence prevailing.

Quiet music opened the afternoon service and was followed by meditation in which growth in Christian living was the theme. Mrs. J. M. Brandon spoke on peace and closed with prayer which was concluded with a short poem, "United in Prayer in a Broken World," read in unison. Mrs. Berge Neill sang with feeling, "God Who Touchest Earth With Beauty," after which Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., gave some interesting thoughts on public worship.

After another musical selection, "Paul's Code for Christians" from Goodspeed, "The New Testament—an American Translation," was read silently by each one. "At Least a Tenth" was the subject of a talk by Mrs. Ralph Taylor, followed by a reading, "The Little Gate to God," by Mrs. Troy Gudger. The Doxology followed by prayer and benediction by Rev. Ralph Taylor, closed this helpful day of worship and meditation.

PAUL'S CODE FOR CHRISTIANS

Do not act from selfish ends or from vanity. Do everything without grumbling or disputing. Respect those who work with you; live at peace with one another. Cheer the despondent, keep hold of the weak. Be patient with everybody. Take care that you never pay back evil for evil; always try to treat everyone with kindness. Always be joyful; never give up praying. Thank God for whatever happens; don't stifle the spirit. Have no anxiety about anything but make all your wants known to God in prayer and entreaty and with thanksgiving. Let your mind dwell on what is true, what is worthy, what is right, what is pure, what is amiable, what is kindly—on everything that is excellent or praiseworthy.—From Goodspeed's The New Testament, an American Translation.

N. C. SCHOOL FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS, COLORED M. E. CHURCH

Pastors, missionary women, laymen and young people of the C. M. E. Church are expected to attend the school to be held at Hanes Memorial church, Winston-Salem, N. C., July 6-11, for six days of Christian fellowship, study and inspiration.

The course of study will include The Religious Eucational Task of the Church; The Home and Church Working Together in the Religious Nurture of Children; Young People Approaching Religion; How to Conduct a Missionary Study Unit; The Work of the Pastor; A Study of the Prophets, and Handicraft. A youth conference will be held in connection with the school. Registration $1, entertainment $3, text book $1. Registration will begin at 1 p. m. July 6; classes begin at 7 p. m. July 6. Mrs. L. V. Scott, 2359 Okalina Avenue, Winston-Salem, counselor; Rev. R. C. Langford, 821 N. Highland Ave., Winston Salem, dean; and Rev. Julian B. Smith, Box 467, Jackson, Tenn., General Board of Religious Education, C. M. E. Church.

STANLY COUNTY ZONE MEETING

By Mrs. J. D. Bivins, Sec.

The Woman's Societies of Christian Service in Stanly county zone, in Salisbury district, met in Central Methodist church, Albemarle, Friday afternoon, May 1, with Mrs. W. S. Sharp, president, in the chair. Meeting opened with hymn "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," and was followed by devotional by Rev. Courtney Ross, who used for his theme, "Searching After God with the Poets." He read and discussed the following poems: "God Is Not Done" (for those who seek), by Lowell; "An Unbeliever "(for those who have the unsuccessful search), by Anna Hampstead Branch; "The Rubaiyat" (for those who sought God unsuccessfully), by Omar Khayyam; "Vestigia" (for those who sought God successfully), by Bliss Carmen; "The Search" (for one who found God in prayer), by Thomas Curtiss Clark. He closed with a lovely poem which showed how the tolerant Christian brother allows each to find God in his own way. His remarks were followed by prayer. Mrs. Sharp extended greetings and expressed joy in being able to meet in the main auditorium of the church which had been recently decorated and improved. A special arrangement of the hymn "Abide With Me" was sung by Mrs. H. E. Reap, Mrs. W. L. Mann and Mrs. W. W. Talbert. At roll call as each representative of each society gave a report, the majority noted depened interest in spiritual life groups, and pledges were paid in full, with mission and Bible classes held in most cases according to the efficiency aim, the group from Salem society having made the greatest advance of any society in the zone. Mrs. J. E. Yount, secretary missionary education and service, reported 20 mission study classes for Stanly county and urged each society to send representatives to secretarial school at Duke University in June.

The secretary of student work, Mrs. Courtney Ross, explained the purpose of her departments as one to benefit those in college that they might not lose contact with the church life. Mrs. J. W. Ivey presented the World Outlook, The Methodist Woman, the North Carolina Christian Advocate and stressed the importance of each in making our men and women more missionary minded. The secretary of Salisbury district, Mrs. Z. V. Moss, expressed her appreciation of the loyal service of the 26 organizations and stated as the goal "at least one society in every circuit and locality," and stated that while some of the societies were doing excellent work as an aid society, it was the aim to have all work in the broader field of the society of Christian service. She urged the sending of a colored representative to the Negro Institute to be held in Winston-Salem July 6-11. There are 67 societies in the district with 2829 members, ten of these having reached the efficiency aim in full in 1941, and others in part. The treasurer made her annual report and the meeting closed with prayer.

There is no wealth like sound health. —Gabirol.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

FACING THIS HOUR

"Design for Living"—these words from the title of a publication, but they also describe the purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of The Methodist Church. More than a million Methodist women have accepted a "design for living"—that is being written upon their hearts; is being practiced in their daily lives. . . . "To unite . . . in Christian living and service; develop and support Christian work among women and children around the world; to develop the spiritual life; to study the needs of the world; to take part in such service activities as will strengthen the local church, improve civic, community and world conditions; to secure funds for support of the work undertaken at home and abroad for the establishment of a world Christian community." With purpose strong and faith unwavering we face this hour!—Mrs. J. D. Bragg.

WOMEN AND THE PEACE TABLE

Looking toward the future when peace shall come and when Christians shall attempt to write a just and lasting peace treaty, the women attending the first assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service at Columbus, Ohio, recently adopted a resolution advocating that women be given a place at the post-war planning conference and declaring that if such representation is not given the women "would hold our own advisory conference in the same city in which the peace parleys are conducted." Another resolution passed by the delegates as "a means of safeguarding the physical and moral well-being of the nation" protested the government tire priorities regulations which the society claimed "curtailed milk deliveries while permitting unlimited distribution of beer, wine and liquor by wholesale dealers." The delegates also favored assumption by the federal government of the control of all distilled liquors now in storage and conversion of them into materials needed for war effort. These resolutions were sent to President Roosevelt.

SACRIFICIAL DINNER

Signifying a consciousness of suffering humanity in warring nations and the desire to give material aid, the women attending the assembly at Columbus, Ohio, last month gathered one evening in the Congregational church of that city for a sacrificial dinner. So great was the throng of folk who wished to participate that it was necessary to have two dinners in order that none might be denied. Upon entering the church the word "silent" was immediately discovered. The people sat silently and meditatively for a period of time. Prior to assembling downstairs for the meal, Mrs. W. M. Alexander, secretary spiritual life groups W. D. C. S., read worshipful Psalms. The meal was light but satisfying for the purpose for which it was held and the cause which it represented. Upon leaving the dining room the folk left their gifts of money to be applied on relief of Methodist chlldren in warring areas. More than $700 was donated.

SPIRITUAL LIFE MEETING

Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary spiritual life groups, announces that June 16-17 have been chosen as the dates for the annual spiritual life meeting at Louisburg College. Dr. Walter Patten, president of the college, graciously allows free use of one of the dormitories, charging only $1.50 for the three meals served in the college dining room. Those attending should write Dr. Patten, plan to arrive at the college in time for the evening meal on Tuesday, June 14, and take with them bed linen, towels, soap, etc. The meeting will adjourn with the luncheon on Wednesday, June 17. Each year the spiritual life meetings at Louisburg College become increasingly meaningful and enriching experiences. Truly there was never a greater need for believers to come apart for prayer, meditation and fellowship with God. We should be much in prayer both before and during the days of the meeting.

C. S. R. OPPORTUNITY

We are again reminding our readers of the golden opportunity for inter-racial co-operation in the department of C. S. R. and L. C. A. in the financing of a delegate to the N. C. School for Christians Workers to be held at Winston-Salem on July 6-11. The school is for negro pastors, missionary women, laymen and young people, all of whom are more qualified for Christian service among their race after having attended the school. A large number of societies in the N. C. conference should send delegates. Registration fee of one dollar; entertainment, three dollars, text books one dollar and cost of transportation will consist of the items of expense for a delegate.

HEBRON SOCIETY BUYS WAR BOND

The members of Hebron W. S. C. S., Leasburg charge, voted at a recent meeting at the home of Mrs. Mabel Warren that the society should purchase a war bond. It was also decided to hold prayer services in the homes of Mrs. Martha Rudd and Mrs. Eugenia Smith, two shut-in members of the society. A prayer and a song "In the Sweet By and By" were dedicated to the soldiers. Mrs. H. L. Warren, secretray missionary education, announced a study class on "The Methodist Meeting House" to be conducted at an early date. Mrs. L. E. Phelps, president, presided at the business session. Mrs. Will Moore was in charge of the program, in which Mrs. G. S. Wilkins, Mrs. A. M. Kimbro, Mrs. A. B. Warren, Mrs. W. B. Nicks and Miss Ida Warren participated. Mrs. Mabel Warren led the meditation and Mrs. W. B. Warren led the spiritual life program. During the social hour Mrs. Warren served sandwiches, fruit salad, pound cake, pickles and lemonade.

SEABOARD WOMEN STUDY

On Tuesday, May 26, 25 women of W. S. C. S. of Seaboard, Concord and Pleasant Grove churches on the Seaboard charge met at Pleasant Grove church for an all day mission study, using the text "Christian Roots of Democracy." Mrs. J. Bascom Hurley led the devotional, choosing as her subject "Faith." Mrs. W. D. Barbee of Seaboard was pianist and Mrs. Philips Hughes of Pleasant Grove presided. Several members of the three societies represented taught the various chapters of the book. These included: Mrs. Mason Davis, Concord; Mrs. C. L. Vick, Mrs. Alva Bullock, Mrs. Reese Bullock, Seaboard; Miss Willie Pritchard, Mrs. Mablon Parker, Mrs. Lloyd Parker and Mrs. H. H. Hargrove, Pleasant Grove. At noon the luncnes were spread and a delightful hour of fellowship was enjoyed. — Willie S. Pritchard.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT MEETS

The Elizabeth City district W. S. C. S. met recently in First Methodist church, Elizabeth City. A timely mes-- sage by Rev. T. M. Grant, district superintendent, was a fine foundation for the program which was to follow. Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, district secretary, presided over the business session and introduced Mrs. R. H. Lewis, a returned missionary from Korea. Mrs. Lewis displayed many interesting articles from Korea and gave an enlightening talk about that country. Mrs. Margaret E .White of Tyner was presented a life membership pin. Mrs. White has served as leader for Perquimans-Chowan zone for nine years. A report of the annual conference held at Edenton Street church in Raleigh was given by Miss Jennette Fields of Hertford. A trio from the faculty of Weeksville high school sang. Followlowing the luncheon hour, Mrs. G. M. Garrett of Hertford gave the devotional. Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., spoke on the work of that department, urging the members to study and practice Christian social relations, and above all to rid themselves of hate, intolerance and bigotry. Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, made a report of the work being done throughout the conference and spoke of plans for a number of courses to be held for members of the W. S. C. S. during the summer months, closing her address with the reminder that "The need today is as great as ever. The chain is no stronger than its weakest link. There is need to strengthen all the links in the organization." After adjournment a brief session of Pas-Cur-Cam zone was held.—Augusta M. Sanderlin.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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SCHOOL IS OUT

We have two school "bustings." Our elementary school, while run under the direction and supervision of the city school system, does not necessarily keep the same schedules as other schools in the city. Our Christmas vacation is shorter and there are no days lost for bad weather. Consequently our school closes ahead of the other schools in the city, usually some two weeks ahead. But our high school boys and girls cannot quit their school work until the Reynolds high school closes. This closing was celebrated Thursday, June 4. Now we are out of school and are adjusting ourselves to a new schedule of living.

THE GRADUATES ARE GONE

Twenty-seven of our youngsters graduated from high school this year, fifteen boys and twelve girls. Six of these graduates finished their high school course in late January while the other twenty-one graduated on June 4. These youngsters have now winged their way into new locations and new challenges. They went with mixed emotions. Two big, strong athletes, fine fellows, left trying to hide their tears, when finally one turned to the other and said, "Bob, let's cry. It's no harm to cry."

WE MISS THEM

This year's graduating class was a decidedly good one. For the first time in several years they came up to their graduating time without bringing with them uneasiness lest they fail some course or miss some examination. Everyone came through with some margin to spare. The parties, banquets and social features attending their graduation were unusually pleasing. There were no behavior problems but instead a general feeling of confidence and good will. Now the youngsters have gone and it is only a true confession to state there is a sort of emptiness lingering around our emotional centers.

THE SUMMER SCHEDULE

We are in the process of getting our summer schedule of work carefully organized. All the work assignments have been made for the boys and most of those for the girls have been outlined. Our favorite procedure is to call the groups together and discuss with them what their preferences are. First came the high school boys, then came the high school girls, who, in turn, were followed by the grammar grades and then the grammar grade girls. We take plenty of time to let the youngsters talk, express their notions and then feel good about the agreements for work assignments. Children, like grown people, feel better when they have had their say whether they get exactly what they want or not. Aptitudes, vocational interests and personal fitness have a great deal to do with the agreements entered into.

FILLING IN THE RANKS

As youngsters go away from us others come in to take their place. The process is already in motion. We have held conferences with the rising new grades and of course find that we have plenty of fine youngsters left with us. There will be plenty of talent to fill in the vacancies left by those who have just gone out. When the family numbers well over 400 the opening in the ranks caused by the leaving of a couple of dozen can well be filled by the many dozens who are left.

THE RETARDED ONES

We do not run summer schools nor do we send many of our youngsters to anybody else's summer school. However, a few instances have occurred when some of our youngsters need to get off a course or two during the summer prior to their graduation. These youngsters attend the Richard J. Reynolds summer school, the privilege being open only to rising seniors. It is our business and the business of our youngsters to do what is intended to be done during the nine months school term and thus have no need for going to school in the summer time when other schedules have right of way.

THE GROWING SEASON

This is the growing season both as to stuff and as to children. Our garden truck and our farm crops are growing rapidly. So are our boys and girls. Shoes are getting too small, sleeves too short, collars too tight and dresses too meager. By the time fall comes around many inches will have been added to the stature of our youngsters. They are healthy and they are growing.



Better than his shadow

HE STANDS ALONE

The picture this week is that of Buren Blackwelder, one of our recent high school graduates. He, like every other graduate, is now separated from the rest of the family. He stands alone in the picture, but his record is such that his friends will continue to stand with him. In addition to Buren's school work and vocational assignments he practiced regularly with the Centenary Methodist choir and was a regular performer in its services. Buren hopes to continue his academic training. During the time he was at the Children's Home he was sponsored by our good friend, Mr. James A. Gray, who sees one youngster through our training process and then takes another for similar interest and help.

THE VICTORY BELL

The old ten per cent apportionment bell still peals forth tones of victory as it announces that additional congregations have paid the basal Children's Home quota in full and are on their way towards paying the supplementary apportionment. The following congregations have come out victorious and their proceeds are helping us to come along after the same fashion. Kindly note them and their pastors and join us in grateful thanks:

Giles Chapel, Richland circuit, Rev. J .A. Howell.

Balfour, Fletcher circuit, Rev. N. G. Bethea.

Bethany, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

New Mt. Tabor, Friendship circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.

Lineberry, South Davidson circuit, Rev. J. C. Gentry.

Olivet, Lenoir circuit, Rev. W. L. Harkey.

BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD

Little eight-year-old Glenn, having finished his school work, now has time to sit near his cottage, hard by Reynolda Road, and see the race of men go by. Some of them go south, some go north, but to Glenn each one of them is going somewhere. As the cars sped forth there was aroused in little Glenn's heart a strong emotional desire to go towards the mountains, where he thought he could see his mother. So one day he put out, bareback, in shorts, with only a package of funny papers in his hand. A friend picked him up before he had gotten very far and brought him back to the Children's Home. As Glenn looked up he said, "Pop, I don't know why I wanted to run away. I guess I ought to go home and whip myself." But the superintendent detected in the little lad's remarks that earnest desire to see someone who lived over the hills. Substitutes can never take the place of the real thing, they just come as near to it as they can.

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SINGING CLASS — Mrs. Nellie B. Rives writes as follows: "On May 31 Rev. W. B. Penny invited the singing class to be with him in one of his churches, Pleasant Grove, on Jenkins Memorial-Pleasant Grove charge, for a concert. We had a pleasant visit with his congregation and enjoyed the lunch and fellowship on the lawn. We had only one program that day."

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RALLY DAY—After discussing the matter with Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University, we have decided that due to the tire and gasoline rationing program, it would be unwise to urge the men's Bible classes to send delegates to the Orphanage Rally Day on June 28. During the afternoon on Sunday, the 28th of this month, the glee club will be on the air for 15 minutes, followed by a 15-minute address by Dr. B. G. Childs. The time for the broadcast will be announced later. Anyone who wishes to attend the service will be welcomed. It is my earnest desire that our friends throughout the conference will listen to the broadcast by the glee club and the address by Dr. Childs.

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SENIOR CLASS NIGHT — Miss Mattie Kate Muse, valedictorian of the senior class, writes as follows about that happy occasion: "The class day exercises of the Methodist Orphanage high school were held Thursday night, May 28, at 8 o'clock. Eighteen seniors participated in the program. The theme was that of patriotism. Grady Long, president of the senior class, presided; Mary Graft was salutatorian; Mattie Kate Muse was valedictorian. During the program tribute was paid to the American flag, the North Carolina flag, the Christian flag, and the Red Cross flag. Class gifts, a stage flag for the school and a large flag for the campus were accepted by Mrs. Sandling, principal of the school, and Mr. Barnes."

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STRENUOUS DAYS—With the closing of our school year, and getting ready for the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Orphanage, I have had to be constantly on my toes for the past three weeks. As superintendent of an orphanage as large as ours my hands and heart are full every day in the year. My duties are manifold and exacting, but the privilege of living and working with three hundred children more than compensates for the heavy responsibilities that devolve upon me. During my adminstration I have seen so many wonderful transformations take place in the lives of boys and girls that I have never become discouraged about the ultimate outcome of my efforts. The work is worth while, and I am happy in making whatever contribution I can toward equipping our boys and girls for useful citizenship.

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ORPHANAGE FIFTH SUNDAY OBSERVANCE—I am happy to report that many of our church schools observed Orphanage day on the fifth Sunday in May. From an educational standpoint it would be hard to overestimate the value of observing Orphanage day each fifth Sunday in the year. These occasions are going to result in a more intelligent constituency, which will, in turn, create more interest in our Methodist Orphanage. The financial returns are also highly gratifying. It is generally known throughout the conference that the free will offerings taken on fifth Sundays are credited on the apportionment of the churches. The Orphanage is deeply grateful to Brother James H. Overton for preparing programs for the church schools on each fifth Sunday in the year. In due time the programs for the observance of the fifth Sunday in August will be sent to each church school superintendent in the conference. All pastors are furnished with one of the fifth Sunday Orphanare programs, which gives them some very interesting data about the Methodist Orphanage. I appreciate the hearty co-operation that the pastors are giving the Orphanage in making the fifth Sunday observance meaningful. There has been a demand on the part of the pastors for more detailed information about the workings of our institution. I am happy over the fact that this demand is being supplied to our pastors and church school superintendents.

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WILSON—Wilson is one of the most beautiful and cultured cities in the state. Methodism in Wilson is strong, and has many representative families in its membership. Brother H. B. Porter is the pastor of this great church. It was my happy privilege to worship with the congregation the fifth Sunday in May. There was a large and attentive gathering for the service. Brother Porter very graciously gave me a few minutes in which to bring greetings from the Methodist Orphanage. Our Orphanage quartet sang one selection at the morning service in the church. During the Sunday school hour our young people sang several selections before the intermediate department and the men's Bible class. We were warmly received by the Sunday school and in the church service. I was happy to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Woodard for dinner. Mr. Woodard is one of the most loyal and devoted trustees of the Orphanage. Two years ago he gave us a beautiful, up-to-date gymnasium, which our children have enjoyed immensely. I had a short but most enjoyable visit with Col. John F. Bruton, one of our prominent Methodist laymen. He is in

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STRENGTHENING THE LINE OF DEFENSE

Not only our religious leaders, but also leaders in the fields of economics and government affairs are saying that our country needs to build up its lines of spiritual defense along with other phases of our defense program. It was that feeling that prompted your board of education to sponsor its program of summer activities this year in the face of many difficulties. Registrations for our Christian Adventure camps at Camp Carlyle, near Hendersonville, show that our people appreciate this and the anxious to have their boys and girls spend a week in a church camp where they can find inspiration, information and training in leadership along with many others wanting to get in. Our only regret is that we could not take all who applied.

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP CAMP

The leaders of the Young Adult Fellowship in the conference decided that they, too, would enjoy studying, worshipping and planning together amid the beautiful surroundings at Camp Carlyle, and so their annual gathering is scheduled to take place, June 21-25. There will be classes, forums, periods of worship and good fellowship for all who attend. The following have signified their intention to be there, and we hope many others will register before the camp opens.

Miss Lena Caldwell, Belmont.
Miss Hannah Lou Brown, Shelby.
Miss Marian Craig, Wadesboro.
Mrs. Spencer Connor, China Grove.
Miss Edith Causey, Liberty.
Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas.
Miss Jennie Lee Davis, Wadesboro.
O. F. Griffith, Jr., Winston-Salem.
Mrs. O. F. Griffith, Jr., Winston-Salem.
Miss Ellen L. Gidney, Shelby.
Mrs. Rollin Gibbs, Liberty.
Miss Iris Hicks, Belmont.
Miss Edith Long, Lake Junaluska.
Wilson Nesbitt, Denton.
Mrs. Wilson Nesbitt, Denton.
Miss Lalah Stafford, Liberty.
Miss Ola Stafford, Liberty.
Wilmer H. Tolle, Misenheimer.
Mrs. Wilmer H. Tolle, Misenheimer.
Miss Hulda Ruth Whitely, High Point.
Jesse G. Wilkinson, Dallas.

The expense for this camp is $6.00. See your pastor for registration cards, or write our office in Salisbury. The time is growing short.

ASSEMBLIES AT JUNALUSKA

Registrations are coming in almost every day for the assemblies at Lake Junaluska, June 29 to July 4, and July 6-11. Following is a list of those received up to June 6. We wonder how soon some other district will take first place away from the Salisbury district, and which one it will be!

Senior Assembly
Charlotte District

Myers Park, Anne Franklin.
Myers Park, John Vickers.
Myers Park, Margaret Vickers.
Myers Park, Nancy Goode.
Myers Park, Margaret Lee Blackard.
Dilworth, Richard Moore.
Dilworth, Eleanor Johnson.

Elkin District

N. Wilkesboro, Mary Lee Gardner.
N. Wilkesboro, Margaret Jones.
N. Wilkesboro, Mary Louise Newton.

Gastonia District

Stanley, Betty Handsel.
Stanley, Jill Bentley.
Dallas, Annie Puett.
Dallas, Marian Taylor.

Greensboro District

Muirs Chapel, Thettis Hoffner.
Main St., Reidsville, Wm. M. Mobley.
Main St., Reidsville, Robert Calvin Jones.
West Market Street, Doris Vereen.
Centenary, Carolyn Pleasants.
Centenary, Jack Meredith.

Marion District

Old Fort, Elizabeth Laughridge.
Old Fort, Margaret Hicks.
West Marion, Marguerite Clark.

Salisbury District

Coburn Memorial, Hillery H. Rink, Jr.
Coburn Memorial, Frank S. McFarland.
Mt. Mitchell, Loma Cook.
Mt. Mitchell, Robert Troutman.
Mt. Mitchell,, Mildred Troutman.
Mt. Mitchell, Earl Karriker.
Park Avenue, Jas. H. Barringer, Jr.
Park Avenue, LaVearn Cook.
Park Avenue, Nancy Eagle.
Park Avenue, Annie Laurie Morgan.
Park Avenue, Billy McDaniel.
Park Avenue, Miss Bobby Cauble.
Jackson Park, Frances Widenhouse.
Jackson Park, Margaret Shisholm.
Jackson Park, Sarah Goodwin.
Forest Hill, Alice Pearl Whisnant.
Bethel (Friendship), Helen Barringer.

Winston-Salem District

Green Street, Tommie Tucker.
Green Street, Edna Stafford.
Green Street, Betty Jean Voss.
Green Street, Audrey Ezzell.
Marvin Chapel, Guelda Kirby.

Young People's Assembly

Concord (Concord-El Bethel), Lorena Absher.
Canaan, Denton, Virgie Lee Nance.
Mt. Mitchell, G. W. Walter, Jr.
Green Street, James Andrew Wyatt.
Green Street, Robert B. Smith.
Bethel (Mocksville Ct.), Helen Sparks.

PLEASE NOTE

Each year there is a large amount of correspondence necessary in connection with registration for assemblies. It comes at a time when the work is very heavy in our office, and we would like to ask the co-operation of all concerned in completing the registration cards in every detail before sending them in, thus doing away with the necessity of writing for further information.. Please be sure that the following are given:

Age (we must have this).

Preference for course (first, second, and third should be marked).

Pastor's signature.

Signature of delegate on back of card.

Register as early as possible.

PREACHER JIM

F. M. S.

One evening Tom Burney was leaving my place.
Now Tom is a friendly man.
"Wish you'd go to meeting with me tonight,"
I said as I gave him my hand.

"You're allus invitin' folks to your church.
And they say you're a Sunday school teacher.
What do you see in the meetin's up there?
Have you fallen in love with the preacher?"

So saying, he laughed loud and long,
Took his hat and went out the door.
It set me to thinking about Preacher Jim.
There is no man that I could like more.

He's the kind of a man that you want around
When problems are getting too thick.
He sort of bolsters your courage
'Though you're feeling mighty sick.

When there is trouble he doesn't ask
If there is something he can do.
He just sees the need and does it
And sticks with you 'till you're through.

I have never heard him finding fault.
He is honest, kind, and just.
His family almost worships him.
He's a man that you can trust.

When he's preaching you just know
That the Lord is near at hand,
And makes you feel you want to be
A finer sort of man.

No! "fallen" isn't just the word
When speaking of Preacher Jim,
But I guess that I can truly say,
That I've RISEN in love with him.

—Michigan Christian Advocate.

Let a man begin to live as though he was not going to die and his spiritual life rises to a surer degree of Christ-likeness.—D. C. Yoder.

No man can become a failure without his own consent.

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OFFICE ADDRESS: JUNE 17-JULY 8

Members of the conference staff will be at Louisburg College from June 17-July 8 in connection with our assembly program. During this time our office in Durham will be closed and all business of the office will be transacted at Louisburg. Any person having requests for materials or any other matters to consider with members of our staff can reach them at Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

MISS WEAVER JOINS STAFF

Miss Lorene Weaver, our conference director of children's work, has now come to the office for full time service after completing her work at Greensboro College. Teachers and officers of the children's division who have questions relative to materials, vacation schools, or other matters pertaining to children's work will find Miss Weaver glad to render every service she can. She may be reached at our summer office at Louisburg College, Louisburg, until July 8. After that date she will be in the Durham office.

ASSEMBLY REGISTRATIONS

To June 8 there are 160 young people registered in our senior assembly. Indications are that by the time this notice is read all space in this assembly will be taken. It is likely, however, that the Young People's Assembly (June 18-22) will not be filled this week. We will be glad to accept young people of senior age (15-17 years) in the Young People's Assembly as long as we have room in it. We are suggesting, therefore, that any church having any young people (15-23 years of age) it wishes to send to an assembly to send in their registrations for the Young People's Assembly. There will be many of the senior age in this assembly so that seniors attending will find a very congenial group.

CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLIES

To June 8 there are approximately 60 registrations in the First Louisburg Christian Adventure Assembly, June 22-26. Since this assembly is limited to approximately 125 delegates it is likely that it will be filled within another week (that is, by June 15). There is still plenty of room in the Second Louisburg Christian Adventure Assembly and we suggest that intermediates still planning to attend an assembly register in the Second (June 30-July 4) if they can attend at that time. Of course, we will accept registrations in the First Assembly (June 26-30) until our registrations reaches 125.

ARRIVAL AT LOUISBURG

Delegates to each assembly will register between 2 and 5 o'clock on the opening date of the respective assemblies. Delegates who arrive on the bus reaching Louisburg at 5:30 can register upon their arrival. The first meal for delegates in each assembly will be the supper meal at 6 o'clock on the opening day of the assembly. It will be a real help to us if delegates will, as far as possible, delay their arrival until the afternoon in order that we will not have a "conflict" between new arrivals and the assembly already in progress.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY OFFERINGS

(Received to May 25)

Durham District

Burlington, First Church	$ 7.65
Durham, Duke Memorial	25.50
Trinity	10.00
Graham	16.00
Mt. Tirzah, Helena	4.50
Total	63.65

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	11.00
Aulander, Colerain	3.50
Columbia, Wesley Chapel	1.00
Wesley Memorial	3.00
Elizabeth City, City Road	6.28
Gates, Gatesville	2.00
Ocracoke	8.66
South Camden, Wesley's	10.40
Windsor, White Oak	2.00
Total	47.84

Fayetteville District

Mount Gilead	9.30
Red Springs, Trinity	4.62
Rockingham	20.00
Siler City, Meroney's	.85
Total	34.77

New Bern District

Dover, Asbury	2.55
Dover	3.00
Goldsboro, St. Paul	16.54
Total	22.09

Raleigh District

Oxford	5.33
Stem	2.74
Total	8.07

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Bethany	6.52
Zion	3.25
Spring Hope	2.00
Total	11.77

Wilmington District

Clinton, Clinton	6.00
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen	3.25
Fairmont, Trinity	6.11
Garland, Antioch	2.10
Swansboro, Peletier	1.00
Whiteville	7.70
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JUDY'S FAVORITE NUMBER

"How many dolls do you think there will be at our show, Judy?" Irene asked.

"Oh, about a thousand, I guess," Judy answered carelessly, without looking up from the big doll she was dressing.

"A thousand!" Irene gasped. "There isn't room enough in the playhouse!"

"Don't pay any attention to Judy, she always exaggerates," Leila spoke up. "A thousand is her favorite number."

Leila paused a moment to decide whether her doll should wear a pink or a blue sweater, while Irene watched her.

Then Leila went on with her explanation. "You will get used to the way Judy talks. She says her grandfather has a thousand cows, down on his ranch. How many has he really, Judy?"

Judy had been too busy to pay attention to this converation, but in answer to Leila's question she started to answer, "Oh, about a thou——." She stopped with a puzzled look when the other girls laughed.

A week earlier the three girls had thought of having a doll show, and had decided that Judy's playhouse would be a good place for the show. They had asked the girls in their room at school to bring their dolls.

Every afternoon after school the three friends worked in the playhouse getting it ready for the show on Saturday afternoon. The windows were shining and everything was in place. Now they were in a hurry for Saturday to come.

At school, Judy noticed that Irene and Leila had something to tell all the girls in the room and it must be something funny, for there was lots of giggling going on.

Leila was the first to appear at the door of the playhouse Saturday afternoon, her arms full of dolls. Close behind her was Irene pulling her wagon filled with dolls.

Judy was surprised. "I thought you were just going to bring your best dolls."

Irene was busy taking her family out of the wagon; so Leila explained, "I love all my dolls so much that I didn't want to hurt their feelings by leaving any of them home. I guess that is what Irene thought, too."

"Is there enough room for all of them?" Irene asked.

"Sure, there is lots of room," Judy answered confidently. "Maybe the other girls won't bring so many."

Before Irene could take all her dolls out of the wagon, Fay came in with as many dolls as she could carry and the breathless explanation that the rest were out in the car and she would bring them in right away.

Soon all the space in the playhouse was taken and still more girls were bringing more dolls. They put them on the porch and all around the house.

Amy explained to Judy, "Mother thought I was silly to bring all my dolls, but I told her that you wanted a thousand."

"A thousand!" Judy echoed, in astonishment. She was beginning to wonder what it was all about.

"Do you think there will be a thousand dolls?" Julia asked Judy.

"I hope so," Judy answered. Now she knew what the whispering and giggling had been about.

It turned out to be a nice party as well as a doll show. The girls played games when they were tired of looking at the dolls and then there was lemonade to drink and cookies to eat.

When the girls and the dolls had gone home, Irene said, "My, that was a nice party."

"Yes, it was," Judy agreed, "and it was more fun with so many dolls."

Judy looked at Irene and Leila, her eyes sparkling with mischief. "The next time you ask me how many cows grandpa has, I will tell you that he has just five. A thousand is not my favorite number any more."—Lura L. Frati, in Story World.

MYSELF

I have to live with myself, and so
I want to be fit for myself to know;
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand, with the setting sun,
And hate myself for the things I've done.
I want to go out with my head erect;
I want to deserve all men's respect;
But here in the struggle for fame and pelf
I want to to be able to like myself.
I don't want to look at myself and know
That I'm bluster and bluff and empty-show.
I never can fool myself, and so
Whatever happens I want to be
Self-respecting and conscience-free.

—Author Unknown.

Willie: "Grandpa, is it true that you have lost all your teeth?"

Grandpa: "Yes, Willie. I'll be ninety-five in July and I haven't a tooth in my head."

Willie: "All right, then, I guess I'll let you keep my bag of popcorn while I go on an errand for ma."

PROVERBS THAT HONOR ANIMALS

By Jasper B. Sinclair

Our four-footed friends have inspired their share of proverbs and folk sayings from the classic days of Greece right down to modern times.

It is useless to attempt to trace the source of most proverbs, of course. They are seemingly timeless in their origin and have been translated into so many tongues that their original sources defy all research. It is enough to know that they pay universal tribute to the animal world.

"You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink," is one of the favorite proverbs inspired by equines. Dogs are represented by such familiar proverbs as "Let sleeping dogs lie" and "Barking dogs don't bite."

Even the pig has its day in the perennial reminder that "You can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear"—a bit of advice that so often goes unheeded.

"A cat can look at a queen" is an ageless token of feline equality and complacency, while "the lion's share" will suggest the old fable about the king of the jungle.

Another jungle cat is remembered in the question, "Can the leopard change its spots?" Still another of the old-time sayings refers to "A wolf in sheep's clothing."

Without being mentioned by name, the tortoise is the inspiration for the reminder that "The race is not always to the swift." It came, of course, from childhood's fable about the tortoise and the hare.

"Like a bull in a china shop" may not be a proverb, but it has been translated into so many languages that by this time it can at least be accepted as a folk saying of uncertain origin.—Our Dumb Animals.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

A boy went to work in an engineer's shop, and after he had been there weeks announced his intention of leaving. His employer asked the reason, whether the hours were all right, and the money all right, and the boy replied:

"Yes, those are all right, but I don't like it, and I'm sorry now I learned the business."

* * *

"Why aren't you at school, little boy?"

"I stayed away on account of sickness."

"Who is sick?"

"The attendance officer."—Exchange.

* * *

"What do you call your baseball team?" a woman inquired of the boy.

"Little Potaters, ma'am."

"Why such an odd name?"

"Well, we're awfully hard to skin."

Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 14

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By Rollin H. Walker

Sunday: The Risen Christ and His Disciples

Luke 24:1-48

It is difficult to piece together the accounts of the resurrection, but scarcely more difficult than to piece together the accounts of the unquestioned fact of the crucifixion. No lawyer would say that diversities of detail in the accounts of four independent witnesses would discredit the essential truth of their story. Indeed it might be a ground for increased faith, because there evidently has been no collusion to press the record into uniformity. And we have not one witness but a group of witnesses all agreeing on the main point, that Jesus rose from the dead and that the tomb was empty when they came to it on Easter morning.

Matthew tells us that the chief priests bribed the watch to say that the disciples came and stole the body away. And this is commonly reported among the Jews to this day. It is of course incredible that the disciples should deliberately perpetrate a fraud, and go forth and die in defense of what they knew to be a lie. Hence this common report that the disciples stole away his body is a strong evidence that the tomb was found to be empty on Easter morning, and that the faith of the disciples was based on more than a vision.

In studying the gospel accounts of the resurrection we should never fail to go to Paul's listing of the evidences in First Corinthians 15:1-8, because this is much the earliest of all the accounts, and was written primarily to give the evidences for the fact, and not, as the Gospel accounts, to give the interpretation of the fact.

All the Gospels unite in saying that it was to the women that the first news of the resurrection came. The apostles deemed the report of the women to be idle tales. This attitude shows that their mood was not one that would predispose them to imagine they saw the risen Christ. But Peter ran to the tomb and found that the women were right in saying that the grave of Jesus was empty. Later in the day the Lord appeared to him. Luke alone tells us the beautiful story of the walk to Emmaus. Jesus appeared to these two men incognito, as he almost always does at first, and it was only when they begged him to come in and abide with them at the end of the journey that he was made known to them. This is true also of the words of Jesus. We never see their glory from a cursory reading. It is only when we say to these utterances of our Lord, Come in and abide with us, that suddenly they flash out in glory, and we know that we have had a direct revelation from the living Christ.

When Jesus was made known to the two at the inn at Emmaus, they immediately rose up and went back to Jerusalem, supposing that they had news that no one else had heard. But they found the disciples gathered together, and before they could tell their wondrous story those within exclaimed, The Lord hath risen indeed, and hath appeared unto Simon. How often this experience is repeated! When some new revelation of Christ burns in our souls and we rush off to meet the brethren, we find that others also have news to tell. This is the advantage of belonging to a brotherhood and constantly resorting to the house of God to share experiences. There is always news when sincere disciples come together.

As the two told of the appearance of Jesus on the way to Emmaus a sudden hush came upon the company. Jesus was there. This was the beginning of the oft repeated fulfilments of the promise, Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst (Matt. 18:20).

Then we are told that he opened their minds that they might understand the Scriptures. He caused them to see that through the whole history of Israel God through his suffering servants had brought blessings on his people. Hence everything pointed forward to a supreme prophet of God who would be a supreme sufferer, and through suffering sent salvation to the whole world. And you, said Jesus, are to be witnesses of these things. They had the greatest news that was ever entrusted to mortals. And the fact that whenever men believe this message, the Spirit of God sends transforming power to authenticate it, is the strongest evidence of its truth.

FROM A CHURCH BULLETIN

Missing—Last Sunday, several families were missed from the church.

Stolen—Several hours from the Lord's Day by a number of people of different ages dressed in their Sunday clothes

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Wanted — Several young people. When last seen they were strolling past the Christian Endeavor meeting, and never came back.

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—D. H. S.

A crowd of troubles passed him by
As he with courage waited;
He said, "Where do your troubles fly
When you are thus belated?"
"We go," they say, "to those who mope
Who look on life dejected,
Who merely say 'good-bye' to hope,
We go where we're expected."

—Francis J. Allison.

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DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Cedar Grove, Carr, 11 14
Duke's Chapel, 11 14
Graham, 7:30 17
Chapel Hill, 7:30 18
Person, Lee's Chapel, 10:30 20
Andrew's Chapel, 11 21
Saxapahaw, Orange Chapel, 11 21
Swepsonville, Salem, 3 21
Calvary, 7:30 24
Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 27
Carrboro, Clover Garden, 11 28
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July
Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11.... 5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Maxton, 11 14
Sampson Memorial, 3 14
Caledonia, Central, 8 14
Ellerbe, Mt. Pleasant, 3 21
Camp Ground, 11 21
West End, Doubs, 3 21
Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July
Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
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Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Portsmouth, 11 14
Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July
Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Duke Pastors' School 8-13
Oxford, 11 14
Jenkins Memorial, Jenkins Memorial, 8 14
Princeton, Micro, 11 21
Bailey, Pleasant Grove, 3 21
Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 11 28
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3 28

July
Cary, 8 1
Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 11 5
Erwin, Angier, 8 5
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8 8
Tar River, Ebenezer, 11 12
Benson, Elevation, 8 12
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 11 26
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3 26
Mamers, Union, 8 29
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 31

August
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Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8 2
Selma, 8 5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 8
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

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L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Norlina, Jerusalem, 11 14
Warren, Sarepta, 4 14
Warrenton, 8 14
West Halifax, Union, 11 21
Sandy Cross, 4 21
Tarboro, 8 21
Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July
Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Warsaw-Magnolia, Carlton's, 11 14
Faison-Kenansville, Friendship, 3:30 14
Richlands, Haw Branch, 8 14
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 17
Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 8:30 2
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

June
French Broad Ave., 8 17
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July
Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 9:45 14
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Homestead, 8 14
North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July
Derita, 11 5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Ararat, 11 14
Dobson, 3 14
Jonesville, night 14
Helton, 11 21
Warrensville, 3 21
Creston, night 21
West Jefferson, 11 28
Todd, 3 28
Miller's Creek, night 28

July
Farmington, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Cooleemee, night 5
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11 12
Trap Hill, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Lincolnton, First Church, 11 14
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's, 3 14
Boger City, night 14
Rock Springs, Webb's, 11 21
Lowesville, Fairfield, 3 21
Dallas, High Shoals, night 21
South Fork, Wesley's Chapel, 11 28
Vale, Palm Tree, 3 28
Cherryville, First Church, night 28

July
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul's, 11 5
Belmont, Main Street, night 5
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

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GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Danbury, 11 and 2:30 14
Stoneville, 8 14
Leaksville, 8 15
Reidsville, 8 16
West Market, 8 17

Laymen's Meetings—Dr. J. M. Workman, Speaker

Madison, Leaksville-Draper-Spray, at Leaksville, 8 p.m 15
Reidsville, Main St., Lindsay St., Reidsville Ct., Ruffin, at Main St., Reidsville, 8 p.m. 16
All churches of Greensboro and Guilford County at West Market, Greensboro, 8 p.m. 17
Reidsville Ct., Carmel 20
Mt. Pleasant Station, 11 21
Guilford, Fairfield, 8 21

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Asheboro Ct., Cent. F., 11 14
Linwood, Macedonia, 8 14
Wesley Memorial, 8 15
First Church, Asheboro, 8 17
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 21
Main Street, 7:30 24
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 25
S Davidson, Pine Hall, 2 26
Seagrove, Seagrove, 8 27
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 28
Richland, Giles, 2 28
Shiloh, Friendship, 7:30 29
First Church, High Point, 8 30

July
Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 8 1
First Church, Hight Point, 8 2
Greer's, 11 5
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 5
Farmer, Oak Grove, 8 5
Trinity, Trinity, 8 6
Calvary, 8 8
Liberty, First, 11 12
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 12
Junaluska 14-20
Welch Memorial, 8 23
Highland, 11 26

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Pleasant Grove, 11 14
Sunshine, Pisgah, 3 14
Spindale, night 14
Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July
Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3.... 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
N. Kannapolis ,11 14
Harmony, 11 21
Ann Street, 3:30 21
At this service a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Cabarrus County.
Granite Quarry at Providence, 11 28
Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will preach and dedicate the Providence Church.
Main St., Albemarle, 3:30 28
At this hour a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Stanly County.

July
Coburn Memorial, 3:30 5
A joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Rowan County.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June
Harmony, Mt. Bethel, 11 14
Union Grove-Zion, Sandy Ridge, 3 14
Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June
Erlanger-Ebenezer, 11 14
Davidson Ct., Good Hope, 3 14
Central Terrace, 8 14
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 21
Morris Chapel, Mt. Olive, 3 21
Mount Tabor, 8 21

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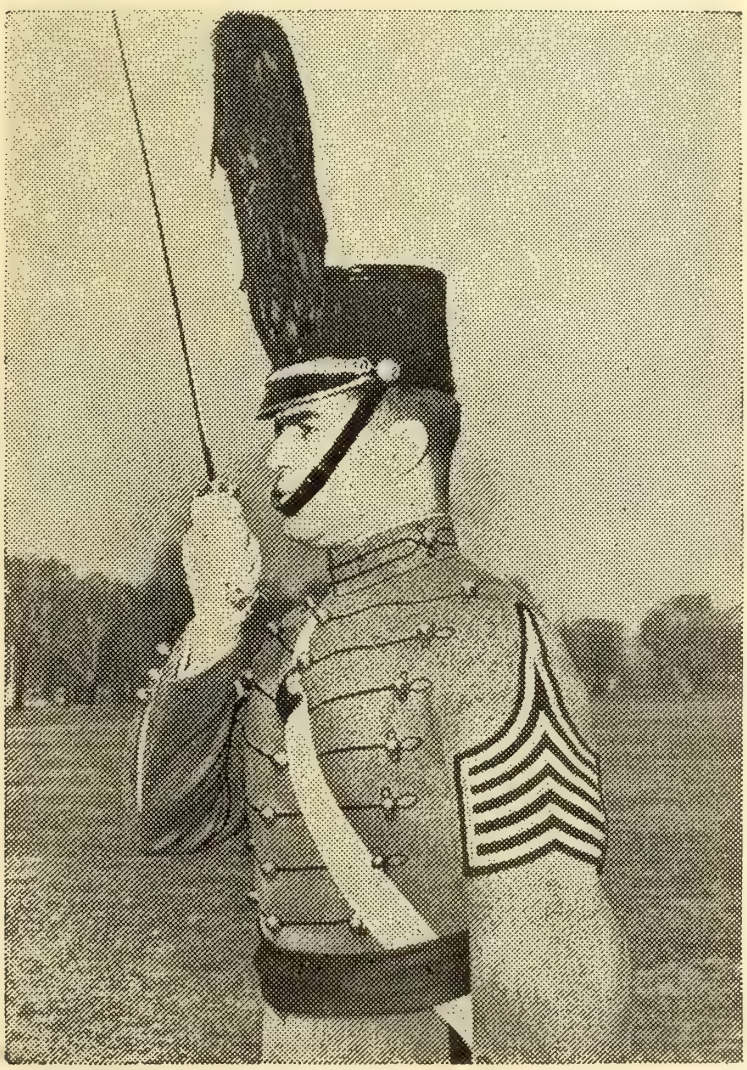
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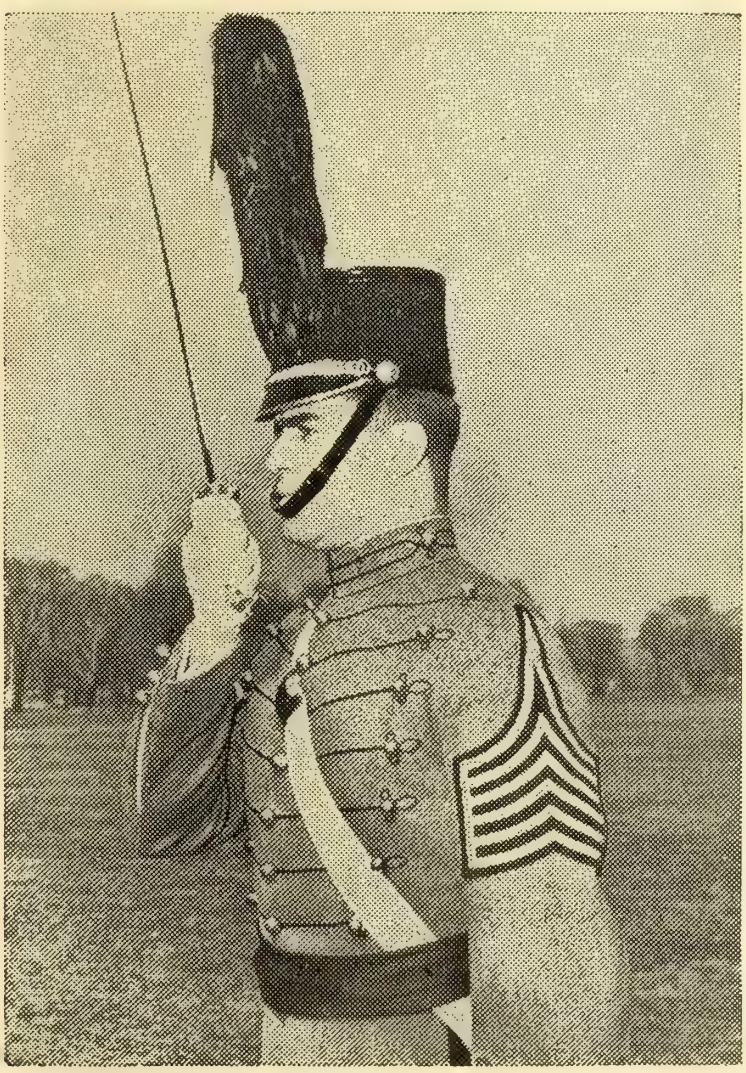
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ANSON COUNTY METHODIST RALLY

Something different was the Anson County Methodist Rally, held at Bethel Methodist church on Sunday, May 31. It was planned on a co-operative basis with every charge in Anson county participating. The theme of the day was, "We work together in God's service.

Miss Elizabeth Oliver and Rev. E. D. C. Brewer were the speakers for the Christian education hour. Miss Oliver spoke in her usual excellent manner. Brewer really went to town before the Methodists of his native county, where he is highly esteemed.

Another Ansonite, Dr. H. E. Myers of Duke University, was the guest minister for the morning worship service. He brought a practical, thought provoking message on the parable of the two builders. Mrs. Myers added no little to the worship through her service in song.

At 12:30 we had a bountiful dinner under the shade of the stately long leaf pines. We eat as well as work together in Anson. A visitor from Mars would never have guessed that we have a sugar ration among Anson Methodism. The church was filled with people and a public address system was used for the overflow crowd, but yet there was food enough left to feed another such crowd.

In the afternoon Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district secretary of woman's work, met with the ladies in the church auditorium and discussed woman's work for the district. At the same time Guy O. Bagwell, district lay leader, met with the men in the Bethel recreational center and presented the need of better organization and more evangelistic fervor in the laymen's work.

With quick dispatch the third quarterly conference was held for Anson county Methodism. The day was brought to a fitting close with a service of consecration led by Rev. W. A. Kale of Kannapolis.

Group and congregational singing under the leadership of Rev. J. L. Trollinger added much to the day's services. He did the job well. The various ministers of the county presided at the different services.

Taking inventory, we are agreed that this was a most worth while undertaking. The people came and stayed for the entire day. We have not heard a sour note. The one question heard is, Do we have to wait a whole year before having another Anson County Methodist Rally? The general opinion is that such rallies will foster the spirit of working together in God's service.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS

Under direction of Walter E. Vassar, head of the department of voice and director of the glee club, a series of radio programs originating over WBIG were instituted June 11, to be heard every Thursday night at 9:30 p. m. for a period of eight weeks. The programs will be presented by college talent and all students and friends are invited to listen in on this program.

A number of Greensboro College students during vacation months will serve as counselors at summer camps and attend conferences as representatives of the college. At Camp Carlyle June 6-20 will be Misses Janette Gore, Waxhaw, Nell Webb, Cherryville, president of the campus Y. W. C. A.; Frances Kelly, Mt. Holly; Janella Kirk, Cliffside; and recent graduates of the college, Misses Majelle Morris, Salisbury, and Catherine Gibbs, Elkin. Representing the Y. W. C. A. at the Blue Ridge student conference, which closes Saturday, are Misses Isabel Gibbs, Elkin; Virginia Potts, Mt. Olive. Delegates to the Methodist Regional Student conference, Lake Junaluska, also closing Saturday, are Misses Miriam Callis, Bessemer City; Rebecca Powell, Mullins, S. C.; and Peggy Royall, Elkin. Attending the North Carolina Young People's conference at Louisburg College June 18-22 will be Misses Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, president of the conference, and Joyce Griffin, Lemon Springs, treasurer. Other counselors are Miss Mary Earle Wilson, Rowland, counselor of music at Camp Crabtree for Girl Scouts; Betty Janssen, at Camp Yonahlossee; and Elizabeth Morgan, at the Murfreesboro assembly.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

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June 21-27 (Second Week)

June 21 (Sun.), HAYWOOD COUNTY DAY.

11:30 a.m.—Address, "For Freedom's battle once begun
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Though baffled oft is ever won."
The Honorable Josephus Daniels.

8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Place of Suffering in Human Life," The Rev. W. L. Hutchins.

June 22 (Mon.), 8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "The Temple or Four Great Discoveries," The Rev. W. L. Hutchins.

June 23 (Tue.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "How Green Was My Valley," and Disney Cartoon, "Good Time for a Dime."

June 24 (Wed.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Playmates," and Disney Cartoon, "Lend a Paw."

June 25 (Thu.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Kathleen," and Disney Cartoon, "Pluto, Jr."

June 26 (Fri.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Blossoms in the Dust," and Disney Cartoon, "Village Smithy."

June 27 (Sat.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Meet John Doe," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Alley Cat."

GOOD WORK OF REV. P. D. WOODALL

Rev. P. D. Woodall lives in Louisburg. Though retired he does good work for the North Carolina Christian Advocate as agent for his church paper. All of which is duly appreciated.

Brother Woodall has also brought out a second edition of his booklet, "Worry and Its Cure," which he sells at 10 cents a copy. All who are striving to win over worry will want the help offered in this booklet. Those who are free from worry would render a fine service to the less fortunate by distributing this booklet which has the approval of leading psychiatrists. All who worry will certainly want a copy of "Worry and Its Cure." The help it has to offer is worth the consideration of all who need advice.

MRS. JULIA ABERNETHY IN FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Julia Abernethy, mother of Mrs. Ben L. Smith of Greensboro, sustained injuries in an automobile accident last Monday in Gastonia from which she died early Tuesday morning in a Gastonia hospital. Mrs. Abernethy was 87 years old and her daughter, Mrs. Mac G. Anders of Gastonia, was driving the car that collided with a Gastonia city bus.

The funeral was held in the Rutherford College Methodist church at 11 o'clock Wednesday. Surviving are Mrs. Mac G. Anders, Gastonia, Mrs. J. B. Rankin, Boone, Mrs. Ben L. Smith, Greensboro, and one son, Oren Abernethy, Gastonia.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BREVARD COLLEGE TO MEET IN STATESVILLE JUNE 25

Notice has been issued to members of the board of trustees of Brevard College that there will be a meeting in the Broad Street Methodist church in Statesville, Thursday, June 25, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. At that time the annual report of the president will be received and numerous recommendations considered for probable action. The chairman and secretary are eager to have a full meeting of the board. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle of Mocksville has been chairman of the board since the establishment of the college more than eight years ago. Dr. E. J. Coltrane, president of the college, is secretary.

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S S S

The thirst of the human spirit for God is instinctive. Down through the ages the poets have expressed this thirst for God, but none of them perhaps have voiced this desire with greater beauty than has the forty-second Psalm: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, where is my God?"

S S S

Easter centers about the tomb; Pentecost, about the "upper room." The Methodists have ever made much of Easter in the church calendar, but not much of this day in the calendar. With the Methodists every service was expected to be a Pentecost—the day on which powers were released sufficient for saving the world. This made the Methodist preacher the great evangelist that he was. These men made God a living reality able to transform the worst of men. They were men of spiritual power.

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Church people are the salt of the earth and the Christian church is the greatest of all institutions that have ever been on the earth. But some church people can be amazingly little and narrow minded. Here is one instance: "Because some of the members objected to singing 'The Star Spangled Banner' during their worship services Dr. Wildey, Congregational minister of Brooklyn, N. Y., has resigned his pulpit. He wished it to be sung as a patriotic expression. They were patriotic but thought the music of the church should be restricted to a praise service."

The fine way in which the Christian church has refused to become a party to the war by getting behind the war effort will mean much for the forces of Christ when the time comes for making a lasting peace. The church of Christ is not at war.

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Alfred Lord Tennyson was a master of vivid description, but did he at any time excel his description of the eagle which is as follows:

"He clasps the crag with crooked hands;
Close to the sun in lonely lands,
Ring'd with the azure world, he stands;
The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls;
He watches from his mountain walls,
And like a thunderbolt he falls."

S S S

J. Daniel Barron says: "I went to a Methodist conference on evangelism. Had the Lord's horseman been there he would have been at home. For ten days I felt my heart greatly warmed. Tears flowed freely. Lives were recreated. All of us were down-right ashamed of ourselves and had quickened in us a fresh thirst for first things." This is the opening paragraph of a stirring article of Barron in the Southwestern Advocate in which he says the revival season soon will be in full swing. May this be true in North Carolina as well as in Texas.

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Dean Stephen Epler of Southern Oregon College of Education, has polled 241 colleges and university presidents and civil leaders and finds that most of them agree that there are abuses in the bestowal of honorary degrees by colleges and universities. Seventy-five per cent agreed that fewer degrees should be granted and eleven per cent said the system should be abolished entirely. Among the numerous discoveries that Epler has made in his investigations is that Republicans are more likely to receive a degree than Democrats. We insist the dean has made a valuable discovery.

The Role of the Church in War and in Peace

IN the recent summer institutes composed of the pastors' school and the rural church institute at Duke in a most successful session, the chief theme of the addresses was the role of the church in the present war and the task of the church in the years to follow the war. Perhaps the well known position of Dr. Stanley Jones that the church should be a mediator between the forces of war and the elements of peace was dominant. Certainly no one held that the church should become an ally of the military forces in the war effort. The man who would make his pulpit a platform for war propaganda found slight encouragement.

The difference in this respect from that of the church in the other world war is most pronounced. Now the church leaders are chiefly concerned about a permanent peace which was not ours following that war, which was "a war to end war." Unless a permanent peace can be won now this present war will have been fought in vain.

The present effort of thoughtful men is to see that the church is an effective agency to bring in the kingdom of heaven—the theme of the Prince of Peace. Those urgent demands in the churches at home and in the missionary efforts around the world are to keep well to the front the spiritual conquests in these days of war. Thereby the church will be the more influential at the peace table to which so many are looking with eager expectation For the American people are a non-aggressive and peace loving people who are set against war and all the demands of force. We really and truly believe that Jesus came not to destroy but to save men's lives.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek to Her Class at Wellesley

VISIONS of a new era of international justice are inciting Chinese people to carry on, Madame Chiang Kai-shek said in a special short wave broadcast from Chungking on the occasion of the 25th reunion of the 1917 graduating class of Wellesley College, of which Madame Chiang Kai-shek was a member.

The Chinese leader's wife said she had faith that the democracies will learn the lesson that it is better to prevent wars than to win them.

"War can only be prevented," she said, "if world society is so constituted that all races are given equal opportunity to develop their native genius, not hampered but aided by the stronger and more advanced races."

What a wonderful woman is she who has come to a place of leadership at such a time! The Orient and the Occident are meeting in a marvelously new way. At last the East and the West are longing for and seeing a world brotherhood. To prevent wars is a passion with some.

Is Our Religious Liberty Threatened?

THE Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States declares that it is and he is both capable and careful in his utterances. Yet from the President all the way down to the lowest citizen we are shouting for the "four freedoms." And this war which is now being fought is to preserve our liberties.

Yet in the face of all this consider the following facts as stated by the Christian Century, from which it appears that the Supreme Court itself is a bit wobbly and the Chief Justice has cause for his dissatisfaction.

Here is the story as stated by the Chicago paper:

On June 8 the Supreme Court, by a 5 to 4 vote, upheld the right of three towns in Alabama, Arkansas and Arizona to impose license fees and special taxes on vendors of religious books and pamphlets. It was, of course, another case growing out of the evangelistic ardor of Jehovah's Witnesses. Two things are likely to give historic importance to the decision. It will not be remembered because the court upheld the licensing provision by such a close margin, although there is significance in this early split in what was supposed to be a court with a unified New Deal outlook. Neither will it be remembered because Jehovah's Witnesses lost. They are used to that. But this case will become historic for two facts. First, in his dissent Chief Justice Stone pointed out that "a way has been found for the effective suppression of speech and religion despite constitutional guarantees." Such licensing provisions as the court has approved, the Chief Justice declared, are "better adapted" to choke off liberty of expression than were the stamp taxes which played so large a part in precipitating the American Revolution. Second, this case will be memorable for the speed with which three other members of the court—Justices Black, Douglas and Murphy—who had upheld the verdict against Jehovah's Witnesses in the Pennsylvania flag salute case of two years ago, acknowledged that they had been wrong in that instance and charged that the court is now following a course which undermines the guarantees of religious liberty in the Bill of Rights. Taken together, the stirring dissenting opinions entered by the Chief Justice and his colleagues in this case show how precarious is the basis of all our freedoms, and how grave is the danger that in the very hour when the President proclaims a crusade for the four freedoms throughout the earth, they may be destroyed at home.

Care of Soul and Body

A CERTAIN group of economists who deal primarily with the material world insist that work, food and leisure in proper balance are of chief concern. They claim that a proper use of leisure along with abundance of food and not too much give guarantee of human welfare. They seem to forget that human beings think, feel and suffer. Consequently they need other than the demands of the body. More and more do we realize that the need is for doctors who know much more than a small part of the body and its ailments. Both soul and body must be treated as a unity. The dualism of man should give place to a unity of the mental and the physical, so as not to isolate the material from the spiritual. For man is both body and soul.

Man is the result of heredity and environment—of what has gone before and of that which surrounds him. Both these affect his body and also his inner consciousness. How absurd then is it to treat man as primarily a physical being bound to earth and the things of earth. The first utterance we have of Jesus is, "Man shall not live by bread alone." From that hour until he reached the cross both body and soul were considered a unity with him as was his unity with the Father, "I and the Father are one." So are we to be one with him.

Instead of our retaining the great unities, we tend to partition and departmentalize the life of man. We seem to forget that man is a complex being closely related to all that has gone before and to all that he has met with on his own personal journey. The soul and body are a compact and mobile unit able to reach its noblest ends by the finest harmony. Truly, soul helps body as body helps soul. So the utmost care should be given to reach the fullest harmony between soul and body.

On the Fringe of Things

THE weakness of much of our preaching is the tendency to deal with the fragments and the incidents of religion rather than with the whole gospel. By this we do not mean the whole gospel of which the dogmatists make so much in stressing their peculiar creeds, but we refer to the whole gospel as disclosed by Jesus.

Last week we witnessed again the marvelous effectiveness of the good news of the coming kingdom as presented by Stanley Jones at Duke University. There evening after evening the Duke chapel was filled with eager and earnest men and women anxious to get the living message proclaimed by this man of God—by this prophet of the nations. One incident ilustrates the source of his power. When Stanley years ago appeared before the General Conference in Kansas City to tell why he would not accept the office of bishop, he said in substance this: "I have spent the whole of last night in prayer with God and God said to me, 'Stanley, if you will relinquish this, I will walk with you across Asia.'" Truly, God has done more than this. God has and is walking with Stanley Jones across the continents and around the world as he has gone far hence over the earth, making his Lord and Saviour a living presence among men. The fringe and tinsel of life and the incidents of the gospel make no appeal and has no charm for this marvelous preacher of this present generation. He holds fast to the essentials of religion.

A Texas Story

TEXAS is a fruitful land for the growth of tall stories of as many different brands as marked the cattle when the cowboys roamed that cattle empire. But here is one story that is among the best:

"A keen witted man in America, a pedler of patent medicines, who was met in a Texas town by a sheriff who made a habit of catching commerical travelers who lacked a license to do business in the state. 'What are you selling?' he asked. 'Jackson's Blue Pills for People with the Blues,' said the traveler, whose praise of his product was interrupted by the sheriff's eager question as to whether he could buy a case. After the deal—ten dollars was paid by the sheriff—the official asked to see the traveler's license, and was greatly chagrined when it was produced. 'I'm not so sure,' he said, a few moments later, 'that I want the stuff. Can I sell it back to you?' 'Sure,' said the traveler, 'I'll give you a dollar for the case.' When the trade was over the traveler turned truculently towards the sheriff and said: 'Now let me see your license'; and none being producable, of course, he lodged an accusation of trading without a license at the court house, and later had the satisfaction of hearing the sheriff fined ten dollars for his offence. 'You might as well try to hold a greased eel as a Yankee,' was the sheriff's final comment on his misadventure."

People and Things

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Those interested in reaching Chaplain J. L. Pittard will note his present address: A. O. P., 943 care Postmaster, Seattle, Washington.

Mrs. F. E. Howard, wife of our pastor at Erlanger, underwent a major operation at the City Memorial Hospital at Thomasville June 16.

I should like for my many friends in North Carolina to know that after serving four months in the active infantry as a first lieutenant I am now a chaplain of the United States Army. My appointment was made on June 8.—Geo. M. Schreyer, Chaplain, 327th Infantry, Camp Claiborne, La.

Asbury College, at its recent commencement exercices, conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. Earl Arnett Seamands of Raichur, Deccan, India, a missionary of the Methodist Church for the past 23 years; and also upon Rev. John R. Kenney of Merced, Cal., member of the Board of Missions.

On June 5 the Methodist Youth Fellowship of Lee's Chapel church, Greensboro district, held a party on the beautiful lawn of Mr. and Mrs. G. Kemp Murrell. Supper was cooked out of doors and was enjoyed by about 30 young people. And strange as it may seem this is about the number we have at our regular Sunday evening programs.

A busy pastor sends a list of nine new lay members for the Western North Carolina Conference Brotherhood and comments, "Just an announcement and an opportunity secured these without any effort." These nine names come from Rev. E. L. Kirk at Cliffside. How splendid and how easy it would be for every pastor of our conference to do likewise.—C. C. Herbert, Jr.

J. A. Brotherton, 86, died June 1 at the home of his son, Ed, in Lincolnton. His wife, Julia Howard, died at his home in Catawba county, near Denver, about three years ago. He then moved to his son's home. He leaves three sons and two daughters. For many years he was an official member of Webb's Chapel on Rock Springs circuit. In my youth he lived near my home, and I knew him as a kind neighbor and a useful Christian citizen.—A. C. Sherrill.

Thos. H. Phillips, 69, son of Chas. L. and Katherine Hoyle Phillips, died June 10 at his home near Blackburn, Catawba county. He was a native of Lincoln county. He leaves four sons, one (Fred) is a teacher at Blackburn School. His four brothers and four sisters died some years ago. His son John is at Fort Jackson, S. C. He served two terms as a county commissioner. Some years ago he operated a small woolen mill near his home. He had been a faithful member of Wesley Chapel Methodist church on South Fork circuit.—A. C. Sherrill.

Dr. John J. Wicker, president of Fork Union Military Academy, Fork Union, Virginia, reports an enrollment for the past session of 529 cadets. There were 170 graduates. In Fork Union Christian character is of the first consideration. The school has, by the War Department, been designated an honor school for the past 13 years. Dr. J. W. Cammack, former president of Averett College for nine years, teaches the Bible and every cadet is required to take the Bible in his course, attend daily chapel, Sunday school and vespers. During the past year there were 18 different religious denominations on the roster, coming from 25 states and a number of foreign countries. Virginia Baptists own Fork Union Military Academy and are justly proud of its record.

The check-up for High Point district, as of May 31, shows the following results: Accessions on profession of faith 272, by certificate 243; total accessions 515. Salaries paid 50 per cent; conference claimants, 50 per cent; episcopal fund, 52 per cent; district superintendents, 50 per cent; general administration fund, 73 per cent; World Service, 66 per cent; Children's Home, including supplemental per cent, 62 per cent; Golden Cross, $676; subscriptions to Advocate, 252.—S. W. Taylor.

May 29 brought to a close one of the best revivals ever held in the Cross Mill Methodist church. Our district superintendent, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, did the preaching for us and did it in a very fine way. It rained each day for three or four days during this time, but the rain did not keep the people away, for we had large congregations each evening. Brother Kirkpatrick has not forgotten how to do this kind of work. We received 13 on profession of faith, and the church as a whole was wonderfully revived.—Curtis Murray, Sec.

The original A. N. Mule wishes to call attention to the readers of the Advocate that the paragraph in last week's issue signed "A. N. Mule, D.Ph.," was not from his pen. Not that the paragraph did not present a good thought, but that credit ought to go where credit is due. As nearly as I can figure it out the D.Ph. after the signature last week means "Daddy of Phylon" (which being interpreted means "father of a breed"). Therefore you can draw your own conclusions as to A. N. Mule, D.Ph., but as for me I am simply—A. N. Mule (no degrees).

Announced at the meeting of the board of trustees of Scarritte College in Nashville, Tenn., on June 2 and 3, were the following financial gifts made during the year: The Carnahan Fund, Pittsburgh, Pa., $2,000 for living endowment. Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, New York City, $15,000 for living endowment. Mrs. Attilla Cox, Louisville, Ky., $1,000 for living endowment. Mrs. W. W. Fondren, Houston, Texas, $5,000 for living endowment. The General Education Board, $50,000 for living endowment, conditioned on Scarritt's raising $75,000 during the next five years.

We feel very grateful to the fine people of Mocksville for their church loyalty, and for their love and high respect and reverence for all of their pastors in the days gone by; and we are so proud of the fine work that has been done on the parsonage, which now is a credit to any church in our conference. Mr. R. S. Proctor is the chairman of our board, W. M. Pennington is chairman of the improvement committee, and H. S. Walker is chairman of our finance committee. Fourteen new members have just been received on profession of faith.—R. M. H.

The Interpreters' Institute, founded by the late Henry W. Luce to promote American understanding of problems in other parts of the world, will hold its seminar this year at Silver Bay, New York, on the history, culture and religion of Latin America. It will be held from July 14 to 21, and will be attended by leading clergymen and missionaries of several Protestant denominations—men and women who will be "interpreting" Latin America in the churches and elsewhere across the country this coming fall and winter. Dr. Willis Lamott of the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education, will lead the institute, and he will be assisted on the teaching staff by Prof. Arthur P. Whitaker of the University of Pennsylvania, President John A. Mackay of Princeton Seminary, Dr. W. S. Rycroft, Miss Elizabeth Lee, and Dr. Charles Detwiler, authorities on South American missions.

According to data compiled by Secretary J. J. Mickle of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, from the various mission boards, the Red Cross, and the State Department, there are more than 2,000 American missionaries still serving in the warring areas of eastern Asia. Of these 632 are in Free (West) China, 33 in Burma, 774 in Japan-occupied China, 27 in Korea, 44 in Indo-China, 71 in Japan, 7 in Malaya, 28 in the Netherlands East Indies, 448 in the Philippine Islands, and 45 in Thailand.

The 154th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. (Northern) met recently in Milwaukee and elected as its moderator Dr. Stuart Nye Hutchison of Pittsburgh, Penn. It is interesting to note that Dr. Hutchison was one time the pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Norfolk, Va., one of the churches belonging to the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern). The fact that one who could minister very acceptably to the Southern branch of the Presbyterian family should be elected head of the Northern branch, may auger very will for the reunion of the Presbyterian family which is being forwarded now by leaders of both groups.

I'm sending you a little article on our vacation Bible school. The church school staff of the Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte, has just closed a very successful Bible school which extended from May 31 to June 7. The school was under the direction of Mr. S. B. Biggers, director of Christian education, Mr. George A. Westbrook, general superintendent of the church school, and Mrs. H. R. Birdwell, superintendent of the children"s division. Departmental superintendents assisting were: Mrs. Hoyle Smathers (beginner), Mrs. Raymond Thompson (primary), and Mrs. Scott Francis (junior). The entire corps of workers included about 30 and about 150 children were enrolled. The beginners studied "Homes for All," a unit from Let's Go Out of Doors; the primaries a unit from Child Life in Bible Times, "In the Tents of the Shepherds"; the juniors What Is in Your Bible? and the intermediates The Living Church, and made a tour of the churches in the city. The school closed with "an open house" Sunday afternoon, June 7. Many of the parents and friends of the children came to the church to see the projects worked out during the week and to take part in a final worship service by the children. —Sherrill Biggers.

YADKIN COLLEGE

A large crowd attended the sixteenth Yadkin College home coming which was held in the Methodist church June 4, with Z. I. Walser of High Point, presiding. The service was opened with a hymn followed by prayer by Prof. J. Felix Totten and Rev. T. G. Madison, pastor of the church.

The history of the home coming and the memorial service were omitted, as Rev. G. L. Curry of Kannapolis, who is chairman of the memorial committee, was unable to attend.

Following the report of the nominating committee all officers were re-elected: Dr. O. B. Michael of Mt. Jackson, president and historian; Mrs. F .R. Owen, Gibsonville, first vice president; Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle, High Point, second vice president; Mrs. Hobart L. Greene, Yadkin College, corresponding secretary and treasurer. Z. I. Walzer of High Point, who is chairman of the board of trustees, is recording secretary.

Marker Unveiled

After the historian's remarks by Dr. Michael, the State Highway marker of Yadkin College was presented by Dr. Crittendon. The marker was unveiled with the United States flag by Miss Lelia Byerly, a former teacher of Yadkin College, and Miss Frances Walser, daughter of Mrs. Z. V. Walser and the late Gen. Z. V. Walser of Lexington, and great-granddaughter of the Yadkin College founder, Hon. Henry Walser. Mrs. H. L. Greene and Mrs. John Totten were the attendants. Mrs. J. R. English and Mrs. A. P. Hartman, who had also been selected as attendants, were unable to be here. Mrs. English and Mrs. Greene are great-granddaughters of Henry Walser.

MRS. R. E. CARMICHAEL DIES AT HER HOME IN WINSTON-SALEM

Mrs. Alice Miller Carmichael, 76, wife of Robert E. Carmichael, veteran member of The Sentinel staff, died June 11 at the home, 946 North Hawthorne Road. Mrs. Carmichael had been ill for the past four weeks and her condition had been critical since Monday.

Member of one of Winston-Salem's best known families, Mrs. Carmichael was born in Winston-Salem November 15, 1865, a daughter of James Calvin and Esther Thomas Miller. She was the youngest of four children. She spent her entire life in that city and was well known.

She was a member of Burkhead Methodist church and Sunday school and was active in the Woman's Society of Christian Service until her health failed.

She was married to Mr. Carmichael November 23, 1887, and they celebrated their golden wedding in 1937. She was the twelfth member of her family to celebrate their golden wedding. Mr. Carmichael is one of the state's best known newspapermen and has been a member of The Sentinel staff for the past 61 years.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Maude C. Williamson of this city; two sons, Robert C. and Ralph B. Carmichael, both of Winston-Salem, and four grandchildren.

The Winston-Salem Journal's Editorial Appreciation

The death of Mrs. Alice Miller Carmichael, wife of Robert E. Carmichael, at the age of 76 marks the end of a beautiful romance which lasted 55 years and left the city bereft of one of its gentlest and most radiant spirits.

Robert E. Carmichael has established a unique record of long and brilliant service as a newspaper man in Winston-Salem, but much credit for that record belonged to her, his faithful wife and partner, whose loyal comradeship and Christian influence was for 55 years a constant source of inspiration to Mr. Carmichael and their children.

This splendid influence which Mrs. Carmichael exerted over her family is reflected in Mr. Carmichael's own career and in the lives of their daughter and two sons. The daughter, Mrs. Maude C. Williamson, married a prominent Methodist minister. The two sons, Robert C. and Ralph B. Carmichael, stand high among the younger business and civic leaders of Winston-Salem.

In her death the community loses one who typified the finest qualities of North Carolina womanhood. Her life will long remain as a guiding influence over the lives of those she leaves behind, and the community will continue to be a finer place for the fact that she lived and moved within it.

THANK YOU, DUKE UNIVERSITY

Thank you, Duke University, for the fine pastors' school that you have put on this year. It was the best one I have had the pleasure of attending. Dr. Ormond and his board of directors did a fine job in the selections of the teachers and in planning the total program. We missed some of the old familiar faces usually seen there such as Brothers Smathers, Hutchins, Rollins, Rozzelle, Dr. G. Ray Jordan, Brother Gibbs and a few more who usually attend. However, there were many new faces there.

It is always such an inspiration to be on the Duke campus. The meals were so good, the fellowship is unexcelled, and one always feels an uplift when entering the Duke chapel. Dr. E. Stanley Jones on any program is always a high light.

The living spirit of Dr. William P. Few will always be a part of Duke University. Thank you again, Duke University, and all who had a part in this year's pastors' school.

Robert M. Hardee.

DOINGS AT DANBURY

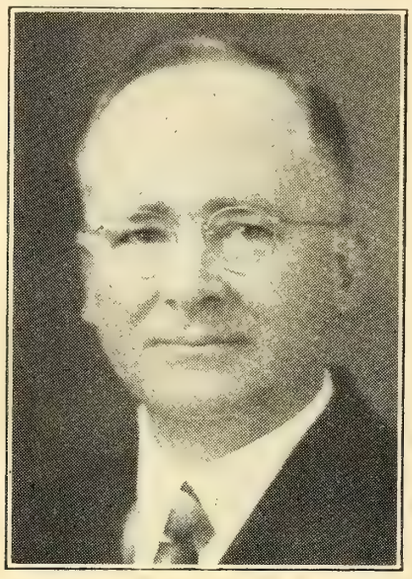
The Danbury Methodist church has had a visit to the beauty shop. It comes out with a renovated and decorated auditorium. The pulpit furniture and altar are all new, including kneeling pad, carpet, chairs and communion table with hymn board and new hymnals.

The pastor, Brother J. L. Love, has had the aid of Mrs. Dallas C. Kirby, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, who arranged the splendid service of dedication. The auditorium was filled for the occasion and the old-new Danbury church is taking on new life.

L. B. Hayes.

AN APPRECIATION OF DAVID VANE HOWELL

Our entire Methodist family was shocked when on May 29 news came that our beloved and trusted brother, Rev. David Vane Howell, the pastor of Brevard Street Methodist church, Charlotte, had been stricken with a heart attack, and had suddenly been called from his earthly tasks to his heavenly reward. Although Brother Howell was confined to his room for several weeks in the winter, he had recovered sufficiently to take up his duties at the church.



Rev. David Vane Howell

The last rites were held Saturday afternoon, May 30, at the Brevard Street Methodist church. Rev. G. T. Bond, the district superintendent, was in charge, and was assisted by Howard P. Powell, L. R. Akers, S. M. Needham and Embree H. Blackard. Friends from Charlotte, High Point and other cities where Brother Howell had served filled the church auditorium. The beautiful floral offerings expressed the high esteem in which his friends held him. On Sunday the body was taken to Mills River Chapel, eight miles from Hendersonville, where Brother Howell had served as pastor from 1932 to 1936. Assisting Dr. Bond in the service at the grave were Rev. J. D. Morris, pastor, and Rev. T. A. Groce.

Such men as D. V. Howell are the glory and crown of the Christian ministry. His life was not marred by a blighting ambition for position and honor. In Christ-like devotion to his task he embodied those qualities which Jesus said characterized the men of the kingdom. Those who knew him and had the privilege of working with him realized that he was "poor in spirit," "meek," "merciful," "pure in heart," and was numbered among those who "hungered and thirsted after righteousness." Judged by the standards Jesus used in testing greatness our brother is among the greatest in the kingdom. Without such faithful, loyal, devoted and pure hearts as was his, the kingdom of God would falter and fail.

Brother Howell was admitted on trial into the Western North Carolina conference in 1915. Because of his devotion to his task and his zeal for the kingdom, he had a succession of most happy and successful pastorates. During his twenty-seven years of active ministry he had five four-year pastorates. He was beloved by all his people. During his confinement in High Point with a broken leg, and during his recent illness in Charlotte, he carried on from his bed an aggressive program. In spite of his illness he brought his church to one of the most successful peaks of its history. He had magnetic ability to inspire loyalty among those whom he served. His own generous giving to the benevolent causes of the church led his people to measure up always to their responsibilities. He served the following charges: Murphy circuit, 1915-16; Highlands, 1916-18; Waynesville circuit, 1918-22; Danbury, 1911-23; Bryson City, 1924-28; Candler circuit, 1928-32; Mills River, 1932-36; Calvary, High Point, 1936-40; Brevard Street, Charlotte, 1940-42.

Brother Howell was a student and a wide reader. Very few of his brethren read more books or kept better posted on modern methods of work than he. Significantly, one of the books beside his bed at the time of his death, unopened, was "The Conquest of Death."

One of Brother Howell's greatest contributions to the church was a Christian home. In 1914 he was married to Miss Maggie Jaynes of Haywood county, who survives him. To them were born five children: Lucile, Hugh, Clara, Martha and Ruth. The beautiful relation in the home which existed between husband and wife, parent and children is worthy of emulation. Out of modest salaries he sent three of his children through college, and the fourth through the sophomore class. These children have caught the father's sacrificial spirit and have banded themselves together to insure the completed education of the two younger sisters.

Our brother was not afraid of death. Knowing by what a slender thread he held on to life, he faced the end sustained by the same faith with which he had comforted others. We shall miss him in the ranks of our itinerant brotherhood on earth, but with confidence we believe we shall joyfully labor together again in God's triumphant church above.

Embree H. Blackard.

A NATION'S DEFENSE

We are moved to ask some questions and make some observations. We have three sons in this war, one in the marines, one in the navy and one just entering the air corps. These are fine manly young men, two of them graduates of one of our Christian colleges, the other having training in secondary schools and well equipped for life. Two of them having left very good positions indeed for service for their country.

As I knelt around the fireside when the youngest was leaving, I read a portion of God's word, thence to the car, bidding him goodbye. Naturally I came into the house and knelt again, praying with weeping eyes and heart that God would keep him and the other boys from so many of our homes over this fair land, and this thought came to me, and has been there now for some time, that if we parents had prayed a little harder and made our homes a little more Christian, it might have been some of these boys would have been called by our Lord to have gone into the foreign fields as missionaries to help save souls of these yellow men rather than to drop bombs to kill, maim and halt. That is water gone over the dam, and now we are up against a sad reality of war to the death. It was said of one of our sainted mothers who was the mother of five sons who went into the ministry or missionary work, that on the night that her last son offered himself at the close of the meeting in the little church down south somewhere, that as she stood there weeping, friends came to console her since she was losing her last son, she brightened up and said: "You are mistaken, it is not that; it is because I have no other sons to give to the cause of Christ."

C. C. Jones.

ROWAN COUNTY'S PIONEER MILLER FAMILY CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

The Rowan county inhabitants have long prized themselves for the interesting and romantic history of the county. Perhaps no family has shared more in the making of this history as has the Miller family.

The name Miller, or "Muller" as it was originally spelled, is of Germanic origin, originating near Strasbourgh, Germany. As early as the 17th and 18th century this family was active in the Protestant religious faith. During the Religious and Political Wars of Louis XIV of France and Leopold IV and Francis I of Prussia, the Miller family, along with other Protestants fled their district along the Rhine and sought sanctuary elsewhere, where they might enjoy religious and political liberty. Many of them fled to England and Holland and thence to America. The progenitor of this family landed in Philadelphia, but did not long remain there, as they joined the great German-Scotch-Irish migration south. Some settled in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and in Rowan county, North Carolina, and eventually spread throughout the surrounding territory.

Even the Coat of Arms of this family denotes that they were followers of the Christian faith. One of the heraldic symbols in the armorial bearings is "The Cheval-trap," a crusading symbol which denotes the participation of an ancestor in the attempts to recapture the Holy City of Jerusalem from the Saracens.

In 1884 Michael Miller assisted in building the Bethel Methodist church and throughout his life was active in church affairs.

Fifty-eight years later Franklin Burgis Miller and Josephine Lyerly Miller celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Even this generation of Millers are conspicuously active and faithful to all church affairs. During the rudimentary days of Mr. Miller's life, he was affiliated with the church that his father assisted in building, and served there in the capacity as church school superintendent and a member of the board of stewards.

In 1923 Franklin Miller and his wife established their residence in Salisbury, North Carolina, and hereby transferred his membership letter from the Bethel church to the Park Avenue Methodist church in that city.

Franklin and Josephine Miller have been divinely blessed with 11 children and 21 grandchildren, all of whom are living and directly affiliated with the Methodist church with the exception of one daughter, Mrs. R. O. Sykes of Durham, a member of the Lutheran church. However, prior to her marriage she was also a member of the Methodist church.

The following members of the Miller family are members of the specified churches:

Park Avenue Methodist Church of Salisbury—Mr. and Mrs. Franklin B. Miller, G. Q. Miller, Henry Miller, Roy Miller, Mrs. Grier Beeker.

First Methodist Church of Salisbury:—H. H. Miller, Paul Miller, Mrs. R. E. Long.

Central Methodist Church of Spencer—G. W. Miller, D. C. Miller, B. C. Miller.

Lutheran Church in Durham—Mrs. R. O. Sykes.



Franklin and Josephine Miller with their eleven children, one of Rowan County's pioneer Methodist families, celebrate their golden anniversary

REV. D. A. BAILEY

Rev. D. A. Bailey, son of Daniel and Lucy Bailey, was born near Eagle Springs, N. C. ,on February 17, 1888. He was happily converted when he was 13 years of age and united with the Methodist Episcopal church at Eagle Springs.

On September 23, 1923, he was united in marriage with Miss Lillie Staley. To this union four children were born, Edwin, Sheldon, Dewey and Nina Jean, all of whom survive. He is survived also by two sisters, Misses Cora and Etta Bailey of Eagle Springs.

In October, 1923, he answered the call to the Gospel ministry and untied with the Blue Ridge-Atlantic conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which communion he served efficiently the following charges: Harmony one year, Marion three years, Walkerstown three years, Huntersville seven years, and Palestine two years. After the union of the Methodist churches, he was assigned to the Liberty circuit in Randolph county, which he served faithfully and successfully for more than a year when his health failed and he was forced to retire. He lamented the fact that he could no longer preach the glorious gospel of the Son of God to a dying world.

Brother Bailey was a World War veteran. While in action in France he was so severely wounded that it became necessary to amputate one of his legs in order to save his life. As a result he never fully regained his health. In the last year of his life, he spent much time in government hospitals in the hope that he might be restored to health, but to no avail. On the morning of May 20 the end came, and his spirit returned to the God who gave it.

On the morning of May 21 a brief service was held at the home in Liberty, conducted by District Supt. S. W. Taylor, assisted by the writer and Rev. Mr. Andrews, a minister of the Friends Church. The remains were carried to Eagle Springs Methodist church where, in the presence of a large congregation of friends and admirers, the final services were held. Dr. S. W. Taylor conducted these services. The main address was delivered by Rev. W. A. Parsons, a life long friends of the deceased. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery hard by the church in which he had dedicated his life to the services of his Lord. I am sure all of us enter sympathetically into the grief and sorrows of the wife and children, and devoutly pray the blessings of a kind heavenly Father to abide with them now and ever more. Geo. R. Brown.

Martha Berry—Waiting at the Gates

By LOUIE D. NEWTON

Georgia's foremost woman, Martha Berry, is waiting at the Gates. Not the Gates of Opportunity, that she opened on the hinges of faith and courage and hope and love in January, 1902; though I fully believe that her spirit will hover about those very gates that open into the twenty-five-thousand-acre campus from the highway yonder outside Rome, to bless and brighten the hearts of all boys and girls who enter Berry Schools, through all the years to come, until Gabriel's trumpet sounds across the hills and valleys, announcing that Time is no more.

Martha Berry is waiting at the Gates of Heaven—the Gates about which Wordsworth sings in his "Thoughts Suggested on the Banks of the Nith"—

"Sweet Mercy! to the Gates of Heaven
This minstrel lead . . .
The music in my heart I bore,
Long after it was heard no more."

Music! "Music in my heart I bore, long after it was heard no more." That expresses it, I fancy, just about as well as even a poet could put it.

What music? Go yonder and listen to the voices of Berry boys and girls, singing at their tasks, and you will have some idea of the overtones that cheer Martha Berry as she waits at the Gates. You can then better understand, I think, why her face is constantly lightened yonder in her hospital room, day and night, despite the pain her body bears. Two instances flood my memory as I write these lines.

Years ago, on one of my first visits to Berry Schools, I had ridden all the afternoon with Miss Berry, visiting many places throughout the vast campus—the construction, at that time, of the Foundation School, the lodge the students built for her on the mountain, the Sunshine Cottages, the boys and girls at work in this and that field and shop, and just at sunset, we got to the dairy barns. The boys were milking, and as we came along to the milking sheds, she paused, holding up her hands in that characteristic touch of reverence, which Miss Berry everywhere so marvelously exhibited, and said:

"Listen! They are singing! God bless them. Do you hear them!"

Hear them? How could one fail to hear the music of those singing spirits?

And this was the stanza they were just then singing:

"Not for ease or worldly pleasure,
Nor for fame my prayer shall be;
Gladly will I toil and suffer,
Only let me walk with Thee."

And then again, on last Tuesday, when the lovely girls who had served the guests, following the fortieth anniversary exercises, stood there in the dining room and sang:

"When we serve one another,
We serve Thee, dear Lord."

I started this piece, referring to Miss Berry as Georgia's foremost woman. For my part, I would unhesitatingly broaden that statement to the nation's foremost woman, and I weigh my words carefully. I cannot find, within my knowledge of the women of this generation, any single one who appears to have achieved quite so much as Miss Berry.

Trace her steps, if you will, from that beautiful hearthstone at Oak Hill, where she was born, October 7, 1866, and where she has lived all her days, save the first few years of the school's life, when she lived in a log cabin on the campus—trace those steps, I say, through the valleys and up the steep hills—and your heart will fairly burst with appreciation.

Think of one woman, in one brief period of forty years, searching out and personally welcoming to the Gates of Opportunity twelve thousand boys and girls, who, but for her discerning, encompassing love, would never have had a chance at life!

Think of one woman, in one brief period of forty years, going out in a field and a forest, without one brick or plank to start with, and building an institution, worth millions upon millions of dollars; and sustaining that vast physical equipment with other millions of dollars of endowment!

Think of one woman, in one brief period of forty years, transforming twenty-five thousand acres of undeveloped open lands into a finished picture of exquisite natural beauty, with lakes and waterfalls, and roads and walks, and trees and flowers, fields and forests! There is not a national park in the nation more picturesque, more complete, more permanently secure.

Violets! I guess there are more violets on the Berry campus than any other one place on this earth. The beauty of these millions of violets have entered the souls of the thousands of Berry boys and girls across these forty years—a living symbol of the beauty and fragrance of Miss Berry's life.

Beauty! Living beauty! Beauty of nature, beauty of work, beauty of character, beauty of purpose, beauty of truth, beauty of God!

Go, if you will, to Berry Schools; and from the moment you enter the Gates of Opportunity, with the majestic avenue of trees, which she planted herself in 1902, and the first building you see, built by one-dollar-gifts and the labor of the students—follow the winding roads, from building to building, from field to field, from shop to shop, from barn to barn, from flower to flower, from lake to lake—follow the gleam of unending beauty—and your heart will fairly burst with appreciation.

But, one must go further than the things that are seen. One must enter the realm of the unseen—the realm which the apostle Paul describes as the eternal—if one is to rightly interpret the achievement of Georgia's foremost woman who waits at the Gates.

One must pause amid the scene, and reverently ask: How can these things be?

And those who know will point you to the cherished place of prayer, where, across the years—across four decades—Martha Berry so often went for wisdom and strength, for peace and power.

Never to my latest day shall I forget the occasion—the first time I ever visited Berry Schools—when, riding

with her in the buggy, driving old Roanie, she drew the reins, and Roanie stopped. There, in the turf, I could see where the wheels had often been before; and there, where Roanie stood, a path which he had often followed before. And a little distance from the buggy, she pointed to a spot, beneath the beautiful trees, adding:

"My quiet place of prayer. There I must often go and talk with God. When the burden is greater than I can bear—and that is every day—I go to him. He has never failed to meet me and bless me. From this place I have gone with assurance through all the years. To this place I shall confidently come for guidance through all the days to come."

And when she spoke to Roanie that day, and we started on, I felt that I had the secret of her ability to achieve the impossible. I felt that she was leagued with God—that in her life his will was regnant—that nothing could ever stop her in her dedication to make her dream come true. I could then the better understand Sidney Lanier's "Into the Woods My Master Went." I could then the better understand Washington, kneeling in the snow at Valley Forge. I could then the better understand Edith Cavell, standing before the firing squad.

Waiting at the Gates! Waiting in bodily pain, but waiting with a heart that bears the music "long after it was heard no more." Waiting with a smile—conscious that her hundred-year-old nurse, Aunt Martha, is out there in her little cottage, hard by Oak Hill, blind, but praying for "my little chile." Waiting, fully assured that Inez and Ruth and Tracy, and all her girls and boys, will carry on. Waiting in the assurance that President Greene and the faculty and the trustees and the alumni and the students and the countless friends will keep the Gates of Opportunity open to the boys and girls of the southern mountains.

Waiting? Yes, but also singing:

"Lead me through the vale of shadows,
Bear me o'er life's fitful sea;
Then the Gate of Life Eternal,
May I enter, Lord, with Thee.
Close to Thee, close to Thee,
Then the Gate of Life Eternal,
May I enter, Lord, with Thee."

CHINA BLESSED WITH CHRISTIAN RULERS

Christ's spirit dominates China's rulers today. A Canadian guest had been invited to dinner with Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek. A fierce air raid occurred just before dinner, but no mention was made of it at the meal. Later, the guest was asked to remain for family prayers. He records: "I never expect to hear such a prayer again in all my life. The general began with a simple expression of thanks for their personal safety. Then he added thanks for the courage of the nation under fire. Then he prayed for strength for the men in the field and along the firing lines; he prayed for strength for himself. But the most amazing thing in his prayer was a plea that God would help him and help China not to hate the Japanese people. He prayed for the Japanese Christians, and all the suffering multitudes of Japan whose impoverishment was making the war on China possible. He prayed for the people who were bombed, for forgiveness for those who dropped the bombs."

Chiang Kai-shek prayed that he might be kept from hate. Can any official of our national and state government, any leader of our nation, or any individual sincerely offer up as humble and earnest a prayer as Chiang Kai-shek offered for the Japanese? Or for the Germans or Italians?—Raymond M. Hudson, in Zions Herald.

METHODIST WOMEN CONSIDER WORLD PROBLEMS

By W. W. Reid

More than 3,000 repesentatives of the Woman's Division of Chistian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church met in Columbus, Ohio, from May 19 to 22, in the first "assembly" of the division since the organization of the "new" church. About one-third of the women were officially elected delegates, attending from almost every state in the Union.

For four days the assembly heard addresses by experts, covering practically ever phase of activity of the woman's division, considered these same topics in four commissions, and then by unanimous actions pledged itself to the carrying of these findings into action in the local societies. Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, president of the division, was in the chair at the opening and business sessions; and other sessions were presided over by the vice presidents: Mrs. J. W. Mills of Texas, Mrs. Albert E. Beebe of New York, Mrs. Fred C. Reynolds of Maryland, and Mrs. James Oldshue of Illinois.

"We think, with justifiable pride, of the more than 25,000 organizations of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, of its million and a quarter members, of the related organizations of employed women, student fellowships, groups of young women, girls and children," said Mrs. Bragg in her opening address to the assembly. "We think of the millions of dollars which we raise annually for the work of the society throughout the word; of the thousands to whom we minister through many types of service; of the scores of homes, hospitals and schools sacred in their service of care and training; of the churches, parsonages and community activities made possible through hours of diligent toil. Now in this day of united strength, we should create new approaches to what seem to be old problems—many of which become more acute because of present world conditions. . . ."

Methodist Women and World Citizenship

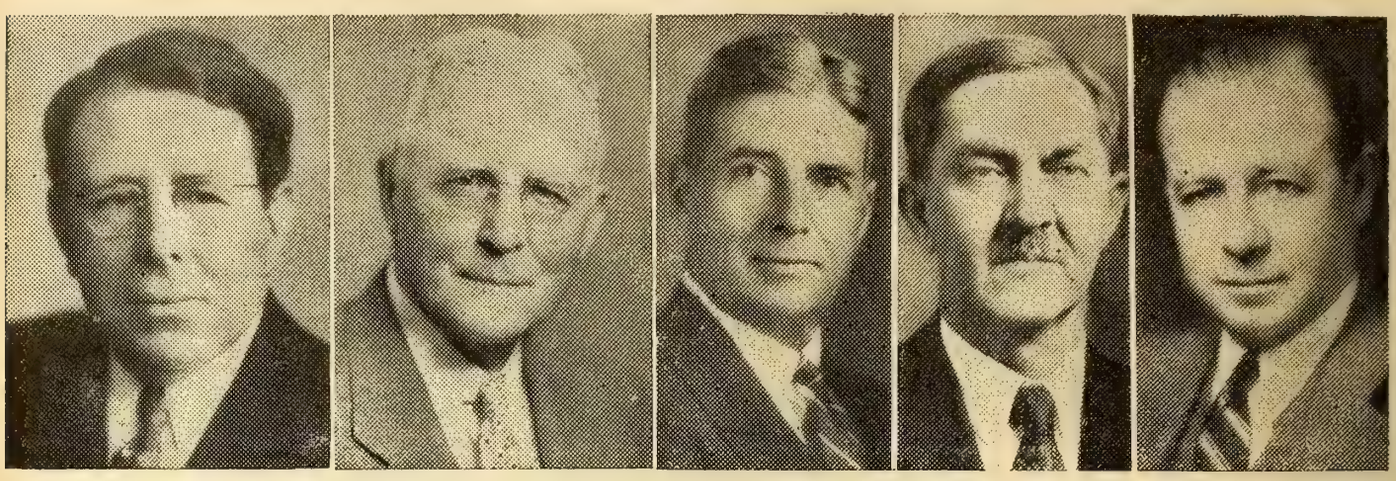
Speaking from missionary experience in both Europe and the Orient, Bishop Edwin F. Lee of Singapore and Manila, told the assembly that Japanese control of the masses in India and China would be a more severe disaster for the world than even Nazi control of Europe.

"I ask you to imagine," he said, "the capacity for disaster to the world that the Japanese would attain if they were to gain control of the lives and fortunes of the billion people in the wide Orient. It would be possible for them to regiment the man-power of wide groups in that area in such a way that there could be no peace, without submission for large areas of the world, including the United States."

He described the current struggle as "a contest of ideologies" and challenged his audience to an appreciation of the fact that "great ideals do not die." "America's page in the current history of the Orient is to re-write the great ideology which has been our heritage and to share with humanity to the ends of the earth the blessings of a Christian democracy. Here men live and let live."

Among the leaders of the devotional services of the assembly were Dr. Frank Laubach of the Philippines, Bishop Ralph S. Cushman, Bishop William C. Martin, Bishop James C. Baker, and Dr. Hugh Stuntz of Scarritt College. Bishops H. Lester Smith and Robert E. Jones conducted the communion service. A special program of the World Federation of Methodist Women, an evening devoted to a youth program with Dr. Harvey Seifert as the principal speaker, and a sacrificial supper, the proceeds of which is to be used for children in defense and war areas, were other features of a full and stimulating four-day program.

GIVEN HONORARY DEGREES AT UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA



Left to right—(1) Joseph Melville Broughton, graduate and doctor of laws from Wake Forest, student of law at Harvard; president of the North Carolina Bar Association; and Governor of North Carolina. (2) Robert Lee Flowers, president of Duke Univesity, leader of the educational, civic and religious life of his state and times, has entered creatively into the advance of the North Carolina College for Negroes, the publication of the South Atlantic Quarterly, the administration of the Duke Endowment, and the building of Duke University. (3) James G. K. McClure, graduate of Wake Forest and Yale, student at the McCormick Theological Seminary and at European universities, Presbyterian minister, holder of honorary degrees from Berea, Yale, and Harvard, and former president of the American Forestry Association. (4) George Marion Cooper of Sampson county, nationally distinguished as a public health officer, he has as state health officer served for a longer period and in more fields than any other person. (5) William Smith Tillett, class of 1913, captain of the football team, intercollegiate debater, popular leader on the campus, M. D. Johns Hopkins.

BREVARD COLLEGE NOTES

The summer program at Brevard College has begun in an auspicious manner. The enrollment in the summer school is the largest in several years. Evidently the increased tempo of other colleges has had some effect on Brevard students. An effort is being made to make such adjustments as the national situation demands, and the response of the public has been quite encouraging. The college administration is committed to a plan of operation which produces maximum results for the entire calendar year. Perhaps the accelerated program of war times may prove to be well adapted to conditions of peace times as well.

Present indications point to a good enrollment for the regular college year which opens in September. Calls for catalogues and letters of inquiry are more numerous than in previous years. Room reservations thus far received from incoming freshmen are larger than they were at this time last year. The type of curriculum offered at Brevard is steadily gaining in popularity among principals and high school graduates.

At the recent commencement exercises Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, vice president of the college, announced the names of members of the graduating class who had won honors and highest honors of the year. Highest honors, which represent a scholastic grade of almost an A average, were received by Miss Kathleen DeLoris Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wilson of Brevard, and Miss Jean Arline Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond F. Bennett of Route 2, Brevard.

Second honors, which represent a scholastic grade of an average of B, were received by the following students:

Miss Joyce Elmore Kale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kale, 86 Sixteenth Street, Greensboro.

Miss Helen Elizabeth Hampton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hampton, Murphy.

Mr. Samuel Floyd Harrill, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Harrill, 514 W. Main Street, Forest City.

Mr. John Grover Roach, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Roach, Forest City.

Miss Mary Jane Byrd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Byrd, Route 1, Candler.

Miss Mary Ruth Snow, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Snow, Elk Park.

Mr. Reid Parks, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Parks, Route 6, Lexington.

Miss Norma Lee Ashby, daughter of Mrs. Tressie Lee Hurst Ashby, 709 Omar Road, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Miss Mary Mildred Shacklette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shacklette, 742 S. 16th Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Miss Margaret Lea Corpening, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Corpening, Bryson City.

Miss Hettie Lou Bridges, daughter of Mrs. Viola Bridges, Route 1, Morganton.

REV. EBENEZER MYERS BECOMES AN AUTHOR

"The Book of Revelations" is the title of an interesting booklet by Ebenezer Myers, a member of the Western North Carolina conference. The author in a Foreword modestly claims that the booklet is "Brief notes and comments on the book of Revelations and the second coming of Jesus, and that this little volume is written and sent out with the hope of helping some who may not have studied the book closely."

Brother Myers has dedicated the little volume to his wife, "Maggie Elmira Myers, who has walked by my side for these forty-nine years as a helper in the ministry of the gospel, and to 'All the saints who love His appearing.' "

We have read the booklet with interest, and while not in accord with all of its interpretations and conclusions, found it for that very reason all the more interesting. It is refreshing these days to find a man who has some opinions of his own and in sincerity contends for what he really believes. And Rev. Ebenezer Myers can qualify at this point. Get the booklet and read it.

REV. E. P. BILLUPS RECEIVES DOCTOR OF DIVINITY DEGREE

Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of Brevard Methodist church, had conferred upon him at the annual commencement of Morris Harvey College, Charleston, West Virginia, the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

Dr. Billups was a member of the West Virginia conference before his transfer to the Western North Carolina conference. It is an instance of a prophet not without honor among his own people.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.
2*M. R. Gardner, Aulander.
*T. J. Whitehead, North Gates.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.
*M. W. Warren, Garland.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

2*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hill, Liberty Ct.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

4*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

4*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
2*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.
P. O. Lee, Clayton.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
C. T. Rogers, Wallace-Rose Hill.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.
W .J. Freeman, Bladen.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
P. T. Dixon, Morven.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.
G. C. Graham, Jonesville.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.
M. W. Edwards, Mill Spring.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.
J. C. Reichard, Troutman.
J. Max Brandon, Sr., Grace-Rhodhiss.
Reid Wall, Granite Falls.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.

YOUNG PEOPLE ACTIVE AT JENKINS MEMORIAL

The young adult class of Jenkins Memorial church, Raleigh, elected the following officers at a recent meeting: President, Harold H. Mobley; vice president, Miss Dorothy Brown; secretary, Mrs. Harold H. Mobley; treasurer, Beaty Bryan. The following committees were appointed: Program, Miss Mary Faucette, chairman, Sidney Yow, William Betts, Miss Angeline Johnson, Charles Russell, Mrs. A. D. Hemmingway; social, Mrs. Lewis Fowler, chairman, Mrs. Lila King, Mrs. Vera Collins, Mrs. Willie Batts, Mrs. Sidney Yow; membership and sunshine, Mrs. Claude Edwards, chairman, Mrs. Beaty Bryan, Miss Myrtle King, Mrs. Carl Johnson.

Unusual interest has been shown in the class during the last few months in spite of the fact that many have left town for camps and defense work. A cushion for the altar of the church was given by the class at Easter time, and we soon hope to present a baptismal font. A pageant, "Comrades of the Cross," was given by the class on last Word Service Sunday at the church school.

Twenty members were able to go to Pullen Park one evening recently for a camp supper.

Mrs. W. B. Penny is teacher of the class. Alma Davis Mobley, Sec.

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STATESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Statesville district met in Newton June 2 at 10 a. m., with Mrs. Wake Myers, district president, presiding. Regardless of the difficulties of travel 24 societies answered to roll call and 103 delegates were in attendance.

The opening devotional was led by Mrs. George Greer of Lenoir, who chose for her scriptural basis Exodus 14:15: "And the Lord said unto Moses, wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward. She stressed three points of interest: (1) The tregedy of our losing out on education at this time; (2) the necessity of saving our resources; (3) the importance of being ready for the coming of the day of peace. The welcome was given by Mrs. Mark Tuttle and the response was made by Mrs. Fred Bunch. Pages for the day were Mrs. Walter Sanders, Mrs. Burch Allison, Mrs. James Hill, Mrs. Carl Bowman and Mrs. Lock Lowrance.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent, brought an inspiring message. His theme, Let your light so shine that others will see and be led by them. And it is better to waste a candle than walk in the dark.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, was honor guest for the day and addressed the group, telling some of the happenings at the assembly recently held in Columbus, Ohio, giving as a definition for the assembly "a group of people meeting together for a given purpose." She mentioned some of the outstanding talks made, went into the different lines of work, exhibiting pieces of literature on each department, which are to be had for the asking. During the pledge service which she conducted later she urged that the level of spiritual living be lifted and that the level of sacrificial giving be increased to meet the great needs wherever found. Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secrretary, gave a most encouraging report of the past year's work, but stated there is room still for improvement and urged new organizations in 1942, since there are 21 churches on the district unorganized and many weak societies needing the help of stronger sister societies. She asked the co-operation of the pastors in making clear to the people the work of the young women and girls, and the student and children's work. Thirteen pastors were present and the slogan used with reference to them was "Not loafers, but chauffers." The congregation was dismissed for lunch by Rev. M. Q. Tuttle, pastor of Newton church, and lunch was served in an adjoining room.

The principal speakers for the afternoon were Miss Leila Tuttle, returned missionary from China; Mrs. George Hoyle, conference secretary children's work. District officers reporting their work were: Mrs. Ralph Sherrill, Mrs. W. W. Washam. Mrs. W. I. Pitts, Mrs. H. A. Poston, Mrs. Roy Lazenby, Mrs. George Greer, Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle and Mrs. G. E. Hayes. During quiet music and with the audience with bowed heads the names of the 18 members who have passed away during the year were read by Mrs. Hornbuckle. Officers for the district were re-elected with the exception of Miss Ona Massie, who could not serve and was replaced by Mrs. B. L. Cloninger. Among the welcomed visitors for the day were Miss Mabel Cherry, returned missionary from Korea, and her mother, Mrs. W. S. Cherry. Mrs. Goode expressed her thanks to her district for making it possible for her to attend the assembly and reported that from the fund donated for her expenses a sufficient amount was saved to send the district president to Junaluska for two weeks, and the district secretary of missionary education to Duke for the week session during the pastors' school, and it was unanimously voted to extend this courtesy to these two officers.

Broad Street church, Statesville, was chosen for the hostess church in 1943.

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET

The Ministers' Wives' Association of Waynesville district has had two fine meetings recently. The first, April 29, was held at Andrews in connection with the district meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and the second, May 4, at Waynesville in connection with the district conference.

Mrs. J. H. Carper, who is living with her three children in Cullowhee since her husband has entered the chaplaincy, was given a special welcome into the fellowship. Mrs. Harbin, recent bride, was introduced, welcomed and presented with a lovely lamp.

Mrs. W. R. Kelly, president, expressed pleasure at meeting in the lovely parsonage at Waynesville with Mrs. J. C. Madison, and in having women of the Asheville district present.

At a previous request of the district superintendent's wife, Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, each woman reported at the meeting in Waynesville on parsonage improvements that had been made or that were to be made. It was suggested that the parsonage committee be invited to the parsonage at least twice a year to note what improvements had been made or needed to be made. Those women who had not done so were encouraged to make (in the presence of the chairman of the parsonage committee) an inventory of the parsonage equipment.

Plans and new ideas for vacation church school were shared. Those charges not having had church school rally day were urged to do so.

Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., president of the Asheville District M. W. A., expressed willingness and delight of her group to help with the annual tea given during the pastors' school at Lake Junaluska.

The women regretted that Mrs. Hutchins could not be present at the meeting in Waynesville because of sickness. The group voted to send her a gift of remembrance and appreciation.

METHODIST WOMEN EMPHASIZE THE ALCOHOL PROBLEM

During the first assembly of the newly organized Methodist Woman's Division of Christian Service, representing 1,250,000 pledged membership, meeting in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22, no other issue was given so much emphasis as was the problem of beverage alcohol. In the opening session the president, Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, said: "The flood of alcoholic liquor requires more vigorous action than we have yet given it," and from that time on speaker after speaker reiterated the same demand for imperative action. Many of these were missionaries who paid tribute to the work of the W. C. T. U. in other countries. From two of the four commissions came recommndations in regard to alcohol which were adopted by the assembly. The Commission on Education recommended: "That we as Christian women, emphasize temperance education and work toward securing more adequate temperance legislation; that our mission schools integrate education concerning the effects of liquor and other narcotics in their curricula."

The Commission on World Citizenship presented the following: "As one means of safeguarding the physical and moral well being of the nation we recommend that the Methodist Woman's Assembly protest to the President of the United States the present priorities on tires, which force the curtailment of retail milk delivery while permitting the unlimited distribution of beers, wines and liquors by wholesale dealers."

The Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities presented the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously by the assembly:

"Resolved (a) That the assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service petition the President of the United States, the Secretaries of the Army and Navy, and the Congress to use their powers to remove alcoholic beverages from within and adjacent to army camps. (b) That they be petitioned to take control of the distilled liquors now in storage and convert them into material needed in the national emergency. (c) That they be further petitioned to convert the factories which have been engaged in the distilling of alcoholic beverages into factories for the manufacture of products needed in the present emergency.

That each delegate and visitor at the assembly be called upon to write to the President, and her representative in Congress, urging their support of bill S-860.

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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WORLD-WIDE PROGRAM

We cannot divorce missions from Christianity. They are inseparably interwoven. This because Christ's program is fundamentally a missionary program. During his earthly ministry he taught missions, practiced missions. His last act before his ascension was to bequeath his missionary program to his followers in these words: "Ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem"

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY

Two years ago the Board of Christian Education of the N. C. conference began an experiment at Louisburg College which proved so successful that last year it was promoted with even more evidences of success. This experiment was designated "The Christian Workers' Assembly and was designed to give information and inspiration to adult workers in all departments of the church school. This year a course for members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be added to the list and the teacher of the new course will be Mrs. E. L. Hillman, former conference president and now president Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. Many women will wish to share in the privileges of the Christian Workers' Assembly which will be held on July 6-8. The cost will be $5, $1 of which should be sent in advance to Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C. It will be necessary to take towels, pillow, bed linen, soap, and other needed articles for comfort.

A GRATEFUL DELEGATE

Miss Claire Harris of Roxboro was N. C. Conference Wesleyan Service Guild delegate to the first assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service which was held in Columbus, Ohio, last month. In appreciation of the joys received from this momentous experience, Miss Harris writes your editor: "It was my happy privilege to attend the assembly in Columbus as delegate from the Wesleyan Service Guild of the N. C. Conference. May I, through the woman's page, express my apprecaition of this opportunity? I particularly want to thank the W. S. C. S. for helping so generously in financing my trip. Besides the general meetings there were Guild conferences each afternoon. In these Miss Norris and her officers were helpful in answeing questions for all of us and in allowing delegates to give plans followed in their units for promoting the work. A Guild breakfast and a dinner, both held in the Y. W. C. A., were most enjoyable. I wish so much that our own conference Guild secretary, Mrs. R. C. Gary, had been there to enjoy the fellowship with us. She has such a splendid grasp on the work that she didn't need the other sessions. Again let me say a hearty thank you to the Guild and the W. S. C. S. for making it possible for me to have this rich experience." Miss Harris' name was inadvertently omitted from the list of delegates to the assembly which was published in a recent issue of this page. We are indeed regretful of this omission.

INTRODUCING

Mrs. J. A.Hartsfield of Wake Forest, newly appointed Raleigh district spiritual life leader, and Mrs. J. L. Midgette, of Cary, new Raleigh district study leader. Mrs. Hartsfield is particularly desirous of developing a larger number of more effective spiritual life groups in the district, and is seeking to make this department of work more vital by correspondence and by personal visits to any society which will arrange for her to do so. Mrs. Midgette has had wide experience and marked success in teaching missions and Bible study classes and, like Mrs. Hartsfield, will personally visit local societies wherever arrangements are made for her to do so. Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary, is urging that all W. S. C. S. in the district co-operate with Mrs. Hartsfield and Mrs. Midgette in promoting the work of these two departments.

NEGRO LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, is emphasizing the importance of sending negro delegates to the Leadership Training School for Christian Workers which will be held in Winston-Salem on July 6-11. Mrs. Cutchin writes: "This conference is open to ministers, women and young people. The cost is $5, including registration, but of course transportation is extra. This school is growing in popularity and usefulness each year and furnishes our women an opportunity to develop Christian leaders in the negro race, whose advantages have been limited; so wherever possible, select a person in your community who may attend. It is an ideal project for inter-racial co-operation. By all means have the delegate report to your society upon return."

PASTORS' SCHOOL

Indicative of the increasing interest in mission study was the large group of women intently and eagerly sitting in the class sessions, participating in discussions and assignments of the study of missions in Latin America, taught by Miss Oscie Saunders at the pastors' school at Duke University last week. Needless to state that these women are better prepared for more efficient leadership in the work of the W. S. C. S. and that the inspiration gained by all the features of pastors' school will make for them more abundant living.

Members of the executive committee of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. who attended the class sessions were Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, conference secretary children's work; Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary. Your editor was privileged to attend a portion of the school. Many other women of the N. C. conference were in attendance. Chief among the inspirational speakers was Dr. E. Stanley Jones, an internationally known missionary and evangelist. None could hear him unless they sense a oneness with God and the power of the Holy Spirit.

CARTERET ZONE MEETS

Carteret zone, New Bern district, met in Beaufort Methodist church on March 25. Mrs. Jack Neal, Jr., zone leader, presided. Mrs. B. F. Royal of Morehead conducted the opening devotional. An appropriate solo was rendered by Mrs. William Willis. Mrs. F. R. Bell welcomed the visitors and Mrs. Clyde Mason of Asheville responded. Nine societies and two Wesleyan Service Guilds responded to the roll call with encouraging reports. Seventy-three members,, five ministers and three visitors were present. Oak Grove society won the loving cup for having the largest percentage of attendance. Mrs. Gertie Matthews gave a report of the work which had been done in the district during 1941 and stated that three new societies had been organized, making a total of 83 societies in the district. The pledge was exceeded by $836. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary, missionary education and service, brought a challenging message on the value of missions and Bible study. Young women and girls' work was discussed by Mrs. Leon Russell. A member of Newport society talked of the importance of subscribing for The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. Mrs. Darden Eure gave an inspirational address. The ladies of Beaufort church served a delightful lunch. Rev. W. S. Potter pronounced the benediction.—Mrs. Guy Daniels.

"GOD IS TREMENDOUS"

"God is certainly tremendous," said 12-year-old Gahing, Chinese waif in Foochow, fed by an American board relief rice kitchen. Suffering badly from malnutrition and tracoma, the little lad was treated and given food. Then his father found a job and took Gahing away. But the job failed—the father, in despair, jumped into the river. Gahing was left alone in a poor attic. New tenants came and turned him out. He sat on the doorstep one night, very late. An old woman passed and saw him, "What are you doing out here so late, little boy?" she asked. "You should go home," Gahing replied: "I am praying God to send me a home. They will not let me stay here any more." "What, you are a Christian, too?" cried the old lady. "Come home with me. I have an attic in which you can sleep." The next day when Gahing went to the rice kitchen he told his friends there all about his experience, adding solemnly, "God certainly is tremendous."—From Christian World Facts.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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GOOD MORNING!

This is a lovely Monday morning. The sun is shining and the birds are singing. The weather is cool and invigorating. The children are well and have entered into their Monday morning work enthusiastically. This week's farm work will mean a great deal to us. After a week's rain we are anxious to do some harvesting, plow through the corn, cut the alfalfa and cultivate the vegetables. Mr. Booze, the truck farmer, says we will have to find some additional space for his bumper crop of Irish potatoes.

SOME HAVE GONE

During the past three weeks we have witnessed the departure of 32 of our youngsters. Some of these we ourselves have taken to their new homes. Everyone of them had had a place to go. In addition to the 21 seniors, 11 additional children have gone into reestablished homes. Numbers of these youngsters are writing back stating their appreciation for what they have recevied here and expressing love and devotion to those who had a part in the directing of their careers. Thirty-two of our youngsters have gone but they are not forgotten.

SOME WILL COME

We are now in the midst of investigating the many applications who desire to move into the Children's Home in place of those who have gone. Some of these have been waiting a long time, some patiently and some impatiently. New cases are continually being presented for consideration. There is no dearth of applicants. There is no danger of the Children's Home not having children to provide for. As they are thinned others come to grow up in their stead.

CASE ONE

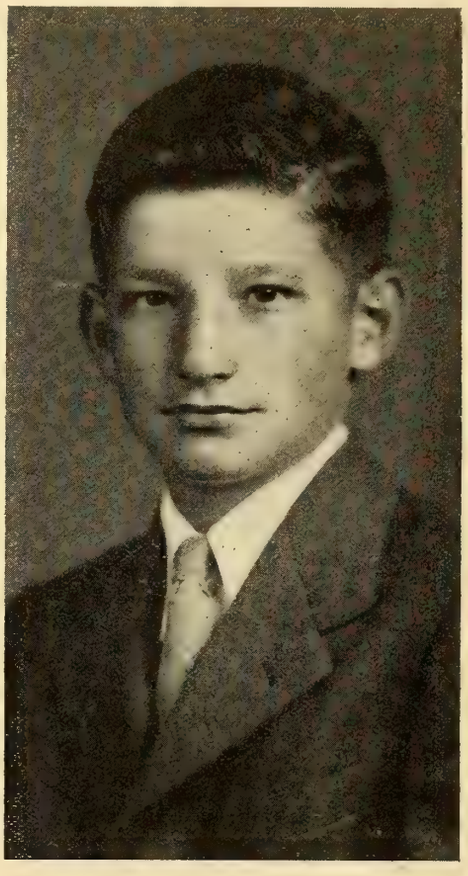
Some years ago two little girls came to live at the Children's Home following the death of both father and mother. They were living with a paternal aunt whose health had given way and who could no longer provide for them. In the run of time this aunt's health was restored and her request that her two nieces be allowed to return to live with her was granted. Again the aunt must return to a tuberculosis sanatorium and the girls, now in their early teens, are knocking for admittance into the Children's Home. Doubtless these girls will be readmtited.

CASE TWO

Away across the Blue Ridge two little boys live in a county home. Their father has died and their mother has deserted them. After living with an uncle for a while they were taken to the county welfare department and in turn to the county home. A Methodist minister, whose love for little underprivileged children is tender, has become a godfather to these two little boys and the Children's Home will become a place of refuge in time of need.

CASE THREE

In came a Methodist minister who said that years ago he and his wife took particular interest in a little girl deprived of home life. This little girl grew into womanhood, married and became the mother of three children. Both the mother and the father have died from the ravages of tuberculosis, leaving the three children deprived of home and parents and unwelcome in



He is a dependable boy

the homes of any relatives. Careful examination on the part of specialists indicates that while the children have childhood tubecular tendencies, they are free from the pulmonary type. It will be our challenge to help them grow away from frailty into strength and security.

JACK IS THE NAME, SIR!

The picture presented on this page is that of Jack Hayworth, 14 years of age and promoted to the eighth grade. Jack came to us last summer from the High Point Children's Home and is proving to be a dependable youngster. He was recently given to the Young Men's class of First church, Hickory, for sponsoring, Thomas S. Golden, a mighty good friend of the Children's Home, stating that these young men wanted to pay Jack's entire annual upkeep, $325 if you please. So Jack has some real, helpful sponsors. He is worthy of them.

THREE RINGINGS

The joy bell, the victory bell, the ten per cent apportionment bell, the old glad tidings bell, has rung three times during the past week. Three good congregations sent in their ten per cent apportionment in full and in one case, that of Pleasant Grove, the supplementary apportionment in full, and are entitled to be listed in our joy bell honor roll. Note them and their pastors and join us in the celebration:

Bryson City, Rev. C. O. Newell.

First church, Draper, Rev. Paul R. Rayle.

Pleasant Grove, Thomasville, Rev. C. E. Ridge.

IN GOOD COMPANY

One of the most interesting women this scribe has ever known is Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte. The calendar says she is old but the spirit says she is young and vigorous. She writes: "Our First Methodist church has substituted cottage prayer meetings for a while. Last Wednesday evening it was my good fortune to worship with a group of 20 others in the home of Mrs. J. A. Russell. In this meeting a young man sang 'The Ninety and Nine.' When looking through the Advocate today I noticed his picture on the Children's Home page. Knowing how ambitious you are for your children, I am writing to let you know that Buren Blackwelder is making good and giving pleasure to others."

A YOUNG HORNET

Marshall came from the banks of the Catawba where he had fished in the daytime and hunted o'possums at night. On coming to the Children's Home he continued to like to get out in the woods and go places. Washing his feet at night before going to bed was a botheration. In the run of time Marshall had the run of many escapades. Finally the superintendent took him to where he thought he wanted to go, where, after some time, he pushed up his age a bit and joined the navy. Now as a member of the crew of the U. S. S. Hornet, an aircraft carrier, Marshall has plenty of opportunity to go places. Listen to what he says: "I was glad to hear from you. I have been at sea so much I haven't written anyone. I saw one of our boys a few weeks ago, Jimmy Walton, on the U. S. S. Pensacola. I think it would interest you very much to state that James Edwards was on the oil tanker U. S. S. Pecos when it was bombed by the Japs, the dirty saps. I have heard that a Jap cruiser picked up 171 of the crew. It is always mighty good to get news from home, but it is twice as good to get news when you are out at sea. I am helping my country all I can every day. I have seen a lot of countries but there's none like U. S. A. Tell Stella and Harry, my sister and brother, to be good and amount to something. On June 6 I will be 18 years of age. I love to think about the Children's Home."

Marshall will be glad to eventually learn that James Edwards arrived in San Francisco safe and sound.

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WAR BOND—The Young people of the Methodist Orphanage have purchased a war bond. This act shows that our boys and girls are patriotic. They were happy to make a personal sacrifice to help in this time of national peril. Their unselfish deed is most commendable.

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ENLISTED—A large number of our former sons have enlisted in the defense of our country. They are on duty in all parts of the world doing their bit for the preservation of true democracy. They do not count their lives dear unto themselves when all that we hold most sacred in life is at stake. We are proud of the fine record that our boys are making in this time of national emergency.

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THE ORPHANAGE GRADUATING CLASS—I feel that the friends of the Methodist Orphanage will be glad to know that all of our boys and girls who graduated a few weeks ago have good jobs, except those who plan to go to business schools, colleges and nursing schools. It is our policy and purpose to train our boys and girls in such a way that when they finish high school they will be in a position to become self-supporting, and I am happy to say that we have accomplished this in a fine way.

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HAYES - BARTON METHODIST CHURCH—I was happy to attend services at the Hayes-Barton Methodist church in Raleigh on the first Sunday in this month. There was a large congregation present, and I enjoyed the impressive service. Brother Robert L. Jerome is pastor. He is one of the very best equipped young men, and is making full proof of his ministry at this growing church. I am delighted to know that he is meeting every expectation of his people. The North Carolina conference is fortunate in having so many highly trained and effective young ministers. I was happy to take part in the communion service, which was one of the most impressive I have ever witnessed.

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COUPONS—Occasionally I get letters inquiring if we are still soliciting coupons. I wish to say to one and all inquiring friends that we shall be happy to receive all the coupons they can send to the Orphanage. The Baptist Orphanage, of Alabama, receives more than $3,000 each year from collecting Octagon soap coupons. During the last 12 or 15 years that orphanage has received more than $40,000 in cash from this source alone. I wish to ask and urge all the societies of Christian Service throughout the conference to redouble their efforts in collecting coupons for the Methodist Orphanage.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE—I announced in last week's Advocate that we are not urging members of the men's Bible classes and other friends to visit the Orphanage on the fourth Sunday in this month. Due to the tire and gasoline situation we do not feel that we should ask our friends to visit us on the fourth Sunday in this month. Late in the afternoon on the fourth Sunday in June an address by Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University, and a program by the Methodist Orphanage glee club will be broadcast, and I want to ask all the Methodists in the North Carolina conference to listen to the broadcast. I am writing to all the pastors and church school superintendents, telling them just what time the broadcast will take place, and urging them to make the announcement in their church and Sunday school services. The address by Dr. Childs and the selections by the glee club will be well worth hearing over the radio.

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BOARD MEETING—On Wednesday of last week the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage was held in the living room of the Burwell cottage on the Methodist Orphanage campus. Due largely to tire and gas rationing, the attendance was not as large as usual. I can say in all sincerity that it was one of the best, if not the best, board meeting we have ever had. It is a genuine pleasure and privilege to be associated with such a fine group of men and women as those who compose the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage. I also consider it a great joy and privilege to have the hearty co-operation of the pastors and churches of the North Carolina conference in my efforts to make the Methodist Orphanage an ideal home. The interest of our trustees, pastors and churches is increasing year by year.

WHEN YOU KNOW

When you get to know a fellow,
Know his joys and know his cares;
When you've come to understand him,
And the burden that he bears;
When you learn the fight he's making
And the troubles in his way,
Then you find that he is different
Than you thought him yesterday.
You will find his faults are trivial and
There's not so much to blame
In the brother that you jeered at
When you only knew his name.

—Selected.

When a man has equipped himself by thought and study for a bigger job, it usually happens that promotion comes along even before it is expected. —P. G. Winnett.

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ANSON COUNTY METHODIST RALLY

Something new in Western North Carolina Methodism happened on Sunday, May 31, when Bethel Methodist church was host to Anson county Methodists. In spite of all kinds of rationing the large auditorium was filled, and loud speakers took the program to others gathered outside.

It was inspiring indeed to meet this group, representing an entire county. All phases of the program of the church were represented, with emphasis placed also on fellowship and worship. The high point of the day came at the 11:30 hour when Dr. H. E. Myers brought to his "home folks" an inspiring message.

This is the first gathering of just this nature in our conference. We recommend it to other similar areas. Congratulations go to the pastors of the county and their people who planned so well.

VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

With each report comes news of more and more children and teachers and pastors who have entered into satisfying, well planned religious activities. It is good to know that our children are being remembered, and are being guided into more Christian ways of living. The following reports have been received since the last list was published:

Harrison (Pineville) Mrs. E.W.Russell.

Friendship (Guilford), Mrs. J. W. Cummings.

Leaksville, Mrs. J. Elwood Carroll.

Canaan (Central, Denton), Wilson Nesbitt.

Fairview (Central, Denton), Wilson Nesbitt.

Cross Mill, Marion, F. R.. Barber.

Marion Mills, J. O. Banks.

Cliffside, Mrs. H. C. Beatty.

Pleasant Grove, Forest City, Miss Ozelle Moore.

Shiloh (Granite Quarry), Miss Mary Melton.

Taylorsville, O. L. Robinson.

Troutman, J. C. Reichard.

Chapel Hill (Statesville Ct.), G. F. Houck.

Sylva, Mrs. David M. Hall.

Fairview (Thomasville Ct.), C. O. Plyler.

Pine Wood (Thomasville Ct.), C. O. Plyler.

Love's, Walkertown, Mrs. N. S. Poindexter.

New Hope (New Hope-Oak Summit), A. C. Kennedy, Jr.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLAN FOR VACATION SCHOOLS

Several district superintendents report that every pastor in their district plans to have one or more vacation schools this summer. Western North Carolina conference is not forgetting its children!

CHURCH SCHOOL RALL YDAY

We are still having requests for programs and plans are being made for this observance in many churches during June and early July. Reports on observances that have been held are being received each week. All offerings should be designated for Church School Rally Day and should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, Asheville. The following churches have remitted their offering:

Asheville District

Oakley	$ 5.00
First, Hendersonville	14.75

Charlotte District

Ansonville	2.50
Cedar Hill (Ansonville)	1.05
Concord (Ansonville)	.50
Brevard Street	5.00
Dilworth	61.06
Duncan Memorial	2.40
First, Charlotte	119.30
Hawthorne Lane	25.16
Myers Park	50.00
Antioch (Indian Trail-Stallings)	1.30
Indian Trail	5.84
Stallings	3.22
Central, Monroe	50.00
Morven	6.27

Elkin District

Mocksville Ct.	1.00
Wilkesboro	2.50

Gastonia District

Asbury	5.00
Boger City	5.00
Cherryville	8.00
Cramerton	7.23
Crouse	4.28
Dallas	8.00
Ebenezer	5.00
South Point (Lowell)	5.47
Central, Sheby	5.47
Central, Shelby	25.00

Greensboro District

Glenwood	17.40
Newlyn Srteet	5.00
St. Paul	6.00
West Market Street	33.61
Lee's Chapel	2.00
Main St., Reidsville	23.00
Lowe's (Reidsville Ct.)	4.50
Matthews Chapel (Stoneville)	1.00

High Point District

Archdale	5.75
Central, Denton	7.20
Canaan	3.29
Piney Grove	1.45
Wesley Memorial	50.00
Bethany (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	1.00
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Marion District

Connelly Springs	5.86
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Forest City	5.00
Cross Mill	3.00
Bethlehem (Mill Spring)	1.88
Maness Chapel (Mill Spring)	1.44
New Hope (Mill Spring)	2.33
First, Morganton	11.47
Old Fort	2.00
Bethlehem (Old Fort Ca.)	3.12
Pleasant Grove	11.26
Ruthefordton	6.35

TRAINING CLASSES FOR RURAL CHURCHES

Most of our training classes for rural churches are held during the summer months. Requests for such schools should be sent to Earl Brewer well in advance of the opening date for the class. Schools are now scheduled in the following places:

Union Grove, June 14.
Creston Charge, June 15.
Hiddenite, June 15.
Friendship (Union Grove), June 21.
Pisgah (Hiddenite), June 22.
Mountain View (Union Grv.) June 28.
Millers Creek (Wilkesboro), July 5.

UP FROM THE DUST

By R. B. Eleazer

Some time ago I became acquainted with a great piece of literature which, though I have read it a hundred times, thrills and inspires me still as it did when first I discovered it. It is a traditional Negro sermon, done in classical English by James Weldon Johnson. It is entitled "Creation," and is one of seven such sermons appearing in "God's Trombones." In the opinion of this writer, "Creation" is a truly great poem, noble in concept and nobly expressed—a production that will live. Naturally I want to share it as widely as possible.

In the beginning the poem pictures God as "stepping out on space," while

Darkness covered everything
Blacker than a hundred midnights
Down in a cypress swamp.

There, all by himself, God says, "I'm lonely; I'll make me a world." So, step by step, he makes the world, and clothes it with beauty, and peoples it with all the lower forms of life. Then looking on it all, he sadly says: "That's good, but I'm lonely still." Thence the poem hurries to its dramatic climax:

Then God sat down
On the side of a hill where he could think;
By a deep, wide river he sat down;
With his head in his hands,
God thought and thought,
Till he thought, "I'll make me a man!"

Up from the bed of the river
God scooped the clay;
And by the bank of the river
He kneeled him down;
And there the great God Almighty,
Who lit the sun and fixed it in the sky,
Who flung the stars to the most far corner of the night,
Who rounded the earth in the middle of his hand,
This great God,
Like a mammy bending over her baby,
Kneeled down in the dust,
Toiling over a lump of clay
Till he shaped it in his own image;
Then into it he blew the breath of life,
And man became a living soul.
Amen! Amen!

What a picture! A lonely God, seeking companionship; a father-hearted God, hungry for the love of children! And so, the world, with all its living things, and man himself in the image of God, struggling upward from the dust!

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REGISTRATIONS

The Senior Assembly June 22-26 is filled; therefore registration for this assembly is closed. Registrations for the Young People's Assembly are coming in rapidly and it is expected that we shall have the largest attendance upon this assembly that we have ever had. The First Louisburg College Christian Adventure Assembly, June 26-30, is filled but there is still room in the Second Christian Adventure Assembly, June 30-July 4, for additional delegates. Registrations will be accepted in the order received until we reach our capacity for intermediates.

VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

The conference office is delighted with the number of vacation church school reports received to date and is eagerly looking forward to receiving one from every church or charge in the conference. We have heard of many schools which will be held in the next few weeks, and are hoping for them every success. If blanks are needed for reporting these schools, we shall be glad to send them upon request. Write to the conference office, care of Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C., where we shall be located until July 8.

The earliest school reported thus far was held the week of March 22 at Mt. Ariel church on the Mamers charge in the Raleigh district. Rev. F. R. Davis, pastor of the church, reported an enrollment of 31. Two schools have been reported for April—one at the Union church of Rev. Mr. Davis' charge, with an enrollment of 28, and the other in the New Bern district at Calypso church, which was an inter-denominational school with 15 Methodist pupils attending.

Reports have been received for nine schools held in May and two in June. From Central church, Mebane, Mrs. P. Nelson reported an enrollment of 53 in a two weeks school. Connally church on the Milton charge has reported, through its pastor, Rev. Floyd M. Patterson, a one-week school with an enrollment of 24. Rev. Harold Simpson has reported 56 pupils in the vacation school for Duke's Chapel, on the Duke circuit; and Rev. Ivey T. Poole reported 60 enrolled in a one-week school at Swepsonville.

First church, Washington, has reported a one-week school in May with an enrollment of 85. Philadelphia church on the Gatesville charge had its first school in co-operation with the Baptist and Christian churches and has reported an enrollment of 100 children.

Rev. C. W. Robbins reported a two-weeks school with 75 pupils for the Mount Olive church in the New Bern district, and Rev. Leon Russell reported 121 pupils in a two-weeks' school for the New Bern-Centenary churches.

The Oxford Methodist church, Oxford, held a joint school with the Episcopal church with an enrollment of 116 for the one-week school.

Wesley Memorial church, in Wilmington, has had a one-week school with 36 pupils and Trinity church on the Fairmont charge had a one-week school with 43 Methodist pupils attending.

YOUNG ADULT AND CHRISTIAN WORKERS ASSEMBLES

Registrations are coming in for our Young Adult Assembly, July 4-5, and the Christian Workers' Assembly, July 6-8. We hope that a large number of our young adults and adult leaders in the church will plan to attend these assemblies. We feel that the programs at Louisburg will be enriching as far as personal development is concerned, and will mean a great deal to the churches from which delegates come. We have learned that some young adult classes are hoping to attend the Young Adult Assembly, which is a week-end assembly, in a body. Some churches are planning to have representatives from each of the age-group divisions in attendance, and a number of Woman's Societies of Christian Service are sending representatives. There is no limit to the representatives any individual church may have. Registrations will be accepted in the order received until all of our space is filled.

NO SALE

I've heard of a preacher who had on his desk a special note book labeled, "Complaints of members against other members." When one of his people called to tell him the faults of another he would say, "Well, here's my compaint book. I'll write down what you say, and you can sign it. Then when I have to take the matter up officially I shall know what I may expect you to testify to."

The sight of the open book and the ready pen had its effect. "Oh, no, I couldn't sign anything like that!" And no entry was made.

The preacher says he kept the book for forty years, opened it probably a thousand times, and never wrote a line in it.—The Ginger Bean.

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Children's Storyland



THE CHILD AND HIS MONEY

By Ruth Peck McLeod

(Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City).

"The child's first school is the family."—Froebel.

A child will learn the value of money only by managing his own budget. In most cases, even a seven- year-old should be given a small allowance. At that age, self-interest should already have become somewhat tempered with both a sense of fairness and a desire to share. Parents should continue to help the child to develop attitudes of uncompromising honesty and sincere altruism. The amount, which is to be given to a child regularly, should be decided upon in advance by both parents. It should be in proportion to the income of the family, the age of the child and the responsibilities he is to undertake with it. It should not be made so miserly that he will feel he is not being given a fair amount, and not so liberal that he will have an inclination to spend too freely. Today, the desire to purchase war stamps is a helpful check on a tendency to extravagance.

The youngster will be proud to have a regular "income," and the amount will at first usually sound so big that he will feel he can get everything he wants with it. However, he will learn that even 50 cents a week will not go very far if, for instance, 20 cents is spent for a picture show, 10 cents for a notebook, 10 cents for a sundae, 5 cents for candy and 5 cents for Sunday school. A 50 cent football ticket will take all of his allowance for that week unless he has set aside a small amount for several preceding weeks to meet this special pleasure.

An allowance of 50 cents a week sounds liberal to a child but often he will find it inadequate and as a result the desire to earn money will soon become evident. Selling magazines is an excellent way for a boy or even a girl to secure extra change. My son sold magazines at one time and he exercised considerable forethought before he spent the money he had earned in that manner. When he did use his magazine profits for tickets, a ball bat, and similar expenditures, he seemed to derive a great deal of satisfaction and pride from buying these things with the money he himself had made.

Children of nine or ten should begin to be taught to purchase their clothes. Only a few of the expensive items should be undertaken at first. Then additional responsibilities can be added from time to time as the shoppers become more experienced and acquire rather definite ideas as to values. But parents should give suggestions with regard to shopping and allow the child to aid in making purchases long before he undertakes the full responsibility for himself. If suggestions have been given in a tactful, companionable manner the child will naturally turn to the parents later when in a quandary. But after the responsibility for the purchase of any particular garment has been given over to the child, the parent should not try to influence the selection. At times it will be hard to let the children make mistakes in their choices, but it will be necessary for them to make a few mistakes in order to secure experience.

It will be interesting to see how surprised the boy or girl will be when first undertaking to arrange a clothing budget. It is an excellent plan to let children work first on the family budget. Dad's salary sounds astonishingly large to them until they discover the long list of expenses that must be taken care of, such as life insurance, fire insurance, liability insurance, repair work, rent or payments on the home, drugs, doctor bills, groceries, clothing, telephone, electric bills, fuel, help, laundry, and so on. Of course they will be especially interested in the amount set aside for a defense bond.

Some of the most extravagant wives in the world today are those who never handled any money until after they were married. Whatever one of these girls wanted was charged to dad and such accounts quite often embarrassed him, and later the husband, too, suffers. Adults who are spendthrifts are usually the grown-up, inperienced children of indulgent parents who never taught them the value of money.

LITTLE OLD STORY-BOOK TOWN

By Constance I. Davis

How dear to the hearts of the children all
  Is the old Story-Book Town,
With its giants and faries and hobgoblins small,
  All heroes of old renown!

Here Jill and her brother still scramble uphill,
  And both with their pail tumble down;
The greedy Jack Horner is eating pie still
  In little old Story-Book Town.

The Spider that frightened Miss Muffet away
  When near her he dares to sit down;
And Jack after giants climbs Beanstalks all day
  In little old Story-Book Town.

The little Old Woman who lives in a Shoe
  Still wears a most worrying frown;
With so many children, what else can she do
  But spank them in Story-Book Town?

Oh, who would not live where the moon is green cheese,
  In a cottage of gingerbread brown,
Where candy and sugar plums grow on the trees,
  In little old Story-Book Town?

—Christian Guardian.

MOCKINGBIRD MANNERS

Did you ever know a mockingbird to order his meals? One living on our place did that very thing. It came about in this manner:

This mockingbird had spent all of its life near the house. The back of one of the chairs on the front porch and a clothesline near the back door were looked upon as its especial property.

We have two cats, which are fed on the back steps. Now, when the weather turned cold, the bird decided to eat with the cats. Every time they were fed it hopped into the dish and secured its share of the crumbs. The cats seemed to like the bird and never bothered it, but we were always afraid they would harm it, and at first we tried to shoo it away from the dish. It paid no attention to us, and would not touch the bread we threw on the ground for it, but persisted in eating with the cats.

One morning a terrible squawking sent us to the back porch for we were sure the cats had the mockingbird, but the cats were nowhere around. The bird was perched upon the line. It would bob up and down, and then fly into the air, uttering the worst sounds that could possibly come from a bird's throat. It acted like a small child havin a tantrum. We could not imagine what was the matter with it until one of us noticed the cats' dish was empty. Bread was put into it, and the bird flew to the step. It ate until it could hold no more. Then it flew back to the clothesline where it sang a beautiful "thank you."

And the mockingbird ordered its meals in this way all the rest of the winter.—Our Dumb Animals.

Little Willie, aged four, belongs to a Methodist family in Baltimore, where grace before meat is the rule at every meal. He went to Sunday school last week and upon his return his father asked him what happened. "Not much," he said. "They said grace but they didn't eat!"—J. R. E., in The Christian Advocate.

Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 21

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Task Committed to the Disciples

Matt. 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-20; Luke 24:49-53

God never gives a vision without assigning a task. The glorious vision that assured the apostles that the Man who was crucified dead and buried, was more alive than any one in the world, carried with it the great commission. They had dreamed of Jesus as the coming king of Israel, and had even dared expect that Israel's power would stretch as wide as the reign of the Caesars. He had not encouraged their war-like dream of conquest, but now their ambition is encouraged, yet in how different a form! Messiah had shed his own blood for the world, and did not require them to shed the blood of his enemies. They were to go forth and proclaim not vengeance but forgiveness among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Christianity is essentially an imperialistic religion, but not an imperialism of force and bloody conquest, but an imperialism of convincing truth. Thou sayest well I am a king, said Pilate; every one that is of the truth heareth my voice. All honest, open-minded men of all races and tribes will own my sway.

Life's account of the resurrection appearances stresses the fact that Jesus bade them tarry in Jerusalem for the power of the Holy Spirit. He omits entirely the preliminary command to go back to Galilee (Mark 16:7). Luke, like a true historian, often ignores chronology and stresses the main tendency and the strategic fact. And he is right in describing the period between Easter and Pentecost as essentially a time of waiting for the promise of the Father. Christianity is not Christianity when it is a mere body of beautiful teachings. The church is never the real church unless it has power.

And of course the individual is never a full orbed Christian without power. Indeed every course which a student takes in school ought to be primarily a waiting upon God for the power of the Holy Spirit, the power that comes from a knowledge of the garnered wisdom of endless human experiments, and from insight into the laws of nature, and from a mastery of forceful and winsome speech, the power that comes from a broad-minded, tolerant understanding of opposing points of view, and, above all, from an awe-struck sense of the infinite holiness and majesty of God, and a vivid realization of the sufficiency of Christ for all human needs. The power of the Holy Spirit is never a consciousness that "I have it," but always a consciousness that Christ has it, and has placed it at my disposal.

One is profoundly impressed by the all's in the great commission at the end of Matthew's Gospel. All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth, says the Master; go therefore and make disciples of all nations. The only way to realize that Christ has all power is to proclaim in the face of opposing prejudices of all the nations, and see how he melts down their opposition by ministering to all their needs.

And then the apostles were to teach the nations all things whatsover he had commanded them. If the missionary selects a few favorite doctrines and ignores the complementary truths, this partial gospel lacks power. Indeed it may become a hurtful heresy, and resemble three-leafed ivy as compared with the five-leafed variety. Three-leafed ivy is poison, and so also are isolated truths of the gospel. One of the amazing things about the gospel of Jesus is that there is always an antidote in our Lord's words to a harmful, one-sided stressing of any of his teachings.

And if we dare venture on the fact that Christ has all power, and if we go into all the world with his gospel, and teach them all things whatsoever he has commanded us, then a glorious sense of his all pervading presence comes to the church, and the promise is fulfilled, Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. If that presence is not vividly realized it is because we are forgetting one of the all's.

Never in the history of the world was it so important to stress the spiritual imperialism of Christianity as today when we face the imperial designs of the ruthless dictators; and never was it so important to preach the whole gospel with uncompromising and joyous courage.

"THE DINOSAUR"

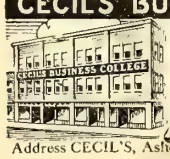
Behold the mighty Dinosaur,
Famous in prehistoric lore;
Not only for his weight and length
But for his intellectual strength.
You will observe by these remains
The creature had two sets of brains,
One in his head, the usual place,
The other at his spinal base.
Thus he could reason a priori
As well as a posteriori.
No problem bothered him a bit;
He made both head and tail of it.
So wise he was, so wise and solemn,
Each thought just filled a spinal column.
If one brain found the pressure strong
It passed a few ideas along;
If something slipped his forward mind
'Twas rescued by the one behind;
And if in error he was caught
He had a saving after-thought.
As he thought twice before he spoke,
He had no judgment to revoke;
For he could think without congestion
Upon both sides of every question.
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—From Religious Telescope.

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Calvary, 7:30 24
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Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July

Carr, 7:30 1
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Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
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Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
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Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

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THIRD ROUND

June

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Camp Ground, 11 21
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Carthage, Cameron, 8 21
Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July

Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
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THIRD ROUND

June

Vanceboro, Chapman, 11 20
Morehead Ct., Merrimon, 11 21
Beaufort, N. River, 3 21
Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July

Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
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June

Princeton, Micro, 11 21
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Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 11 28
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3 28

July

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Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 11 5
Erwin, Angier, 8 5
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8 8
Tar River, Ebenezer, 11 12
Benson, Elevation, 8 12
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June

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Sandy Cross, 4 21
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Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July

Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
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June

Jacksonville, 11 21
Swansboro, Oak Grove, 3:30 21
Maysville, Belgrade, 8 21
Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July

Carver's Creek, Weyman, 8:30 2
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

June

Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 11 21
West Asheville, 8 21
Weaverville, 8 24
Central, 8 28

July

Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August

Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

North Monroe, Grace, 11 21
Hickory Grove, 8 21
First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July

Derita, 11 5
Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Helton, 11 21
Warrensville, 3 21
Creston, night 21
West Jefferson, 11 28
Todd, 3 28
Miller's Creek, night 28

July

Farmington, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Cooleemee, night 5
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11 12
Trap Hill, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August

Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

Rock Springs, Webb's, 11 21
Lowesville, Fairfield, 3 21
Dallas, High Shoals, night 21
South Fork, Wesley's Chapel, 11 28
Vale, Palm Tree, 3 28
Cherryville, First Church, night 28

July

Cherryville Ct., St. Paul's, 11 5
Belmont, Main Street, night 5
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Reidsville Ct., Carmel 20
Mt. Pleasant Station, 11 21
Guilford, Fairfield, 8 21

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Coleridge, Mt. Olivet, 11 21
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 8 21
Main Street, 7:30 24
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 25
S. Davidson, Pine Hall, 2 26
Seagrove, Seagrove, 8 27
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 28
Richland, Giles, 2 28
Shiloh, Friendship, 7:30 29
First Church, High Point, 8 30

July

Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 8 1
First Church, Hight Point, 8 2
Greer's, 11 5
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 5
Farmer, Oak Grove, 8 5
Trinity, Trinity, 8 6
Calvary, 8 8
Liberty, First, 11 12
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 12
Junaluska 14-20
Welch Memorial, 8 23
Highland, 11 26

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 21
Broad River, Providence, 3 21
Cliffside, night 21
Henrietta, Cliffside, night 21
Training Class, Cliffside, night 21
Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28

Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3..... 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Harmony, 11 21
Ann Street, 3:30 21
At this service a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Cabarrus County.
Granite Quarry at Providence, 11 28
Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will preach and dedicate the Providence Church.
Main St., Albemarle, 3:30 28
At this hour a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Stanly County.

July

Coburn Memorial, 3:30 5
A joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Rowan County.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Hickory, Fairgrove, 11 21
Maiden, May's Chapel, 8 21
Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 3 28

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 11 21
Morris Chapel, Mt. Olive, 3 21
Mount Tabor, 8 21

A TRIBUTE

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Jarvis M. E. church of Greenville, N. C., wish to pay tribute to one of our most beloved members, Mrs. Emma Bryan, who on April 19, 1942, passed from this life to that more abundant life above.

Mrs. Bryan was a most devout Christian woman. She lived close to God—she walked with him and talked with him. For a number of years she was a member of this guild, and the happy Christian life she lived was an inspiration to all of us.

We shall miss her—the glad, happy smile and lingering handclasp will long be remembered. To the loved ones left here we would say, that while we cannot pierce the veil and see what God has prepared for those who love and serve him, we can comfort ourselves with the thought that heaven means complete and everlasting happiness.

"She is traveling still the same highway that she with us have trod; merely outdistancing us a bit upon the road to God." We ask that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family with our love and deepest sympathy, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication and a copy be recorded in the guild minutes.

Mrs. Rosa Herring,
Mrs. Gladys Scoville.

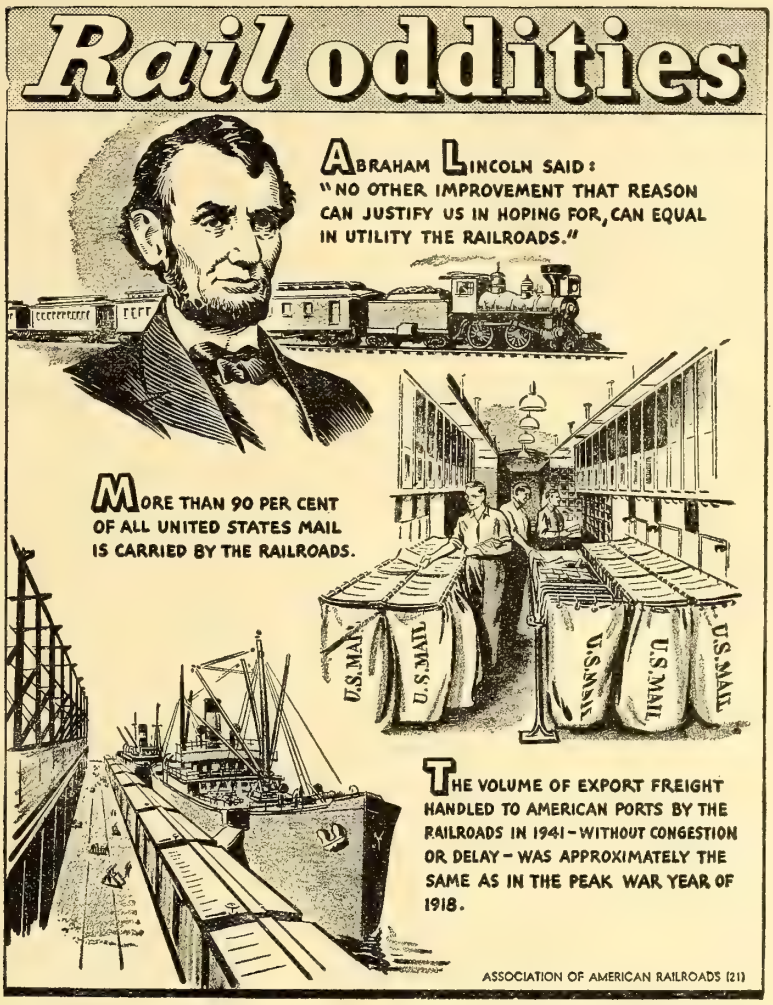
RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

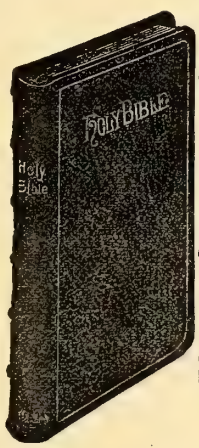
The members of the Society of Christian Service of the Newton Grove Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of the most loyal and faithful members, Mrs. Bessie Warren, who departed this life March 30, 1942.

Mrs. Warren was a lovely Christian character and devoted to her church, family and friends. Her attendance at church was an inspiration to her many friends. We thank God for her life and for the example of her Christian service.

Therefore be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate

Mrs. H. I. Rayford,
Mrs. A. W. Bizzell.





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In Memoriam

HILTON—Mrs. Hattie Peace Hilton departed this life on May 11 at her home, Thomasville, Route 1. Mrs. Hilton had been in declining health for some time, but had been seriously ill only a few days. She is survived by two sons and two daughters, Misses Geneva and Louise Hilton of the home, Dewey of the home, and Vernie Hilton of Thomasville, R. 1.

Funeral services were conducted the following Wednesday at Pleasant Grove church by the pastor, Rev. C. E. Ridge and Rev. F. R. Love of Gastonia. Interment was in the Pleasant Grove cemetery.

Mrs. B. E. Payne.

HENNINGER— Born June 30, 1869, married to Joseph Campbell Henninger about 50 years ago. He died in 1918. She is survived by a son, Harry Henninger of Asheville, two granddaughters and two grandsons. Mrs. Henninger was the last surviving charter member of Haywood Street Methodist church. For over 50 years she was a most faithful member, setting a record for steady attendance at all services, a charter member of the former woman's missionary society, and a charter member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. At her death, May 4, she was loved and honored by her church and community. Funeral rites were conducted in Haywood Street church by the pastor,

A. C. Swofford.

WEAVER—Wayne B. Weaver, son of Albert S. Weaver and wife of Weaverville, N. C., born May 4, 1880, died May 4, 1942. Married September 16, 1908, to Miss Lucille Shope of Weaverville, who survives with four children, Wayne B. Jr., of U. S. N., stationed at Key West, Fla.; Miss Lorene Weaver, director of children's work in the North Carolina conference; Misses Marguerite and Lois of Asheville.

Brother Weaver was for many years an active worker in his church, serving as steward and church school superintendent, always faithful to every responsibility. He was one of God's noblemen. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, assisted by Rev. T. A. Groce. Burial was in Weaverville.

A. C. Swofford, Pastor.

A TRIBUTE

On April 8, 1942, the First Methodist church lost one of its outstanding members, for on that day Mrs. Minerva Lassiter died. Hers was a long, distinguished and honorable life in serving her church and community. Mrs. Lassiter came of the well known Henry Cranford family of Randolph county in the Farmer community. She was married to William B. Lassiter, and they both served the Concord Methodist church as loyal Sunday school workers and advisers for more than 30 years. They moved to Asheboro in 1918 and Mr. Lassiter passed from this earth shortly afterward.

She has been a loyal person in this church, supporting all its institutions and attending each service regularly until ill health prevented about a year ago.

She reorganized and taught the Junior Wesley class in 1932—a class of young men which has shown steady growth. She was not strong enough to teach in her later years, but we can never forget her efforts in furnishing the Moneera Moore Sunday school class room, of which class she was a member until her death.

Her memory will linger in the hearts of her family and friends for years. Mrs. Lassiter leaves a high standard of church loyalty for others to emulate.

Funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., on Thursday, April 9, at the church.

Woman's Society of
Christian Service.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The comrade that once marched with me,
Or dared adventure keen,
My spirit's comrade still shall be
Though silence intervene.

The friend with whom I once have shared
Some banquet of the soul
Can never from my heart be spared,
Though seas between us roll.

This lasting quality of love
A part I take to be
Of that safe treasure laid above
And—immortality.

Whereas, the Lord in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to take our beloved brother, D. H. Journey, who departed this world on the 16th day of March, in the year of our Lord 1942; and

Whereas, our dearly beloved departed brother was a faithful and devoted member of our congregatoin of the Midway Methodist church for a number of years; and

Whereas, he had given of his time and energies and his loving affection to the cause of Christianity, having served as a member of the board of stewards and as a trustee of our church, and as a teacher in our Sunday school department, and was an upright and esteemed citizen of our community; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the board of stewards of the Midway Methodist church, that the board, on behalf of the church as a whole, do hereby extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to the family of our departed brother in their hour of sorrow and bereavement; and that copies of this resolution be sent to the family and the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and further that a copy of same be spread upon the minutes of the board.

Respectfully submitted, this 3rd day of May, 1942.

Mrs. S. C. York,
E. C. Walters,
H. A. Suits,
Rufus W. Frazier.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father has taken into closer and sweeter fellowship with himself Mrs. Bonnie Neal Kirby; therefore be it resolved:

First, That the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Marion Methodist church has lost a most loyal, faithful and devoted member. While we sincerely feel our loss, we bow humbly to the will of God.

Second, That we place upon record our high appreciation of her sweet Christian life among us and that we cherish her memory as one who loved her church and its organizations, her home and community.

Third, That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss and pray that God may comfort them in this sorrow.

Mrs. J. W. Ouzts,
Miss Joyce Decker,
Mrs. G. B. Justice.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the W. S. C. S. of New Hope Methodist church of the Perquimans charge, wish to express a deep sense of loss in the passing, on March 25, 1942, of Mrs. Martha Robbins, beloved member and co-worker. Not only the auxiliary but the church, Sunday school and community at large feel her loss and mourn her going. First things came first with her and to her first things meant love for her Master and service in his vineyard. She was faithful in attendance upon all religious services and willing to perform any task assigned to her in church work. She was a blessing to her neighborhood, for she served her community as she did her church with willingness, faithfulness and efficiency.

Six sons responded to her Christian influence and religious training and are useful in church and community activities. These are: James T. of Smithfield, Va., John Graham of Portsmouth, Va., Vernon of Norfolk, Va., Hommy and Marvin of Elizabeth City, and Robert of Durants Neck, who survive. She is survived also by two sisters, Mrs. Mary Ivey of Portsmouth, Va., and Mrs. Nannie Story of Center Hill; three brothers, Mr. Billy Sawyer of Center Hill, Mr. Jesse Sawyer of Durants Neck and Mr. Charlie Sawyer of Portsmouth, and many nephews and nieces. Her husband died several years ago.

Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the members of the New Hope auxiliary desire to express to the family their sincere sympathy and weep with them in the loss of their mother.

Second, That in the passing of such a life the church and community sustain a great loss. The vacancy made will be deeply felt and hard to fill.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of New Hope auxiliary, a copy be sent to the family, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. C. W. Griffin,
Mrs. S. D. Banks,
Mrs. W. C. Barclift.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Our heavenly Father has taken from our midst our much loved friend and co-worker, Mrs. M. D. Stockton.

We, as members of the executive board of the Bethlehem Center of the Methodist Church located at Winston-Salem, N. C., wish to acknowledge our deep appreciation of her high and noble Christian character which we learned to admire greatly by being closely associated with her during the building and establishing of the institution for the development of Christian character of the negro race. Afterwards when she was elected a trustee she was ever faithful in attendance and willing at all times to share the responsibilities in any way she deemed best for the advancement of our Master's work in this specific phase of endeavor.

Be it therefore resolved, that the board shall continue to carry on on the same high plane of which Mrs. Stockton so often advised as the guiding rule—"to have the influence for good the aim and to think of raising the standards of the living of the negro race through the contact of the mothers and children of pre-school age."

That we convey this message to the family, a copy published in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy recorded in the secretary's minutes.

Miss Margaret Gray.
Mrs. L. V. Scott,
Mrs. J. G. Sterling,

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Our Need Is Men . . .

By Dr. Charles E. Jefferson

. . . WE have fallen on easy times. Life is luxurious. Ours is an age of cushions and rose water. But there is arduous work to do. The trumpet has sounded, calling us to battle. Our cities are so many battlefields on which resolute and flint-willed men must wrestle in terrific struggle with the forces of the devil. We have a Gospel equal to the world's needs. All we lack is men. Never will Christianity subdue our American cities until there is brought into the field an army of Christians of firmer texture and temper than those possessed by the cohorts now engaged. Some plead for endowments, and others advocate a change of methods, but what we want is men. The members of our churches, as a rule, are altogether too flexible and obliging. They do not know how to strike hard, nor are they willing to stand their ground. There is a widespread fear of being counted narrow, but there is a narrowness which leads to life. "I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished!" So said the broadest man that ever lived. There is a dread of bigotry, but what is bigotry? If placing the kingdom of God first and compelling all things else to bend to it be bigotry, then what the world now needs is bigots. Bigotry is the persecution of others who do not agree with us. The steadfast and stubborn things which we deem of importance is sweet reasonableness and imperative duty. It is significant that the one thing which Christ first looked for in the men on whose shoulders he wished to roll the world was something which he designated as rock. As soon as a man whose temperament had in it ingredients capable of being fused into granite came under his eye, he gave him a new name—"Rock." Later on when the tides of the world were flowing away from Jesus, this man with the new name stood erect and declared that notwithstanding all learned men were saying one thing and all the people another, he still was convinced that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of the living God. It was then that the Lord declared that he would build his church on a rock. It is the only rock which can withstand the assaults of the empire of death.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

June 28-July 4 (Third Week)

June 28 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium.

11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "When Man Plays God," The Rev. J. C. Madison.

8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Paying Our Fare," Dr. M. T. Smathers.

June 29 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Pleading Element in Prayer," Dr. M. T. Smathers.

8:00 p.m.—Junaluska Choir, and Central Church Choir, Asheville.

June 30 (Tue.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Naval Academy," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Lonesome Stranger."

July 1 (Wed.), 8:00 p.m.—Concert, under direction of Mrs. Henry F. MacFadyen.

July 2 (Thu.), 8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "Homes Are Not What They Used to Be," Dr. Mildred Inskeep Morgan.

July 3 (Fri.), 8:00 p.m.—Music and Dramatic Readings, Plonk School of Creative Arts.

July 4 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Waynesville Band.

11:00 a.m.—Address, "Patriotic Dedications," The Hon. Joseph Melville Broughton, Governor of North Carolina.

8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "To the Shores of Tripoli," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Mrs. Ladybug."

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Eactly one hundred years ago Lord Tennyson published the poem "Locksley Hall," containing these oft quoted lines:

For I dipt into the future, far as human eye could see,
Saw the vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be;

Saw the heavens fill with commerce, argosies of magic sails,
Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales;

Heard the heavens fill with shouting, and there rained a ghastly dew
From the nations' airy navies, grappling in the central blue,

Far along the world-wide whisper of the south-wind rushing warm,
With the standards of the peoples plunging through the thunder storm;

Till the war-drum throbbed no longer, and the battle-flags were furl'd
In the Parliament of man, the Federation of the world.

In part, the poem has proved an all-too-true prophecy of our own time. "The nations' airy navies grappling in the central blue" are no longer figments of the imagination but the most literal reality.

Another part of Tennyson's vision is still unfulfilled —his prophecy of the coming "Parliament of man, the Federation of the world." A century ago, however, this could hardly have seemed more visionary than man's conquest of the air.

In 1942, when a universal war in the air has become a sober fact, the "federation of the world" is no longer thought of as a mere fancy of Utopian poetry. It is actually being considered as the only sound political strategy. Mankind has seen the political community enlarge from the family to the village, from the village or city to the state, from the state to a federated nation. Why not from the nation to the world? The need of a measure of government embracing mankind is now as necessary—in this shrunken world—as a government embracing a nation was necessary a hundred years ago.—Federal Council Bulletin.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions unanimously adopted by the Board of Lay Activities of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, Goldsboro, June 22, 1942:

Whereas, Dr. W. K. Greene has accepted the presidency of Wofford College, and his new work will take him out of the North Carolina conference; and

Whereas, Dr. Greene has served said North Carolina conference in various capacities, most recently as conference lay leader; and

Whereas, his service has been most sincere and consecrated; now be it resolved:

First, the Board of Lay Activities of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, in call meeting assembled at Goldsboro, June 22, 1942, express to Dr. Greene its sincere regrets at losing his wise counsel, his unfaltering leadership, his faithful devotion to service, his passion for saving men's souls, and his godly influence upon people; and

Second, that we wish him and his family everything that is good in his new field of service and in all undertakings of the future; and

Third, that we commend Dr. Greene and his family to the good people of South Carolina and elsewhere in Methodism; and

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, a copy be sent to our church paper, a copy to the Upper South Carolina conference, and a copy to Dr. W. K. Greene.

F. S. Aldridge, Secretary.

By W. J. Smith, Acting Secretary.

MORE LIQUOR BADNESS

A telegram from Denver conveys the information that 19 of the nation's major distilling companies have been indicted for fixing the wholesale and retail liquor prices contrary to the anti-trust law. The federal court will prosecute the conspirators.

Not content with assessing the people nine million dollars a day for selling what injures the body, mind and souls of men, the liquor firms now conspire to practice extortion. They'll probably be answering that they ought to be exempt from prosecution because they supply "a necessity to courage." It's bad enough to get rich making the stuff in peace. It's indefensible in war.—Editorial in News and Observer.

PASTORAL CHANGES

With the approval of Bishop Purcell, Rev. W. E. Howard has been assigned to the Mt. Olive circuit to succeed Rev. G. S. Eubank, who has been called to serve as a chaplain in the U. S. Army.

Rev. James E. Rogers has been assigned to the Seven Springs charge to succeed Rev. W. E. Howard.

Rev. Grover C. Kinlaw has been assigned to the Oriental charge to succeed Rev. J. Kern Ormond, who has been commissioned a chaplain in the U. S. Army.

J. A. Russell.

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"It is the pride of my life," says Honorable Josephus Daniels, "that I had the honor of being master of the ferry which transported those 2,000,000 American soldiers across the ocean without the loss of a life." This was in the first world war.

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"Forward! This war will decide the fate of Germany for a thousand years," cried Hitler when he launched his savage war. Doubtless that is true both as to Germany and the nations, but not in the sense that Hitler intended. The conflict is between a state serving free men, worthy to be free, or a totalitarian society deprived of moral values.

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Congress votes billions after billions; American boys by the millions are rushed to camp; restrictions upon food and travel clamp down; our cherished freedoms are fettered; but no drastic action is taken against alcoholic and syphilitic poisons. Washington dares not touch the liquor trade—that, too, with the lusty assurances of a better world.

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The man who lives in the heights in fellowship with a Holy Presence is the preacher who lifts the people up and starts them on a new road. He bears the burden of the divine urgency and becomes noted as a revivalist. It is the old message with a new lift. Many country churches will come to this knowledge during the revival season.

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Froebel said, "The child's first school is the family." The National Educational Association insists "that a military victory will avail us little if the oncoming generation is not well schooled in the principles and procedures of democratic living and technically trained to help rebuild a broken, war-ravaged world." Both of these authorities exalt the place of the home and of the school.

Dr. George Washington Carver, noted Negro scientist of Tuskegee Institute, is well named the "Peanut Man." One of the greatest thrills that we have received at a public lecture was in the Woman's College chapel, Greensboro, a good many years ago when he told what could be made out of the lowly "goober." In the long list of 300 or more he included: Coffee, shaving lotions, sherbet, pickles, cheese, milk, butter, tan remover, and shoe dye.

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Lord Halifax, the British ambassador, in his speech before the governors in Asheville this week said that the people of Great Britain feel that after the war the four great allied nations—America, Russia, Great Britain and China—might well continue to co-operate in setting up and conducting a peace as they have been co-operating in strategy, supply and other fields during the war. Halifax has given much thought and written no little about the coming peace. Evidently he will be a big factor at the peace table along with the other notables of the nations assembled.

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Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota, chairman of the Governors' Conference, suggested that some sort of association of free peoples of the world might develop from this war. Speaking of its appropriate functions, Stassen said, "It might well administer the great international airports of the future; the gateways to the seven seas; a program to increase the literacy of the peoples of the world; a code of justice for the relations between nations and a machinery to enforce it; temporary governments over the Axis nations; a program of increased trade, regulated to prevent sharp fluctuations in volume which cause economic depressions; and a world legion, to maintain stability in the administration of each of these responsibilities, to prevent the arming of non-participating nations, and to prevent armament races or a return to the dangerous 'balance of power' principle."

Prepare for the Peace

SECRETARY SUMNER WELLS keeps insisting that we should make careful preparation for the coming peace. Evidently he is wise. With the much being said by so many in the various lines of life in America, due caution is most valuable. Something akin to the League of Nations should be set before the allies for their thought and more mature consideration before they gather about the peace table. In this way we may be able to escape the troubles that befell the close of the other war.

Woodrow Wilson gave his best to the work at Versailles. But the end of the League of Nations was a most sorrowful fate for the many at that time who held such high hopes. We recall how a religious leader of national reputation in Sunday school work held up a copy of the League in the presence of a great assembly as he declared: "With the exception of the New Testament, I think this is the most Christian document ever penned by man."

It is to be hoped that following this war the document for which we eagerly wait will be so Christian and so carefully guarded that in spite of the greed and selfishness of man it will not suffer the fate of the League of Nations. Evidently those who as Sumner Wells are striving to win the peace are worthy of all praise. What is the use of winning the war unless we can also win an enduring peace? We must never forget that the church in which the Christ is enthroned will be able to do much to win a peace that will make possible a better world. Our leader is the Prince of Peace.

Much remains to be done. As Wells says: "Millions of the world's peoples will be homeless; in Europe and in Asia transportation systems will be ruined, production facilities destroyed, farms laid waste, cities devastated; we shall all of us be confronted with the gigantic task of converting to peace-time uses whole industries now producing munitions of war."

Guard Our Future

THE American people are for peace. We were most sluggish in getting into this present war. The pleas of England and the fate of small nations on the continent of Europe kept us on the brink of war until Pearl Harbor. Such is our antipathy to war that even now many are lukewarm about this war effort. Notwithstanding this we have no guarantee against becoming militaristic as a people in our national life.

Only in recent times has Japan been militaristic. Before 1900, for three hundred years Germany spent only about half as much time at war as did England and France. Holland and Spain at one time were terrors of the world. Germany under the Kaiser glorified war and on this foundation Hitler built. So it is well for America to have a care in this time when the whole nation is given over to war.

In recent weeks Dr. Liston Pope has observed, "Any nation is likely to be militaristic when its immediate purposes seem served thereby. The United States of America is tempted now to become the most militaristic nation the world has ever seen. Trotsky predicted it bitterly, and many of our contemporaries have become the prophets of the American Century."

Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty in all its phases, even in being kept free from the burdens of war and all that comes with the militarism of a people who rely on force.

Gloomy Prime Minister Curtin

THE declarations of Prime Minister Curtin of Australia are most confusing. "Sometimes he is up and sometimes he is down," as the familiar spiritual has it. Early in the war he talked as though his country was in grave peril of invasion as he made earnest and persistent pleas for American aid. Unless soldiers and military supplies were sent Australia would suffer invasion from the Japs. A limited supply of men and planes reached them. This gave some relief. But the terror of invasion seems to linger.

We often wonder what would be the situation did they not have General Douglas McArthur to direct the military forces in that part of the world. In other days here in the southland we often heard that "Stonewall Jackson" counted for more than 10,000 men. Douglas McArthur on any such rating must be worth several hundred thousand soldiers. Viewed from our angle, with all that has taken place to deplete the Jap forces in the Pacific, it does seem that Prime Minister Curtin should cheer up.

Following Pearl Harbor the situation was gloomy for that land in the far off Pacific, but now the situation is quite different in both the

Atlantic and in the Pacific. The American forces on land and sea and in the air are able to make themselves felt at many places over the whole round world. So every prospect for the coming months are most pleasing compared with the days of our past reverses. Though the situation at home is far from pleasing with its undesirable tangles and complexities in Washington and out across the land, the atmosphere in America and in England has improved no little. Victory is in the air.

The Geniality of Jesus

GENIALITY is a term without frequent application to Jesus, which is a bit surprising since in the language of Shakespeare, "He was an affable and courteous gentleman." He received others kindly and spoke in an agreeable manner to all. He was responsive to human needs, sociable and gracious. Hence it is not surprising that the multitudes flocked about this sympathetic and enthusiastic teacher who with the bearing of a perfect young man "went about doing good."

The Gospels in their simple stories of the life and work of this young man sets forth with remarkable clearness the foregoing characteristics of Jesus. But the church in almost every age has failed to understand him, as presented in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Some of the Monastic orders, for example, took a vow to renounce all laughter. The Puritans delighted to confuse piety with gloom and regarded gayety as ungodliness.

Such has been the erroneous conceptions of the Galilean who was a welcomed guest at marriage feasts and had no trouble to get invitations to dinner. In the Publican's house he was at home, and an alien woman at the historic well found him a friendly and instructive conversationalist notwithstanding she was a Samaritan and he a Jew. A common humanity was broader and deeper than all social conventions and racial differences.

As one has said: "And O thou blessed Master, thy geniality doth bid me to approach thee. Even when, for very shame, I would turn and flee from thee, still thou dost smile and draw me on. Nearer and nearer unto thee I come, impelled by my great need and thy great tenderness. And thy purity doth take away my impurity, and cleanse me, and refine me, and lift me up, and set me by thy side, that I may eat bread with thee in the kingdom of the Father."

The Personal Blackout

IT is written of Judas, "He went out and it was night." This was a personal blackout that has blackened history. What a terrible situation! The other disciples were faint, Peter was false, Judas a traitor. In a most real sense this was a crisis in history. Their leader was gone and the cruel Roman Empire held sway.

But there was dawn. The morning broke. Then came the light on the Damascus road above the brightness of the noon day sun. God did reveal his Son in Paul and then sent him far hence to the Gentile world. True to the heavenly vision he scattered the Gospel across the Roman Empire. So that the many illuminated by the vision from above were able within three centuries to spread the gospel over the whole Mediteranean basin.

The tragedy of every life is the personal "blackout." Woe to the man who proves false to his highest hours and is untrue to his best friend. Then the decline of soul begins and the body finds its tragic way—out into the darkness to the death. Triumphant is he who follows the gleam and remains true to the vision splendid.

Hon. Josephus Daniels at the Opening of Junaluska Assembly

LAST Sunday the summer season at the Lake began with a stirring address by Ambassador Daniels. If one may judge by his written address he emphasized a number of important truths that ought not to be overlooked, especially at the present hour. His long life as editor and public servant through two wars and his close affiliation with the Christian church gives him a right to speak with unusual authority.

We quote a paragraph or two as follows:

> In this grim hour when the righteous indignation of good men is roused by cruelty and rapine, and the natural instinct is to invoke "an eye for an eye," temptation is strong to give way to bitter hatred and it is difficult to resist. And yet the supreme challenge to the Christian church is to follow the teachings of Jesus, who set an example of hating sin without hating the sinner. The path the church must tread is the hardest it ever trod. It cannot be blind or insensate to the killings little short of murder or to minimize condemnation of the crimes and brutality committed.
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> The church must obey the mandate: "Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's, while not forgetting the superior duty of rendering unto God the things which belong to the Almighty.

People and Things

If you want to secure a small cottage at Lake Junaluska at a real bargain, see announcement by Rev. W. Arthur Barber of Kernersville, N. C., in this issue of the Advocate.

Some are announcing the vacation Bible school along during the revival services. Why not stress all the interests of the church as the families are gathering in the country places? This links up the family and the church.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes is to be in Kannapolis. Rev. W. A. Kale has secured his services for a meeting September 14-20. His coming to Kannapolis will be a big event and will draw people from all that country round about.

The degree of Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude, has been conferred by Newark University, Newark, N .J., upon Miss Agnes B. Grametbaur, secretary to Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer of the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Rev. S. A. Maxwell of Aberdeen assisted Rev. J. V. Early in a revival meeting in Bethel church last week. At the close of the meeting a class of 14 young people united with the church on profession of faith.

The revival services at New Hope church on the Lowesville circuit begin July 1 and runs for ten days. Service at 8:30 each evening. Vacation Bible schools begin July 6 and runs through the meeting. The public is invited.—C. L. Grant.

Bishop Purcell will preach and dedicate the Friendship church on the Connelly Springs charge next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All former pastors, members and friends of the church are cordially invited. The editor of the Advocate will be welcome.—J. N. Randall, Pastor.

Father's Day was observed Sunday, June 21, in First Methodist church, Forest City. The church bulletin was dedicated to Rev. Parker Holmes, who as minister of the Forest City Methodist church for four years, presiding elder of the Marion district for four years, and resident of our city for six years, was spiritual father to us all.

"A lovely thing happened in Denver the other day," reports Dr. E. Stanley Jones. "A Christian Japanese girl sang a solo before a vast audience, entitled 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring tidings of peace.' I watched the audience to see what the reaction would be. I was afraid they would resent her singing. She sang it beautifully, and that audience burst into spontaneous applause. Nowhere could that have happened in war-time except in a Christian church. The fellowship is unbroken!"

Last week Rev. T. J. Whitehead secured his Advocate quota for the North Gates charge. This week he sends another remittance and also a request for the lists of Advocate subscribers of the several postoffices on the North Gates charge. This good brother means to make a fine record for the church paper this year. We are not surprised to hear that he is having a great pastorate among that devoted group of Methodists. We fully expect to find another star in his crown.

There has recently been dedicated in Tinghwa, China, a beautiful new Methodist chapel—the Brewster-Fisher Memorial Chapel—erected by the veteran missionary of that area, Mrs. William N. Brewster, in memory of her missionary husband and of her parents. It was dedicated by Bishop G. Carleton Lacy with a congregation that literally jammed it to the doors—students, teachers, preachers, lay delegates from the Hinghwa churches, and numerous Chinese and American friends.

The pastors are busy in the country churches. Could there be a better time to stress the Advocate quota than during the revival season? Many of the members get out during the "big meeting" who rarely attend the regular services. All need to be reminded of the church paper and its place in the work of the church.



Miss Gladys Heffner assumed the duties of Director of Christian Education at the Methodist church, Sanford, N. C., June 1. Miss Heffner is a graduate of Greensboro College, Greensboro. She was an honor student in this year's graduating class. While in college she majored in Religious Education and took an active part in the many activities of the campus life. Prior to her college work she was director of the young people's work of the Statesville district for five years. She is well qualified for her position and has started her work with the Sanford church in a most satisfactory manner.

Word has just been received from Lake Junaluska Caravan Camp for Methodist Youth that Miss Nell Rees, second daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Rees of Belmont Methodist church, Roanoke, Va., had been assigned to the state of Florida, with four other caravans, for a seven months' task in seven different churches of that state. Nell is specializing in social service. She will be a junior in Duke University next fall.

Our third quarterly conference was a grand success. It was held at Pleasant Grove church on the Bailey charge Sunday, June 21. Dr. H. I. Glass preached an excellent sermon from the parable of the sower. Our people were happy to have Dr. Glass in their church. Methodist student day was appropriately observed in Bailey church, Sunday, June 21. Miss Rachel Bissette directed the play "On the Horizon." Her work was done in that excellent way which she does all her church work. Our people thoroughly enjoyed the presentation.—W. L. Loy.

The Chungking (West China) committee of the church committee for China relief, supported by gifts from American churches, has voted to grant $33,735 (Chinese currency) to the Syracuse-in-China Hospital for the building of an operating and obstetrics room in a dugout in the side of one of Chungking's mountains for emergency use during air raids. This hospital is manned by Chinese doctors and nurses, and Rev. C. Bertram Rappe, a Methodist missionary, is acting as superintendent. It has been more frequently bombed than any other hospital in Free China, but it continues to carry on its services to hundreds of civilians.

The West Market bulletin of last Sunday carried the lowing: "On Wednesday evening, June 17, Dr. James W. orkman was chief speaker at a meeting in the church ditorium under the auspices of the district superintendent d Dr. L. L. Gobbel, lay leader. Dr. Workman was at his st, and those present were richly rewarded for their at- ndance. It was a delightful hour." Under the guidance Dr. L. B. Hayes these laymen meetings have been held in idsville, Leaksville, and other points in the Greensboro strict. Good reports come from all these meetings.

The annual home coming at Lee's Chapel church, Greens- ro district, will be held June 28. Rev. Earl Brendall will the visiting minister for the morning service. Rev. A. Latham will bring the afternoon message. The evening rvice will begin the revival, with Rev. H. L. Powell as e visiting minister. We wish to invite all our friends and rmer pastors to come worship with us and enjoy the din- r on the grounds. The church has been redecorated to ake it more worshipful. This the first home coming we ve had since Lee's Chapel became a station last confer- nce, so feel that you are welcome at a growing church. This church opens wide its doors, and in the name of Jesus hrist our Lord says, welcome."

MISS THELMA HUBBARD BRIDE OF REV. ROBERT H. STAMEY

In a beautiful ceremony Miss Thelma Hubbard, daugh- r of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hubbard of Belmont, became the ride of Rev. Robert Henry Stamey Saturday afternoon at ve-thirty o'clock at the Park Street Methodist church here. ev. John F. Wyatt, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. ames B. McLarty, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, fficiated.

Before the ceremony Mrs. Fred Jordan, pianist, Miss Mary Miller, violinist, and Miss Nan Hall, vocalist, render- d a program of wedding music.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Ernest Hubbard. The bridegroom had as his best man a classmate, eon Stubbs of Aurora.

Ushers were Woodrow Hicks, brother-in-law of the ride, Willis McCarn, Bill Stamey, brother of the bride- room, and Monroe Dixon.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard and members f the bride's family entertained at a small reception at the ew Ebenezer Methodist parsonage. Later in the evening he couple left on a wedding trip, after which they will be t home at Ebenezer Methodist parsonage on the Beaumont-Mount Holly road.

Mrs. Stamey is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hubbard of Belmont. She was graduated from the local high school, Brevard College, and Duke University, re- ceiving her Bachelor of Arts degree in 1940, and her Mas- ter's degree in 1941. For the past year she has held a posi- tion at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in Ruston, La., as director of the Wesley Foundation.

Rev. Mr. Stamey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stamey of Fallston, was a classmate of his bride. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1939, and his Bachelor of Divin- ity degree in 1941. Since last fall he has been the pastor of Ebenezer Methodist church here.—Belmont Banner.

GOOD NEWS FROM JONESVILLE

Please publish the good news of a great revival at Jones- ville church that closed June 18, in which nearly a hun- dred persons were converted or reclaimed from spiritual inactivity. The prime factor in this great revival was the leadership of Rev. Odell Brown, pastor of our Pilot Moun- tain charge. Brother Brown is an evangelistic wonder, so to speak, if we now have one in our Methodist ranks here- about. But it is just the old wonder of the simple evangel- istic method that created Methodism and that subsequently built it here in the new world. In the first place, and chief- ly, it is the power of prayer. Brown is a preacher of artful- ness and skill that has come from hard drill—much trial and error, and welcomed criticism (asked for). However, his sermons come hot off the prayer-anvil and they bring conviction—or at least they prepare the way for the Holy Spirit to bring it. Anyhow, our entire town of Jonesville has been given a spiritual boost by the meeting. About 30 candidates have presented themselves for church member- ship. G. C. Graham, P. C.

ARMY NEEDS MORE CHAPLAINS TO MEET EXPANDING NEEDS

To provide religious guidance for soldiers of all faiths in the expanding army, the Corps of Chaplains has revised regulations in order to expedite the appointment of addi- tional chaplains, the War Department has announced.

Those who meet the qualifications will be appointed in the grade of first lieutenant, Corps of Chaplains, Army of the United States. They will be ordered to active duty as needed.

A candidate for original appointment as Chaplain, Army of the United States, must be a citizen of the United or a citizen of a co-belligerent or friendly country. He must have reached his twenty-fourth and not passed his fiftieth birthday.

All must have acceptable ecclesiastical indorsement from their respective church body or its officially designated representatives.

Candidates are required to submit evidence of the fol- lowing:

a. A.B. or B.S. degree and B.D. or Th.B. degree, or grad- uation from an accredited college and seminary, together with a minimum of two years of pastoral experience, one of which must be full time, or

b. A.B. or B.S. degree, or graduation from an accredited college, and theological training required for ordination by his denomination together with a minimum of three years of pastoral experience following ordination, or

c. B.D. or Th.B. degree, or graduation from an accepta- ble theological seminary and a minimum of three years of pastoral experience following ordination.

All applicants will be required to pass the army final type physical examination. Authorization for this examina- tion will be furnished by the Corps Area Chaplain. All in- quiries concerning appointment in the Corps of Chaplains should be addressed to the Chaplain of the Corps Area in which the applicant resides.

NEW YORK TIMES SAYS GOVERNOR TALMADGE STOPS AT WRONG HOTEL

As a friend of the common people what could the gov- ernor of Georgia have been doing in the best New York hotels on his visit here? His most loyal followers at home must have been troubled by that inadvertent confession. It is all very well for Governor Talmadge to proclaim his love of the plain people by donning red suspenders and snapping them in public. But can it be true that when business takes him to New York City he is to be found in places where the Rockefellers and the Morgans hang out?

New York, said the governor, is a foreign place. "Why, even in some of the best hotels the waiters can't talk Eng- lish." But he never told his people down there in Geor- gia that the better the hotel in New York the less intelli- gible is the waiters' English. If the governor during his stay in New York had taken his meals at the self-serving cafeteria and slept in the Mills Hotel he would have found as good patriotic American English spoken as any- where in Georgia.

CONFERENCE JOURNALS WANTED

If any pastor has not sold all the conference journals for the last session of the Western North Carolina con- ference, please send them to E. H. Nease, 517 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, N. C., at once. A few copies are needed now. Of course money collected for sale of journals should have been sent to E. O. Cole, Treasurer, 1225 The Plaza, Charlotte, N. C. E. H. Nease.

PROMINENT MEN TAKING PART IN DEDICATION OF PROVIDENCE CHURCH



Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe



Dr. J. M. Ormond



Rev. C. G. Isley



Dr. C. N. Clark

PROVIDENCE CHURCH OF GRANITE QUARRY TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY, JUNE 28

Providence church of Granite Quarry charge observes its dedication service on Sunday, June 28, at 11 o'clock, Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe preaching the dedicatory sermon. Dr. Rowe will be at home, since this is his home church.

Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, will direct the service, assisted by Rev. C. G. Isley, pastor, the trustees and stewards. The trustees are: J. C. Agner, D. F. Agner, C. J. Eller, L. R. Eller and G. M. Poole.

The history of this church dates back to 1838. This is the third church to be built on this lot. The first two were frame buildings. In 1939 under the direction of Rev. T. B. Huneycutt, pastor of the church, work began on the present modern new structure. This work was completed in 1942, led by the present pastor, Rev. C. G. Isley.

The church, located seven miles east of Salisbury on the Bringle's Ferry Road, is beautifully situated in a grove of stately oaks. The structure is of brick veneer, English design and has stained glass memorial windows. A two-story educational building connects with the auditorium. It is equipped with the latest facilities, including departmental class rooms and assembly halls which may be quickly converted into a dining room or for recreation purposes. The church is heated by a furnace in the basement. It is one of the most beautiful modern rural churches in the Western North Carolina conference and has an auditorium with a seating capacity of 400. It was erected through the aid of Duke Foundation at a cost of about $11,000.

The pastors who have served this church are: W. S. Creasy, B. A. York, H. M. Blair, C. M. Gentry, W. L. Cutchen, A. L. Coburn, J. J. Brooks, W. F. England, J. P. Davis, P. W. Tucker, J. T. Stover, J. C. Mock, E. M. Avett, R. C. Kirk, J. H. Brendall, R. K. Brady, C. R. Allison, W. B. Thompson, R. L. Melton, E. N. Crowder, W. A. Kale, G. G. Adams, J. O. Cox, W. S. Smith, T. B. Huneycutt and C. G. Isley.

Picnic lunch will be served at one o'clock and then an afternoon service will be held. Dr. J. M. Ormond of Duke University will speak at the afternoon service.

This day also marks the beginning of our revival meeting. Rev. J. H. Trolinger of Coleridge will assist in the services. We invite all former pastors, members and friends of the congregation to attend each of these services.

DR. CHARLES W. TADLOCK

Dr. Charles W. Tadlock died at his home in St. Louis, Mo., May 9. His funeral was held at Centenary Methodist church, St. Louis, Tuesday morning, May 12, at 10:30. The service was in charge of the pastor, Dr. Charles M. Crowe. Messages were brought by Dr. Frank C. Tucker, district superintendent of the St. Louis district, and Bishops Ivan Lee Holt, J. Ralph Magee, and C. C. Selecman. Others assisting in the service were Drs. T. A. Stafford, B. L. Schubel, F. W. Wahl, and C. Wesley Webdell. Burial was at Oak Grove cemetery in St. Louis.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Charles W. Tadlock, and an only son, Charles W., Jr., who have been assisted in bearing their sorrow by the expressions of sympathy which have come from many quarters.

Dr. Tadlock was born February 11, 1874. He joined the Mt. Moriah Methodist church in 1893. April 12, 1895, he was licensed to preach. He was admitted on trial in the Missouri conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, on Sept. 12, 1900. He graduated from Central College in 1901.

Dr. Tadlock served pastorates in St. Joseph, Fayette, and Columbia in the Missouri conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In 1913 he was appointed pastor of the Centenary Methodist church. Twenty-two of the next twenty-four years were spent as pastor of this great church. Here he gained church-wide recognition as a strong preacher and virile administrator.

When his board was merged into the board of pensions challenge better support of retired ministers he was made a charter member. Along with Bishop W. F. McMurry and Dr. Luther E. Todd, executive secretary, he assisted in the special effort endowment campaign which succeeded in raising over $5,000,000 to be invested on behalf of the retired ministers. Dr. Tadlock served as a member of the executive committee of this board from the beginning. When Dr. Todd died November 25, 1937, the board of finance felt the necessity of electing as secretary a man who had been associated with this work from the beginning. Dr. Tadlock was elected by a unanimous vote.

When this board was merged into teh board of pensions by the process of unification, Dr. Tadlock remained as executive secretary of the Missouri corporation. His long experience with the work aided by his good judgment and fine character was invaluable help in developing plans for pensions in the new church.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. JULIA ABERNETHY BY A NEIGHBOR AND FRIEND

Today under a "mountain of flowers" we laid to rest Mrs. Julia Blair Abernethy, wife of the late Rev. Robert S. Abernethy, in the Rutherford College cemetery.

"Aunt Julia," as she was lovingly called by the young people of our community, will never be forgotten, because here was an influence that created loyalty as well as fervency. She was a neighbor to everybody. Her gentle smile and words of encouragement lifted many a dependent soul into the sunlight of hope.

For over fifty years I have known her intimately, and never did I hear an unkind word or her voice raised in anger. Whatever happened was always for the best with her. She learned the lesson of making the best of things when she became the wife of a Methodist circuit rider. She did not complain if environment and circumstances brought hardships—she was the same smiling, brave little helpmeet and tender mother.

I am not attempting her obituary, but send these words as a tribute to my best neighbor and friend.

The heavenly blue morning glories which she loved were blooming for her this morning when she came home in her flower covered casket from Gastonia, where she had died in a local hospital from shock caused by an auto accident.

The glory of eternal morning is now hers, while we who are left will miss her till we meet "over there."

Anna Rutherford.

THE NEWLY RENOVATED WEST JEFFERSON CHURCH

The folks up here in West Jefferson are still going forward with the same zeal for progress that has been a characteristic of these fine mountain people since the founding of Methodism here.

At the beginning of this conference year the pastor presented the bishop's fourteen objectives and these have constantly been held before this small congregation of hard workers.

The pastor's salary was raised 20 per cent over last year and all other conference askings in proportion. At this writing the budget is up-to-date, and then some.

The church has been completely renovated from basement to roof, a modern furnace with air-conditioning system installed—the latter feature never being needed high up in the hills, a beautiful carpet laid, and all this paid for with the exception of approximately $200, and this will be forthcoming in July and October.

Our revival is planned for July 5, with Rev. A. C. Waggoner of North Wilkesboro as guest minister. We are looking forward to a good time with Brother Waggoner.

Even though our folks are very church-minded at present they do not forget their pastor and his wife. Already this year the parsonage has been the scene of a most generous pounding, the pastor received a handsome tailored suit of clothes, and Mrs. Carl Graybeal had installed a large Duo-Therm heater in the parsonage.

Yes, and they have just completed a basement-garage to protect the preacher's car—and tires.

H. H. Wood, Pastor.



Interior of New West Jefferson Methodist Church

PASSING OF GEORGE EVANS BROOKS
1874 - 1942

On the morning of May 10, George Evans Brooks, well known and highly esteemed citizen, closed his earthly life and joined the vast company of the redeemed in their eternal abode. He passed away at his home, Seaside-of-Brunswick County, after an illness of several weeks.

Mr. Brooks was born at Seaside on July 19, 1874, the son of the late Joseph C. and Sophia B. Brooks, both from families long prominently identified with the progress of Brunswick county. For more than 50 years Mr. Brooks was active in the general merchandise business of his native county, and had served as steward of New Hope Methodist church for many years.

He was in disposition genial, in being generous and in dealings just. A man of strong convictions he was yet tolerant and kindly to all. There was always room in his heart and his popular home for his acquaintances, and his many kindnesses will long be remembered by hosts throughout the state.

On March 15, 1899, Mr. Brooks was united in marriage to Miss Stella A. Leonard, daughter of George Leonard, who was superintendent of Brunswick county schools for quarter of a century. She along with four daughters, five sons, two sisters, two nieces and one grandson survive.

Simple but impressive funeral rites were spoken from the home by Rev. Charles N. Phillips, life long friend and former pastor, as a throng of sorrowing people, including both white and colored, gathered in last respect to their friend. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful.

Interment was in the Brooks cemetery near Shallotte, where bodies of two generations of his forebears and other kindred rest from their labors.

A Friend.

Keep Your Sense of Humor

By MARSHALL R. REED
Minister, Dardin Park Church, Detroit

The war of nerves has engulfed us all. We are concerned for the safety of our boys at the front. We are fearful that the places where we live will be bombed. We are apprehensive of our own social and economic security in the years to come. The victory for us in this war of nerves will not be won by mechanical power but by spiritual re-enforcement. Therefore, I venture to suggest that humor is an invaluable weapen for Christian people in an hour like this.

By humor I do not mean the telling of funny stories artificially created for stage effect, nor making light of those things that should be taken seriously, nor accepting a crisis with the spirit of indifference. The definition of humor by T. R. Glover satisfies me: "Humor in its highest form is the sign of a mind at peace in itself for which the contrasts and contradictions of life have ceased to be, which accepts them as necessary, indeed as giving added charm to life because one looks at them from a point above them." There is the significant part of his definition "from a point above them." In other words humor is the faculty which enables us to see what Plato called "the whole tragedy and comedy of life." Religion is the force that can help us immeasurably in this achievement. The words of Jesus are appropriate here: "In the world ye have tribulation but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Let us give you a modern parable to which we may return several times in our thinking: A few months ago I heard a young man who was on the ill-fated Athenia describe the rescue. The ship was torpedoed in the middle of the night and the passengers were rushed into life boats. The boat in which he was riding began to leak. There was not room enough between the ribs of the boat to get a bucket and as they speculated on what to do a woman sitting on the edge of the boat said: "Here—take my shoe. I have lost one and one shoe is no good anyway and thank goodness it isn't the kind that has a hole in the toe." Get the picture: A life boat floating around on the sea at two o'clock in the morning with little hope of rescue and the passengers almost insane with fear, "Here take my shoe." The tension was broken.

If I were making an affirmation of my faith today I should say among other things "I believe God has made us to laugh." That is what an early Old Testament character said at the birth of her son: "God has made me to laugh and everyone who hears it will laugh with me." More important than the event that brought laughter to her mother heart was her ascription of its creation to God. God has made us to laugh. Leslie Weatherhead whose London church has been blown to pieces by bombs and whose people have suffered the horrors of war at home and abroad includes a chapter on humor in a recent book describing it as "an ally of faith." Coming out of that background of destruction he says: "Humor is one of the best solvents in the world for the grit of irritation that gets in the cogs of life these days and the man who can laugh at himself as well as others will be among the last casualties in the war of nerves."

The psychologist may not use the same language as the preacher but in his own way he says essentially the same thing. In his "Psychology for Normal People" H. A. Overstreet asserted that "we are led to feel that humor, whatever it is, is a gift of gods." The preacher says "It is the gift of God" and the psychologist says "it is the gift of the gods." Then he makes the point that we have been so accustomed to associate humor only with jokes and funny stories that we have overlooked the fact that it is highly important in building a strong normal life. Evidence of this is seen in the fact that a lack of humor is an outstanding characteristic in the cases of psychological abnormality; in cases of insanity a sense of humor appears to be completely lacking. In other words as a normal human being needs fresh air for his lungs and moderate exercise for his muscles he needs humor to keep the human spirit healthy. It is a collective as well as an individual need. How much a Will Rogers who could help us laugh at ourselves and at others could do for America now! This is not to suggest that we attempt to "laugh off" whatever is undesirable but it is to encourage a kind of release from what otherwise might overwhelm us.

Let it be said again that God has made us to laugh, has given us humor to keep us from going insane. There is enough happening in the world today to drive us mad if we would permit our minds to dwell only upon it. But that is not necessary. It is recorded of a true saint of the church that when he died two books were found upon his bedside table: The Bible and a book of humor. Why not? We need the inspiring ideas about God and life that the Bible brings us but also need the touch of buoyancy that wholesome humor can bring. Who shall say that God has not given us both for our guidance and our strength? —Michigan Christian Advocate.

A TALL STORY BY PEYTON

Jacob Simpson Payton writes for the Christian Advocate a story that may be classed as a tall one even for Washington, D. C. Here it is:

"There are always a few pick-pockets trailing Uncle Sam, and accasionally they operate a long time. For 65 years the Committee on Appropriations approved an item for the District of Columbia listed, 'Keeper of the Crypt.' One day in 1868 General Butler asked the committee what it was and who got it? A search revealed that it had been allocated in 1803 for an attendant to guard the two crypts deep below the Capitol rotunda in which it was planned to place the bodies of George and Martha Washington. Of course, the bodies never arrived, nor did the mysterious and nameless keeper of the Crypt ever report for duty. However, he showed up every payday across sixty-five years, which is quite a record even for Washington."

Religion is not a vocabulary nor a restraining hand, but a source of power.

"THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER"

Advance, a high grade religious monthly published in Boston, Mass., and edited by William E. Gilroy, carries in each issue what is called "The Chaplain's Corner," which contains experiences of chaplains who are ministering to the boys in our armies.

We clip the following from the June issue of Advance:

Mother's Day has naturally been a somewhat emotional occasion for boys away from home. A typical illustration of how it has been is found in a letter from Chaplain Tunis S. Cordill, Jr., a former Los Angeles Congregational minister, now at a Louisiana airfield. A Mother's Day Bulletin, with a cover illustration of the statue of "The Pioneer Mother," a mother and son, located at Ponca City, Okla., contains the program of a service in which various chaplains participated, at which a Congregational chaplain, Maurice W. Reyonlds, was the guest speaker. Chaplain Cordill says: "Big army bombers roared past us frequently during the service, adding emphasis to the words of the chaplain, 'Honor thy mother! Be the kind of men she would have you to be. Defend and protect those principles of life she holds so sacred and dear!'" A paragraph from Chaplain Cordill's letter is very striking; he writes:

"In the afternoon I rode an army bomber to an airdrome ninety miles away where a group of our men are stationed. Word was circulated that 'the chaplain just flew in,' and in a few minutes about 75 men gathered about the big airship. Some were greasy, dressed in mechanics' coveralls, some were in athletic shorts, and some in their Sunday best. They all appreciated the short talk and the opportunity to sing some of the hymns they learned at mother's knee, and after saying a prayer for them I stepped back in the bomber and returned to my home station. I was not gone two hours, but it was a grand experience, and as the men waved 'goodbye and happy landing' this chaplain thanked God for the opportunity to share life's deeper experiences with these fine soldiers of the army air forces."

The thoughts of service men have not been entirely confined to mother. Chaplain Louis J. Beasley, in reporting equally interesting events in connection with Mother's Day, tells how one soldier a thousand miles away from home knocked on his office door on May 7 and, entering, said:

"My father died seven years ago today. Since his death it has been our custom at home to have a brief memorial service in the home in his memory. Although I am many miles away from my home and family, and in the army, I would hate not to continue this practice. Chaplain, I would be very grateful if you would have a word of prayer with me in memory of my father."

A fitting passage of scripture was read; afterwards, both the chaplain and the soldier knelt in prayer—both arose from prayer stronger and better men.

MRS. JOHN W. KNIGHT PASSES SUDDENLY

The oldest member of Aulander Methodist church, Mrs. John W. Knight, passed away suddenly of a heart attack at the age of 83 in the early morning of June 8. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, asssisted by Rev. W. P. Milne of the Baptist church. Interment was beside her husband in Northampton county near the old Pinner's Methodist church which she joined in her youth.

She is survived by two sons, Dr. Edgar W. Knight of the University at Chapel Hill, John M. Knight of Norfolk, Va.; two daughters, Mrs. J. R. Williford of Aulander, Mrs. C. O. Talley of Richmond, Va.; one sister and 11 grandchildren. Mrs. Knight was the mother of the late W. L. Knight of Weldon, who gave himself so loyally as a leading layman of Methodism.

"Grandmother" Knight, as she was affectionately known, turned the first spade of soil for the foundation of the Aulander Methodist church and became one of its charter members under the pastor, Rev. J. G. Johnson, in 1910 Through all the years she was the mother of the church and her home was a place of rest and joyful fellowship for all the preachers. She helped organize the woman's missionary society, taught a class in Sunday school and served faithfully in every phase of the church activities. She was a subscriber to the Advocate for over 30 years. She was alert in mind and soul, and by reading, conversation, service and daily living she witnessed for Christ. She was a godly mother, an humble Christian, a faithful neighbor, and deeply loved and greatly missed by all who knew her.

Matt R. Gardner, Pastor.

"THE SOUTHERN BAPTISTS A PROBLEM CHILD"

It appears to us that the Christian Century of Chicago is in search for fresh troubles by calling the Southern Baptists, whom we esteem most highly, "A problem child in the family of denominations." Here is the story in full:

"When we spoke of the Southern Baptists three weeks ago in these columns as 'a problem child in the family of denominations,' a few voices were raised in protest. The reason for the use of that term is well illustrated, however, by the course which this body followed at its recent convention. On the one hand, it received the fraternal messenger of the Northern Baptist Convention with marked graciousness and voted in favor of holding a joint session of the two conventions in 1944. But then it turned right around and, in the 'Battle of California' which Dr. Dawson describes so vividly in his news report, voted to extend the Southern Baptist boundaries into California territory, hitherto served by the Northern Baptist Convention. Of course, all the old excuses were trotted out to justify this raid. It was charged that some Northern Baptists are not sound on matters of biblical interpretation and that others indulge in the practice of open membership. But the fact was that the Southern body saw a chance to invade the territory of its sister Baptist denomination, and despite the protests of many of its leaders it jumped at it. The spirit of the two actions—the vote to meet in fellowship with the Northern Baptist Convention and the vote to annex California—was completely irreconcilable. 'Problem child' seems as good a way as any to characterize the proceedings of such a body."

BISHOP EDWIN HOLT HUGHES

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes was the guest speaker at the recent Anderson, Spartanburg and Greenville district conferences. At each conference he delivered a great address on evangelism—his theme being "The Message and Method of the New Evangelism." He particularly stressed two points: the necessity of doing personal work if we would be soul-winners today, and evangelism among children. He emphasized the fact that the minister's largest opportunity and his most serious responsibility lay in the field of childhood. Every minister should prepare and deliver his sermons with children in mind, and should see to it that some part of every sermon is within the range of their interest and grasp. And again, every minister should be faithful in gathering the children of his flock into classes for instruction in the meaning and privilges of the Christian life and church membership. "There is a natural affinity between Jesus and children," said the good bishop. They will always come to Jesus if given opportunity and if not hindered by older persons. He is right.—Southern Christian Advocate.

NOTES AND QUOTES

The army rolls on rubber—and fighting men walk on rubber, too. Army shoes have soles and heels of reclaimed rubber. Reclaimed rubber is made from scrap rubber. It takes about three-quarters of a pound of this rubber to complete a pair of army shoes. The fighting forces need your scrap rubber. Take it to the nearest filling station——now!

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Our armed forces have had to cut down on their use of rubber. There is a point beyond which further cuts cannot be made. You can help make certain that there is enough rubber to meet minimum requirements. Scrap rubber makes reclaimed rubber. The reclaiming plants can get about 16 pounds of good rubber out of one old auto tire, two and a half pounds out of a tube, 20 pounds out of a 50-foot length of garden hose, three pounds from an old pair of four-buckle arctics, a pound out of a hot water bottle. Do your part. Take your collection of scrap rubber to the nearest filling station—now!

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Because the Japs overran the lands from which we got more than 90 per cent of our rubber, we must be very careful of the rubber we have. One way of making our stock of crude rubber last as long as possible is to mix the crude with a percentage of reclaimed rubber made from scrap. This produces rubber up to army standards—five old tires or 80 hot water bottles or fourteen 20-foot lengths of garden hose will supply the amount of reclaimed rubber used in the rubber parts of a 37 MM gun carriage. And the reclaimed rubber used in a flying fortress could be supplied by 20 tires or 320 hot water bottles or 56 20-foot lengths of hose.

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The President, commending government and community efforts to improve health and morale, emphasized the need for eliminating from war industry centers that "major source of infection" the Red-Light district, just as such districts have been eliminated from the neighborhood of army camps and naval stations.

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Old Farmer Bates was pointing out the merits of the neighborhood to his newly arrived lodger: "There's a church near," he said, "but I never puts my nose in it."

"Why?" asked the visitor. "Is there anything wrong with the vicar?"

"No," was the reply, "but it's this way. I sold the old vicar milk and eggs and butter and cheese, and seeing as he patronized me, I patronized him. But this new chap keeps 'is own cow and 'ens. 'If that be your game,' I thought, 'we'll 'ave 'omegrown religion, too!' "—Stray Stories.

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Cuthbert had been listening for half an hour to a lecture from his father on the evils of late nights and late risings of the morning.

"You will never amount to anything," said his father, "unless you turn over a new leaf. Remember, it's the early bird that catches the worm!"

"Ha, ha!" laughed Cuthbert. "How about the worm? What did he get for turning out so early?"

"My son," replied the father, "that worm hadn't been to bed all night; he was on his way home."

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A young Scottish policeman had come to London from a remote Scottish glen. He was a raw recruit, and everything in London was new to him. There was a great function in Westminster Abbey, and he was ordered to admit no one by a certain door, through which only the highest dignitaries were to enter. In Scottish districts the people have a great respect, love and reverence for the Presbyterian minister. He is, in their eyes, supreme, and they regard him with awe. The young Scottish policeman was approached by a dignified minister of the crown, but he was told to stand back: "I canna let you in here."

"But," said the gentleman, "I am a Cabinet Minister."

"I danna care if ye were a Presbyterian minister I canna let you in; I have ma orders."

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On a little service station away out on the edge of a western desert there hangs a shingle bearing this strange legend: "Don't ask for information. If we knew anything we wouldn't be here."—Watchword.

KINDNESS REWARDED

By Mrs. J. W. E. Bowen, Sr.

Many years ago a young student was on his way from his home to his state university. Because of his meager circumstances, he was compelled to walk, though this was no hardship to him, for he was a lover of nature. Then, too, he was thrilled with the thought of nearing his goal of a higher education. Now and then during his long journey, a kind-hearted driver would give him a lift.

As night approached, he was walking but did not care to travel alone in the night, for many of the homes were far removed from the road. Soon in the darkness he saw in the distance a bright light gleaming from a stately mansion. He stopped and entered the estate and knocked on the door, which was opened by a servant. The student requested the servant to tell the lady of the house that he was a student on his way to school and was walking, and so wanted to stop overnight. Would she kindly let him remain until morning?

The lady, who happened to be near, hearing his request, immediately came forward and cordially invited him in, bade the servant give him a guest room and serve him supper. The student learned his hostess's name, but she never learned his until years later. Early the following morning he started on his way to college, from which he later graduated to become one of Georgia's most brilliant scholars and lawyers. He was known throughout the country for his great and successful career. He became the honored and distinguished governor of his native state.

Years afterward, a woman came seeking his advice and service to save her estate, which she was about to lose. He took her case and saved the property. She asked him what he charged for his service, and was surprised when he replied, "Madam, you owe me nothing. You paid me years ago." Then the woman asked, "When have I ever known you before?" The lawyer replied, "When a poor lad, I stopped at your home on my way to school. You took me in for the night and gave me food and shelter."

Not until then did she know that the student she had befriended was Alexander H. Stephens, Georgia's greatest and most beloved son. His heart and hand were ever ready to help all who were in need—regardless of race or condition.

Even though he could not evade the inhuman slave-law of his beloved state, his slaves regarded him and loved him not as a master but as a great humanitarian protector. Over his modest plantation the crack of an overseer's whip was never heard. His home, "Liberty Hall," is a shrine in Georgia and still bears the emblem of his belief and noble character: "With Liberty and Justice for All."—Zions Herald.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.
2*M. R. Gardner, Aulander.
*T. J. Whitehead, North Gates.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.
*M. W. Warren, Garland.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

2*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hill, Liberty Ct.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

4*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

4*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
2*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.
P. O. Lee, Clayton.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
C. T. Rogers, Wallace-Rose Hill.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.
W .J. Freeman, Bladen.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
P. T. Dixon, Morven.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.
G. C. Graham, Jonesville.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.
M. W. Edwards, Mill Spring.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.
J. C. Reichard, Troutman.
J. Max Brandon, Sr., Grace-Rhodhiss.
Reid Wall, Granite Falls.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.

WE HAVE THESE IN OUR CHURCH, TOO. BISHOP!

One of the temptations which besets those who are known as church workers is to forget that they must work together, and must keep a sense of the relative value of each bit of work.

The temptation is a very common one. Each individual worker is naturally interested in his or her own job, and it is fatally easy to think that that particular job is the one that is more important than all the rest. . . .

Those who talk of the Sunday school as the one organization which really counts, or those who think that social clubs matter more than anything else; or those who imagine that the mothers' meeting is the center of the parochial universe. Zeal does not always walk in perfect agreement with cooperation and a sense of proportion. —Bishop of Grantham.

"Not rain nor snow can make us stay
If we have tickets for the play,
But let one drop the walk besmirch,
And it's too wet to go to church!"

Some people cease to live long before they are buried; others continue to live long after their names are inscribed on the tomb.

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LIFE'S TAPESTRY

By Blanche Mault

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Each day I weave a few more strands
Upon the loom of life.
Each hour sees the pattern grow
Of kindness or of strife.
Sometimes I use the brighter skeins
And make the outline fair,
More often still at night I find
Some places torn and bare;
It matters not what threads I use—
Now narrow and now wide—
For God himself the pattern draws
Upon the other side.

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

"As our thoughts go about the earth to our fellow workers in every land, our deep anxiety is mingled with gratitude that we know of no casualties or cases of extreme hardship or danger among them. Let us all in a common fellowship of prayer bear them before the throne of grace in intercession for their safety and for a not too distant resumption of our normal work together."

Division of Foreign Missions: Ralph E. Diffendorfer, Frank T. Cartwright, Thomas S. Donohue, A. W. Wasson, C. W. Inglehart.

Foreign Department of Woman's Division: Alice Moore (Mrs. Otis); Sallie Lou McKinnon; Velma Maynor (Mrs. E. W.); Elizabeth M. Lee.

GOAL SUGGESTED FOR 1942

As a stimulus to increase the number of organizations of Woman's Societies of Christian Service, as well as an increased membership, Mrs. A. L. Thompson, corresponding secretary, is asking that the presidents and corresponding secretaries of the districts adopt as their goal for 1942, "A Woman's Society of Christian Service on every charge in their districts."

Already eight of the districts have achieved this goal, and it is hoped that before the year closes every district will have done so.

Mrs. Thompson says that "since the tire and gas situation must be considered, she would suggest that the district be divided, assigning to the larger churches the unorganized areas near them and put into action the 'big sister' plan which has been used successfully in many instances." Each society, she feels, will know the best plan of action in securing the interest of the women, and urges that once an organization is effected that the missionary cultivation be kept up until the newly organized group is able to carry on their work.

The district superintendents and pastors of the unorganized churches, we are sure, will co-operate in this work of organization and the district leaders are urged to begin at once this effort to secure the new organizations and new members. "All good awaits the woman whose desire to serve is the dominant passion of her life." May each of us serve as never before through the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

AN INTERESTING VISITOR

An interesting and honored visitor in attendance upon the first assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-22, was Dr. Alice Appenzeller from Korea, who is the first American child born in Korea in a Methodist mission. She came to Columbus as one of the speakers on Thursday, May 20, having as her theme "The Church's Choicest Gift to Oriental Women." Dr. Appenzelle, who has spent 20 years teaching at Ewha College in Korea, brought reassuring word "of the under-cover struggle of the Koreans to be free from the Japanese yoke they have suffered since 1910." She said that "In Korea today are hundreds of fine men and women, educated in Christian colleges and with Christian ideals, who are only waiting a chance to help the United States in every way they can, so that their country will regain its freedom." She left Korea in the fall of 1940 after turning the presidency of Ewha College over to one of her former pupils, Dr. Helen Kim, a native of Korea.

Dr. Appenzeller is now teaching at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE STUDENT WORK

Dear Secretaries of Student Work:

Most of our students have returned to their home church within the last few days. I hope each of you has been on the alert for the opportunity to welcome them, and that you will do your best to help them fit into the church program while at home for their vacation. May I suggest six goals for the summer?

1. See that each student is given a place in the church program. Mrs. Porter suggests organizing a "vacation club" to discuss world situations, missions, and college problems. This could be done very effectively where there are as many as seven or eight students in your church. The Program Packet for students has all the material needed for such a club. It may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio, for $1.

2. Secure at least one Scarritt Associate Membership from your society. These memberships are $5. If you can not possibly secure that much, send even a smaller amount. The money goes to Scarritt College as a scholarship fund to train young women who are preparing to enter definite Christian service. Remember, please, to send these memberships to my address —Mrs. Walter Lee Lanier, Box 384, Thomasville, N. C.

3. Use National Defense Service and the Camp or the Defense Industries Card for channeling names of students who are in the army or in defense work. These two cards are explained in detail on the enclosed sheet. If you want the cards in small quantities, I shall be glad to mail you the number you want at one-third of a cent each, plus three cents postage.

4. Become familiar with the proper use of the Student Card (the blue one). These should be mailed not later than September 1.

5. Read everything you can find on Student Work: The Methodist Woman, The World Outlook, and The Christian Advocate.

6. Make your report to your district corresponding secretary, please.

May each one of you become enthusiastic about our work. If at any time I can be of any help to you, please write to me. Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Walter Lee Lanier.

AN IMPORTANT SERVICE TO STUDENT WORK

Mrs. Lenore E. Porter, secretary of student work, Woman's Division of Christian Service, designates as the most important service to student: "Give all youth the sense of security they need; let them know that the church will continue its on-going purpose and work tirelessly for the healing of the nations. And help them to know that it will (1) maintain faith in God as our refuge and our strength; (2) maintain a fellowship of Christians around the world; (3) extend the world Christian community by working harder on its program of missions; (4) relieve suffering; (5) interpret and extend Christian democracy; (6) plan for a just and enduring peace and Christian world reconstruction.

IN MEMORIAM

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church, Hickory, wish to pay tribute to a beloved and faithful member, Mrs. Thomas S. Golden, who passed away on the 27th of April, 1942. She was a loyal member of our organization and a faithful worker in all departments of the church and her passing leaves a vacancy in our society that will be hard to fill. We will long remember her life of unselfish service, and while she has gone from us we shall keep fresh in our memory her loyalty and beautiful Christian character as a guiding star to a closer walk with God from day to day.

We extend our sympathies to her devoted family and commend them to the care of our loving heavenly Father, who alone can bring comfort to them in their sorrow.

Mrs. G. A. Fuller,
Mrs. E. C. Ivey,
Mrs. A. M. West.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

SPIRITUAL LIFE MEETING

Facing the fact that the need for a spiritual reawakening is most imperative, 33 women of the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service gathered at Louisburg College on June 16-17 to consider the themes: "Looking to Jesus" and Lovest Thou me—Feed My Sheep." Under the leadership of Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary spiritual life groups, with the inspirational references to numerous Scripture verses, spontaneous testimonies, prayers, hymns, the two sessions were permeated with a divine revelation of the Holy Spirit.. Truly they were with one accord in the realization that, in the words of Miss Lamb, "Jesus gives power, then comes the command to do the impossible," that realization resulting in a new pledge of allegiance to God and his work and to prayer that the spirit of hatred against enemy nations will not prevail in our own country. Those attending in addition to Miss Lamb were: Mrs. J. S. Chandler, Miss Margaret Isaacs, both of Fayetteville; Mrs. J. C. Burwell, Warrenton; Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Mrs. L. A. Watts, Mrs. John A. Park, Mrs. Earl Stapleton, Mrs. J. S. Bloodworth, Mrs. Elizabeth McAfee, Miss Mary Gardner, all of Raleigh; Miss Florine Robertson, Mrs. W. T. Williams, Mrs. E. L. Whitesell, Miss Mary Freeman, all of Burlington; Mrs. J. M. McFarland, Mebane; Mrs. Fred G. Smith, Mrs. Mary Rachel Thornton, Mrs. Nora Smith Johnson, all of Goldsboro; Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. Frances Benson, Mrs. A. M. Williams, Whitakers; Mrs. W. N. Davenport, Battleboro; Mrs. W. C. Davis, Wilmington; Miss Sarah Amerson, Mrs. Kensey Amerson, Mrs. Sallie Poole, Wilson; Mrs. Lucy Hartsfield, Wake Forest; Mrs. Leona Proctor, Varina; Mrs. I. C. Pegram, Washington; Mrs. Walter patten, Mrs. F. D. Hedden, Mrs. Henry W. Holt, Louisburg.

FIVE NEW SOCIETIES

That pastors and pastors' wives in New Bern district know and appreciate the value of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the churches is evidenced by the activities of some of them in organizing the women this year. At Saulston on the Pikesville-Elm Street charge, Mrs. J. Q. Patrick has organized a new society and Mrs. G .B. Herring, Goldsboro, Rt. 2, was elected president. Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Cowan have organized a new society at Foy's on the Jones charge, with Mrs. J. L. Sasser, Rt. 2, Dover, president. Garris Chapel on the Seven Springs charge, was organized by Mrs. W. E. Howard, Mrs. Howard having been instrumental in organizing three societies on the charge since her husband's appointment there almost three years ago. Mrs. Lloyd Sutton, Rt. 3, LaGrange, is president. Rhems on the Riverside-Bridgeton charge was organized through the efforts of Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Tew, and Mrs. C. P. Arnold, Rt. 3, New Bern, was elected president. Bell Arthur on the Walstonburg charge is the youngest society in New Bern district and was organized at the request of Rev. K. W. Taylor, pastor, and the women of the church. Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, and Hrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, attended the organization meeting. Mrs. Robert Erwin, Rt. 2, Farmville, was chosen as the first president. A transfer of Walstonburg church from Rocky Mount to New Bern district gives the latter district an increase of six societies for 1942. There are 86 societies in the district. In announcing these new societies Mrs. Gertie Matthews is gratefully acknowledging the interest and the untiring efforts of Rev. J. A. Russell, the pastors and their wives and others who have aided in bringing into the fold these formerly unorganized churches. We welcome them and are wishing for them much happiness and fruitage in their undertakings in Christ's work of helping to spread the gospel both at home and "to the uttermost part of the earth."

BABY LIFE MEMBERS

The department formerly known as baby specials is no more, as such. However, and society or individual desiring to honor a child under six years of age may still be privileged to make that child an honorary baby life member of the W. S. C. S. The cost is $5 and the profits in joy, satisfaction and contribution to the cause of missions are inestimable. The name and address of each baby thus honored and the fee for same should be sent to Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, 201 S. William St., Goldsboro. A certificate will then be mailed to the honoree.

INTRODUCING NEW LEADERS

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, announces that Mrs. Andrew H. Borland, 1405 Oakland Ave., Durham, has been appointed leader of Durham zone, succeeding Mrs. A. K. Umstead, resigned. Mrs. Umstead was honored with a life membership, gift of Durham zone, at the recent Durham district meeting in Chapel Hill. Mrs. Borland was presented at the district meeting and given a hearty welcome.

GIFTS TO PRESIDENTS

A generous W. S. C. S. member and enthusiastic reader of World Outlook residing in the Durham district makes an annual gift of a year's subscription of World Outlook to the president of each new society in the district gaining the larger number of new societies from conference to conference. This year the gifts are awarded to the presidents of six new societies in New Bern district, namely, Mrs. James Sutton, Hickory Grove; Mrs. R. L. Stallings, Bridgeton; Miss Katherine Holloway, Shady Grove; Mrs. J. O. Edwards, Winterville; Mrs. J .B. Henderson, Maple Grove; Mrs. G. B. Herring, Saulston. We congratulate New Bern district and commend her progressive activities in organizing new societies.

PIANO FOR COMMUNITY CENTER

In a recent issue of the N. C. conference woman's page, we told of the success of the efforts of Miss Priscilla Stegar in establishing a community center for the folk of East Laurinburg, whom she is serving so fruitfully as deaconess. Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, informs us that the women of her district have purchased a piano for the center. A most worthy project and one which will bring much joy and happiness to both donors and recipients.

GUILD BREAKFAST

Forty-three members of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Front Street Methodist church, Burlington, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Fonville at 8 o'clock on a recent Sunday morning for a May breakfast. Circle number 2 of the Guild assisted in entertaining. They welcomed the guests and directed them to the back lawn, where a huge table stood decorated with green and with miniature May baskets for each guest. Spring flowers were used in profusion. Miss Nettie Dailey, the president, had made attractive programs, decorated with floral baskets. Following the distribution of the programs the hymns "For the Beauty of the Earth," "This Is My Father's World," "Fairest Lord Jesus," and "God of Grace and God of Glory" were sung. The hostesses served a three-course breakfast. Mrs. J. R. Latham led the devotional. Miss Dailey made a brief talk, stating some of the things for which the Guild stands and also some goals. Mrs. C. V. Long, president of the W. S. C. S., made a few remarks. Miss Evelyn Rothrock, delegate to the annual conference in Raleigh, gave a report of that meeting. Editor's note: Fellowship breakfasts and outdoor picnics during the summer months will do much to strengthen and preserve the interest in the organizations. Mrs. R. C. Gary, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, is hopeful that many will adopt these plans for summer meetings.

COUNT OF MISSIONARIES

The count of missionaries in the Far East as of May 15, compiled in the office of the committee on East Asia from lists submittted to our board of missions and church extension and tabulated by it for the State Department, the Red Cross, the Office of Provost Marshall General and other agencies reveal: Occupied China, 774; Korea, 27; Indo-China, 44; Japan, 71; Malaya, 7; Netherlands East Indies, 28; Philippine Islands, 448; Thailand, 45; total in occupied areas, 1444. Free China, 632; missionaries believed to be in Burma, 33.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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ANOTHER WEEK

This is another Monday morning. Another week has rolled around. Last Monday morning we were preparing for a heavy week of work with our growing stuff. The preparations went through. A hundred acres of corn were hoed and plowed, 360 bushels of barley were harvested and forty big loads of hay were put in the barn. All the garden truck was carefully cultivated. Last week's work meant a great deal to us. Now another week has come. A good deal of the corn will be laid by. The alfalfa fields will receive a top dressing and all the other growing stuff will receive another cultivation.

ATTITUDE TOWARDS WORK

One of the fine processes of training provided for our youngsters is that of exposing them to honest-to-goodness hard work. We like to note what their attitude towards the exposition is. In an overwhelming majority of cases there is a disposition to do well the task at hand. We have very few shirkers. As a matter of fact, it has become very unpopular among us for anyone to "lay out of work." Both the boys and the girls frown upon any youngster who can't "take it." Helping the Home is now the order of the day.

AFTERNOON PLAY TIME

With the exception of the farm squad, who, through the six weeks period of intensive cultivation work long and late, all of our youngsters have some two hours each afternoon for play, even the farm squad getting a good dip in the swimming pool after they come in. These afternoons are featured with intramural sports in the way of soft ball, baseball, horseshoe pitching and the like. Both boys and girls are divided into competing teams. We have Blue Devils, Red Devils, Yankees, Tigers, Bears, and other ferocious named groups that vie with one another most pleasantly in the afternoon contests. Nobody gets more fun out of playing than a happy bunch of youngsters who have a clear conscience and a willingness to act.

BERRY PICKING TIME

A number of our boys got away yesterday afternoon after the quiet hour and when the evening accounting time came around they came in reporting how many gallons of blackberries they had picked. To be sure, it was Sunday afternoon, but the boys said the berries might not be there by the time they got a chance at them again, so they picked berries, for which there is a ready market among our neighbors. Except the house boys who have some time for such, about the only time the boys have for getting out in the berry patches is on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. A lot of our ideas about Sunday afternoon meditations get pretty well answered in the run of the "quiet hour," scheduled to occur between 2:30 and 3:30 each Sunday afternoon. Thirty husky and growing youngsters can't stay bottle-necked too long.

RAISING A ROBIN

The picture this week is that of four Anna Hanes cottage youngsters observing the results of their ten days' work at raising a little orphan robin, blown out of the nest soon after hatching time. Snatching the little bird out of the rain and placing it under the warm stove they proceeded with the process of raising it. At the time the picture was taken the bird was beginning to fly from one boy to another. Eventually the mother bird came along and the young bird, after flying among the boys a little bit, flew off with the birds to live happily ever afterwards.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES

It is marvelous how far and how wide the products of the Children's Home have ranged. Those who were admitted into the Home had very little records made concerning them. Now from the uttermost parts they are writing in for some certification as to their birth certificate. Not having this, we submit data to the register of deeds of their native county and a certified copy of the best available information is prepared for them. Some want to get into civil service, others want to be in the merchant marine, and still others want to get into combat duty. Youngsters having come to us in more recent times have better case histories recorded and in subsequent years less effort will be needed in giving desired information.

THE WAR COMES CLOSER

Information from our boys in camps, in combat duty and on the high seas emphasizes the fact that the war all the while creeps closer to us. A clipping from a Seattle newspaper states that Jimmy Edwards, whose ship, the Pecos, was shot out from under him in the Dutch East Indies, was on a bamboo log for six hours, 300 miles from shore, before he was picked up by a friend. The story relates that the fair lad was cited for action under fire. "His battle station was gun pointer, and he brought down four Jap planes with his gun. His service won for him deserved promotion."

THREE BELL RINGINGS

We want to let our friends know that the joy bell continues to ring, even though the weather is hot. The following congregations and pastors, having paid their ten per cent apportionment in full, are entitled to be placed in the joy bell honor roll. Kindly note them and join us in grateful thanks.

Mills River, Mills River circuit, Rev. J. D. Morris.

Unity, Landis circuit, Rev. Clegg W. Avett.

May's Chapel, Maiden, Rev. J. C. Auman.

JUNALUSKA TIME

Almost before we knew it the time has come for the selection of our representatives to attend the Western North Carolina conference senior assembly at Lake Junaluska. Two of our group, members of the senior high school department at Centenary Methodist church, are selected by Centenary authorities. From two to four others will be selected by us for this outstanding recognition and for this fine opportunity of learning more about Christian culture and Christian leadership. Who shall go? What shall they wear? How shall they get there? These are among the questions that bounce out in front of us today.

WHAT ABOUT VACATION?

By common consent our family is not yet talking much about vacations. June is a working month. However, there does linger in our minds the question as to what plans should be made relative to August vacations for our children. We have been accustomed to letting our children get away for two weeks every August, encouraging friends and relatives to provide for as

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The young robin raised in good environment flew away to be a good bird

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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LETTERS — Beginning with this issue of the Advocate there will appear one or two letters each week from the boys and girls who graduated from our high school the last of May. These letters breathe a spirit of appreciation. I trust our many friends will read these letters and see for themselves how grateful our boys and girls are for what has been done for them by the members of the Methodist Orphanage family and the North Carolina conference.

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LISTENING IN—The Methodist Orphanage will broadcast over WPTF this coming Sunday afternoon from five to five-thirty o'clock. The Methodist Orphanage glee club will be on the air from five to five-twelve, and Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke Univeristy will be on the air the remainder of the half hour. This program is intended to take the place of the Orphanage rally day. It is earnestly hoped that a large number of our Methodist friends will listen in on the broadcast at the time mentioned. I can assure our constituency that the program will be intensely interesting and worth while.

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ORPHANAGE ATHLETIC FACILITIES — The Methodist Orphanage is one of the best equipped institutions of its kind for recreation. I am giving a list of our facilities: The Graham Woodard Gymnasium, the J. C. Braswell Athletic Field, the Lions Skateway, the Edwin Gould Playground Equipment, the Orphanage Alumni Outdoor Bowling Alleys, the S. M. Cozart Tennis Courts. In addition to those mentioned above there are several playgrounds for the smaller children. I am happy that our friends have provided ample recreational facilities for the health and pleasure of our children, and I know their friends throughout the conference will be glad to know that these facilities have been provided for our youngsters.

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FARMING ACTIVITIES — The superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage farm is working early and late these days planting and cultivating our truck farm. The boys are puittng forth their best efforts to grow a large supply of vegetables for our children, and feed for our cows, horses and hogs. The dry weather retarded the growth of our crops considerably, and we have experienced difficulty in getting some of our seed to germinate because of the dry weather. We have been working harder this year than ever before to grow an abundance of vegetables and feed, so as to cut down our living expenses. Everybody at the Orphanage realizes the absolute necessity of practicing rigid economy in every possible way.

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Dear Friends:

It seems that my eleven years at this fine Christian home have elapsed too rapidly. I can truthfully say that my life here has been filled with rays of happiness and contentment from the beginning to the end. No one is more fortunate than the fatherless and motherless child who is placed in the Methodist Orphanage to benefit from its great teachings and training.

I wish to express my thanks and deep appreciation to the North Carolina conference, which has made my opportunities here so great.

Then, to the society of ladies in Greenville, N. C., which has so graciously and kindly clothed me for these many years goes a great big "thank you." No one could have been more faithful and true to me and to my home than these ladies have been.

Last, but for from least, I wish to thank our beloved superintendent and "dad"—Rev. A. S. Barnes—and his staff of workers for their sincere and true guidance, as well as the good advice offered us. I will strive to live up to their teachings always. Mr. Barnes has been a swell "dad" and "chum" to us all.

Again I wish to say "thank you" much to each and every person who has contributed so much toward making my life here a more enjoyable one. I appreciate more than I could attempt to say in words all the kindnesses that have been shown me during these 11 grand years. I am proud of the fact that I shall be able to say that I was reared at the Methodist Orphanage in Raleigh, N. C. There is nothing I would take for having received my training and education here. It means much to me now, and I am sure it will be even a greater asset to me in the future.

Sincerely, Mary Graft.

TWILIGHT HOUR

By Amos P. Dye

Sitting in the twilght with the daily duties done,
Calling in review what in the morn you sought;
Resting in the peace of mind that comes at set of sun,
When with patient, faithful toil your hands have wrought.

Sitting in the twilight at the close of busy day,
Catching visions of the morrow's silver morn;
As the sun in setting, sending forth its golden ray,
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June 29 to July 4, 1942	July 6-11, 1942
Ages 15, 16, 17	Ages 18-23

Registrations received to date indicate good attendance at both of these assemblies. If there are others who want to attend, their registrations should be sent in immediately to Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury.

Young People's Leadership Conference

Shackford Building, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

JULY 21 - AUGUST 1, 1942

WHO SHOULD COME ? **(No one under fifteen should attend)**

I. The following young people (15-23) should attend:
   1. Officers of Annual Conference Youth Organizations.
   2. Officers of District and Sub-district Youth Organizations.
   3. Officers and leaders in Local Church Youth Organizations.
   4. Young people specially designated by the Annual Conference.

II. The following adults may attend:
   1. District Directors.
   2. Counselors of Sub-district Youth Organizations.

(Other adult leaders should attend the Leadership School—see below).

Registrar for Western North Carolina Conference—Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C. Advance registration fee, $2.50. Information sent on request

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Leadership School

Shackford Building, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

AUGUST 3-14, 1942

WHO SHOULD COME ?

1. Camp Leaders.
2. Local Church Workers.
3. Conference Staff Members.
4. Local Church Directors of Christian Education.
5. Accredited Instructors and Prospective Instructors.
6. District Directors of Children's Work, Youth Work, and Adult Work.
7. Conference and District Presidents of the Young Adult Fellowship.

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Conference Office Address: Box 617, College Station, Durham, N. C.

CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLIES

All space allotted for our intermediate boys and girls in the First Christian Adventure Assembly, June 26-30, has been taken, and we are looking forward to a fine conference with these young people. To date, June 22, over 80 intermediates have registered for the Second Christian Adventure Assembly, June 30-July 4, and we expect to have 125 intermediates in this assembly. A number of registrations have already been received for our Murfreesboro Assembly at Chowan College, July 13-17, and indications are that this assembly will likewise be filled to overflowing. We urge all churches in the Elizabeth City district and upper part of the Rocky Mount district planning to send delegates to Murfreesboro to send in their registrations as early as possible. Registration blanks and other information may be secured by writing to Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY

Registrations are coming in daily for our Christian Workers' Assembly at Louisburg College, Louisburg, July 3-8. We would like to call attention to the fact that courses are being offered that will have an appeal to church officers in every area. Mrs. E. L. Hillman of Rocky Mount is giving a course on Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Local Church—a course for officers and members of the woman's society. Dr. Aline McKenzie of Chapel Hill is giving a course on A Child's Approach to Religion—a course for parents and teachers of children. Mrs. John H. Davis of Lynchburg, Va., is giving a course on Guiding the Adolescent—a course for parents, teachers and counselors of young people. Dr. F. L. Gibbs, Nashville, Tenn., is giving a course, Adult Work in the Church—a course for pastors, officers and teachers in the adult division, and others interested in the adult program of the church. Registration blanks may be secured by writing to our office at Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C. The total cost for this assembly is $5.

YOUNG ADULT ASSEMBLY

We are hoping that a large number of young adults will take advantage of our week-end assembly for that group July 4-5. There is no greater need in our church than the full development of the powers of the young adults of our church. We believe young adult classes would be greatly helped by having representatives in this assembly. Some young adult classes might want to send large representations from their groups. Cost of this assembly is $3.50 per delegate.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY

Over 225 young people converged on the Louisburg College campus to attend the annual Young People's Assembly of the Methodist Youth Fellowship from June 18-23. The main theme for the periods of worship, open forums, and fellowship was "Daring to Do God's Will."

The assembly speakers were Kempton Jones, president of the National Methodist Youth Fellowship; Kitty Wilson, president of the North Carolina Methodist Youth Fellowship; Rev. Angelo Fuster of Cuba; Dr. A. Heningburg, professor of education at the North Carolina College for Negroes; Prof. Charles Green, A. and T. College; Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist church; Dr. Sam Hilburn, youth department staff member in charge of the Methodist Youth Fund; Rev. Earl M. Cunningham, representing the General Board of Education, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary of the N. C. Conference Board of Education; and Harris Proctor, publicity superintendent. They served as platform speakers and leaders in the forums.

Other parts of the daily program were the morning watch before breakfast, the periods for recreation, the vespers, business meetings, and the evening prayer groups.

Much interest centered around the colorful Pirate banquet which featured a pantomine, pirate ditties, and short piracy stories. Other big recreational events were the baseball games between the students and the faculty.

Eight courses of study were offered as follows: Living as Christians with Other Races, Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth; Personal Devotions, Rev. Leon Russell; Worship and Evangelism, Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers; Christians and World Order, Rev, H. G. Ruark; The New Testament in the Life of Today, Rev. Harold Simpson; What It Means to Be a Christian, Miss Ted Cox; and The Meaning of Church Membership, Rev. F. M. Patterson.

In addition to the regular classes there were interest groups and workshops. The workshops made a study of the commissions and other organizational bodies of the Methodist Youth Fellowship: Worship and Evangelism, Community Service, World Friendship, Recreation, Officers' Group, and Subdistrict Officers' Group.

The interest group topics were Banquet, photography and Related Interests, Assembly Paper, Poster Making, Choral Singing, Handcrafts—including groups in weaving, construction of beach shoes, wooden block belts, straw sandals, brushes, and leather bradding work, and kodaking.

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"The child's first school is the family."—Froebel.

Bobbie began to ask questions almost as soon as he could walk. Many children do. His mother, his father, in fact all his relatives, answered his questions, even trivial ones, carefully and accurately, because they realized he had begun to carry on trains of thought for himself.

Sometimes he asked hard questions, hard because they led into scientific fields. His family did the best they could to put the answers into words a little boy could understand. Often they were forced took up facts in order to answer simply and accurately.

They were not ashamed then or later to say, "I don't know, but we will try to find out," or, "I have forgotten. We will see what the book says." Mother might say, as she often did, "We will ask daddy when he comes home. He will know.

If the questions were unanswerable, they said, "Nobody knows. Maybe when you grow up you will be able to find out."

Wisely, they allowed the child's own interests, his own drives, his own urges-to-know, to set his pace. There was no attempt at forcing interest.

His mother provided him with books picturing natural objects—birds, flowers, trees, mountains. He had books showing airplanes, tractors, automobiles, and other modern developments in the mechanical world.

Very early his mother began to read to him. He loved the singing rhythm of Mother Goose and of the verses in such books as "When We Were Very Young" and "A Child's Garden of Verses" and some more recent books of verse and story. His mother taught him, too, to repeat many beautiful bits of prose and verse, and this he appeared to enjoy very much.

Bobbie learned through example, as well as by precept, to handle books with loving care. He learned to read pictures and enjoyed doing this. When he was between four and five he began to make crayola pictures for himself.

Then came the happy day when he was old enough to enter his wider world, the kindergarten.

No attempt had been made or would be made in kindergarten to teach Bobbie to read. His mother and his teacher knew that "reading readiness" would develop little by little, day by day. When he entered the first grade he would be a little more than six years old, and physically ready for the experience. Now he wasn't. But he was already on friendly terms with books apart from their interesting pictures, having learned how useful they are. When the proper time came he would be eager to learn how to get a book to talk, so that he could find the answers to his many questions by himself.

I HAD A LITTLE DOGGY

I had a little doggy that used to sit and beg;
But doggy tumbled down the stairs and broke his little leg.
Oh! doggy, I will nurse you, and try to make you well,
And you shall have a collar with a little silver bell.

Ah! doggy, don't you think that you should very faithful be,
For having such a loving friend to comfort you as me?
And when your leg is better, and you can run and play,
We'll have a scamper in the fields and see them making hay.

But, doggy, you must promise (and mind your word to keep)
Not once to tease the little lambs, or run among the sheep;
And then the little yellow chicks that play upon the grass,
You must not even wag your tail to scare them as you pass.

—Author Unknown.

HALF-TIME

Ronnie's mother was firm in her refusal. "No," she said, "you can't have five helpings of pudding. Two are enough for a little boy."

Ronnie's instant reply was a flood of tears. Not until a full hour had passed did he stop bellowing.

"Are you going to be good now?" asked his mother. "I'm tired of hearing that noise. It hasn't been a bit of use, has it?"

Ronnie's expression grew sour once more.

"I haven't finished, anyway," he piped in defiant tones. "I'm only resting."—Montreal Star.

HOW FUNNY

A match has a head, but no face.
A watch has a face, but no head.
A rooster has a comb, but no hair.
A river has a mouth, but no tongue.
A wagon has a tongue, but no mouth.
An umbrella has ribs, but no trunk.
A tree has a trunk, but no ribs.
A clock has hands, but no arms.
The sea has arms, but no hands.

MISS LOU'S DISCOVERY

By Genevieve D. O'Neill

Kate and Jane snuggled close, very close, to Miss Lou, while Jim slipped on to a piano-stool nearby and looked on, his eyes big and bright and happy.

"I love you," said Kate, and gave Miss Lou a hug that almost took her breath away.

"You don't love her as much as I do," exclaimed Jane, and she gave Miss Lou a kiss that nearly smothered her.

Miss Lou looked questioningly at Jim, but he lowered his eyes and said nothing.

It came to pass that evening that a strong wind rose and blew and blew and blew, and when the newsboy threw Miss Lou's paper up her front walk it was caught and tumbled round about until its pages were scattered here and there.

Miss Lou ran out to cover some flowers, fearing that their blossoms might be whipped to pieces by the romping wind, and she did not pay much attention to her evening paper until she heard Jane call to her from the street, "Oh, just look here, Miss Lou. See what is happening to your paper! It's blowing all away."

"Why, so it is," replied Miss Lou; "that's really too bad."

"You'd better pick it up," called Jane again, and she ran down the street.

Miss Lou looked after her and shook her head. "Jan's love isn't true," she whispered. "It's shown only in words."

A moment later Kate came running past in a push-cart, and spying Miss Lou, stopped. "Oh, Miss Lou, just look at your paper!" she cried. "The wind's scattered it every which way."

"So it has," answered Miss Lou. "That's really too bad."

"I'd pick it up if I were you, because you might lose it," said Kate, and then away she trundled as happy as the wind.

Presently Jim appeared riding a bicycle. "Good evening, Miss Lou," he called. "Oh, but look at your paper! The wind's blowing it all to pieces."

"Why, so it is," said Miss Lou. "Well, that's really too bad."

Jim climbed down from his bicycle and gathered the sheets together. "I'll pick it up for you," he said, "because you're so busy. And I guess I'd better put it indoors too, or you might lose some of it."

Miss Lou held out her hand to him. "I've found out who loves me best, Jim," she replied with a smile. "It's you, after all."—Our Little Ones.

John and his sister Mary were arguing. Mary was winning on points.

"Why are you always telling me what to do?" asked John. "I'm not your husband."—Oswestry Commercial Circular.

Sunday School Lesson

JUNE 28

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By Rolling H. Walker

Alcohol Facts Versus Drinking Propaganda

Proverbs 21:17, 23:32; Isaiah 5:20-23; Hosea 4:11; Joel 3:2, 3; Eph. 5:18

The words liquor and lie are synonymous. First liquor itself is deceitful. It tells you, I will give you cheerfulness and contentment. So you drink it, and sure enough, it does give you cheerfulness and a sense of contentment, but O, the morning after! Liquor says, Drink me, and I will make you strong and competent. So you drink, and how mighty you feel! But the next day when you remember the things you have said and done, you know that alcohol did not make you strong and competent. It made you headstrong and arrogant. It made you brag like a fool, and caused sober men to pity you.

Alcohol does not give a man power to do good work. It rather takes from him the power to tell the difference between good work and bad. The wise man said, Look not upon the wine when it is red, when it sparkleth in the cup, when it goeth down smoothly, for afterwards it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder. All along the roads of America one passes places where at some time alcohol has bitten men like a serpent in the form of wrecked automobiles and writhing victims of drunken drivers.

But it is not only the liquor itself that is a liar, but those who make and sell it. Look into the cocktail lounge of the big hotel. What a heavenly place they have made of it. Its whole appearance is a lie. In all honesty a skull and crossbones should be over the door, and an open sewer should be filling it, like Dante's hell, with a nauseating stink.

Then look at those billboards along the highways with pictures of men singing in sweet harmony over their cups. They neglect to portray the kind of harmony that they introduce into their homes when they return after the cocktail party.

See the gorgeous colored pictures in some of our most popular weeklies, portraying some brand of wine or whiskey as the wise man's choice. These pictures come from a syndicate of deliberate liars. First there are the artists who make the pictures, knowing that their pictures are a lie. Then there are the liquor dealers who hire them, and the magazine that receives huge sums for circulating them. All are liars, and all know that they are liars.

And then there are the newspapers that publish such articles as the following: "It is fun to cook with wines. Some of the most delicious dishes you will eat anywhere have been prepared with wine sauces." As over against that sophistry a solemn voice comes down through centuries of experience, Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. "Liquor is all right in its place," said Billy Sunday, "but its place is in hell."

We hear much of the dreadful penalty incurred by the man who becomes an alcohol addict, but we do not hear enough of the woe that will certainly be visited upon all those who for filthy lucre's sake lend themselves in any wise to the campaigns of deceit that entice youth to begin to drink. Woe unto them that call evil good, said Isaiah, and good evil, and put darkness for light, and light for darkness. And we hear in the Revelator's description of the heavenly city the dread words, Without are dogs . . . and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

But it is our business not merely to refrain from the sophistries that take the drink devil to the beauty parlor, but it is also our duty to make sobriety attractive. In the campaign against national prohibition the liquor forces caricatured the prohibitionist as sour faced and sanctimonious. Perhaps there was some little truth in their portraiture, for sometimes one finds an opponent of liquor who is anything but attractive. His life is one long strident negation. We need to heed Paul's injunction, Be not drunken with wine wherein is riot, but be filled with the Spirit, speaking one to another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord. It is a crime to let the cocktail party seem happier than a gathering of the children of the King. At Pentecost they were so happy that the mockers said, They are filled with new wine. The day will come when in comparison with the joyfulness of Christian gatherings a cocktail lounge will seem like a funeral home.

RELIGIOUS PERSON?

What makes a man irreligious is not his humanism or his agnosticism or even his declared atheism; what makes a person religious is not declaration of belief in the one true God or his participation in religious ceremonies. What makes a person religious is rather the breadth of his sympathies and his understandings, his appreciation of the great world to which he belongs and his honest acceptance of himself as a modest contributor to the well-being of that world. He who is most broadly human in his sympathy is most divine in his character.—Sophie L. Fahs, in Christian Register.

I'D LIKE TO PLANT A TREE

When I think about the folks
That planted lovely trees
Whose branches look so graceful
Swaying in the breeze,
It always makes me feel that I
Would like to plant one, too.
I'd like to add some loveliness
To this world! Wouldn't you?

—Grace T. Bloxham, in Story World.

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THIRD ROUND

June

Yanceyville, Bethel, 10:30 27
Carrboro, Clover Garden, 11 28
Pittsboro, Hickory Mountain, 3 28

July

Carr, 7:30 1
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11.... 5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3 5
Mebane, First, 7:30 5
Lakewood, 7:30 6
Trinity, 7:30 7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Goldston, 11 28
Carbonton, 3 28
Hemp and Hemp Ct., Pleasant Hill, 7 28

July

Hoffman, 11 5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3 5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8 5
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Snow Hill, Tabernacle, 11 28
Aurora, Bonnerton, 3 28
Grimesland, Wharton, 8 28
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 8 30

July

Jones, Oak Grove, 11 5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3 5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8 5
New Bern, Centenary, 8 6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8 7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Apex-Macedonia, Macedonia, 11 28
Moncure, Mt. Zion, 3 28

July

Cary, 8 1
Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 11 5
Erwin, Angier, 8 5
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8 8
Tar River, Ebenezer, 11 12
Benson, Elevation, 8 12
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 11 26
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3 26
Mamers, Union, 8 29
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 31

August

Four Oaks, Sanders Chapel, 11 2
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8 2
Selma, 8 5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 8
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Seaboard, Sharon, 11 28
Northampton, Rehobeth, 3 28
Rich Square, Pinners, 4:30 28
Conway, Severn, 8 28

July

Farmville 11 5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30 5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4 5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

August

Wilson, 11 2
McKendree, 8 2

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Bladen, Live Oak, 7 25
Wallace-Rose Hill, Charity, 11 28
Whiteville, 8 28
Hallsboro, Old Dock, 8 30

July

Carver's Creek, Weyman, 8:30 2
Clinton, Keener, 11 5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30 5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7 7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7 9
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

June

Central, 8 28

July

Barnardsville, Democrat, 8 1
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10 5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 5
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 14
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August

Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

First Church, Charlotte, 11 28
Matthews, 8 28

July

Derita, 11 5
Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

West Jefferson, 11 28
Todd, 3 28
Miller's Creek, night 28

July

Farmington, 11 5
Mocksville Ct., 3 5
Ccoleemee, night 5
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11 12
Trap Hill, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August

Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

June

South Fork, Wesley's Chapel, 11 28
Vale, Palm Tree, 3 28
Cherryville, First Church, night 28

July

Cherryville Ct., St. Paul's, 11 5
Belmont, Main Street, night 5
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Mayodan, 11 28
Leaksville - Stoneville Q. C. (called session at Leaksville), 3 28
Lindsay Street, 8 28

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Asheboro, Central, 7:30 25
S. Davidson, Pine Hall, 2 26
Seagrove, Seagrove, 8 27
Randolph-Gray's Chapel, Gray's Chapel, 11 28
Richland, Giles, 2 28
Shiloh, Friendship, 7:30 20
First Church, High Point, 8 30

July

Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 8 1
First Church, Hight Point, 8 2
Greer's, 11 5
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30 5
Farmer, Oak Grove, 8 5
Trinity, Trinity, 8 6
Calvary, 8 8
Liberty, First, 11 12
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 12
Junaluska 14-20

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Morganton Ct., Gilboa, 10 28
Dedication, Friendship, 3 28
Drexel, Zion, night 28

July

Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45 5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3..... 5
Glen Alpine, night 5
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Granite Quarry at Providence, 11 28
Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will preach and dedicate the Providence Church.
Main St., Albemarle, 3:30 28
At this hour a joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Stanly County.

July

Coburn Memorial, 3:30 5
A joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Rowan County.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

June

Stony Point, 11 28
Statesville Ct., 3 28
Maiden, May's Chapel, night 28

July

Hiddenite, Liberty, 11 5
Taylorsville, Marvin, 3 5
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, night 5
Mooresville, Central, 11 12
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 12
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 26
Mount Zion, 7:30 26

August

Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 2
Hudson, Cedar Valley, 3 2

SIMPLE THINGS

Life expresses itself in simple terms, not in things abstract or abstruse, not in prohibitive affluence nor close corporation coteries.

Life's vital things cluster about the common heritage of mankind.

The crying of a child down in the street holds all the pathos of the world.

The laughter of a cherry-cheeked bevy of girls is a replica of earth's joy.

A king's crown has not the comfort of a mother's croon and no seaman's plummet can sound the depths of parental joy.

The moan of the lonely winter wind enhances the coziness of the open fireplace.

Such things, objects of the gratuity of God, pleasures without striving, comprise all but a narrow margin of the exuberance of earth.

Hence it is a sight not unusual to see a great man living simply: Socrates whose simplicity verged on shame; Thoreau, who immortalized the simple life in a cabin; Diogenes with his tub and Agathocles with his pot.

Such men are stripping for a race, a race to immortality, and they carry no surplus baggage.

Blessed is the man and thrice blessed the woman who finds in life's simple things all the dear joys of the world.—Selected.

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secretary and director of young people's work in the North Carolina conference, were Rev. M. W. Lawrence, dean; Mrs. B. F. Boone, assembly mother; Miss C. H. Newman, assembly nurse; Mrs. John O. Wood, director of music; Louise Aycock, pianist and organist; Rev. T. Marvin Vick, Jr., director of recreation; Miss Elizabeth Myers, Mr. Gene Purcell and Miss Lorene Weaver, assistants to the director; Mrs. C. F. Heath, Miss Helen Butner, Miss Edith Fore, Miss Janella Kirk, Miss Rebecca Stallings, Miss Helen Evans, Cy Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, and Mrs. Howell.

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CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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many of them as possible. Usually about three-fourths of them get away. We do something especially significant for the other fourth of the family. This year due to travel restrictions and to unsettled conditions, we are stating to our children that they should hold their anticipation in abeyance until we find out what is best. This paragraph is written for the benefit of those friends who will be interested in the coming of our youngsters. Some statement will be made about the first of July as to what would seem best to do in the light of everything.

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Dear Lalah, we shall miss you,
In the church and in the home;
But we know that you are resting,
Never more on earth to roam.

And we hope again to meet you
When our journey here is o'er,
And with loved ones there to greet you
On that bright and shining shore.

Mrs. B. E. Payne.

FREEMAN — Sarah Elizabeth McHargue Freeman was born February 20, 1859. In early girlhood she professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist church and lived a consistent Christian life until God called her home June 5, 1942.

On February 11, 1879, she united in marriage with Andrew Jackson Freeman and to this union were born 13 children. Seven of these children and her husband preceded their mother in death. The following children remain to carry on: Mrs. T. M. Bailey, Almond; J. E. Freeman, Whittier; Rev. H. C. Freeman, Hickory; E. W. Freeman, Gainesville, Ga.; Mrs. Steve Bradburn, Whittier; and W. P. Freeman, Hickory.

Grandma had 49 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was a faithful companion and a devoted mother to her family.

A TRIBUTE

Henry Clay Nance was born March 3, 1860, and died May 8, 1942, aged 82 years, 2 months and 5 days. He was the son of the late Allen and Sarah Nance. On May 24, 1888, he married Velna M. Vuncannon, who preceded him to the Father's house 18 months ago.

In his passing eight children, three daughters and five sons survive him. They are: Mrs. Arthur Cranford, Mrs. Reid Kearns, Mrs. A. D. Shelton (another daughter, Mrs. Lillie Wood, died in early womanhood; Lewis, Clay, Byron, Raymond and Vernon; and 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

It was in early life that Mr. and Mrs. Nance pledged their love and loyalty to God and united with his people in church life. They were always interested, loyal and devoted to their church, continuous and constant in their Christian devotions. After Mr. Nance was unable to attend church he always tried to hear a sermon over the radio on the Lord's Day.

Their genial home was always open to the ministers, and no stranger ever left their home without feeling that he gained a friend, and felt that a hearty welcome awaited him to visit again.

Mr. Nance always maintained a keen interest in the social and civic life of his country and community. He tried to so live that the world might be a better, a safer and a happier place for his friends, his children and grandchildren to live in. To so live was his sincere desire; and to this ideal he gave much in his daily life by gentleness, kindness and Christian love.

Truly it may be said of him as of other faithful souls: "They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

And shall we also say, with the poet: "Servant of God, well done, rest from thy loved employ; the battle's fought, the victory won; enter the Master's joy."

J. O. Ervin.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Bible class of Central Methodist church of Asheboro feel very keenly the loss of one of our oldest and much loved members, Mrs. Louella Hammer Lovett, who on May 16, 1942, just at the dawn of a new day quietly slipped away to her eternal home.

The class will ever cherish the memory of her beautiful Christian life, her devotion to the church and her family. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we, the members of the class, bow in humble submission to his will.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the members of her family, and may the God she served ever comfort their hearts.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be written in the minutes of our class, a copy sent to the local paper and to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. C. F. Smith,
Mrs. J. T. Pugh.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

With deepest grief we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Rebersonville Methodist church, suffered the loss of our loving friend and co-worker, Mrs. Ben C. James, on Thursday, March 12, 1942.

We wish to pay trbuite to her name, and therefore offer the following resolutions:

First, That we bow in humble submission to the will of God and commend her loved ones to his care.

Second, That we thank God for the life of such a loving mother and faithful worker in the church.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, one to the Weekly Herald, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of the society.

Woman's Society
of Christian Service.

IN REMEMBRANCE

In sad and loving remembrance of my dear husband, D. L. Martin, who departed this life October 2, 1941. Eight months have passed. My heart is sad. As time goes on I miss you more and more. Your memory is as fresh today as in the hour you passed away. The stream of life rolls on, but still the vacant chair of one who sat there recalls the love, the voice and the smile of him who is gone.

The flowers we lay upon his grave may
wither and decay,
But the love I have for him will never
fade away.
Dear husband, you have left me in
this world to weep and mourn,
But some day we will meet to part no
more.
By your bedside I sat and watched you
pass from life to yonder blissful
shore;
Now I'll wait and trust in Jesus till
we meet to part no more.

Mrs. D. L. Martin.

A TRIBUTE

The passing of Walter S. Dail on May 7, 1942, at the age of 59 brought the deepest sorrow to the entire Greenville section, and we, the members of the board of trustees of Jarvis Memorial church, wish to pay tribute to him who served so many years and so faithfully as a member of this board, having recently completed four years as its chairman.

A native of Greene county, he came to Greenville in 1913, where his friendly personality earned him the good will and friendship of everyone. A man of sound judgment, of courage and positive convictions, he was yet kind and gentle in every act and to every person. Possessing great native ability, he did not seek fame or position or praise, but by performing every task, large or small, diligently and well, and by being a servant of us all, he became a leader. Interested in every activity of the church, he attended all the services, speaking to little children, welcoming the stranger, taking part in discussions and aready always to give generously of his time and his means.

It is impossible to measure the value life of a good man who gives all and asks nothing for himself, but such a man was Walter Dail. He was not only a leader, but he was an inspiration to all who met him and the influence of his good life and kindly acts will live on when we ourselves have passed away.

"Seest thou a man diligent in business? He shall stand before kings." Mr. Dail was diligent in the business of his Master, and when he shall stand before the King of kings, it will be as a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

We ask that this tribute be recorded in the official records of this board and that copies be sent to the family with our love and deepest sympathy, and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the local papers for publication.

M. B. Massey,
K. B. Pace,
Robert R. Taylor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father has taken into closer companionship our beloved brother and co-worker, William L. Upright, who fell asleep at his home on March 9, 1942, we, as members of Triplet Methodist church, do resolve:

First, That he was one among us honored and beloved, always loyal, trustworthy and true; that his going has bowed our hearts in sorrow while we remember his gentleness and Christ-like manner, his courage in affliction and disappointment, and his trust in him, who was his strength and shield, his light and his salvation.

Second, That his influence in his home, his church, and to his friends will rest like a benediction on us, inspiring us to give, as he did, the best of ourselves for those who need our uplift, and faithfully try to emulate his virtues of self-renunciation and love for others.

Third, To his wife who so lovingly and faithfully ministered to him and fought with him in his losing battle for life, to his children, and to all members of his family we extend our deepest sympathy.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our church, that a copy be sent to members of the bereaved family, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

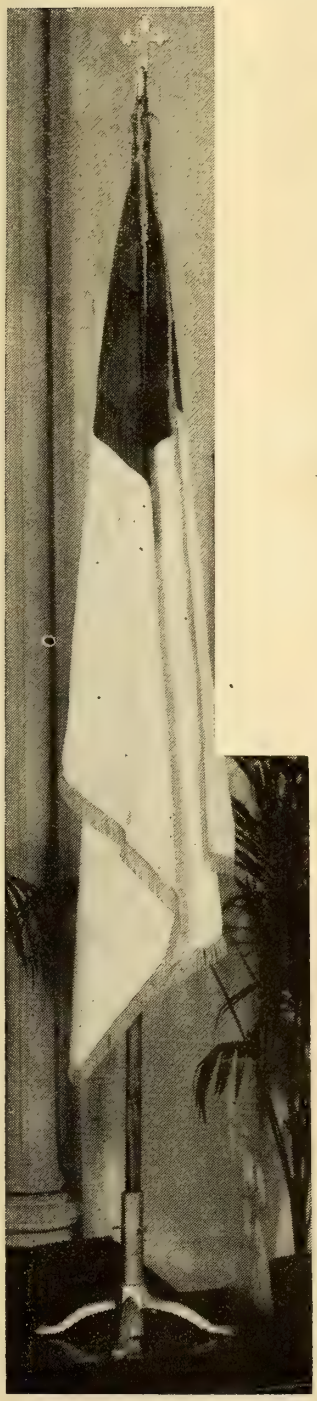
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General Douglas MacArthur Outstanding Father of 1942







Chosen by the committee as "outstanding father of 1942" MacArthur replied:

"Nothing has touched me more deeply than the act of the National Father's Day Committee. By profession I am a soldier and take pride in that fact, but I am prouder, infinitely prouder to be a father. A soldier destroys in order to build. The father only builds, never destroys. The one has the potentialities of death, the other embodies creation and life. And while the hordes of death are mighty, the battles of life are mightier still. My hope is that my son, when I am gone, will remember me not from the battle but in the home repeating with him our simple daily prayer, 'Our Father who art in Heaven'.

"Signed
"DOUGLAS MacARTHUR."

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

July 5-11 (Fourth Week)

July 5 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).

11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "The Rapture of the Forward View," The Rev. R. Dwight Ware.

8:00 p.m.—Sermon "Methodist Missions in the War Area," Dr. Elmer T. Clark.

July 6 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Address, "Matching This Hour With the Master," The Rev. R. Dwight Ware.

8:00 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.

July 7 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "What I Saw in South America," Dr. Elmer T. Clark.

8:00 p.m.—Address, "The New Crusade: The Road to Victory," Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr.

July 8 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Address, "The New Crusade: Paths to Permanent Peace," Dr. J. J. Stevenson, Jr.

8:30 p.m.—Illustrated Lecture, "With a Naturalist in the Great Smoky Mountains." Mr. Arthur Stupka.

July 9 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Illustrated Lecture (in lecture room, back of platform), "Further Studies in the Great Smokies," Mr. Arthur Stupka.

8:00 p.m.—Address, "The Religious Implications of the War in the Far East," L. Nelson Bell, M.D.

July 10 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Concert: Chinese Music, Professor Bliss Wiant.

8:00 p.m.—Dramatic Interpretations, Plonk School of Creative Arts.

July 11 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Program by Ivey Playground Children, directed by Miss Louise Blue.

8:00 p.m.—Concert by our Negroes.

CIVILIAN PILOT TRAINING AT BREVARD COLLEGE

According to announcement just made, the Civilian Pilot Training program at Brevard College has been revised in line with recommendations of the War and Navy departments so that beginning July 1 thirty pilots will start a course of expanded and intensive preparation. The arrangements entered into by the college cover one year. In this period the new training program will include six courses to be given in sequence, each course to last eight weeks. The Navy will furnish a large number of enlisted reservists to be given flight training, after which the majority will be assigned to naval air stations for further training. In like manner, the college program will be untilized by the Army to train large numbers of flying specialists, such as instructors, glider pilots, co-pilots, liason and service pilots. Men between the ages of 18 and 37 who pass satisfactory mental and physical tests will be accepted for this specialized training.

All courses under this program will be conducted on a full-time basis, with subsistence and health and accident insurance provided. The trainees will be housed in dormitories of the college and will be given ground instruction under the direction of Mr. G. W. Campbell, a member of the faculty under whom the Civilian Pilot Training program has been operated for the past two years. Flight instruction will be given concurrently by Meyer Flying Service at Hendersonville. Brevard College welcomes the opportunity to participate in the general program of training men in the service of their country.

THE AMERICAN EAGLE FLIES AFAR

Consider how far American air power has spread its wings: From Sevastopol to Sydney, from Rumania to Rangoon, from the Aleutians to Assam, from Midway to the Mediterranean, from the Coral Sea to Chunking, from Texas to Tokyo—either in explosive attack or in crouched readiness, all these places have felt the influence of American power in recent days.

Still spread too thinly, still in the stage of equipment and organization, still too weak to support a great offensive, the Eagle has at least shown how far its wings will stretch. No place on the globe is beyond their reach. The geopoliticians in Berlin are already behind the times. Their ambitious concepts which lumped Europe, Africa and Asia as one continent to be dominated by German land power begin to look as small as pre-Pearl Harbor dreams of American isolation.

Long-range bombers and aircraft carriers are already making lakes of the oceans. At the pace aviation is developing these lakes will soon be puddles. And national borders will be walls only for earth-bound, creeping things. This will be as true for peaceful commerce as for engines of war.

The war will be won by those whose thought is open enough to regard the world as a strategic whole and use air power to control every front. The peace will be won if the patterns of human thinking can be enlarged to use air power for weaving the social and economic fabric of world unity and policing it justly.—Christian Science Monitor.

CHANGES IN APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED BY BISHOP CLARE PURCELL

The following list of appointments is announced effective July 1:

Marion district—Pleasant Grove, Garland Stafford; Drexel circuit, M. W. Edwards (effective August 1); Mill Springs, to be supplied; Avery circuit, Joe T. Melton, supply; chaplain U .S. Army, C. H. Peace.

Salisbury district—Kerr Street, J. W. Fowler; chaplain U. S. Army, R. B. Shumaker.

Greensboro district—Ruffin, Walter Thompson; Mayodan, to be supplied.

Charlotte district: Brevard Street, P. T. Dixon.

Gastonia district—West Shelby, H. E. Murphy, supply.

Waynesville district—Bethel, E. M. Hoyle, Jr.; Pigeon Valley, to be supplied; chaplain U. S. Army, J. W. Blitch.

WANT WAR TIME PROHIBITION

Remembering its good results in the World War, and desiring to keep temptation away from young men in training in this war, five Protestant churches, having 16,000,000 members, have in recent session condemned the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.

Have 16,000,000 church members as much influence as the eight organizations which get rich making the stuff which steals away the brain and fighting strength of men?

That question is a serious one. They did have influence in the period of 1915-20. What about today? Then they were militant and made demands "or else." Since then, have they not been content to request and make mild petition instead of offering petitions in boots?—Editorial in News and Observer.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

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Has 16,000,000 church members as much influence as the eight organizations getting rich in the liquor trade? is the pointed question put by Editor Daniels of the News and Observer.

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Let every preacher who may chance to see this issue of the Advocate read with care the story that appears on page 10, then stand yourself up beside John William Fletcher and see how big you are, or perchance how miserably little and selfish you have been.

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We are saying much of freedom these days in which are so many who do not know what we are fighting this war for. Is not our greatest need men and women with the flame of freedom in their souls and the light of knowledge in their eyes as they return from the fel lowship divine that comes from above?

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The great F. W. Robertson of Brighton said that no man will acknowledge that he is vain, but almost any man will acknowledge that he is proud. "But tried in the balance of the sanctuary," said Robertson, "there is little to choose from." Better than either of these is a meek and quiet spirit that was so beautifully exemplified in the lowly Jesus of Nazareth.

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The privilege of the children of God is to know that they are indeed his children. They are not to be in doubt as to whether they really belong to God's family, or are admitted to his household only on sufferance. They may be quite sure of their rightful place in that household, the place of a loved and loving child. They can hear in their own hearts the voice of the Father, answering to their instinctive cry, awakening an ever deeper love and devotion within them, making them more and more sure that they are the children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.

This question then is ours—are we doing our part in the growth of the race? In the current of life are we moving forward? Do our years mark milestones in humanity's struggle towards perfection? . . . Can we transmit to our children a better heritage of brain and soul than our fathers left to us? Has the race through us gained some little in the direction of the law of love? If we have done our part in this struggle our lives have not been in vain. —David Starr Jordan.

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The Christian workers' assemblies such as Robert Bradshaw leads at Louisburg College, and the Christian adventure camps promoted by Carl H. King are of untold value for the boys and girls, for the many young people of North Carolina, who are able to attend. We are fully persuaded that the Methodist people of the state do not begin to appreciate what this work will mean for coming generations. Ministers and laymen should gird themselves afresh in the efforts to minister to the youth of our church and start in all the churches of town and country place. Here are the rare possibilities of our church.

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A report in The Christian Century of the work of the recent General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church that met in Knoxville, Tennessee, contained many items of interest. But nothing interested us more than the following: "We think we have a very scholarly ministry. One can scarcely lift a leaf in this part of the world without uncovering a doctor of divinity. Almost exactly half the men who died in our ministerial ranks last year were D.D.'s. That means that everybody thinks of himself as an expert in the mysteries of God with the result that each is inclined to look on everybody else as wrong if he does not agree. 'I've been to school and I know,' might be written over the study door of every Presbyterian pastor."

"The Problems of a Lasting Peace"

NEWSWEEK of the June 29 issue in a review of "The Problems of a Lasting Peace" by Herbert Hoover and Hugh Gibson, who worked with Hoover in administering relief after the last war, designates this book a sort of scholarly handbook that reviews the major war and peace efforts in Europe since 1774.

A study of these war and peace efforts reveal seven dynamic forces. These are (1) ideologies, (2) economic pressures, (3) nationalism, (4) militarism, (5) imperialism, (6) the complexes of fear, hate and revenge, and (7) the will to peace. The authors demonstate how these forces have worked in Europe from the time of the American and French revolutions through the period of the League of Nations and its decline; then they discuss plans of the next peace.

Our misfortune at the last peace table was that we did not realize that power politics, greed, revenge, nationalism, and jealousy were going to operate just as they always had. This time we shall sit at the conference table fully aware that no miracle is going to be passed. Yet we must somehow try to find a solution which will stick.

Hoover and Gibson adopt no hard and fast rules by which to attain this end, but they do offer certain principles which they consider important. First, "at least the principle of representative government must be accepted by the enemy states if we are to have a lasting peace." Secondly, the food blockade cutting off enemy peoples must be removed the instant firing ceases, not some months later. Thirdly, government trading in commodities, credit, and shipping must stop. Other considerations are, stabilized currencies; revision of tariffs; access to raw materials; freedom of the seas, etc.

On our treatment of the enemy, they have this to say: "No nation can be punished as a whole and at the same time leave any hope of lasting peace. This needless treadmill of punishment must be stopped in the world if there is to be real peace. Victory with vengeance is ultimate defeat in the modern world. We can have peace or we can have revenge, but we cannot have both."

As to reparations they insist that we might as well reconcile ourselves right now to the fact that we can never collect more than the smallest token payments. Defeated peoples will not be able to pay huge sums and they cannot be made to do so.

People who are interested in a lasting peace will here find food for thought.

Our Independence Day

FOR 166 years the Glorious Fourth has been dedicated to American Independence. In Philadelphia, 1776, the representatives of the colonies asserted that all men are created free and equal, with certain inalienable rights, and therefore they should enjoy certain liberties of which they were being deprived. So the Declaration of Independence was proclaimed, to which the signers pledged their lives and their fortunes, and their sacred honor. These were pioneers of liberty's cause, but they were not without other pioneers who went before.

North Carolina was the first to take action, this at Halifax on April 12. Other colonies soon followed North Carolina. But we are told over and over that in Charlotte certain patriots acted before the Provincial Congress at Halifax. In fact the spirit of liberty was abroad and resolutions of one sort and another were being passed here and there before the action taken at Philadelphia. In fact through all our history of settlement in this western world men crossed the wide ocean in efforts to get away from the ancient tyrannies.

The record at Roanoke Island, at Jamestown in Virginia and at Plymouth Rock tell the same story of a people longing to be free in this new land of opportunity. These migrants were in a most real sense pioneers laying broad and deep the foundations upon which a new order could come into existence. The outcome of it all was this Republic to which the world of democracy is looking now as never before. In fact English people are looking to us to help save the British Empire. Surely never before has the Glorious Fourth meant so much to the lovers of freedom as at this hour. Ancient China with her devout Christian leaders call for us to help them in this their present struggle to be free.

Wofford College

WOFFORD COLLEGE, located in Spartanburg, South Carolina, has enjoyed a long and splendid history. In all the finer and best things that are characteristic of liberal arts colleges Wofford has been easily one of the leaders in our nation. And a feature of this

glorious record has been the men who served as president. For years and years Dr. James H. Carlisle was without a peer in all this southland. When he on account of age turned the work over to another Dr. Henry N. Snyder became his successor. This was forty years ago. Now Dr. Snyder, a brilliant, gifted man with a record that has been seldom, if ever, equaled retires and Dr. Walter K. Greene, a South Carolinian and a Wofford product, will carry on. We quote in this connection from a recent editorial in the Charlotte Observer:

"Departure of Dr. Greene from the dual position of professor of English and dean of undergraduate instruction at Duke University will involve a very real loss for the university. His return to his native state also will leave a vancancy in the important office of conference lay leader of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, a position in which he has served with devoted talent since the death of Dr. William P. Few, long the distinguished president of Duke University, who also was conference lay leader. South Carolina Methodism will feel the immense impact of Walter Greene's unwavering Christian service. His contributions to the onward and upward sweep of Wofford in the educational world will be, it may be safely predicted, extraordinarily large and effective."

Why Abuse the Mugwumps?

THE mugwumps elected Grover Cleveland. The mugwumps elected Franklin D. Roosevelt. Was there anything bad about these elections?

The unabridged dictionaries say that a mugwump is an independent in politics, and the two presidents referred to above were both elected by those citizens who broke away from party lines. In fact the general public did not become acquainted with the term till 1884, when many Republicans broke away from the Blaine standard and supported Cleveland who was elected. These independents were invariably referred to as mugwumps and since that time the term has been measurably familiar to the American public.

The mugwumps, that is the independents in politics, have many times served a good purpose in our political history, as every well informed individual knows to be true. Furthermore, mugwump has added to the gaiety of the nation. How many political audiences through the years have been convulsed by speakers rehearsing the clever and well known definition that a mugwump is a man sitting on the fence with his mug on one side and his wump on the other. We repeat, why abuse the mugwump who for the last half a century has rendered fine service in the field of politics and in the sphere of entertainment?

The One Mediator

ALL of us have heard from our earliest recollection the gospel of the one Mediator between God and man—Jesus Christ the Righteous. The idea of course is a mediator between God and the individual. In this respect Jesus has come to reconcile the individual to God so as to do the will of God.

But just now the stress is on making the Christian church—the body of Christ—the one mediator between God and the nations of earth. This implies that the peoples of earth shall not simply be reconciled to God but they are to become reconciled to one another. This means they shall learn war no more. To secure this is the big job before the church in winning the new order of which we hear so much.

So the chief work before the church of God is to prevent wars by leading the peoples of earth to put aside reliance on force and substitute love and good will for the militant spirit. The old order of force which leads to the destruction of life and treasure must be put aside so that men may build the new order of which we hear so much. Germany prates of the new order for Europe, and Japan insists on their new order for Asia, but both these are based on force. The new order for which the church stands is the rule of Christ in the hearts of men until they dominate by love and good will. So the church is the only agency that can make the Christ prevail. In this way the church becomes the meditator between the nations as it enthrones the one meditator between God and man. Man reconciled to God and the nations reconciled to each other will lead the nations to put the stress on preventing wars rather than on making and winning wars. So a just and lasting peace is of first concern.

Ponder well these days the last stanza of Robert Burns' "For A' That":

"Then let us pray that come it may,
As come it will for a' that,
That sense and worth, o'er a' the earth,
May bar the gree, and a' that.
For a' that, and a' that,
It's coming yet, for a' that,
That man to man, the warld o'er,
Shall brothers be for a' that."

People and Things

The flags displayed on the front page this week are for sale by Methodist Publishing House, Nashville. For details see ad on last page of issue of this Advocate of May 21. Patronize our Publishing House.

At a Washington dinner a speaker told a story of a woman whose husband had been convicted eight times for wife-beating. When he died, she erected a beautiful tombstone to his memory with the following inscription: "Oh, for the touch of a vanished hand."

Mrs. Carrie Vanstory Farrington announces the engagement of her daughter, Elsie Caroline, to Harry Clay Ervin of Miami, Florida. Miss Farrington is the only daughter of the late Rev. J. A. J. Farrington and Mrs. Farrington. The wedding will take place in the Methodist church at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the latter part of July.

Kind words are the brightest flowers of earth's existence; they make a very paradise of the humblest home that the world can show. Use them, and especially around the fireside circle. They are jewels beyond price, and more precious to help the wounded heart, and make the weighted down spirit more glad, than all the other blessings the world can give.—Zion's Watchman.

Dr. Walter K. Greene, the new president of Wofford College, is a brother of Mrs. Annie Greene Stackhouse of Lake Junaluska, wife of Dr. R. E. Stackhouse of the Upper South Carolina conference, and a former editor of The Southern Christian Advocate, and of Mrs. Emma Greene Turnipseed, wife of Dr. B. Rhett Turnipseed, pastor of Buncombe Street church, Greenville. He is a cousin of Dr. R. T. Major, superintendent of the Columbia district.

There will be home coming day at Lea's Chapel Methodist church on July 12. This will also be the beginning of the revival season. Services at 11 o'clock; services in the afternoon; then each evening at 8:30 through the week. Rev. I. T. Pool will be with us on the above date and through the week. We extend to our many friends and well wishers an invitation to come and be with us. Remember, Lea's Chapel is the place; July 12 is the date.—F. B. Peele.

Our vacation church school at First Street, June 15-26, has been a very fine and successful one. We had a fine group of teachers and workers—all out of our own church. Ten teachers and helpers worked fine and faithfully in carrying through the largest school held here so far. We closed with a good picnic. Our enrollment of pupils was 101 with an average attendance of 71. Of the ten teachers and workers eight was average attendance. This gives a grand total of 111 enrolled, average attendance 79. We had two 45-minute class periods daily, a 30-minute worship period and a 30-minute play period. The theme of our school was "Our Church and Worship."—G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

Parkton circuit has been on the alert this year. The inside of the church in Parkton has been re-plastered and painted and floors sanded and varnished. In addition to that the whole circuit with a beautiful spirit of co-operation have repaired, re-screened and painted the parsonage inside and out. Marvin church was the first to raise and pay off all their allotment, but the others were close behind. Last Friday night the parsonage celebrated the silver anniversary of the present residents, which actually came on the 27th, and the people came from every walk of life and made us happy by thus honoring us with their presence. We are very grateful to God for the friendly and kindly co-operative spirit that exists on our charge.—A. E. Brown.

Paper money could once expect to retire before it had become utterly worn out. But not now in wartime. Wrinkled and limp and faded, it must carry on. The bulk of paper currency in circulation consists of Federal Reserve notes and Treasury silver certificates amounting to the grand total of $10,450,000,000, incredible though it seems when you think how hard it is to get any considerable wad of it.—New York Times.

A poor but pious son of toil attempted to get into one of those exclusive churches where the social and religious snobs gather for ceremonials that they call religion. According to the story he was refused admission with an excuse that the seats were all taken. The poor man went home and prayed to God about it and this was the answer he got: "Don't worry," God said, "I have tried for years to get in there myself."

Coffee has always been a worry to Germany. In the 7th century a license was necessary in that country to roast coffee. More recently it has been carefully guarded and since war was inaugurated, it has been rationed. Dealers have refused to sell more than one-eighth of a pound to each customer. Now the price is prohibitive, coffee in Germany selling at $1.25 per pound. This, however, is not so bad as in Russia where the price is $16 per pound. Even we are liable to go through trials somewhat similar. Much of our coffee comes from Brazil and that country is now in the mix-up.—Selected.

West New York, N. J.—Four Roman Catholic priests and a rabbi have formed a religious committee for Russian War Relief in connection with the local and national obvervance of June 22 as Aid-to-Russia Day. Members of the religious committee, working with a general committee headed by Mayor Joseph Stilz, are the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Leonard Borgetti of Our Lady of Libera Church; Rev. Anthony Caliandro, pastor of the Church of the Redeemer; Rabbi Hyman Cohen of Talmud Torah; Rt. Rev. Msgr, William A. Keyes of St. Joseph's of the Palisades; and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Peter Lill of St. Mary's church.

Brethren, your attention a moment! Pardon me, brethren, I did not intend to stop you too suddenly. Just want to say, don't fail to read Remember Pearl Harbor, by Blake Clark. Its a better thing than I feared it would be—worth reading. And two more, A Christian Imperative, by Barnes; also Religion and the World of Tomorrow, by Van Kirk. I know that "of the making of books there is no end," but I feel that we ministers, and laymen too, should not miss these and many others that are at our finger tips. Yours always for more good literature, more Christian religion, less war, and more peace!—J. O. Ervin.

Rev. E. H. Nease, pastor of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church in Charlotte, has accepted the invitation as guest preacher at the Pleasant Grove camp meeting this year. Services will begin the sceond Sunday in August at 11 a. m. Rev. G. T. Bond, superintendent of the Charlotte district, has been invited to deliver the opening address at this hour. The sub-district organization of Youth Fellowship led by Mrs. J. P. Clontz of Indian Trail will plan and conduct the afternoon program. Brother Nease will conduct the evening service. Brother Nease has intimated that The Church is to be the general topic for the series of morning services. A more definite outline of the program for the camp meeting will be given later.—Fred H. Shinn.

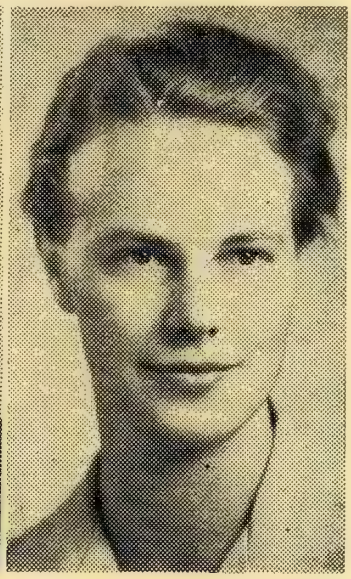
Anyone interested in church pews would do well to turn to ad on page 23.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE APPOINTS TWO NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Recently appointed members of the Greensboro College faculty are Mrs. Oliver Perry, as associate professor of speech and dramatic art and acting head of that department, and Dr. Mary E. Humphrey, assistant professor of biology, according to an announcement by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.



Mrs. Oliver Perry



Dr. Mary E. Humphrey

Mrs. Perry, a native of Missouri, received the B.S. degree in education from Northeastern Missouri State Teachers' College, Kirkville; the Master's degree from Louisiana State University; and has done considerable work for the Ph.D. degree. She has teaching experience of eleven years, four of which were at Louisiana State University, and is a member of the National League of Pen Women, Southern Louisiana State Speech Teachers' Association, and Louisiana Teachers' Association. Mrs. Perry is the author of three published plays, "Saturday Market," "One Fine Day," and "Devil's Lane.' She will fill the vacancy caused by the death last fall of Miss Elba Henniger, for twenty years a member of the Greensboro College faculty.

Also joining the faculty at the beginning of the fall semester will be Dr. Mary E. Humphreys, a graduate cum laude with the AB. degree of Maryland College, Westminster, Md. She received the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Duke University. Dr. Humphreys, a native of Berlin, Md., experienced instructor in Maryland high schools, Duke University, and East Carolina Teachers' College, is a member of Phi Sigma biological society. She will succeed Walter V. Brown, who substituted during the last semester of the scholastic year for Dr. Coleen Fowler, who was given leave of absence on account of illness.

BUCK-HARRINGTON MARRIAGE AT SIMPSON

The marriage of Miss Ruth Evangeline Buck, daughter of Mrs. Lee Roy Buck and the late Mr. Buck, and Vance Spears Harrington, son of Mrs. R. D. Harrington and the late Mr. Harrington, took place on Wednesday, June 24. at ten o'clock in the Methodist church at Simpson.

Only members of the immediate families and their friends witnessed the ceremony, performed by the pastor, Rev. R. L. Vickery, in a setting of palms, fern, native greens and white gladioli. Cathedral candles in tall candelabra complete the altar background. The impressive ring ritual was used.

Music rendered by Miss Elizabeth Edwards at the piano included, before the ceremony ,two numbers, The Rosary, by Nevin, and I Love You Truly, by Carrie Jacobs Bond. The traditional wedding marches from A Midsummer Night's Dream, by Mendelssohn, and from Lohengrin, by Wagner, for the processional and recessional, were used. During the ceremony Liebestraum by Liszt was softly played. The candles were lighted by Billy Tucker and Hubert Thomas.

The bride and groom entered the church together and were unattended. The bride was gowned in a Carlye suit of tan gaberdine and accessories to match of turf-tan. Her corsage was of roses and orchids. Mrs. Buck and Mrs. Harrington, mothers of the bride and groom, wore dresses of navy blue chiffon with white accessories and corsages of gardenias.

Immediately following the ceremony the young couple left for a wedding trip through the western part of the state and the Shenandoah Valley.

Guests at the wedding were Mrs. R. H. Worthington of Ayden; Mrs. Leroy Hardee of Jacksonville; Mr. and Mrs. J. Hicks Corey, Mrs, Arden Tucker, Mrs. L. B. McCormick, Mrs. S. M. Woolfolk, Mrs. J. C. Galloway, Mrs. George Clark, Jr., Mrs. Bill Williams, Misses Ann McCormick, Carolyn Rowlett, Christine Hellen, Janie Eakes, Mae Meadows, Clara Crumpler, Hazel Williford, Martha Bland and Edith Guthrie, Billy Harrington, Tom Rowlett, all of Greenville; Mrs. Louis Elks of Washington, N. C.

FOUNDATION STONE FOR TOMORROW'S WORLD

One of the most hopeful signs of our times is the refusal of many of our Christian leaders to bow to the demands of public opinion by becoming advocates of the cause of hatred and destruction. It is not surprising that the majority of ministers and Christian laymen are sympathetic and co-operative with the present war effort. Christians are still human and it is almost impossible to live in a society like ours without living one's opinions greatly colored if not largely determined by that society. My surprise and encouragement come from the unexpected number of ministers and laymen who have been able in our times to keep the channels to God open through the dense maze and confusion of the hour, who are able through all the clash and clamor of war and hate to continue to hear the still, small, but authoritative, voice that speaks within the soul that gospel message of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.—Ryburn T. Stancil, in Biblical Recorder.

CHAPLAIN JOHN CARPER IN IRELAND

Well, here I am in northern Ireland. I have made many friends among the Methodists here. They are happy to find one of their fellows from America in their midst. All are very gracious and helpful to me in this great work among the soldiers. Dr. Garber's church history course comes in very handily now. Philip Embury is very much alive in the lives of these people. They love American Methodism. May they ever have a right to be! I miss the Advocate greatly. Please send it to me by the address which appears on the envelope, and send me the bill and I'll pay same. I simply must keep in touch with my friends of the Western North Carolina conference.

John H. Carper.

A NEW WEEK-DAY RELIGIOUS BULLETIN

Bible Instruction in the Durham High School is the title of a 12-page bulletin just off the press, according to an announcement from the Durham Council of Churches, Durham. This bulletin contains general information about the elective Bible course now being offered in the Durham high school, statements by the students having completed the course, a report of the past year's work by the principal of Durham high school, the president of the Durham Council of Churches, a number of parents and many others.

Statistics covering the number of students in the Bible classes, as well as the many denominations represented, are also included.

Copies of this bulletin may be secured from Mr. Galen Elliott, 2501 B. Street, Durham, N .C. While it is free, a thre-cent stamp to cover the cost of mailing will be appreciated.

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS AS OF MAY 31, 1942

DISTRICT	Pastor's Salary		Dist. Supt.		Epis. Fund		Conf. Claim.		Gen. Admin.		World Service	
	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid
Durham	82673	40386	5787	2321	1860	793	4133	1488	552	206	178884	7249
Elizabeth City	50386	22500	3531	1442	1144	473	2524	1078	344	139	9736	4970
Fayetteville	71789	33951	5014	1979	1607	695	3582	1225	479	172	12699	5335
New Bern	59971	27584	4134	1425	1326	338	2956	660	396	123	10815	4083
Raleigh	69567	31157	5031	1794	1627	424	3597	851	484	197	12617	5426
Rocky Mount	68780	31301	4783	1826	1543	603	3430	1198	462	164	12696	5366
Wilmington	56433	26480	3875	1649	1251	512	2767	1074	374	136	11883	4599
Totals	459599	213359	32155	12436	10358	3838	22989	7574	3091	1135	88330	37028
Totals 5-31-41	430653	185618	34387	11915	9670	3115	17207	5228	2928	642	85427	31019
Increase	28946	27741		521	688	723	5782	2346	163	493	2903	6009

DISTRICT	Sustentation Fund	Orphanage	Golden Cross	Ret'mt Fund		Advocate Subs.	Members R'cd	
				Pastor	Chg.		Prof. Faith	Cert.
Durham	756	6239	354	174	253	243	245	330
Elizabeth City	256	3814	102	84	159	154	85	142
Fayetteville	536	4736	407	126	188	192	226	267
New Bern	556	4097	187	37	163	134	167	184
Raleigh	310	4351	355	78	157	219	314	333
Rocky Mount	615	5724	199	115	158	177	293	238
Wilmington	688	4536	347	85	128	184	226	273
Total	3717	33497	1951	699	1206	1303	1556	1767

MISS ELLEN SINGLETON MARRIES WILLIAM LIGON, JR., IN DUKE CHAPEL

Miss Ellen Lawrence Singleton of Moyock and New York City became the bride of William Daniel Ligon, Jr., of New York City and Nelson county, Virginia, in a simple but beautiful ceremony at Duke University Chapel Saturday afternoon, June 20, at 5 o'clock.

The bride's father, Rev. Louis Thompson Singleton, officiated at the ceremony. Maid of honor was Miss Mary Clyde Singleton of Durham, sister of the bride. Mrs. M. S. Rose of Durham, another sister of the bride, was matron of honor.

Attending Mr. Ligon as best man was P. Garland Ligon of Brinklow, Md. Ushers were John S. Bradway of the Duke University faculty and M. S. Rose of Durham. Other attendants included little Miss Emily Rose, niece of the bride, who served as flower girl.

Organist for the wedding was Edward Broadhead. Soloist was Walter Vassar, professor of voice at Greensboro College, who sang "O Perfect Love."

Following the ceremony the bride's sister, Mrs: M. S. Rose, received the wedding party at her home, 1214 Carolina avenue. The newly married couple left for a wedding trip to various points in Canada and on their return will make their home at 17 East 70th Street, New York City.

Mrs. Ligon, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Louis Thompson Singleton, is a graduate of Greensboro College, Greensboro. Last year she received the New York Southern Society scholarship for further study in piano.

Mr. Ligon, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William D. Ligon, is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and is a mechanical and electrical engineer for the Third District of the United States Navy. He is a member of the Engineers' Club in Baltimore, Md., and is founder of the Ligon Family and Connections Associations of the United States and England.

DEDICATION OF OAK GROVE CHURCH, JULY 5

The Oak Grove Methodist church, Person circuit, located near Chub Lake, has recently completed an addition to their church building. This new section, on the east side of the present building, will be used primarily for Sunday school work and social activities of the church. There are three large rooms and a kitchen in the new addition. The materials and labor for the project were furnished largely by the church members.

The building will be dedicated on Sunday, July 5, at 11 .a m. by Rev. R. W. Bradshaw. This will also be home coming day with lunch served at the church and with a preaching service in the afternoon. It will mark the beginning of the revival meeting at Oak Grove with services to be held throughout the week.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public in general and to all former pastors and members to attend these services.

Ruth Brooks.

"LOVE THYSELF LAST"

Love thyself last. Look near, behold thy duty
To those who walk beside thee down life's road;
Make glad their days by little acts of beauty,
And help them bear the burden of earth's load.

Love thyself last. Look for and find the stranger,
Who staggers, 'neath his sin and his despair;
God lend a hand, and lead him out of danger,
To heights where he may see the world is fair.

Love thyself last. The vastness above thee
Are filled with spirit forces, strong and pure.
And fervently, these faithful friends shall love thee:
Keep thou thy watch o'er others, and endure.

Love thyself last; and oh, such joy shall thrill thee,
As never yet to selfish soul was given.
Whate'er thy lot, a perfect peace will fill thee,
And earth shall seem the ante-room of heaven.

Love thyself last, and thou shalt grow in spirit
To see, to hear, to know, to understand.
The message of the stars, lo, thou shall hear it.
And all God's joys shall be at thy command.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

SUPERINTENDENT BOGER OF STONEWALL JACKSON TRAINING SCHOOL RESIGNS

Mr. Charles E. Boger was named superintendent of the Stonewall Jackson Training School by a unanimous vote of the board of trustees, December 1, 1913. He followed in the wake of the first superintendent, Mr. Walter Thompson, taking over the work with the vigor and interest of sturdy manhood, and, during the nearly 29 years of his tenure of office, thousands of boys have passed out into the world with delightful memories of all the institution did for them under Mr. Boger's administration.

With but three cottage homes in operation, and 56 boys enrolled, the institution had hardly passed the experimental stage when he was made superintendent, but no sooner than the many counties realized the value of a home for the underprivileged boy, the response to the appeal was like magic. Without going into details as to the manner of the appeal, it is sufficient to say that several counties fell in line, and, aided by state funds, made it possible to provide 17 cottage homes, adequate for the care of nearly 500 boys. This tells the story briefly of the interest emphasized, and the marvelous growth of the school, under the supervision of Superintendent Boger.

The entire plant, including cottages, Cannon Memorial building, Receiving cottage, Swink-Benson Trades building, Cone swimming pool, gymnasium, infirmary, school building, cannery, dairy barns, and other buildings, along with nearly 1000 acres of fine farm land, has an estimated value of more than a million dollars. In connection with this material development, it is fitting to visualize the thousands of young boys who have passed over the threshold of the Stonewall Jackson Training School, out into the world with a brighter hope. The work involved required the fortitude of courageous manhood to meet fairly the demands of every emergency, and it was indeed most fortunate for the institution that the man placed at its head possessed these sterling qualities.

Superintendent Boger stood the test for many years, and it is with deepest regret we announce that ill health compelled him to resign, foregoing the performance of the duties he so dearly loved. The adjustment in such instances is difficult for a superior officer as well as his co-workers, but the cause, the salvaging of human souls, is a challenge to one who understands boys' problems, and is able to meet fairly and squarely their demands. There are moments of intense silence that speak more feelingly than words can express when the hour comes for the breaking of old contacts. The entire personnel of the school, both the boys and the staff of workers, unite in the hope that the retiring superintendent may regain his health and enjoy life after so many years of service in a work that is accepted as a companion-piece to that of the church.—The Uplift.

MAKE THE REVIVAL COUNT FOR THE YEARS

We are now in the midst of the season for the country revival. Fortunately, we are making the summer revival more than an assembly for song and prayer and preaching. These are among the essentials in adult evangelism but not all. We are giving the children and young people in one way and another a larger place in these annual gatherings. They are enlisted as never before.

The efforts are to do work along various lines and for more permanent results than in the older days. These personal efforts are of value for both young and old. But in all these due care should be given to the uses of the printing press. Special efforts this summer should be made to circulate the North Carolina Christian Advocate. In many churches the quota of new subscribers for the year could be secured. Nothing would render a more permanent service in many homes than to put the church paper there. Why not do so and make a great showing for all the interests of the church which should receive a new impulse from the revival that will continue into the future years.

WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS AS OF MAY 31, 1942

DISTRICT	Pastor's Salary		Dist. Supt.		Epis. Fund		Conf. Claim.		Gen. Admin.		World Service	
	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid	Accpt.	Paid
Asheville	51375	22325	4102	1645	1153	546	4491	1803	322	56	12964	4326
Charlotte	75085	41747	6007	2672	1689	772	6570	2918	484	213	25100	15139
Elkin	36985	18408	2957	1169	832	317	3232	1233	236	25	5954	2684
Gastonia	72885	38500	5831	2860	1638	770	6366	3037	464	123	20849	10138
Greensboro	77052	40686	6118	2717	1716	793	6684	2797	460	80	18444	10542
High Point	55495	30353	4439	2228	1255	659	4850	2458	359	254	14851	10094
Marion	49995	27134	3995	2033	1114	590	4356	2231	275	96	8195	4212
Salisbury	73210	40455	5857	3019	1647	1005	6406	3087	449	195	22553	11753
Statesville	63875	34964	5110	2483	1436	685	5589	2677	435	205	13458	6418
Waynesville	36890	19269	2950	1191	854	959	3239	1173	217	69	6085	2852
Winston-Salem	77467	42403	6049	3085	1743	948	6718	3343	528	296	24462	13076
Totals	670314	356244	53415	25102	15077	8044	58501	26757	4229	1612	172915	91234
Totals 5-31-41	640085	322202	57591	25805	14309	6678	54594	23698	4016	887	153874	68850
Increase	30229	34042			768	1366	3907	3059	213	725	19041	22384

DISTRICT	Children's Home	Golden Cross	Advocate Subs.	Members Rec'd	
				Prof. Faith	Cert.
Asheville	2195	90	230	134	169
Charlotte	7413	659	200	391	648
Elkin	2395	757	60	100	87
Gastonia	6184	202	147	224	298
Greensboro	5323	270	137	219	349
High Point	5240	676	252	272	243
Marion	3256	141	125	156	168
Salisbury	6152	271	156	284	372
Statesville	5634	536	150	209	296
Waynesville	2399	71	154	137	204
Winston-Salem	7180	665	194	457	502
Total	53371	4338	1805	2583	3336

A Great Minister in a Small Parish—John William Fletcher

By DR. J. M. ORMOND

"The parish is small, the duty light, and the income good—four hundred pounds per annum, and it is situated in a fine, healthy, sporting country," is how the living of Dunham was offered to a thirty-one-year-old candidate for the ministry who had a burning desire to preach.

"Alas," said the heroic Methodist preacher, "Alas, sir, Dunham will not suit me. There is too much money and too little labor."

It is no wonder that his patron showed great surprise as he remarked: "Few clergymen make such objections. Is it not a pity to decline such a living, especially as I know not where I can find you another? Would you like Madeley?"

With a contempt for personal ease and unnecessary income, a zest for hard work, and a zeal to wage war against ignorance and wickedness the young man replied: "That, sir, would be the very place for me."

This how John William Fletcher—or Jean Guillaume de la Fletchers, as he was known in his native land Switzerland—came to be the preacher on the Madeley circuit in England in 1760. "The duty light and the income good," did not appear to be the way for a strong-hearted prophet of the young Methodist movement to begin his ministry. He was not lured by such tempting bait as may have caught hosts of less heroic ministerial candidates. The considerable difference between the four hundred pounds of Dunham and the twenty-five pounds of Madeley played no part in his choice of a field in which to invest his life. His preference for Madeley reflects his passion for the redemption of the lost even at the sacrifice of himself and furnishes us a key that unlocks the secret of this great man's greatness. It was not a soft bed, financial security, nor personal honor which motivated this burning torch of evangelistic fervor. He yearned for an opportunity to set out his new faith among a people who were in greatest need of it. He would have found no pleasure in leading the favored few or the satisfied saints in formal prayers and empty ritual. He had the moral equivalent of an heroic soldier and was glad to risk his life for the salvation of depraved people. He thoroughly ignored the all-too-prevalent opinion in modern days that a famous church is essential to a successful ministry; that a country circuit is an open door to ministerial oblivion; that a minister's fame is measured by the size of his salary; that a rural minister, no matter how faithful he is, cannot rise to a position of honor or office among his fellow ministers.

If the available records are reliable conditions in rural England in the eighteenth century were appalling. In "Some Famous Country Parishes" Dr. Ezra S. Tipple writes of Fletcher and of Madeley: "No modern pastor has been confronted by a more difficult task, or has found more problems clamoring for solution. Most of the people were 'stupid heathen,' many of them wantonly immoral, even. He made constant war on the saloon and other foes of goodness. Yet he was the gentlest of men, and from the very start of his ministry he sought to be a good shepherd. His pastoral labors were incessant. Early and late, without regard to weather, now on horseback and now on foot, he went his daily rounds."

Joseph Benson, one of the biographers of Fletcher, says: "Madeley was remarkable for little else than the ignorance and profaneness of its inhabitants, among whom respect to man was as rarely to be observed as piety toward God. In this benighted place the Sabbath was openly profaned, and the most holy things contemptuously trampled under foot. . . . Exceptions there were to this prevailing characteristic, but they were comparatively few indeed."

Benson bears testimony to the heroic fidelity of Fletcher: "Immediately his settling in this populous village, which was in the year 1760, he entered upon the duties of his vocation with an extraordinary degree of earnestness and zeal—persuaded of the importance of his charge, and concerned for the welfare of his people, he set his face like a flint against all who might oppose the truth of God or grace of God. . . . He faithfully dispensed the word of life according as every man had need; instructing the ignorant, reasoning with the gainsayers, exhorting the immoral, and rebuking the obstinate. At one season he would open his mouth in blessings; and at another he would appear, like his Lord, amid the buyers and sellers, with a lash of righteous severity in his hand. But, in whatever way he exercised his ministry, it is evident that his labors were influenced by love, and tended immediately, either to an extirpation of sin, or the increase of holiness. Like a vigilant pastor, he daily acquainted himself with the wants and dispositions of his people, anxiously watching over their several households, and diligently teaching them from family to family. Esteeming no man too mean, too ignorant, or too profane to merit affectionate attention, he condescended to the lowest and most unworthy of his flock; cheerfully becoming the servant of all, that he might gain the more."

D. S. Schaff, in volume IV of The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge, says Fletcher "visited worldly entertainments, and with the fearlessness of John Knox preached to the astounding revelers upon the folly of forbidden pleasures. Great and blessed results followed such fidelity."

Among the many things McTyeire in A History of Methodism has to say of Fletcher and his work are these significant words: "He settled in the obscure parish which his name has rendered familiar to the Protestant world. It was a region of mines and manufactures, with debased population, and small congregations. For months he went about his parish on the Sabbath morning, with bell in hand, to awake such as excused their neglect of worship by alleging that they could not wake early enough to prepare their families for the service. . . . Speaking of a call he made on Fletcher, a visitor remarks, 'I went to see a man with one foot in the grave, but found him with one foot in heaven.' "

If there are today rural ministers who become discouraged because of the lack of response given by the rural people whom they serve, or if they are tempted to seek through various means more spectacular and lucrative pulpits they should acquaint themselves with the records of Fletcher's life as a rural pastor. In a letter to Charles Wesley in 1761 he writes: "As to the state of my parish, the prospect is yet discouraging. New scandals succeed those that wear away; but offences must come; happy shall I be, if the offence cometh not by me."

A more encouraging note is sounded in a letter written some two years later: "When I first came to Madeley I was mortified and discouraged by the smallness of my congregations; and I thought that if some of our friends at London had seen my little company, they would have triumphed in their own wisdom; but now, thank God, things are altered in that respect, and last Sunday I had the pleasure of seeing some in the church yard who could not get into the church." Some of us who have worked hard and long in difficult rural situations and have been rewarded with gratifying returns for the investment are in position to appreciate the sense of victory Fletcher enjoyed when he wrote that letter to his good friend Wesley.

The writer recalls with vivid satisfaction his sense of manly strength and superiority when as a lad of twelve years on a North Carolina farm he saw a tough pine stump fall open as it yielded to the patient and continuous strokes of his heavy axe. Such achievement appeared so much greater than the easy work of splitting kindling wood.

"Fletcher of Madeley" served his parish 25 years—1760 to 1785, though he did not confine his preaching to one church nor his labors to his own parish. As the people of Madeley responded to his pulpit and many parish activities, he saw possibilities of a larger parish. He established preaching places at Madeley Wood and Coalbrook Dale, two nearby villages where Methodist societies of some twenty persons were formed. Referring to the extension of his parish service Benson says: "To a little society which he gathered about six miles from Madeley, he preached two or three times a week, beginning at five in the morning. Nay, for many years he regularly preached at places eight, or ten, or sixteen miles off; returning the same night, though he seldom got home before one or two in the morning."

To the modern Methodists of average acquaintance with Methodist history Fletcher is known chiefly for his vigorous participation in the theological controversies of his time; for his defense of Arminianism as against Calvinism; and for his Checks to Antinomianism, the most widely known of his many writings. In referring often to the evangelistic and doctrinal zeal of early Methodist leaders we moderns have overlooked the pastoral function which many of the eighteenth century preachers performed. No better illustration of the importance which they attached to pastoral care can be found than the pastorate of Fletcher. Madeley is one of the most famous parishes in all Christendom not merely because of Fletcher's contribution to the theological literature of his day, but also because of the intelligent, comprehensive parish care which he so patiently gave to the rural people of his community.

The records of Methodist history contain many references to the usefulness and greatness of this noble rural minister. Southey writes of him: "No age or country has ever produced a man of more fervent piety or more perfect charity; no church has ever possessed a more apostolic minister."

Wesley's estimate of Fletcher, spoken in the sermon which he preached on the death of his friend, is: "Many exemplary men have I known, holy in heart and life, within fourscore years; but one equal to him I have not known one so inwardly and outwardly devoted to God. So unblamable in character in every respect I have not found either in England or America; and I scarce expect to find another such on this side of eternity."

Greatness, like happiness, is never achieved by a deliberate search for it. Greatness always evades those who assume that it can be attained by political cleverness or by covetous efforts for office or orders. Fletcher did not become famous because he chose Madeley at twenty-five pounds and refused Dunham at four hundred pounds per annum. It would be more correct to say that he was capable of making such choice because the elements of greatness were in him. Small men may seek big positions or comfortable incomes in the hope of attaining larger recognition by their fellows. Great men of the ministry are never dependent upon big churches, large salaries, or official rankage. The story of Fletcher's life and services contains an important lesson for Christian ministers of all time.

ONE AMONG THE GREATEST

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, American-educated wife of China's generalissimo, would be considered by any unprejudiced group one, if not the first, of the half dozen greatest women of the world. In a recent message by wireless to The New York Times Magazine she sets forth some ideals for the world of tomorrow that are clearly the fruits of her Christian training and experience:

"What of the future? The West must revise its ideas about the East. We in China must reciprocate. In the world society that we are going to create, there must be no thought of superiors and inferiors. We must be equal men and women of all ages, pressing forward to a great ideal.

"East and West both have tried to be self-sufficient. Neither has succeeded nor could succeed. Each must acknowledge that the other has something to teach. We hope that the West has now learned the value to itself of China's spiritual strength which has sustained us in our darkest moments. We in China must learn the value to us of the scientific developments of the West. Let us, East and West, each in its own way, make unstinted contributions to the common treasury of cultural, spiritual and scientific achievements which are the only real wealth."

Much is being said, and rightly, about Christian responsibility for the peace which will be made in the post-war world. It is to be doubted if we in America are spiritually capable of saying what the nature of the new world order should be. We think more highly of ourselves than we ought to think and possess too little of the spirit of self-sacrifice in the interest of the good of all mankind. Among the nations of the earth none at this time seems to be so well prepared to set up the standards of international fraternity as China, under the leadership of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek.—Biblical Recorder.

GEORGE B. CRAVEN OF THOMASVILLE DIES FOLLOWING SHORT ILLNESS

George B. Craven, 57, editor of the Thomasville Tribune, and associated with many newspapers in the two Carolinas and Virginia before he entered the bonding business in 1920, died June 25 at the Guilford County Sanatorium, where he had been a patient but little more than a week.

A son of the late Dr. James L. Craven and Nannie Bulla Craven, and a grandson of Dr. Braxton Craven, first president of Trinity College when it was located near High Point, he was born April 16, 1884. After completing his education in the public high school at Trinity he entered the newspaper field and began a varied newspaper career as editor of the Selma News in 1908. From there he went to Spencer, where he was managing editor of the Crescent Press. In 1910 he was managing editor of the Lexington Leader. He was news editor of the Greensboro Daily News for a year, and in 1912 he was connected with the Danville Register. He was editor of the Halifax Gazette, in South Boston, Va., in 1913, and from 1914 to 1918 he edited and acted as business manager of the Chase City Progress, Chase City, Va. From the latter part of 1918 till 1920 he edited the Lancaster News, Lancaster, S. C.

In 1920 Mr. Craven went to High Point and became associated with a bonding company, where he remained until 1939. He headed the George B. Craven Bonding Company for a few years. In May, 1941, he became editor of the Thomasville Tribune and was actively associated with that paper until his illness two weeks ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Bruce Coltrane, 514 Hall street, High Point, with whom he had made his home for the past few years; three brothers, Dr. J. B. Craven, Greensboro, H. B. Craven, Lakewood, Fla., and E. B. Craven, Lexington. He was twice married, the first time to Miss Carrie Edwards, who died in 1910, and the second time to Miss Hester Wills, who died in 1939.

Funeral was held at Sechrest funeral home Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with services in charge of Rev. Harold Robinson, a former pastor of Trinity Methodist church. Interment was in Trinity cemetery.

HAVE WE A LIQUOR-SODDEN CAPITAL?

The city of Washington has but one reason for being. It is exclusively devoted to the business of governing the nation. At present, that means it exists to give the national war effort such guidance as will insure victory. It is shocking, therefore, to discover that the per capita consumption of alcohol in the District of Columbia is almost twice that of the next wettest state in the Union. In 1940, for which figures have just been released, 4.26 gallons of liquor were consumed for every man, woman and child in the federal district. Nevada, which has boasted that it is "wide open," consumed only 2.65 gallons per person, and stood second in the list. The per capita consumption in New York was 1.35 gallons, in Illinois 1.64. Worse than that, the consumption in the District of Columbia went up from 3.8 gallons in 1939 to the 4.26 of 1940—an increase of more than 12 per cent in per capita drinking in a single year. And reports from Washington indicate that the curve of liquor consumption is steadily rising. Statistics of this kind simply cannot be explained away. They indicate a concentration of liquor indulgence at the one place in the nation where clearest heads and steadiest nerves are today most needed. The war can be lost just as easily in the cocktail parties and jammed barrooms of Washington as in the waters of the south Pacific or the factories of Detroit. If the administration does not act to end this scandal of a liquor-sodden capital, it can justly be accused of indifference to an actual fifth column which is working night and day in the interest of national defeat.—Christian Century.

CLIMATE-PRODUCING AGENCIES

One of these climate-producing agencies in the Christian world is the church press. I absolutely marvel that so few Christian people take church papers. Another agency is the pulpit. Preachers ought to give their best endeavors to the creation of an atmosphere that will make for the destruction of evil and the promotion of good, and I believe the pulpit is functioning at least with some efficiency, along that line. Everybody who stands for the right ought to back up the pulpit.

There is a stronger agency still, and that is the pew. If a lot of our laymen would quit talking so much about getting a "drawing pulpit" and turn their attention to the creation of a radiating pew, we would make more headway toward saving a lost world. The pulpit is dependent upon the pew. You must radiate the heat the pulpit generates.

Finally, there is one climate-producer that I would be unfaithful if I did not mention. In the church press, the pulpit, and the pew, there is One who came into the world by way of a Bethlehem manger, and is today the greatest climate-changer the world has ever known. He is the Gulf Stream that flows through the ocean of human coldness and brings warmth. He, alone, holds hope for a cold and clammy world. If his church will be true to him, Pentecost will surely and quickly come again.—Forney Hutchinson, in the Arkansas Methodist.

CATHEDRAL RAIDS

The loss of much that is ancient and beautiful is part of the heavy price we have to pay for freedom; but those things which cannot be shaken will remain, if we retain the spirit of devotion, fellowship, justice, and service which moved our ancestors to build many of the splendid monuments which now stand in ruins. We are fighting for the possibility of a Christian order as well as against a pagan system. . . . Great changes are already taking place in the direction of a planned society in which industry will aim at producing, not what brings the quickest and largest profits, but what is most necessary for the good of the whole community.—Archbishop of York.

SAID AND SAYINGS

"Hit the devil with a cradle, not a crutch."

"Whatever you do with worry, don't pass it on."

"War never determines who is right, only who is left."

"The motto of multitudes of church members is 'Let's turn out the light and go to sleep.' "

"Some congregations insist upon a change of pastors just about the time the preacher really gets acquainted with their sins."—R. L. Smith.

"Standing for something is more important than running after something."

PASTORAL CHANGES

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Rev. James Claude Chaffin, supply, to Whiteville, to succeed Rev. L. V. Harris, who has been called to serve as chaplain in the U .S. Army at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash.

A. S. Parker.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.
2*M. R. Gardner, Aulander.
*T. J. Whitehead, North Gates.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.
*M. W. Warren, Garland.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.

High Point District

2*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hill, Liberty Ct.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

4*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

4*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
2*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.
P. O. Lee, Clayton.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
C. T. Rogers, Wallace-Rose Hill.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.
W .J. Freeman, Bladen.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.
C. W. Bates, Candler.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
P. T. Dixon, Morven.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.
G. C. Graham, Jonesville.

High Point District

J .W. Braxton, Asheboro.
T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.
M. W. Edwards, Mill Spring.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.
J. C. Reichard, Troutman.
J. Max Brandon, Sr., Grace-Rhodhiss.
Reid Wall, Granite Falls.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.

NEW WAYS TO BE HAPPY THAT ARE REALLY OLD

As we consider the type of existence that is happy as well as civilized, we realize that it consists in the exercise of certain powers in us that are an addition to the primitive ones of eating, sleeping, and reproducing.

There is, for example, the power of curiosity—the wish to explore the unknown, to discover new things, to venture into foreign areas.

There is the power of play—the wish to inhabit a world of our own imagining, to make the rules for it, to strive and have pleasure within it.

There is the power of creativeness—the wish to reassemble the materials of existence and make something that corresponds to our desire.

There is the power of companionship—the wish to exchange ideas, to do and enjoy things with others.

Finally, there is the power of voluntary aloneness—the wish to be uncompelled, to do as we please, to loaf and invite our souls.—H. A. Overstreet.

First Sergeant: "Stand up straight, throw your shoulders back, and button up your coat."

Married Recruit (absent mindedly): "Yes, dear, I'll do it right away."

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MEDITATION THOUGHT

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I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the year,
"Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown."'
And he replied: "Go out in the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.
That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."
So I went forth, and finding the hand of God trod gladly into the night.

(Written 30 years ago by Miss M. L. Haskin of Gloucester Village of Warmley).

WOMEN MUST PRACTICE CHRISTIANITY

"Christianity and democracy must be practiced as well as believed, if they are to win the present world struggle" is the opinion of Mrs. J. W. Mills, vice president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church. In a recent address Mrs. Mills said: "While we are hearing so much about the necessity for increased armaments, and all life seems to center on immediate things, our vision of the future is apt to be clouded. The world will be full of bitterness and hate. While women must begin with self-discipline and self-sacrifice she must not stop with her self-adjustment or her own home, or her own community or her own nation. She must see the opportunity to set in motion an ever widening circle of friendship which shall reach from her small home to the women of Asia."—World Outlook, June issue.

PFEIFFER JUNIOR COLLEGE

We acknowledge, with appreciation, a copy of the Bulletin of Pfeiffer Junior College, located at Misenheimer, N. C., on highway 82 between Salisbury and Albemarle. The history of this school is most interesting, having been first established at Lenoir in 1889 as the Mitchell School, this name being given to it in memory of the son of Mrs. Mitchell of Dayton, Ohio, who was a large contributor to the school. The school was moved to its present location in 1907 and in 1914 the high school was accredited by the state, and in 1928 the addition of two years of higher education was authorized by the national board of trustees. Gradually the lower grades were abandoned and the present junior college in 1934 was given full recognition by the State Department of Public Instruction as an accredited standard institution. Five modern brick buildings, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York, were erected in 1935 and the name of the school was changed to Pfeiffer College, honoring those who had made possible the expansion of the school. Other gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer have been added through the years and have made possible the remodeling and erection of needed buildings. In 1938 the high school was definitely discontinued and the entire work and efforts of the institution devoted to the junior college. Since the merger of the three branches of Methodism, Pfeiffer Junior College is under the general auspices of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church. The college is incorporated in North Carolina and is directly controlled and managed by a board of trustees. The administrative officers are: Dr. W. S. Sharp, president; Mr. W. H. Tolle, dean; Miss Veda Stryker, registrar; Miss Mabel Edgerton, financial secretary and supervising house director; and Miss Ruth Hobby, librarian.

Home study grants for the school year 1942-43 were awarded to three of our Western North Carolina conference girls at the recent meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference, held in High Point in March. As a church school Pfeiffer Junior College has a special two-fold purpose: (1) It endeavors to help every student to develop a Christian character. The school is founded on the philosophy of Jesus Christ. No education is complete which neglects religion. (2) Pfeiffer seeks to make this abundant life available to those who, for financial reasons might not otherwise be in school, and this is done through a carefully developed plan which enables worthy students to work their way through college. The primary purpose of the insitution is to make a well-balanced Christian training available to the largest possible number."

PUBLISHING GOOD TIDINGS

To answer every fainting voice that claims the comfort of God's Word, the American Bible Society works as it never has worked before, pledged and determined that nowhere in this world shall the Bible be blacked out, that nowhere amid the din of the battle shall His Word be silenced. Today the Bible Societies of Scotland, England, The Netherlands and other countries are seriously beleaguered, reduced in support, in some cases completely shut off from work they have been doing. And they have been providing three-fourths of the world's supply of printed copies of the Scriptures.

Scriptures are needed for war prisoners, for refugees, for French and Spanish churches, for localities in Europe and Asia, where Bible houses have been bombed out, blockaded or where the resources are cut, for men and women everywhere exhausted by war and overcome by the futility of falsehood and hatred. In urgency and emergency the American Bible Society works on under war conditions. In 1941, 141,142 copies of the Bible or portions of it were provided in 18 languages to meet these emergency needs. American Christians face a great challenge in the deeds of British Christians who throughout the years have contributed for Bible distribution five times per capita what America has.—From Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief.

PROGRAMS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN N. C. SCHOOLS

The North Carolina Council of Churches, through Dr. Price H. Gwynn, Jr., chairman of the North Carolina Committee on Week-day Religious Education, makes the announcement that five new communities will be added to the list of those now including courses on Bible in the public schools, and the schools added to the list, with courses instituted in September, are Concord, Belmont, Gastonia, Morganton and Spindale. In addition the Asheboro Council of Churches has announced that it will sponsor such a course next year and is now engaged in raising funds. The salaries of teachers for these courses are in no cases to be paid out of school funds but are raised by interested local groups.—From the North Carolina Council of Churches.

AN ENCOURAGING REPORT

The Methodist Woman for June carries the first quarter report of Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, The Methodist Church, which shows the grand total of $912,508.85, which is $155,886.21 in excess of the first quarter report of 1941. All society treasurers are reminded that the second quarter reports are due July 1, and are urged to send them in promptly to the conference treasurer not later than the first day of July.

THE CHRISTIAN

When one has found a man is gentle in speech, cheerful in manner, tolerant in judgment; a man who lives uprightly and unselfishly, loving deeds more than creeds and friendship more than favor; a man who gives without thought of return, being wronged is ready to forgive, and being misunderstood still keeps his faith; a kindly man of wholesome thoughts, uplifting spirit and resolute purpose to do the will of God, mark him well—that man is a Christian.—Alfred Grant Wilson.

HOW HE WAS LED

Never once was he gently led. He was led into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. He was led by men filled with wrath to the brow of the hill, that they might cast him down headlong. He was led away to Annas; led away to Caiaphas; led into the council of the elders and chief priests and scribes; led to Pontius Pilate and into the hill of judgment. And then he, our Lord Jesus Christ, was led as a sheep to the slaughter; led away to be crucified! Verily, "His way was rougher and darker than mine."—Frences Ridley Havergal.

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MRS. HILLMAN TEACHES IN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. and former president N. C. conference, will teach a course on the work of the society at the third annual Christian Workers' Assembly at Louisburg College on July 6-8. Mrs. Hillman is exceedingly well qualified for this task, both in point of knowedge and in teaching ability. It is hoped that many societies will pay the expenses of at least one delegate and that many other individuals will be interested enough to take advantage of this opportunity for becoming better informed and thus more effective workers in the cause of missions. Dr. Ray Petry of Duke University divinity school, who will be pleasantly remembered by those attending the annual conference in Rocky Mount last year, will deliver the keynote address on Monday morning, July 6, and will speak on Monday and Tuesday evenings. Other assembly activities include interest groups and periods of recreation and play. Registration will be held on Monday, July 6, 10-11 a. m. The assembly will close with the luncheon on Wednesday. The nominal sum of $5 will cover the cost of a delegate. Those attending should take bed linen, towels, wash cloths, soap, pillows, etc. Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw is director of the assembly. Rev. O. L. Hathaway is dean.



Mrs. E. L. Hillman

RELIGIOUS MEETINGS

Dr. Douglas Horton, minister of the General Council of Congregational-Christian Church recently wrote President Roosevelt concerning the advisabiltity of holding the annual meeting of the Council this year, thinking of course of transportation problems. In replying the President asserted his belief that the fundamental structure of the church and its activities should be maintained and declared that "Although we are called upon to employ force to the utmost we must not lose sight of the strength that lies in the sword of the spirit." He pointed to a revival of religion as a means of strengthening our morale for the war effort and as a "sure guide to a just and lasting peace when our enemies shall have been vanquished. I hope, therefore," the President concluded, "that no circumstance will prevent the holding of your General Council and I wish you godspeed in your deliberations."—From News of the Churches, a weekly bulletin published by the N. C. Council of Churches and edited by Rev. Allen P. Robinson, Jr., of Raleigh.

THE SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

Should not the above item concerning the attitude of the President of the United States be a challenge to the women of Methodism as they face the many opportunities for study and for inspiration this summer. The Christian Workers' Assembly at Louisburg College is one such privilege which many should and will enjoy. The annual School of Missions and Missionary conference at Lake Junaluska on July 28-August 4 is another time of joyful experience. Further details of the latter event will be published on this page on future dates. However, this reminder of the occasion and the dates should be enough to start many on their way to plans for attendance.

WOMEN AND THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

There is no limit to the power of prayer and action of the women of N. C. Methodism in stamping out the liquor traffic in our state. If men who are friends of liquor interests have already been nominated to make our laws next year, perhaps it is because too many Christian women did not exercise their voting privileges on May 30. However, it is not too late to assert our attitudes on the question of elimination of the ABC stores and the sale of liquor near our army camps. Abolition of the liquor traffic will do more to rid our cities and army camps of all vice than any other agency. Let's deed the words of Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary of Christian social relations, who writes: "Again let me repeat the need of our continued efforts against alcohol and prostitution around our camps. It seems that little has been accomplished along this line, but we must testify our efforts, endeavor to interest the indifferent, for truly it is an enemy which is undermining the foundations from within. Remember our boys in camps, too, with letters and cards and any other little remembrances which may extend the influence of the Christian home."

RECOGNITION SERVICES

Realizing the vital importance of "every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook," it is planned to have a recognition service for each district having every officer of every society a subscriber, the service to be held during the annual conference in Wilson next year. May we suggest that every society having attained this goal have a service of recognition. No officer can give the intelligent, enthusiastic interest to her tasks if she is not informed about the total program of the work of the W. S. C. S. The Methodist Woman and World Outlook are two agencies for obtaining the needed information and inspiration.

WILLIAMSTON WOMEN STUDY

The W. S. C. S. of Williamston Methodist church has recently completed a Bible study, using the text "Life of Christ" by Humphrey. The book was completed in four sessions, taught by Mrs. David N. Nix, Mrs. B. T. Hurley, Mrs. J. W. Watts and Mrs. Raymond Watson. The attendance and interest were gratifying. The society has held three study classes this year. The Wesleyan Service Guild has begun a Bible study of Life of Christ.—Mrs. B. T. Hurley.

GOD'S CREATURES

The district conference of Eastern Mindanao in the Philippines has recommended setting aside not only God's acre but God's trees, God's pigs and God's chickens. "We suggest," ran the report, "that every member have fruit trees of some knid growing and producing as a symbol that he is bearing much fruit." And these dedicated pigs, trees, gardens and chickens are used to support the churches. Some churches raised their budgets by stripping abaca and selling it. Abaca is used to make what we call hemp rope. Another group raised cocoanuts and each family dedicated certain cocoanut trees to the church for their pledge, as well as money, rice, garden produce, chickens and eggs.—From Christian World Facts.

A CHALLENGING PURPOSE

"The purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service shall be to unite all the women of the church in Christian living and service; to help develop and support Christian work among women and children around the world; to develop the spiritual life; to study the needs of the world; to take part in such service activities as will strengthen the local church, improve civic, community and world conditions. To this end this organization shall seek to enlist women, young people and children in this Christian fellowship, and to secure funds for the activities in the local church and support of the work undertaken at home and abroad for the establishment of a world Christian community."

Many of the church's troubles come from half-mile, half-hearted and half-baked Christians.—D. C. Yoder.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

ANOTHER SUNDAY

This is late Sunday afternoon. Today has been one of those rare days in June, warm enough and yet comfortable. The evening shades are now closing in on a day of worship and rest for a great majority of our family. During the day one was reminded of the great number of congregational meetings held throughout the land and of their value to the ongoing of high purposes and Christian living. One is reminded that in spite of the fact that many, many people do not attend church services, a large number do, and that these furnish the ideals, the stamina and the real quality of our American life. One shudders at what would become of us all if we had no church services. So another Sunday's has come and with it the worship, meditation and thanksgiving necessary for living beyond ourselves.

USING HER TALENTS WELL

At our young people's meeting, conducted in the Brown Memorial building here on our campus by the youngsters themselves, Miss Imogene Williamson, who for the past two years has been a student at Pfeiffer Junior College, inspired the group with her singing. From a little girl Imogene was in our singing class, going about over the Western North Carolina conference doing her part at bringing the Children's Home close to the hearts of our people. After her high school graduation she entered college to prepare herself for secretarial work. At the conclusion of the first year when it was expected that she would begin her clerical duties, President Sharpe asked permission to keep her in college another year at the college's expense, which of course was readily granted. It is really inspiring to note the advancement Imogene has made with her voice and the good service she can render.

HE CUT OFF THE PULPIT

It is recorded that a local congregation in the land of the living called a preacher after its usual procedure. The new minister, short of stature, found some uneasiness in getting his message over the pulpit. It was too high. So on the next Saturday afternoon he procured a saw, went into the church and cut off some of the pulpit without securing the permission of any of the ruling element in the church. Next morning when the people assembled for Sunday school they noted to their dismay that their pulpit, a choice bit of furniture of much sentimental value, had been deprived of some of its length. It looked "squatty," 'and the longer the people looked at it the more indignant they became. When the new minister arrived a bit later, it is recorded that an indignation meeting was held and he was deprived of preaching that morning and, for that matter, every other morning in that particular church. This scribe has heard a good deal of agitation for cutting off the length of sermons but he has never before heard of cutting off the pulpit.

PASSING ON THE TORCH

Came a young lady the other day asking that her little four-year-old boy be admitted into the Children's Home. With her came her widowed mother who, as a practical nurse, had helped in the education of her five talented children. Facts revealed that the young



He feels good all over

mother married at fifteen a young man four years older. A year later came their little boy, but before he came the husband had gone away. Following the breaking up of the home there returned to the young girl that yearning that appeared in childhood for becoming a missionary. She identified herself with a congregation and became affiliated with a college in a distant state, run on faith, whose purpose is to train missionaries. Spending two years at this college, accompanied by her little boy, she served tables, washed dishes, sang over the radio and eventually had charge of the daily radio program as she continued her studies for becoming a missionary in Africa. Now the war has broken into the travels of missionaries and the college has temporarily closed, but the young mother still carries her purpose in her heart as she serves in a cafe, working hard during the day and then washing and ironing her one uniform at night, ready for the next day's work. She asks that her little boy be kept while she goes along with her purpose. As one looked into the face of the talented and attractive young woman he was reminded that the day of the heroic had not passed, that the torch is still being passed on.

IN GOD'S OPEN LAND

Yesterday Mrs. Woosley and I went towards the mountains to find two little boys whose mother had died and whose father is working in a defense plant in an adjoining state, it being reported that the mother's dying request was that her little boys be admitted into the Children's Home. We went and went, over roads as far as roads prevailed and then through the pasture, until eventually two little boys were found, accompanied by a 16-year-old girl who was carrying a lamp to be used in a nearby home while they gathered around an old-time organ to sing some old-time songs. The little boys, transplanted from a large city, had lived in that open land for some two weeks, partaking of green apples, blackberries and other annoying edibles to timid stomachs. They looked the worse from the wear, but they were little blue-eyed boys whose mother had died and whose father was busy contributing his part at producing instruments for winning the war. Yes, the little boys will come to the Children's Home and a great host of Methodists will join the father in providing for them and well over 400 others in similar circumstances.

HE KNOWS HOW TO POSE

The picture this week is that of Donald Lewis Burgess, better known to us all as "Don," who came to us, along with two older brothers and a sister some two months ago. Don is well along in his sixth year and is a regular little fellow. Among other accomplishments he knows how to put on a pair of overalls and pose in front of a kodak. One never sees this little lad without noticing a smile that plays over his face. Don is not yet sponsored. Better get him while you can.

A GOOD MAN WITH A GOOD PURPOSE

Last Sunday afternoon our good friend, Tom M. Litttle of Wadesboro, came by and we talked so fast and so hurriedly that when he left the pieces of paper he gave to me had not been opened. Tom is such an interesting fellow that one becomes obsessed with interest in chatting with him. After he left, a letter of inquiry brought the following: "On last fifth Sunday instead of each church in Anson county holding its regular Sunday service a Methodist rally was held at Bethel church—all the Methodist churches of the county agreeing to suspend their services and come together at Bethel for an all-day service, with dinner on the grounds and all that goes with it. We had a good meeting, though the attendance was not as good as we had hoped. I counted 400 good, bad and indifferent Methodists there at the

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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OPERATING EXPENSES FOR ONE DAY—To operate the Orphanage for one day it costs $233. When you multiply these figures by three hundred and sixty-five, our friends will readily see that we have a big job on our hands. Many of the charges have done fine this year meeting their Orphanage obligations, for which I am grateful. There are a goodly number of charges which are badly behind with their apportionment. For the past month we have been busy getting in our winter supply of coal, which has made heavy demands upon our limited resources. I sincerely trust that the charges which have done but little for us this year will respond to our pressing needs at an early date.

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NEW PRINCIPAL—The Methodist Orphanage feels very fortunate in securing Prof. B. M. Madison to succeed Mr. J. O .Sanderson as principal of our school. From an academic standpoint, and from successful teaching experience, he is highly qualified to take up the work where Mr. Sanderson left off. Mr. Madison has an A.B. degree from High Point College, M.A. degree, Duke University, and M.Ed. degree in administration and curriculum study, Duke University. He is thirty-five years of age, and for the past nine or ten years he has been principal of the Cool Spring public school, with more than 600 pupils enrolled. He is a high toned Christian gentleman. We have every reason to believe that Mr. Madison will wear worthily the mantle that has fallen from the shoulders of Mr. J. O. Sanderson.

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GRACE CHURCH—It was my happy privilege to worship with the Grace church congregation in Wilmington on a recent Sunday. I was agreeably surprised to see such a large congregation present on such an extremely hot day. Brother Herbert preached one of the best sermons I have heard in many a moon. I appreciate the courtesies I received at his hands. I took part in the opening service, and made a short talk in the interest of the Methodist Orphanage. Brother Herbert is having a most successful pastorate in this great church. His leading members tell me that he is an exceptionally good preacher, a splendid pastor and a fine executive. The Orphanage apportionment is more than double what it was last year, and all the apportionment has been paid except just a few dollars. Brother W. A. McGirt, lay leader of the Wilmington district, and a member of our board of trustees, is leading in a big way at Grace church and throughout the Wilmington district.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION — Words cannot express what I wish to let the friends and loved ones of the Methodist Orphanage know. For only six years have I had the privilege of calling this my home, and I have learned to love it as much, I am sure, as anyone could love his home, if not more. I know as I go out into the world on my own, I shall become homesick and wish I were back here again where one can always find loving friends. After each summer vacation that I have spent away, I always was thrilled to come within the view of the beautiful hills of our lovely campus and then see again the happy, familiar faces of brothers and sisters and kind cottages mothers.

For making possible the abundant advantages that have been mine during my childhood here, I feel deeply grateful to so many that it is difficult to begin thanking them personally for the numerous and kind services rendered me.

Among my greatest benefactors are the members of the North Carolina conference, who have my whole-hearted gratitude for their kindness to the home and to me.

Next, I wish to say thank you to Mr. Barnes, who is a loving father to hundreds of boys and girls—both in the home and those who have already taken their places in the world. I feel honored to be called one of his girls, for he is such a beloved person, and known widely for his great Christian work. I shall always have a place in my heart for him. It has been a joy to work in Mr. Barnes' office for the past two years and I know I have gained much from my experience as one of the office girls. I owe much to the teaching in this department of Miss Dillie Dixon, who patiently taught me shorthand and typing for two years.

To Mrs. G. G. Allen, who has shown her abiding interest in our home by providing the beautiful Burwell cottage for the junior and senior girls, I want to thank her from the depth of my heart for making possible this cottage which I have enjoyed for two years.

I am also in debt to my beloved aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Yelverton for sending me clothes twice a year. This kindness will never be forgotten.

Since I have been at the Orphanage many recreational utilities have been donated to the home. These have made us all very happy. Especially I would like to thank Mr. Graham Woodard of Wilson for the fine gymnasium which has provided the boys and girls much pleasure. Also I thank all others who have had any part in making our leisure joyous through means of happy play.

To all the members of the Orphanage faculty I want to say you have been very good to me, and I wish there were a way to repay you all.

Maybe if I leave with the intention of making a success of my life and living up to the teachings and ideals of this wonderful home, I shall feel that I am a little more worthy of the many services that have come to me.

Sincerely,

Ethel Lee Minshew.

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CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE CAMPS

Despite a bit of rain and cool weather, the Christian Adventure camps for intermediates, June 6-20, were highly successful. Amid the pines and mountain breezes at Camp Carlyle some 180 campers enjoyed all the fun of camp life along with receiving instruction and guidance in their church program. This year's set-up was unique in that boys and girls attended camp together. This procedure, which was one answer to the present transportation difficulty and which is in keeping with trends in various character building agencies, worked in an unusually fine way.

Morning Meditations

After reveille—the bugle call that said "Roll Out of Bed on the Upper Deck and Crawl Out from the Lower" — came morning meditations that seemed to start each day in just the right spirit of reverence. Each camper and counselor sat silently alone somewhere in the out-of-door loveliness and realized anew "This is my Father's world."

Cabin Duties

After breakfast was one of the times when Carlyle's spirit of co-operative community was put into practical use as cabin duties were shared.

Discussion Groups

According to his personal interests and his relationship to his local intermediate department, each camper chose one of the following discussion groups: Choosing Our Heroes; Ways We Worship; What the Bible May Mean to Me; Finding God in the Out-of-Doors; We Live Together, and Our Neighbors in China.

Camp Committees

Another phase of the democratic, co-operative set-up at Carlyle were the camp committees. In "worship" the members helped plan the evening vesper services as well as collected materials for use in local departments. "Citizenship" was divided into sub-committes—lost and found, cleanliness of grounds, cabin inspection—building a camp code, each of which embodied a spirit of comradeship. In "recreation" the members planned the evening programs and discussed new ideas for church socials. The "world friendship committee," counseled by Miss Betty Ling of China, paved the way for a successful and meaningful world friendship day by their emphasis upon respect for personality. The camp committee, composed of one representative from each cabin, served as the executive committee in the discussion and solution of various camp problems. Members of this committee presided at all group assemblies.

Mail Call

One of the most exciting moments of each camp day was mail call which followed assembly. As Mrs. King went through the file of letters and cards, every camper and counselor turned eager faces toward her and waited in breathless silence—a silence which was broken frequently by exclamations of delight or disappointment. Strangely enough, it was those letters from "back home" that gave each day its final touch of security and completeness.

Swimming and Other Out-door Recreation

Twice a day the bugle called "Get into the water, you fellows and girls." For those who lived to keep dry hair and at least one foot on solid ground there was tennis, horseshoes, soft ball, archery, ping pong, boating, badminton, and folk games.

Interest Groups

In the afternoon after quiet hour—the ideal time for writing letters, reading and relaxing a bit—came interest groups, and the opportunity to try different skills and develop new hobbies. As intimated in the name, each camper chose a group according to his or her individual interest. Those offered were nature lore, archery, folk games and songs, beginners' swimming, art and poster making, dramatics, star lore, handicraft, and beginners' tennis.

Vespers

A busy strenuous afternoon, a "fun-and-fellowship" suppertime, and vespers. In the evening coolness as the sun dropped in the western sky, vespers gave each person an opportunity to be still and meditate over a day of fun and work well done. Following the Carlyle tradition, everyone was silent after he passed the fish pond on the way to vesper hill. There, looking down upon the lake and facing directly the towering mountains of the west, the group followed together the pathways of prayer, of love, of service, of sharing, of believing, of growing in their adventure to follow the camp theme, "As Jesus Did." On Friday night the service was truly Gallilean in presentation, thought and response. "The multitude," as it were, sat by the side of the lake, and watched the approach of two row boats in formation. From one came the voices of four counselors as they sang an evening hymn; in the other was the speaker, who interpreted anew the Gallilean life of the Master.

Evening Programs

Three F's—fun, fellowship, and fair play—characterized the evening programs, which varied from camp fires, to star lore, to folk games, to talent night, and culminated finally in an impressive and meaningful consecration service. With the camp fires came a new emphasis on Indian lore when every boy became a brave and every girl became a maid. The counselor chiefs and squaws prepared the programs around legends, contests, and the ritual of uncovering and reading the message which had been buried by the campers of 1941. The star lore hours were successful in their two-fold purpose of teaching campers new constellations as well as reminding them once again of the dependability of God's universe. Talent night further proved the group's ability and versatility. There were dramatists, vocalists and musicians of every sort. A prelude to the Friday night consecration service was the play, "Where Love Is, There Is God Also," given by the interest group in dramatics.

Following the play the group marched single file to the council ring where the camp fire was lighted from the light of the cross. All the experiences of the week were evaluated and then placed as one composite whole onto the fire, which represented the spirit of Camp Carlyle 1942. Following the act of individual consecration, the counselors lighted their candles from the spirit of Carlyle, and in turn lighted the candles of each camper as they formed the spokes of the consecration prayer wheel. "Follow the Gleam" was appropriately used for the candle-light procession to the "cabins in a row."

World Friendship Day

One of the finest and most successful projects of the camp program was World Friendship Day. It did seem a bit idealistic at first to even hope that 180 campers and their counselors could be led so completely to a respect for all personalities regardless of race, or nationality, or class. Perhaps it is Miss Betty Ling of China, who deserves most of the credit. It was she, who by stories of her own experiences, proved to the group the value of keeping hatred from one's heart, especially in these days of war. The day began with a story of missions at morning meditations, was enhanced by a Chinese supper, and culminated in an evening program of sharing international songs, games and stories. Proof of the success of the day was the $25 offering for missions contributed by the group.

Leadership

Counselors and program directors for the camps were Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Salisbury; Mr. and Mrs. Wilmar Tolle, Misenheimer; Misses Marian Craig, Wadesboro; Elizabeth Oliver, Salisbury; Blanche Gluck, Winston-Salem; Janella Kirk, Cliffside; Mary Margaret Johnson, Charlotte; Janette Gore, Waxhaw; Katherine Gibbs, Elkin; Martha Davis, Badin; Majelle Morris, Salisbury; Louise Clay, Fallston; Betty Ling, China; Una Norman, Elkin; Sara Wellman, Cleveland; Grace Haynes, Salisbury; Mary Emma Knox, Cleveland; Nell Webb, Cherryville.

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If you can't catch up with the fellow ahead of you, you can at least give him a run for his money.—D. C. Yoder.

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CHRISTIAN WORKERS' ASSEMBLY

We are expecting around 100 to 150 representatives in our Christian Workers' Assembly July 6-8. It seems likely now that not all space will be filled by the time this notice is printed. If there are others who find at the last minute that they can attend we shall be glad for them to do so. Registrations can be made by telegraph to R. W. Bradshaw, Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C. Fees can be paid on arrival.

We feel that the Christian Workers' Assembly is one of the best opportunities a church has for developing its program of Christian education. Courses and groups in every area of church work are being offered and practical help in the carrying on of a church program will be given. We hope that many churches will send some of their workers to this assembly.

Time of Arrival and Departure

Our Christian Workers' Assembly begins with an assembly period on July 6 at 11:30 a. m. We hope that most of our delegates can arrive in time to be registered before the assembly period. Of course those arriving later can register on arrival. Classes will begin Monday afternoon. The assembly will end with lunch on Wednesday, July 8.

What to Bring

Each delegate will bring sheets (for single beds), towels, soap, pillow, and whatever else is needed for comfort and convenience.

YOUNG ADULT ASSEMBLY

Our Young Adult Assembly will be in session for the week-end, July 4-5. Registration will take place Saturday afternoon, July 4, and the first event of the assembly will take place about 6 o'clock. Some young adults who can not attend the Saturday night sessions plan to be with us for the Sunday sessions. Others who can share in the Sunday program are invited to do so. We would like to know the number to expect, however, and would like for those planning to come to register by telegraph. The registration should be sent to R. W. Bradshaw, Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C. The fee can be paid on arrival.

SENIOR ASSEMBLY

Approximately two hundred and fifty young people between the ages of 15 and 17 filled the Senior Assembly at Louisburg College to capacity from June 22 through 26. The theme for the conference was "Daring to Do God's Will."

Platform hours, vespers, and morning watch programs were all designed to cary out this theme. Classes, interest groups, workshop groups, business sessions, prayer groups,and open forums completed the assembly program. Special recreational features were the soft ball games between the students and the faculty, a talent program, a pirate banquet, and regular nightly social hours.

The following outstanding speakers appeared on the platform and led the open forums: Dr. David D. Jones, president of Bennett College; Rev. H. G. Ruark, pastor at Red Springs; Mr. Charles Green, professor of dramatics at A. and T. College; Miss Kitty Wilson, president of the North Carolina Methodist Youth Fellowship; Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, conference director of youth work and director of the assemblies; Dr. A. Heningburg, professor of education at the North Carolina College for Negroes; and Dr. Angelo Fuster of Cuba.

Eight courses were offered: Living As Christians with Other Races, Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth; Personal Devotion, Rev. Leon Russell; Worship and Evangelism, Miss Mary Elizabeth Myers; Christians and World Order, Rev. H. G. Ruark; Work of Sub-Districts, Rev. M. Earl Cunningham; The New Testament in the Life of Today, Rev. H .R. Simpson; What It means to Be a Christian, Miss Ted Cox; and The Meaning of Church Membership, Rev. F. M. Patterson.

A broader program of interest groups was offered this year than ever before. Students studied photography and related interests, banquet, assembly paper, poster making, choral singing, kodaking, and handcrafts. The latter division offered instruction in braiding, weaving, making wooden shoes, rope shoes, wooden belts, and brushes.

Each delegate enrolled in a workshop group to study one of the phases of youth work in the local church or sub-district. Groups were offered in worship and evangelism, community service, world friendship, recreation, officers' group and sub-district officers' group.

Climax of the assembly was the communion service at which time Rev. R. W. Bradshaw delivered the sermon and formally initiated the new officers.

Officers for the assembly were Kitty Wilson, president; Ralph Rogers, vice president; Lois Asbell, assistant secretary, acting in the absence of Reba Young, secretary; Joyce Griffin, treasurer, Harris Proctor, publicity superintendent; Pat Cherry, assistant treasurer; and Thurman Brooks, assistant publicity superintendent.

Officers elected to serve throughout the coming year are Harris Proctor, president; Joe Ruark, vice president; Anne Hillman, secretary; Edith Fore, treasurer; Jack Easterling, publicity superintendent; Eleanor Beasley, assistant secretary; Bill Pitts, assistant treasurer; and Ralph Rogers, assistant publicity superintendent.

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A hundred and thirty-six years ago, away back in 1806, a little girl named Mary Sawyer was born at a village called Sterling, 35 miles west of Boston.

When Mary was nine years old she and her father went out to the barn one bleak, cold March morning. Here they found two little lambs that had been born during the night. But one of them was so cold that it had been left by its mother and was almost ready to die.

Mary at once took pity on the poor little lamb, and begged her father to let her take it to the house. He told her there was no use; that it could not live. But Mary was unwilling to let it die without doing what she could to save it. So she took it to the house and held it before the fire. Her mother gave her some warm cloths to wrap it in, and some catnip tea for it to drink.

After a while the little lamb seemed to be better and brighter. But Mary was still so afraid it might die that she sat up all night watching it and caring for it. Had it not been for her love and care, the lamb would have died, and we should never have heard of it. No wonder it learned to love her, for she had saved its life.

Soon it began to grow, and before long Mary had a healthy, happy, playful, loving little lamb. If it was out in the field it would come at her call. She had a little blanket for it. She combed the wool on its forehead, and tied bright ribbons around its neck. It was her own darling pet lamb!

At the suggestion of her brother Nat, Mary took the lamb to school one day. The lamb lay quietly at Mary's feet until she had to go to recite. Then up jumped the lamb and clatter, clatter, clatter, it followed her to class.

This was so funny that the children could not keep quiet. Even the teacher laughed outright. The lamb attracted so much attention that Mary had to put it out in the woodshed, and take it home at noontime.

As chance would have it, a young lad named John Roulstone happened to be visiting the school that day. He saw it all. The next day, as he was riding across the field on horseback he handed Mary a little piece of paper on which he had written a short poem about her and her lamb. It was the first three stanzas of the world-famed poem, "Mary's Little Lamb." He was only twelve years old when he wrote this poem.

Mary had a little lamb,
  Its fleece was white as snow;
And everywhere that Mary went,
  The lamb was sure to go.

It followed her to school one day,
  Which was against the rule;
It made the children laugh and play
  To see the lamb at school.

And so the teacher turned it out;
  But still it lingered near
And watched patiently about,
  Till Mary did appear.

Some years later three more stanzas were added to the poem by Mrs. Sarah Joseph Hale, a New England poetess. She told why the lamb loved Mary so —because Mary loved the lamb.

And then it ran to her, and laid
  Its head upon her arm,
As if to say, "I'm not afraid,
  You'll keep me from all harm."

"What makes the lamb love Mary so?"
  The eager children cry;
"Oh, Mary loves the lamb, you know,"
  The teacher did reply.

And you each gentle animal
  In confidence may bind,
And make them follow at your will,
  If you are only kind.

This lamb had beautiful snow-white wool, and it lived to raise several lambs of its own.

Mary's mother knit her two pairs of beautiful white stockings from the lamb's wool. These she kept until she was 74 years old. Then she allowed them to be unraveled, and the yarn to be cut into short lengths and tied to cards with her name written on them. They were sold for several hundred dollars, to help repair Old South Church in Boston. In this way the famous lamb became connected with this historic old church.

For a time after she grew up Mary taught school. For 51 years she gave her life to the unfortunate people in an institution. After her marriage her name was Tyler. The latter part of her life was spent in a beautiful home at Somerville, near Boston.

Mary died when she was nearly 84 years old. She was buried in Mt. Auburn cemetery, Boston. This was in 1889.

Some years ago I visited the humble little home in which Mary was born, and in which she nursed the lamb. It was a great pleasure. I saw the schoolhouse also, to which Mary took the lamb This building Mr. Henry Ford recently purchased, repaired, and moved to Wayside Inn, at Sudbury, Massachusetts. It is used again as a schoolhouse, and is visited by thousands of people every year. — Our Young Friends.

THE GOLDEN CHARIOT

(A hundred years ago)

A little Scotch boy was lying one day in the heather beside a mountain stream. He was looking up at the white fleecy clouds that were wandering like a flock of sheep across the fields of the sky. The water of the mountain brook was singing a pretty song, and before he knew it the little lad was fast asleep. As he slept he dreamed, and this was his dream: He saw before him a glorious light. It was as bright as the sunlight into which he had been looking with open-eyed wonder before he fell asleep. Then from the glorious light there came forth a wonderful golden chariot drawn by horses of fire. Down the sky it came faster than the lightning and stopped suddenly at his feet, and although he saw no one, he heard a voice that was as sweet as the music of the mountain brook, and it said to him, "Come up hither.' I have work for thee to do."

The lad rose up to follow the golden chariot, but when he stood upon his feet he awoke, and then he knew it was a dream. But God sometimes speaks in dreams and the boy never forgot that call from the golden chariot, "Come up hither. I have work for thee to do." And in his waking hours he followed, and at last he answered the call and found the work.

This is how he answered the call: One day he went to his room, and locking the door, he kneeled down beside his bed, and this is what he said to God: "O Lord, thou knowest that silver and gold to give to the missionary cause I have none; what I have I give unto thee. I offer myself; wilt thou accept the gift?" God did accept the gift, and Alexander Duff, the Scotch lad who had heard the voice calling from the golden chariot, found his work, and became one of the greatest preachers of the missionary gospel the world ever heard, and one of the first and finest missionaries to the great land of India.—Arkansas Methodist.

ONE WAY

A youngster in Boy Scout uniform found and returned an envelope containing tickets.

The owner thanked the boy and offered him a quarter.

"Sorry, I'm a Scout," said the boy. "It's my good deed for the day."

The man was on the point of returning the coin to his pocket when the Scout went on, "but my little brother isn't a Scout."—Stray Stories.

Chief: "Do you believe in life after death?" Office boy: "Yes sir."

Chief: "Then everything is in order. After you had gone off for the afternoon yesterday to bury your grandfather he came in here to see you."

Sunday School Lesson

JULY 5

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By Rolling H. Walker

God the Creator

Genesis 1:1-5, 24-31; 2:1

A hundred years ago Sunday school helps on the Creation story would have been sure to contain attempts to show that, after all, in spite of the difficulties, Genesis and geology do agree; but today scholars have lost all interest in any attempt to square Genesis with geology because they realize that Genesis can stand on its own feet whether it agrees with geology or not. They recognize the fact that the Bible story of Creation has a religious rather than a scientific purpose, and that its religious message will last.

When the world is old, and the sun is cold,
And the leaves of the judgment book unfold.

What is the religious purpose of the Creation story? It is to tell us that one good God created the world in an orderly fashion, as became his divine majesty, and made man the crown of it. For the writer of Genesis to proclaim that only one God was concerned in creation took no little courage. He of course did not know astronomy with its revelation of the order and the unity of the movements of the heavenly bodies. He lived before the time that science gave its witness to the unity of the world-ground by showing the uniformity of natural law. These revelations make it much easier for us to be monotheists than it was for him, but even we must all admit that a superficial view of nature often points not to one but many gods. It does not look as though one God would cause all the orchards to blossom with a promise of fruit ,and then send a frost to blast the promise. It is always an intellectual adventure to believe in one good God.

Then, too for the writer it was an adventure in another sense. The whole world was shuddering with superstitious fears. Even today when we laugh at superstition and signs, a good many young people, although half ashamed of themselves, are pagan enough not to choose Friday for their wedding day. and have thirteen guests at the wedding breakfast. Imagine the courage it took in that day to deny the very existence of the gods and hobgoblins that everybody feared!

Indeed to repudiate belief in many gods was to go against the well night unanimous opinion of all the great nations outside of the little rock pile of Palestine. Nevertheless the writer of this story stands up and shakes his fist at the great ones of the earth, and says, You are all wrong! One good God made the world!

What gave him courage to take this stand? In the first place, while he knew but little of what we now know of the uniformities of natural law, he did realize perhaps more intensely than we now do the beautiful order of nature and the indications of a wise providence in creation (Psalm 104). He felt it more intensely because he took more time to contemplate it. Moreover as he looked out upon the polytheistic nations round about he saw that belief in many gods led to low morality. The polytheist can find a god to justify his every savage and lustful mood. In a word, the writer of Genesis knew that the sky would cave in if his people gave up their faith in a righteous God who held all things in his power. Moreover, and this was perhaps the chief ground of his faith, he had a personal experience of God so wonderful that he could not believe there were any gods beside him.

Some member of the class will jokingly call our attention to the fact that the author did not realize that light came from the sun, but he states that light was created before the sun. Primitive peoples today have the same idea, for they notice that there is light before the sun rises, and after it sets. But a man who mocks at this story is strangely blind to our immense indebtedness to these pioneers of religious thought. Such mockers are like a man who, if the vessel in which Columbus first came to America were still preserved, would laugh jeeringly at its lack of modern accommodations, unimpressed by the momentous consequences of its voyage across the unknown waters. Let us bow our heads and give thanks for brave men who amidst the horrible orgies of ancient paganism proclaimed that in the beginning one good God created the world and made man in his own image.

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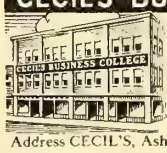
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THIRD ROUND

	July
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Webb Avenue, 11	5
Bynum, Mann's Chapel, 3	5
Mebane, First, 7:30	5
Lakewood, 7:30	6
Trinity, 7:30	7
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11	12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3	12
Davis Street, 7:30	15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11	19
Milton, Connally's, 3	19
Mebane, Central, 7:30	19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11	26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3	26

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Hoffman, 11	5
Rockingham, Rockingham Ct., Roberdel at West Rockingham, 3	5
Laurel Hill, Rochels, 8	5
Aberdeen, 11	12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3	12
Hay Street, 11	19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3	19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8	19

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Louisburg Ct., Leah's, 11	5
Erwin, Angier, 8	5
Fuquay, Cokesbury, 8	8
Tar River, Ebenezer, 11	12
Benson, Elevation, 8	12
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 11	26
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3	26
Mamers, Union, 8	29
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8	31
	August
Four Oaks, Sanders Chapel, 11	2
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8	2
Selma, 8	5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8	7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11	9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8	9
Dunn, Divine Street, 8	12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8	14
Henderson, First Church, 11	16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3	16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8	19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Jones, Oak Grove, 11	5
Seven Springs, Zion, 3	5
Riverside-Bridgeton, Beech Grove, 8	5
New Bern, Centenary, 8	6
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 8	7
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11	12
LaGrange, Institute, 3	12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8	12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8	15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11	19
Grifton, Edwards, 3	19
Ayden, Winterville, 8	19
New Port, Havelock, 11	26
Dover, Asbury, 8	26

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Farmville 11	5
Bethel, Shiloh, 2:30	5
Scotland Neck, Palmyra, 4	5
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8	10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11	11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11	12
Nashville, York, 4	12
Weldon, 11	26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30	26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8	26
	August
Wilson, 11	2
McKendree, 8	2

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Carver's Creek, Weyman, 8:30	2
Clinton, Keener, 11	5
Burgaw, Jordan's, 3:30	5
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20	6
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30	6
Robesboro, Hall's, 7	7
Shallotte, Andrews, 7	9
Town Creek, 7	10
Southport, 11	12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8	12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30	19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

	July
Pisgah, Pisgah, 10	5
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8	5
Tryon, 11	12
Saluda, 8	14
Black Mountain, State Street, 8	15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11	19
Marshall, Marshall, 8	19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8	22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11	26
Acton, Acton, 8	26
Haywood Street, 8	29
	August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10	2
Wolf Mountain, 3	2
Brevard, 8	2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11	9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3	9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8	9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8	12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Derita, 11	5

Delegates to the annual conference will be elected on this round.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Farmington, 11	5
Mocksville Ct., 3	5
Cooleemee, night	5
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11	12
Trap Hill, 3	12
East Bend, night	12
North Wilkesboro, 11	19
Moravian Falls, 3	19
Wilkesboro, night	19
Mocksville, 11	26
Davie, 3	26
Advance, night	26
	August
Elkin, 11	2
Bryant Memorial, 3	2
Yadkinville, night	2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

	July
Cherryville Ct., St. Paul's, 11	5
Belmont, Main Street, night	5
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11	12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3	12
King's Mountain, Grace, night	12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11	26
Stanley, Iron Station, night	26
	August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30	2
Bradley Memorial, 11	2

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4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
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THIRD ROUND

	July
Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 8	1
First Church, Hight Point, 8	2
Greer's, 11	5
West Randolph, Tabernacle, 2:30	5
Farmer, Oak Grove, 8	5
Trinity, Trinity, 8	6
Calvary, 8	8
Liberty, First, 11	12
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45	12
Junaluska	14-20
Welch Memorial, 8	23
Highland, 11	26

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Gilkey, Hebron, 9:45	5
Rutherford College, Shady Grove, 3	5
Glen Alpine, night	5
Rutherfordton, 11	12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3	12
Forest City, night	12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11	25
Marion, First, 11	26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3	26

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., Salisbury, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Coburn Memorial, 3:30	5

A joint quarterly conference will be held for all the charges of Rowan County.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Hiddenite, Liberty, 11	5
Taylorsville, Marvin, 3	5
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, night	5
Mooresville, Central, 11	12
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30	12
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11	26
Mount Zion, 7:30	26
	August
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11	2
Hudson, Cedar Valley, 3	2

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

	July
Erlanger, Ebenezer, 11	5
Lewisville, Doubs, 11	12
Concord, Sharon, H. Grove, 3	12
Pilot Mountain, New Hope, 11	19
Pinnacle, Shoals, 3	19
Rockford Street, 8	19
Thomasville, Main Street, 11	26
Welcome, Center, 3	26
	August
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11	9
City Mission, 8	9
West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11	16
Kernersville Ct., 8	16

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

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time the offering was taken, which it was announced would go as a joint fifth Sunday contribution to the Children's Home. Not feeling quite satisfied over what our Sunday school had done, we took up an offering on the next Sunday, which the enclosed check for $25 is to cover."

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In Memoriam

ABERNETHY—Early Tuesday morning, June 16, Mrs. Julia Abernethy of Rutherford College, 87, passed to her reward in Gastonia due to injuries received in a wreck on the day before. She was the widow of the late Rev. Robert S. Abernethy, who was a member of the Western North Carolina conference. She lived a long, active and helpful life, always keenly interested in the work of God's kingdom. She was the mother of a splendid family who mourn her passing: one son, Prof. E. J. Abernethy, principal of one of the schools in Gastonia, and four daughters, Mrs. McG. Anders of Gastonia, Mrs. J. D. Rankin of Boone, Mrs. David Dellinger of Cherryville, and Mrs. Ben Smith of Greensboro.

Funeral services were held at Rutherford College on Wednesday morning, conducted by Rev. C. H. Moser, Rev. W. L. Scott, and Rev. J. R. Duncan, and she was laid to rest by the side of her husband.

Her Pastor.

A TRIBUTE

The Denver church and community was saddened by the passing of Mrs. Beulah Nicholson Bolick, wife of the late T. C. Bolick, on September 12, 1941. Mrs. Bolick was for many years a consistent church member and Sunday school teacher in the Methodist church and a teacher in the public schools. She was greatly loved and admired by all who knew her and her life was an example and inspiration to the many boys and girls who came under her influence both in the school room and every day life.

To the friends and family we wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy.

Be it resolved, that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be placed in the records of our church.

Mrs. P. A. Thompson,
Mrs. J. Thomas Kenyon,
Mrs. Jerry Mundy.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Savannah Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of our oldest, most faithful and beloved members.

On the afternoon of May 12, 1942, the beautiful spirit of Mrs. Cora Currie Downer slipped calmly and peacefully from its moorings and entered into life eternal.

We who knew her and loved her in the church and in her home will ever cherish in loving thought her kind disposition and gracious character. As mother and grandmother she made family ties dear.

She daily lived the teachings of the Master in a manner few rarely attain. No one could fail to feel the power of her calm, gentle, unassuming, yet strong personality. Those who loved her cannot but feel that her presence will linger with us to bless. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That her life was one of loyal service. She did what she could for the advancement of God's kingdom and the missionary cause. Her beautiful Christian character, her devotion to her church and friends have been a benediction to us, and we thank God for her life.

Second, That we wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to her family, especially her son, and may her God she served so faithfully comfort them as he alone can.

Third, That a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy sent to the family of the deceased, and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

"When the faces we love fade from sight,
And we no more with them can be,
The thought that cheers our lonely night
Is this, Dear Lord, they are with thee."

Miss Annie C. Forlaw,
Mrs. H. R. Cornelius,
Mrs. Furman Downer,
Mrs. T. J. Ingram.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Lieutenant William Julian Fraley, Jr., United States Army Air Corps, gave all that he had in service to his country on May 5, 1942, in an airplane crash near Waco, Texas. In the fleeting moments of his life as an instructor intrusted with the welfare of a student pilot, as in the brief span of 26 years that preceded, his thoughts and deeds were directed unselfishly toward the well being of another.

Son of W. J. and Clara Ford Fraley, William ("Bill" to countless numbers, all of whom were considered mutually as friends) was born into a noble heritage—a home of Christian faith that led him early to an unwavering allegiance to the church and to God. In this atmosphere and in these footsteps he developed self-respect that kept him clean-minded; lofty visions that could be satisfied with nothing less than the good and the true; an unconscious faculty for making and holding friends; and a sense of honor that found its finest expression in consecration and dedication to highest duty.

As a student in Statesville and High Point schools and in Davidson College, and as an Eagle Scout, Bill demonstrated discerning intelligence and a degree of industriousness that labeled him as one to be observed by all good people. In business and in the social and civic life of his community he won promise of increasing success.

William Julian Fraley, Jr., was a man's man. . . . Pray God that the mould in which such a personality was cast may be preserved throughout the ages!

Be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions of respect be placed upon the minutes of the board of stewards of Wesley Memorial Methodist church of High Point, and copies be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and to the bereaved family whose loss we share.

R. T. Amos,
W. B. Hall,
Chas. F. Carroll.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it was the goodness of our heavenly Father to take from us on June 4, 1942, our beloved brother, Maygret W. Adams; therefore be it resolved, that the men's Bible class of the First Methodist church of Henderson, N. C., mourns his passing by adopting the following resolutions:

First, That we bow in humble submission to His will who doeth all things well.

Second, That the church and his many friends have suffered a loss.

Third, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved famliy.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be given the secretary, one sent to the Christian Advocate, and one to the family.

Junius W. Rogers, Jr.
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JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

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July 12-18 (Fifth Week)

July 12 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Asembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "The Light Still Shines," Bishop Clare Purcell.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The New Man in an Old World," Bishop J. L. Decell.

July 13 (Mon.),10:30 a.m.—Address, "Major Interests," Bishop J. L. Decell.
8:00 p.m.—Original Monologue, "Fools, Feuds, and Furriners," (Smoky Mountains), Miss Irene Bewley.

July 14 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Address, "Christian Strategy for Today," Bishop Clare Purcell.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 15 (Wed.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop Clare Purcell, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 16 (Thu.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 17 (Fri.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop J. L. Decell, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

July 18 (Sat.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop W. T. Watkins, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Dr. Mark Depp.
8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "One Foot in Heaven," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Little Caesario."

FALL VICTIMS TO FOURTH OF JULY ORATORY

The fourth of July celebration in Greensboro was a huge success with only one incident to mar the occasion. That was a holiday speech, which is hardly worthy of mention, because holidays are frequently marred by unnecessary addresses. However here is the story. The regiment of soldiers from Fort Bragg had marched under a July sun through the streets of Greensboro amid the gaze of admiring throngs and then proceeded to the west part of the Woman's College campus where they were required to stand at attention while the "orator" of the day bombarded with hot air the heavens above and the earth beneath. According to the words of the Army Surgeon several of the boys fainted. Without flinching our soldier boys can face German and Jap battle lines and our bombing planes have been making a proud record for themselves but when the military forces of the U. S. are bombarded by a wind jammer with hot air that is supposed to be laden with ideas they faint and fall. This ought to be a lesson to hot air specialists who persist in afflicting innocent victims with their poison gas.

TO STUDY THE BASES OF A JUST AND DURABLE PEACE

Word has been received in this country of the safe arrival in London of Mr. John Foster Dulles, chairman of the Federal Council's Commission to Study the Bases of a Just and Durable Peace, and Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk, secretary of the commission.

Mr. Dulles and Dr. Van Kirk were invited to visit England by the British Council of Churches, of which the Archbishop of Canterbury is chairman. While in London Mr. Dulles and Dr. Van Kirk will confer with British church leaders concerning matters of mutual interest in the area of post-war reconstruction. It is expected that the American churchmen will visit many of the principal cities of the British Isles for a series of conferences and personal interviews.

The British churches have set up a Commission of the Churches for International Friendship and Social Responsibility which parallels, in many respects, the Federal Council's Commission to Study the Bases of a Just and Durable Peace. The Archbishop of Canterbury is chairman of this commission and Dr. Archie Craig of Scotland is the secretary. It is under the auspices of this commission that the post-war planning being done by the churches in Great Britain is carried out.

It is expected that Mr. Dules and Dr. Van Kirk will remain in England for about a month.

SUCCESS OF THE DUKE INSTITUTES, 1942

The final tabulation shows that there were 582 paid registration as against 495 last year. 71 fo these registrations were by Duke Endowment students, who were allowed to register for 50c each. The others were $1.00 each. Breaking down the registrations into denominations, we find that there were the following in attendance:

Denomination	Number	Denomination	Number
Methodist	511	Freewill Baptist	5
Congregational Christian	14	Disciples of Christ	14
Friends	1	Episcopal	2
Moravian	2	Presbyterian	5
Lutheran	2	Church of God	4
Baptist	17	Reformed	5

In the registration there were 407 men and 175 women.

We had twelve two-hour daily credit courses. Three of the classes were larger than is desirable but all of the classes were well attended. The attendance upon assembly periods was unusually good, increased, of course, by visitors from the surrounding community.

I wish it were possible to pass on to every member of our Boards the splendid reactions which have been expressed in person and by letter on the part of those who attended. If this were possible, all of us would be encouraged to pursue with increasing vigor the promotion of these Institutes. J. M. Ormond.

METHODIST CHAPLAINS

Ashburn, Oscar Lawrence, Bloomingdale, Ohio.
Bacon, Alfred Stanley, Seridan, New York.
Brown, Mark Lang, Dalton, Ohio.
Burkam, Dwight Miller, Dayton, Ohio.
Calvin, James Clarence, Pineville, La.
Carraway, Archie Clark, Dumas, Ark.
Carson, Paul Elbert, Springfield, Ill.
Duncan, Floyd Alexander, Bedford, Va.
Firth, Raymond Holdsworth, Washington, D. C.
Goodwin, Durward Thomas, Bristol, West Va.
Grimes, Lewis Howard, Houston, Texas.
Grisham, Roy Arnold, Grenada, Miss.
Hamilton, Herbert Homer, Sudan, Texas.
Harris, Ellsworth Greene, Columbus, Ohio.
Hopkinson, Arthur, Jr., Jamaica Plain, Mass.
Lackey, Dudley Carl, Scottsbluff, Neb.
Lindsey, Julian Astor, High Point, N. C.
McGladrey, Merlin William, Minneapolis, Minn.
Oxnam, Philip Holmes, Oxford, Mass.
Phillips, Russel Lemuel, Terre Haute, Ind.
Pierson, Cato Halbert, Wiley College, Marshall, Texas.
Price, Robert Henry Dawson, Texas.
Rieff, Edward Leo, St. Paul, Minn.
Scheufler, Karl William, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Skelton, Robert Elmire, 2519 Northwestern Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.
Terry, Ray Morton, Georgetown, Conn.
Teska, Glenn Frank, Le Center Minn.
Vick, Thomas Marvin, Jr., Longhurst, N. C.
Walker, Edwin Markurth, Watoga, Okla.
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A doctor and a lawyer, so the story goes, were testing the relative keenness of their wits upon each other. The doctor said, "A little bird told me what kind of lawyer you are —'cheep, cheep." To which the doctor replied, "Well, a little duck told me what kind of doctor you are—'quack, quack'."

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An intimate personal relationship to Jesus Christ in the depth of the individual soul provides for the proper activity of every human instinct and desire in the Christ-centered community. This makes for a genuine Christian social order of which we hear so much. It determines the character of the individual and of the group. Is not this essential to the new order of which we hear so much?

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A flag was raised over the Jamestown worsted mills. From the owners of the mill itself it was learned that: the flag was made of wool from American sheep, sorted by an American, carded by an Italian, spun by a Swede, warped by a German, dressed by an Englishman, drawn in by a Scotchman, woven by a Belgian, supervised by a Frenchman, inspected by an American, scoured by an Albanian, dyed by a Turk, examined by an Irishman and pressed by a Pole.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

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If you are a pacifist say so and act upon your conviction as to what is right. And let other people respect your rights and your convictions. On the other hand if you believe that war is the thing live up to those convictions and prove a good soldier. But in the time of war is not the hour to set up a debating society for pacificist and war minded people to argue their differences. These debates are to be deferred till the war is over. This paper refuses to become a free platform for the discussion of the relative merits of peace and war.

General Auchinleck's order to his weary, hard pressed soldiers just before the "supreme effort" closed with these words: "The battle is not over yet and will not be over until we have defeated him, and defeat him we will." Would this not be a fine resolution for personal application to the "enemy of souls" by all who are weary and hard pressed in the struggle of life?

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Most of the suggestions as to why God does not stop this war fail to gain general approval. May we not do well to accept the old rule of the Bible? "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land." "But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

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Methodism is the lengthened shadow of its great founder. What a master builder in the Kingdom of God was John Wesley! His capacity for long and effective service was a wonder to Wesley himself and has been a still greater wonder to those who have noted the things that he did during the busy years of his long life. He preached forty-six thousand sermons, traveled (mostly on horseback) more than 200,000 miles, wrote two hundred and thirty-three books and pamphlets, and is said to have helped to write one hundred others. These are some of the outstanding things that he did. Added to these were the multitudious details of his evangelistic and pastoral services as he ministered in spiritual things, and became a help to the poor and distressed that he met on everyhand in England. We talk these days about a social gospel. But if you desire to know what a social gospel is really like see how John Wesley did it when he gave all his money to the needy and at the same time was a flaming evangelist.

Church Bells and Door Bells

MUCH has been said about the intimate relationship existing between church bells and door bells, but some pastors have failed to profit by the wisdom of church leaders. Human indolence and old time laziness have led some pastors to substitute the phone bell for the front door bell—to substitute the phone call for a call in person. True, a call over the phone must, at times, be substituted for a personal call, but this should never be done if there is a genuine personal interest involved. That pastor content to make a call over the phone when he ought to be there in person—and could be by serious effort—will certainly lose his hold on that family.

Dean Mordecai of the Trinity College law school would not have a phone in his house. He insisted that anyone who had real important business with him would come to see him. This is about the feeling most people cherish about their pastor who is certainly expected to look after the King's business. Any man who insists that he will not spend his time ringing door bells would do well to ponder well his ministerial vows. More preachers fail because of their carelessness in looking after details and their neglect of tender concern for their people than from a want of ability. The pastor who has won the affection of his people can preach clean and exacting gospel without arousing antagonisms. They know he speaks out of a loving heart.

We have heard that church going fathers make church going sons. So have we heard that home going pastors make church going parishioners. All of which indicates the close relationship existing between the church bell and the door bell. Pastors much on the go count far more in drawing men to Jesus than orators on the rostrum into which many pulpits have been converted by men with a fluent tongue.

The automobile has done much to destroy the former intimate relationship between pastor and people in the country churches. In the "horse and buggy days" he would get into the home and mix with the family. Now he gets out of the pulpit into his car and hastens home; consequently, the old familiarities of other years are no more. The big city church has almost suffered the same paralyzing results. It is all a kind of "touch and go" rather than the old familiar and friendly relationship. Remember, the personal interview is ever to the front in all that Jesus said and did as he went about doing good.

What One Editorial in a Church Paper Accomplished

HERE is the story in full:

Buckley Pavilion was dedicated Sunday, June 21, 1941, by Bishop Francis J. McConnell. It is a new, million-dollar, nine-story, 144-bed modern surgery building on the grounds of the Methodist Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

It is named for the late Dr. James Monroe Buckley, who was for many years editor of The Christian Advocate. In 1881 he wrote an editorial, calling atttention to the fact that not in all the world was there a Methodist hospital.

Inspired by this a Mr. George I. Seney, an able banker, made a gift of $410,000, to found the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Brooklyn.

Methodist hospitals have since multiplied and now number 82 in this country, 37 in other countries.

It all started from an editorial in a church paper.

Yet there are Methodist people who say church papers do not amount to much. This is because they are not acquainted with their church history. For one brief editorial to result in 82 Methodist hospitals in this country and 37 in other countries is not a thing to be despised. Intelligent Methodists appreciate the value of the printing press.

Winning the Peace

IT goes without saying that we must first win the war before we can win a just and lasting peace. Most people assume that we will win the war and, as we see it, this is a safe assumption. But to win the war is not all. It is little more than a beginning amid the present world situation. And many thoughtful people are well aware of this obvious fact. And it could hardly be otherwise in full view of what happened following the first world war.

William Hiram Foulkes has uttered timely words in the following plea for peace:

Who wins the war, may lose the peace, unless
He plans, in faith, a better world to build,
Out of the wreckage which the earth has filled:
The blasted soil must once again be tilled;
In art and industry, in home and school,
In church and state, the world its weal must find;
In vast, creative, social science skilled,
Mankind must learn, by heart, Christ's Golden Rule,
With cords of brotherhood, all nations bind.

The Pastoral Prayer

YEARS ago President Elliott of Harvard observed that most Protestant pastors do not appreciate the spiritual opportunity which is theirs in the use of extempore prayer apart from the liturgical uses of the ritualistic churches. By careful preparation these ministers can give expression to the deepest cry of the human soul and make unusually real the divine presence. In these church assemblies are men and women deeply perplexed and much over burdened with the cares and anxieties of life. Above all else they need the divine help and consolation.

The pastor acquainted with the cares and sorrows of his people in the home and their daily occupations is able to lead them to God most effectively as they wait in the sanctuary. The tender, sympathetic pastor with an understanding heart in this prayer is able to charge the atmosphere of the place as he gives the needed uplift to the people.

Too often have we known some visiting brother to be called on to lead the pastoral prayer, or some layman wholly out of sympathy with the occasion to be brought into the service in a country church. Equally as inexcusable is it for the pastor to display a shameful want of thought and spiritual preparation for the pastoral prayer. Really the work and thought of the whole week should lead up to this opening prayer.

Religion and the worship of God can be made beautifully attractive if care is taken to preserve the soul of the occasion by keeping out the secular and holding fast to the spirit of the hour. Equally as bad is it to allow the sloven methods and incidental affairs to cut the heart out of the service.

Middle East

IN the present war the term Middle East has come to mean a vast expanse of Southwest Asia and the Egyptian corner of Africa. Roughly speaking it is a territory equivalent to the Continental United States. The 75,000,000 inhabitants live along the river valleys and the watered coastal belts. The greater part of these 3,000,000 square miles are waste lands which include the shifting sands of the Sahara and the arid stretches of the Arabian peninsula.

The heart of the moslem world is here. Here is Mecca where Mohammed was born and where the pilgrims gather. In Cairo the teachers of the Koran have their famed schools. Besides, all the great religions were cradled here, Jewish, Christian, Zoroastrian, Mohammedan.

The New York Times writes:

"The bygone cultures of Mesopotamia, Egypt and Persia—now reduced to mounds opened by the archaeologist's spade, to colossal monuments eroded by desert sun and wind—were the founts of Western culture. Through Crete, Greece and Rome they handed down the calendar, alphabet, paper, ink, mathematics, medicine, architecture—and even, so the historians say, checkers and dice, ten-pins and income taxes, wet-nurses and beer!

The Middle East has known an endless stream of conquerors, from the Pharaohs who trailed their chariots across dusty Sinai and fought the kings of lower Asia. The Greeks and Romans came in time, and the Moslems and Crusaders. Napoleon beneath the Pyramids felt forty centuries looking down on him. But never, in the long struggle of empire, has so much been at stake as in the Fuehrer's bid for dominion.

No Man To Take His Place

THE overwhelming vote of Confidence that the House of Commons gave Winston Churchhill last week did not really represent its real estimate of him as a leader in these trying times. To state it bluntly there was no man to take his place. Whenever his critics were asked to name a man to become his successor they were unable to do so.

This was true not only with members of the House but perhaps with his critics throughout the British Empire and far beyond the borders of his majesty's government.

While no man was in sight let us hope that this was all. We refuse to believe that Britain is so bankrupt as not to have capable leaders, for any and every position that demands a high order of ability, and that such men can be found if the prime consideration in making the choice be a capacity for high service. Can he do the job is the first and foremost question, and not, is he a lord, or has he the social prestige or some other minor consideration that ought to be ignored?

A student of bears visited a zoo and gave his interpretation of a bit of bear psychology. This is his conclusion of what the old bear was saying to himself:

Said a cheerful old bear in the zoo,
"I never have time to feel blue.
If it bores me, you know,
To walk to and fro,
I reverse it and walk fro and to."

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Ward Page announce the birth of a son, Jack Ward Page, II., on Sunday July 5th at Moore County Hospital in Pinehurst, N. C.

I have moved from High Point to Mount Airy. My post office address is Box 442 Mount Airy.—Rev. O. Dewey Smith.

Mrs. W. E. Hauss of China Grove is ill in the Charlotte Memorial Hospital where she expects to remain for several weeks.

"Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Clemmer, Jr. of Hayesville, N. C., announce the birth of a daughter, Patricia Ann on June 24 at Petrie Hospital, Murphy. N. S."

There will be a Home-coming Day at Jones Memorial Methodist Church, Mooresville, N. C., July 19th. All former pastors and friends are very cordially invited.—R. P. Waugh, Pastor.

The Ministers' Wives of the Elkin District will have their annual picnic at Neaves Park, Elkin, N. C., Friday, July 24, at 11:00 o'clock. Pastors will have check-up meeting.

"Having been assigned to active duty as the Protestant Chaplain to the 216th General Hospital, Camp Forrest, Tennessee, all communications should be sent to me at that address."—Clifford H. Peace.

One of Methodism's mountain schools in Kentucky is seeking a Christian man to run a farm, tend a furnace, and make repairs. Salary is $50 per month, plus living expenses. Single man preferred—married man can be placed. If interested, write Publicity Department, Board of Missions, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

A lady writes: "We have recently placed in our church The U. S. flag on the right of the pulpit inside the altar rail; The Christian flag on the left of the pulpit on the outside and below the altar rail. In a certain church—not named—the flags are exactly the opposite and on the level. This is not proper placing of the flags."

Raymond Gram Swing, news commentator, to graduating class of N. C. University: "You too will toss on your pillows. You, too, will feel the dread that goes with growth . . . I am not sorry for you. You will dare examine all, to doubt all. You will build the new world with the bricks and the mortar of doubt."

Dr. and Mrs. Leslie C. Sarah, missionaries of the Methodist Church in Muluntgwishi Training School, Belgian Congo, Africa, and Miss Helen Everett, R. N., missionary in Kanene, Belgian Congo, arrived on furlough at Baltimore on July 1. They travelled direct from Capetown to Baltimore by a Netherlands steamer.

A country lad went into a crossroads store and said, "I want to buy a gallon of 'Midnight Oil'." "Midnight Oil?" said the store keeper, "I never heard of such a thing." "Well, I have," said the lad, "and I'm bound to get some. Every great man whose story I have read, burned Midnight Oil—and I'm going to get some of that oil or bust a trace!"

Rev. Thomas Marvin Vick, Jr., for four years the successful pastor of the Roxboro Circuit, has been called to serve as a chaplain in the U. S. Army. He will report for duty at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Ind., on July 12. Bishop Purcell has authorized the appointment of Rev. William Rainwater, supply, to succeed Brother Vick. —A. J. Hobbs.

Dr. William Adams Brown, representing the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, was invited and attended the enthronement of the Archbishop of York as the new Archbishop of Canterbury. This is the first time that the non-Anglican churches in America have been invited to send a representative to an enthronization in England.—The United Presbyterian.

Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor of Glenwood Church, Greensboro, is now in the midst of his Advocate campaign. Every Monday morning he brings in some new subscriptions. When he has completed the job we will report the results. Avett is doing fine work at Glenwood just as he did in Mocksville and at every other church that he has served as pastor.

R. M. Courtney, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Courtney of Greensboro entered the service at Fort Bragg seven month ago and has been commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant. He spent a few days last week at home with his parents but has returned to his work at Camp Chappee, Fort Worth, Arkansas. He appears to enjoy the Army where he serves with the field artillery.

Another sign of the times may be found in the announcement that the East German annual conference of the Methodist Church will hold its final session at Newark, N. J., next spring. A few years ago there were ten German-speaking annual conferences in American Methodism. All have been absorbed in the English-language conferences. Cessation of immigration, rather than war condition, has been given as the principal reason.

The birth rate of the United States turned upward in 1941. Two million, five hundred thousand babies were born in that year. This was nearly 19 births per thousand of the population as compared to 18 in 1940. The all-time low rate was in 1933 when the figure stood at 16.6 per thousand. For two centuries prior to 1933 the birth rate fell steadily. Since that it has been steadily rising. In 1941 the deaths were 1,410,000. This means that the nation gained in population by over 1,000,000.

We had the privilege Sunday, July 5, of having our District Superintendent, Brother Hutchins with us, preaching in three churches on the charge. We are indeed grateful for his fine leadership and faithful ministry. We are progressing on this charge. The work of our young people's organizations and of our Church Schools is going good. Improvement has been made at Elizabeth Chapel in the completion of the church basement. Our ladies' societies have been active in mission study work, helping to create a missionary consciousness in the churches. We have had one Vacation Bible School and two revivals and are yet to have four Vacation Schools and three revivals, also two Leadership Training Schools.—L. C. Stevens, Pastor.

During the week of June 20-27 the Methodist Church in Sylva was hostess to one of the 85 Caravan groups that has gone out through Methodism for the summer months. Mrs. Connie Cope of Morganton was the adult counselor and working with her were Miss Jean Williams, Fort Smith, Ark.; Miss Lorene Avril, Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. Clarke Benson, Salisbury, N. C., and Mr. Ross Francisco, Bluefield, W. Va. There were courses taught in Worship, Community Service, World Friendship, and Recreation. About 50 young people took an active part in the week's work which was climaxed with a banquet and a dedication service. We feel that our Young People were greatly benefitted and hope that the visit of the Caravoners will become a yearly event.—Mrs. Reed Green.

Mrs. Tyler Thompson, wife of the Rev. Tyler Thompson, missionaries formerly in Singapore, Malaya, arrived by clipper in Miami, Florida on June 24. She had been evacuated with other missionaries from Singapore to India before that path was closed by the Japanese. It is believed that Mr. Thompson is one of several missionaries caught in Malaya by the war and that he was unable to escape.



Dr. Jesse Lee Cuninggim, President of Scarritt College who after a long and successful administration has recently offered his resignation to take effect as soon as the Trustees can find his successor.

Our vacation church schools this year have been a great success. Thus far we have had two. We have had a fine group of teachers and workers. Bro. H. I. Ridenhour, who was sent to us by Duke University has done a splendid piece of work in directing these schools. Our first school was held at White Zion Church with a total enrollment of 30. We awarded 28 certificates at the close of the school. The second school was held at Reeps Grove Church. The total enrollment here was 54. We awarded 52 certificates at the close of the school. In the two schools we have awarded 80 certificates. At the close of each school the children gave a commencement program. The schedule for our schools is one hour for class, 30 minute work period, 30 minute devotion.—E. P. Greene, Pastor.

On June 1 there were 2,998 conscientious objectors in twenty-eight special camps "for work of national importance," according to the National Board for Religious Objectors. In addition to those who have been accepted by the government as objectors to bearing arms, there are several hundred other cases still pending before draft and appeal boards. A tabulation of the first 2,000 objectors assigned to camps shows that 901 are Mennonites, 335 Brethren, 205 Friends (Quakers), 196 Methodist, 67 Jehovah's Witnesses, 65 Presbyterian, 53 Congregational-Christians, and 51 Baptists. The Methodists have thus the largest number of objectors among the major denominations. Its **Discipline** says, "Believing that conscientious objections to war is a natural outgrowth of Christian desire for peace on earth, we ask and claim exemption from all forms of military preparation or service for all conscientious objectors who may be members of the Methodist Church.

DR. C. C. WEAVER DEDICATES ORGAN AT GREEN STREET CHURCH

Last Sunday afternoon at 5 p. m. the recently installed Hammond organ of the Green Street Methodist church, Winston-Salem, was dedicated by Dr. C. C. Weaver and the pastor, Rev. Cecil G. Refner. This service marked the completion of the renovation program both of the church and parsonage. Total value of the improvements will probably exceed $5,000.

Miss Isabel Shaffer, musical director and organist at WSJS, was the guest organist and played "Angelus" by Massanue and "Largo" by Handel. She also played the organ accompaniment for B. L. Watkins, Jr., who played a marimba solo, "Adagio," from "Moonlight Sonata" (Beethoven). The choir, directed by Giles Smith, sang "The Lord's Prayer," by Malotte-Deis, and "Beautiful Savior," by Christiansen, with Mrs. Jewel Osborne as soloist.

The entire church has been redecorated throughout, including two coats of paint, beautiful doors in front, lighted bulletin board, new carpet, new furniture, draperies throughout, and tile-tex floors in the basement. A beautiful brass cross has been placed at the rear of the choir loft by friends, increasing the beauty and worshipfulness of the auditorium.

The parsonage has been redecorated both on the inside and out. This includes painting, new wall paper, concrete basement, concrete driveway, new shrubbery, and a number of smaller improvements.

In the eight months that our pastor has been here the church has had a steady growth in membership by profession of faith and by letter. The renovation committee was composed of W. W. Rike, chairman, B. F. Griffith, and Giles Smith; the finance committee was composed of A. H. Kimel, chairman, Carl Orton, Alex Voss, Raymond Kimel, and S. W. Minter, treasurer.

CHAPLAIN J. L. PITTARD WRITES HIS DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Office of the Chaplain, A.P.O. 943 care Postmaster, Seattle, Washington, is the address of Chaplain Pittard who has written Dr. L. B. Hayes a personal letter from which we clip the following which will interest his friends.

"Just in case you have forgotten my whereabouts, I can only state that we are in the same location as we were when I wrote to you several weeks ago. The rigid censorship regulation restricts us to the above address.

Margaret and Jerrie are still living in Tacoma. Margaret's sister, Ruth is with them, and is working in a hospital just across the street from their apartment. I am naturally looking forward to the day when I can see them, and am trusting that it will not be as long as it has been.

Assure all of the brethren that we do need their prayerful assistance during these trying days, and that the men of their respective congregations who are in uniforms always appreciate a kindly greeting from them and the friends back home."

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

Of the waste of money by the agencies about Washington, Frank R. Kent has written much. Editor Sharpe of the Robesonian does not say much but he implies much in the following tribute to the dear little honey bee. Ponder well this paragraph:

Referring to the publicity output of various and multitudious government agencies in Washington, Frank R. Kent observes that the current weekly letter to "graphic artists" gotten out by the "Press and Periodicals, Division of Information, Office of Emergency Management" is devoted to the splendid way in which "the honey bee is working all-out to relieve the sugar shortage." Bless their dear devoted hearts. They always would do their part. And it is a great help to the war effort to have the patriotic endeavors of the busy bees properly published.

DISTILLERIES CAN SUPPLY ALL NEEDED ALCOHOL

Reports from wholesalers indicate that sugar is piling up in eastern warehouses so rapidly that its disposition is becoming a problem. An increase of the sugar ration is said to be probable, but there are indications that the ration might be raised to normal consumption level without exhausting the available supplies. Why should there have been this remarkable change in a situation which a few weeks ago was said to threaten the nation's whole war effort? The reasons turn out to be mainly two. In the first place, the supply of sugar from Hawaii has not been depleted by the war. On the contrary, it has increased. And in the second place, by redistilling liquor held in bond and by distilling surplus grains, the government has found that it can get all the ethyl alcohol it needs for smokeless powder. "Normally," says **Industrial and Engineering Chemistry** for May 1 in explaining what has happened, "the production of industrial alcohol in the United States is some 100,000,000 gallons annually. The present program requires that this be stepped up to at least 350,000,000 gallons." The apparent source of this amount expressed in millions of wine gallons, 190 proof equivalent, now are approximately: whiskey industry, 190 proof direct, 100; high wines to be redistilled, 70; industrial alcohol industry, from blackstrap molasses, 120; from synthesis, 60; total 350. This program is calculated to yield the required alcohol without using crystal sugar. It releases all sugar heretofore converted into invert molasses, and thus divorces alcohol from any effect on sugar supplies." One immediate effect of this change in government policy is to be seen in the case of Cuban sugar. It had been expected that 1,300,000 of the 3,800,000 tons of sugar ordered from Cuba would go for alcohol. Under the new plan only 400,000 tons will be so used. As the paper which first proposed this policy, The Christian Century is naturally glad to see the government trying it out. And it is gratifying to find that it works.

NEWS ITEMS FROM LONG'S CHAPEL

Miles A. McLean, Pastor

The Daily Vacation Bible School was held during the month of June. The schedule included classes, worship, projects, and recreation. The primary, junior, and intermediate departments each carried out their separate programs. There were 52 children enrolled and 12 teachers and helpers, making a total of 64. The attendance kept up well through the whole period. Everyone felt that it was a successful school.

The church had a delegate to attend the Christian Adventure Camp at Camp Carlyle, June 13-20. Mary Charles Leatherwood was the delegate, and the camp experience meant very much to her.

We also had a representative from this church Miss Lucille Medford, to attend the Young Adult Fellowship Camp at Camp Carlyle. She is a teacher in the intermediate department of the Church School, and one of the leaders of the Girl Scouts. Her camp experience was very valuable.

Since it was not possible for all young people to go to one of the regular church camps, they took them in a group on a camping trip of their own. They were able to secure the use of a cabin on a mountainside by a cool spring. They took a group of 16 young people and 6 adults in cars and a truck. The camp just lasted two days, but even in that short time they were able to enjoy some wholesome camp experiences such as cooking and eating together, games, short hikes, and songs and stories around a big camp-fire which burned long into the night. The most significant thing in the camp was a series of three devotional services conducted by the adult leaders. These services made the camp or retreat definitely religious, and we think the effect upon the young people will last a long time.

G. M. Craven, Reporter.

INDIA BISHOPS COUNSEL 'COURAGE"

(Editor's Note: The four Methodist bishops resident in India have addressed a pastoral letter to all superintendents, head of institutions, and missionaries of the Methodist Church in India and Burma.) From this letter we quote the following:

The war has already overrun our Burma Conference, closing our schools, driving our missionaries and many of our national ministers from their work and homes and spreading disorder and distress through our congregations.

We know not how much further the evil may extend. It may be that other Conferences will experience some of the losses that have befallen the Burma Conference. It is our duty to face the facts and to consider what obligations they place upon us. We invite you to join us in this consideration. Our concern is not primarily for the vested interests of the Church, nor yet for the servants of the Church, but rather for the purposes for which those interests have been acquired and those servants of the Church have been chosen, called and commissioned.

This time calls for calm and courage. Christians have an extraordinary opportunity to prove their faith and devotion. The Christian message was never more relevant to human need and no generation of Christian disciples ever faced a more urgent call to present in life an understandable interpretation and demonstration of that message. The Church in China has commended the Gospel most effectively by its behavior in the war which has continued there through four and a half years. Our Methodist Church is at the very centre of China's suffering and heroism. In Malaya and in Burma our people have served and suffered without panic. We are proud of them and are strengthened by their example.

We still hope that India will be spared invasion and devastation air attacks. If, however, this hope should fail we urge that our Church go on with its God-given work with the least possible dislocation. If an attack come the normal services of Church and school in that area may have to be suspended, but there should be no hasty or unnecessary closing anywhere. War makes all of our institutions more essential to India than ever. Let us continue our work with a heightened sense of its importance.

A RICH PREACHER

An old German preacher had undeservedly gotten famed for being rich, because he lived like most of the preachers of all denominations in all lands have to live—temperate in all things and economical, on small salaries.

One day out in the country he met the assessor, who at once began to examine him:

"Is it so, Mr. Pastor, that you have capital?"

"Yes," said the preacher, "in a way I am a rich man."

"In that case," said the assessor, interestedly, and pulling out his book, "how much is your possessions?"

"I'm enjoying good health," said the preacher, "and health is better than riches."

"Well," said the other, "what more have you?"

"I have a good wife and that's worth more than pearls."

"Congratulations," said the assessor, "but don't you own more?"

"Yes, I have healthy, well-shaped, intelligent, well-behaved children, and it's a gift from the Lord which makes me rich."

"You own anything else?" asked the assessor.

"Yes, I own citizenship in heaven and the Spirit gives the assurance in my heart, that I'm a child of God."

"Don't you own any other fortune?"

"No, otherwise I own nothing," said the preacher.

"Mr. Pastor," said the assessor, "you are a rich man, but your fortune cannot be taxed."Selected.

BISHOP W. N. AINSWORTH DIES IN ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Bishop Willian Newman Ainsworth of Macon, Ga., died July 7th, of a heart attack in the George Vanderbilt Hotel where he came the day before to spend the summer in the mountains of North Carolina. With him at the time was Mrs. Ainsworth and his son Malcolm Ainsworth, who is Secretary of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 9, at Mulberry Street Methodist Church in Macon. Bishop Arthur J. Moore and Dr. W. F. Quillan, former president of Wesleyan College, now of Nashville, Tenn., had charge of the service.



Bishop W. N. Ainsworth

Bishop Ainsworth was born in Camilla, Ga., February 10, 1872, son of Rev. and Mrs. James T. Ainsworth. At 14 the boy decided to become a minister and after attending Emory College was admitted to the South Georgia Conference of the Methodist Church, South, in December, 1891.

He married Miss Mary Nicholson of Attapulgus, Ga., whose brother was his room-mate at Emory College.

When 29, he was assigned to Mulberry Street Church at Macon, the youngest pastor in its history. The church is one of the most powerful and richest in the conference.

During the first decade of this century when a wave of prohibition was sweeping the nation, Bishop Ainsworth became one of the major warriors against whiskey.

The 1918 general conference elected him a bishop and he served in Texas, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Virginia, Cuba, China, Japan, and Korea.

In addition to his wife and son, Malcolm, another son, W. N. Ainsworth, Jr., Atlanta business man, survives.

Of International Interest

While President of Wesleyan College, the nation's oldest chartered woman's college and a Methodist institution, two of the three famous daughters of Charles Soong, of China, graduated during his three-year administration. They were Eling Soong, who later married H. H. Kung, who became minister of commerce and industry of the Chinese republic; and Chun Ling Soong, who became the wife of Sun Yat Sen, father of the modern revolution in China.

The third Soong daughter was too young to attend college when she first came to this country, and Bishop and Mrs. Ainsworth took her into their home where the Chinese girl, Mai Ling Soong, became the playmate of the Ainsworths' daughter, the late Eloise Ainsworth.

Mai Ling Soong went to Wesleyan for one year but after graduation of her sisters transferred to Wellesley to be near her brother who was attending Harvard. After returning to China she became Madame Chaing Kai-shek.

Bishop Ainsworth later served as head of his church in Japan, China, and Korea. He was head of the southern church in 1937 when Japan invaded China and at that time he warned the United States government that unless this nation and Great Britain joined to halt this aggression they would have to regret their inaction. Time has proven that Bishop Ainsworth was correct in his estimate of the situation.

HON. JOSEPHUS DANIELS PUZZLED BY THE PREACHERS

Ambassador Daniels, at present editor of the News and Observer and as loyal a Methodist as he is a Democrat, is puzzled by the ways of some of his Methodist preachers. We let this former Secretary of United States Navy tell his story which appeared as an editorial in last Monday morning's paper. Here it is:

A layman is apt to be puzzled if he tries to follow the counsel of all the preachers he hears. It is probably best that each preacher should give his interpretation of the Scriptures, but when one advises one course and within 24 hours another gives opposite counsel, what is a disturbed layman who wishes to follow the lead of the Christian leaders to think or do?

Last Sunday at Junaluska, the Rev. J. C. Madison, pastor of the Waynesville Methodist Church, preaching on the subject, "When Man Plays God," stressed that man must never oppose his views to those of the Almighty but follow implicitly and without question the directions and commands of the Almighty. The very next day, the Rev. Dr. M. T. Smathers, Methodist District Superintendent of the Asheville District, from the same pulpit, advised his hearers to "argue with God," assuming that "He wants you to."

Which way, preachers?

ROSMAN CIRCUIT MAKES GAINS

Although our accomplishments on the Rosman Circuit may seem small when compared with the accomplishments of other charges in the Western North Carolina Conference, I want to make a report on the doings of rural Methodist in Transylvania County.

To begin with, there have been material gains in the way of property improvement. The church at Oak Grove has purchased new hymn books and a piano. We have made a good start toward securing the needed funds for making extensive repairs on the Oak Grove church building. Interest and attendance at the latter church are on the increase and if the repairs are made, which they will be, Oak Grove has good prospects for the future.

The Rosman Church building has just had a new coat of paint outside along with other improvements.

We have recently held a series of revival services at Lake Toxaway, with Rev. Luther A. Bennett, of the Brevard College faculty, doing the preaching. His messages were timely, Biblical, and generally helpful. The constituency of the church has been strengthened in a really spiritual sense. There was one conversion during the ten nights of the meeting and one addition to the church, with two others to be received later. Not an auspicious achievement from the standpoint of visible results, but I ask you to remember that great oaks from little acorns grow. Brother Bennett's work among us has prepared the way for genuine progress in this particular church and community.—J. R. Bowman, Pastor in Charge.

The Law of Battle

By LYNN HAROLD HOUGH

When thou goest forth to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, and a people more than thou, thou shalt not be afraid of them; for Jehovah thy God is with thee, who brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. —Deuteronomy 20:1.

These striking phrases are taken from the Deuteronomic code and themselves represent a law of battle. The central insight expressed in these words become a part of classic Christianity.

That central insight asserts that God is in the midst of life fighting for those who have made his cause their cause and against those whose victory would be the defeat of the very cause of God. God is God, then, working in history. He is not a God apart from history. He enters the very portals of life. He carries out his purposes in spite of the immaturity and moral confusion and the dark and tragic evil which characterizes the life of men. In the midst of the imperfect he gives power to that particular imperfection which promises to move toward that which is more perfect. The very genius of the Old Testament religion and of classic Christianity is found in the use of men not yet completely delivered from evil to further the purposes of good. If a man's eyes are turned toward the light, God uses him even if his feet have traces of the mire through which he has moved and his garments are soiled by the ugly dust the winds of life have blown upon him.

If in a great fight the forces which make for the disintegration of moral and spiritual life are on one side and the forces which would destroy their evil powers are on the other, God himself is on the side of the fight which promises most for the defeat of evil and the opportunity for good.

The principle probes far into the depths of life. A perfection which cannot touch imperfection becomes incapable of having any real meaning for actual beings in a relative world. The religion which loses itself in moral and spiritual isolation and has no great word of interpretation and of guidance to say in the critical days of a world war inevitably loses all right later to assert the leadership which it has so tragically forfeited.

The preacher who sees the young men of his church go forth to fight and to die for the fundamental rights of free men and gives them no word of inspiration, no interpretation of the moral and spiritual splendor of the cause, reveals himself as a prophet who confronts one of the greatest crises in the history of the world with a religion which is morally irrelevant and spiritually incompetent. The preacher who cannot say "Thy God is with thee" to men who are fighting for civilization and against barbarism, for freedom and against oppression, needs to reexamine his whole philosophy of life and of religion.

The claim that the authority of our Lord can be given to a policy of moral isolation from the soul of the soldier is founded upon inadequate scholarship and confused religious thinking. The very quality of the Christian religion in the thought of its Founder was seen in love on the cross and judgment on the throne. When we assert the love and forget the judgment we are false to the very nature of New Testament religion. Christianity is the religion of the great invitation. It is also the religion of the great divide. The man who makes love an absolute in such a sense that he forgets the demands of justice falls into the fallacy of the isolated virtue. Only the cluster of the virtues make up the Christian religion. Any single virtue when made the only virtue will poison and betray. When Puritanism remembered justice and forgot love, it became hard and cruel. When Pacifism remembers love and forgets justice, it becomes the victim of a soft and rotting process, and substitutes a sentimental gregariousness for the virility of the Christian message. Only moral love is truly Christian love.

With all the graciousness of his invitation, this necessity for judgment was perpetually in the thought of Jesus. He expressed it in what he said of the man without the wedding garment, the virgins with no oil in their lamps, the city so evil that its good master was forced to destroy it, the evil men whose proper fate would be a millstone about their necks, drowned in the depths of the sea. He expressed it in his own terrible word "depart" to be uttered on the day of final adjudication.

Men may reject love. They may reject the love of the cross. Then there is only judgment. That these moral processes must be expressed in history is evident enough. The steward of God is not merely a steward of material things. He is a steward of moral and spiritual values. And woe be to him if he is false to these values.

The paradox of the Christian faith lies in the fact that the Christian is both an evangelist and a judge. As an evangelist, he turns the other cheek, gives the coat for the cloak, and follows Jesus to the cross. As a judge, he faces the moral responsibilities of the world in which he lives and becomes the instrument (humbly and with repentance for his own sins and yet without hesitation) of the moral judgment of God. There are times when the voice of the evangelist can be heard. There are times when the voice of the judge must be heard. You cannot evangelize the lion when your head is in the lion's mouth. Only a swift use of the knife in your hand will prevent the closing of those terrible jaws.

The Christian paradox takes a form which may be expressed thus: You fight in order that you may save. You fight for the children of your foes as well as for the children of your friends. For the freedom and justice for which you do battle will in the long run bring only good to the children of those whom you must now force from their evil thrones.

There is, then, a Christian law of the battle. There are causes which are God's causes. And even imperfect men —the only sort of men there are—have the right to fight for them. In such a cause—and we now have such a cause —"when thou goest forth to fight against thine enmies, . . . thou shalt not be afraid of them; for Jehovah thy God is with thee."—Zions Herald.

I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.—Psalms.

THE SHORT CUT AND THE LONG ROAD

By James D. Rankin

Our is an age of shortcuts. We are given to "cutting corners." Our motto is "Get There." The thing in mind is the erminus. This characteristic distinguishes Americans. Impatience is our besetting sin. We are eager to reach the prizes of life and have no patience with the slow methods of former days. The railroad which took us farther in an hour than our fathers could travel in days is too slow and we have resorted to airplanes. Our modern methods make the old ones intolerably slow.

Our whole system of life is impregnated with the spirit of hurry. The daily paper is filled with the mention of those killed when hurrying across busy streets, Elevators that stop at every floor are unthinkable to those whose offices are on the higher stories. They demand express cars which shoot past the lower levels with rocket-like velocity. The setting hen has given place to the incubator. Waiting for the cream to "rise" is intolerable and we use separators. The railroads are straightening their curves and tunneling through hills to reduce distance. Streamlined trains are taking the place of the "accommodation" trains and the lightning express is trying to make its name appropriate.

We are taking short cuts in education. Read the advertisements: "Stenography taught in seven lessons"; "French and German taught in 12 lessons"; "An improved system of penmanship taught in 10 lessons" (and it looks it). Our young people are taking the short cut through school. They are bent on getting through at the earliest possible moment. Those preparing for the trades have discarded the old system of "apprenticeships" The young business men are not willing to use the slow methods of their fathers but resort to speculation.

Short cuts are not altogether to be condemned. If you can do a thing as well and do it quickly it is an advantage. There is no virtue in slowness. He is not necessarily a saint who walks slowly. If you can take a short cut and reach your destination in as good condition you are foolish if you take the long way. You are committing self-robbery if you spend a month in doing what you might do in a day.

But too often these short cuts are at the expense of efficiency. It is farther around the corners of the street but it is safer. The trail is usually not the shortest way to the mountain top but it is generally the best way. If we build our houses without waiting for the foundations to settle and the timbers to become seasoned the walls will crack. There are other elements than speed in our itinerary. The end of the journey is not merely a terminus. The real question is the kind of a person that comes out at the end. Perfection requires time. A mushroom will mature in a night, a cucumber in a few days, but an oak requires a century. A student asked the president of Oberlin College if he could not take a shorter course than the one prescribed in the curriculum. "O yes, yes," was the reply. "It depends on what you want to make of yourself. When God wants to make an oak he takes 100 years; when he wants to make a squash he takes six months." There are two roads from Egypt to Canaan. The one usually traveled required only a few days. The one by which God led the liberated slaves who were to change the moral character of the world required forty years.

Too many young people are taking the "squash" route through school. They are eager to get into their life work and are slighting preparation. It is important to reach the point where our work is to be done, but it is no less important to have the preparation which is required to accomplish the work in the best way. Nine-tenths of efficiency is being prepared.—The United Presbyterian.

THIS PUSSYFOOTING AND APOLOGIZING

With our own apologies to every self-respecting cat, which means all cats, who never apologize and who have a right to pussyfoot, we take pen in hand to indict the pussyfooting and apologizing of liberal minded people.

If we believe in God why can't we say that we believe in God without so much elaborate explaining that it is the datum of ethics or a majority vote of nature. The people who believe that there is no God or that God is just a "word" don't do any apoligizing. They are insistent. "We have rights," they say. "We are the voice of the future. Don't you fellows ever say, 'He is our refuge and our strength. He is our help in time of trouble. He hears and answers prayer. He is Our Father in heaven.' It isn't cricket. It will make a division in the fellowship. We are all one and we are the one."

There is only one thing more nauseating than the supineness of liberal people with something more than a ghost God, and that is the hypocrisy of those willing to let people think that they believe things that they don't believe.

Let us come out with it. Let us say what we mean. Let us stop walking as if we were on a back fence equipped with the iron spikes once called cat teasers.

Nor is there much apologizing done by the people in churches who want us to stop the war and negotiate a peace with Herr Hitler, Signor Mussolini and the Son of Heaven instanter. Our suffering under the heel of the dictator may be the one thing necessary, they say, for the propagation of the faith. We prefer the suffering of blood, sweat and tears, the liberation of captives, the overthrow of tyrants. Four out of five Universalists believe as we do. Why not say so? Why not say it with determination to safeguard the rights of conscientious objectors, but with equal determination to push the war for freedom?

Out with it! Strong about it! Definite and positive! The humility of men who are sure and who are very determined!—The Christian Leader.

NATURE AND THE EGG

Nature did a grand job when she designed the egg round at one end and pointed at the other, this characteristic shaped being more pronounced in the eggs of wild-fowl than in those of domestic kinds. Many wild birds lay eggs on the bare rock of cliffs high above the sea, with little or no nest to protect them. So if they are disturbed, instead of rolling off, they roll round and round, ending up just about where they started from. The peculiar shape of the egg is nature's method of saving it from wanton destruction which, of course, might result seriously to the continued existence of rare species like some of the Arctic birds laying but a single egg. Usually, the eggs of birds which incubate in covered nests or in nests with side openings are pure white, while eggs of birds that lay in open nests are tinted for camouflage.—Our Dumb Animals.

MRS. HARRIS WINS OUR GRATEFUL APPRECIATION

In her report to the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. W. R. Harris, as editor of the Woman's Page pays high tribute to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Her opening paragraph is the following:

Across the doorway that leads to newer and greater success in our missionary work is written a word of greatest importance—Information—and the chief agency in broadcasting this information in our Conference, is the publicity Department of our missionary work of which the Woman's Page in the NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, is a part.

Then follows a fine recognition of the value of the publicity furnished by the printing press in promoting missionary intelligence—one of which is the Woman's Page in our Church press. Mrs. Harris closes her interesting report with these words:

I want again to thank the Editors of the ADVOCATE for their great kindness in furnishing us a page solely for our missionary work, and notwithstanding the fact that advertising pays, we have had a page free for all advertising matter. May our goal for 1942 be a larger circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate in our Methodist homes—our aim—the dissemination of missionary news and information and our object to create missionary interest and arouse missionary enthusiasm as never before. Will each of you help me to reach these goals and feel with me, a personal responsibility for the success of our Woman's Page in 1942?

We desire to assure Mrs. Harris that these gracious words are much appreciated. Most especially so for arousing attention of the people generally to the service the Advocate renders without money and without price. For one-fourth of the Advocate space each week goes to the promoting of the Woman's Work, the Boards of Education, and the Orphanage work of the two Conferences. These six pages are prepared with much care by their editors and they keep in a fine way the work before the Methodists of the State. The Conference organs help to cultivate these fields as no others do because they get into the homes of the people.

Bear this in mind, these papers cannot continue unless they get the support of the Methodist's in aiding their circulations and in furnishing all job work possible to their support. In the words of Mrs. Harris, "increase their circulation and appreciate the page free from all advertising matter"—these six pages in the Advocate are free for all kinds of promotional work. We trust they are most valuable in every way and that they are fully appreciated.

METHODIST YOUNG ADULTS ORGANIZE HAYWOOD COUNTY

Delegates returning from the W. N. C. Assembly of Young Adults at Camp Carlyle, Hendersonville, N. C., have brought into being the Haywood County Young Adult Fellowship. The initial meeting took place at Canton First Methodist Church, with Rev. G. W. Bumgarner, pastor of Morning Star, Canton, and District Director of Adult Work of the Waynesville District, in charge, Friday, July 3, 8 p. m.

After an opening hymn, the Rev. John W. Hoyle, pastor of First Church, Lexington, N. C., led the opening prayer. Following this Rev. E. D. C. Brewer, the Extension Secretary of the W. N. C. Conference Board of Christian Education, discussed the background, aims, and official nature of the Young Adult Movement in the Methodist Church.

Other highlights of the evening were the reports on the Assembly at Camp Carlyle. These reports were given by Miss Lucille Medford of Lake Junaluska, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Warren of Canton.

A brief talk was given by Rev. G. W. Bumgarner, the Director, which included the plans for organization. By vote of the group a nominating committee was appointed which met inmmediately in an adjoining room, nominated the following officers: President, Carroll Warren (Carroll is also Vice-President of the W. N. C. Young Adult Fellowship); Vice-President, Miss Elizabeth Thompson of Canton Central; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Joy Osborne of Bethel; Chairman of Commission on Study and Worship, Herschel Hipps of Rockwood; Chairman of Commission on Social and Recreational Life, Miss Edith Long of Lake Junaluska; Chairman of Commission on Evangelism and Church Loyalty, Eldon Burnette of Morning Star: Chairman of Commission on World Service and Social Action to be appointed by Waynesville First Methodist. These names were presented and duly elected.

After accepting an invitation to meet again the first week in August at Central Methodist Church, Canton, N. C., the group was addressed briefly by the District Superintendent of the Waynesville District, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, who also pronounced the benediction. The Young Adult Movement is on its way.

CHARLOTTE REDUCES TAXES

An editorial in the Charlotte Observer begins thus: "Tax payers of Charlotte will relish with gusto announced plans of City Manager Flack and the Council to lower the rate by eight cents for the incoming fiscal period of a year."

Why not this be made the policy for state, county and town taxes? No one expects any relief in the National levies. But much could be done for the people at home by economy and good management. It is marvelous how the people do endure the burdens heaped upon them by men who fail to put public service above private interests and political expending. Unless something is done we are destined to reach the breaking point. Wise are the men who can see in advance the day of their visitation.

SINGING BETTER THAN SIGHING

If things don't go to suit you,
What use to frown and sigh?
You can't frown back the sunshine
That's missing from the sky,
Nor frown away the winter
In wishing it were spring.
The wisest thing to do, my freind,
Is just keep sweet—and sing.

A song will make one's burden
Seem lighter, while a sigh
Adds to the load we carry;
We can't tell how or why.
We only know it does it
And that the lilt and swing
Of cheerful song makes happy hearts.
So just keep sweet—and sing.

Don't fret and fume and worry
And make things worse, say I,
Since we can't help what's happened;
So laugh away the sigh
And trust that on the morrow
The clouds will all take wing,
Believing God knows what is best;
So just keep sweet—and sing.

—Presbyterian of the South.

Report of W. N. C. Conference Golden Cross

November 1st to July 1st, 1942

Asheville District

Hillside-Merrimon Ave., H. S. Williams	$105.00
Fletcher, N. G. Bethea	39.50
Weaverville, F. O. Dryman	14.69
Total	$159.19

Charlotte District

Brevard St., D. V. Howell	$ 10.00
Calvary, S. M. Needham	21.51
Chadwick, M. G. Ervin	12.00
Dilworth, H. P. Powell	106.48
First,G. Ray Jordan	409.93
Myers Park, E. H. Blackard	54.03
Homestead-Pleasant Gr., C. F. Womble	15.00
Indian Trail-Stallings, J. R. Warren	16.78
Total	$645.73

Elkin District

Davie, G. W. Fink	$ 40.00
East Bend, G. A. Hovis	14.75
Elkin, H. F. Duncan	624.00
Green Valley, W. C. Easteridge	3.00
Laurel Springs, S. G. Feree	10.00
Millers Creek, J. L. A. Bumgarner	10.50
Mocksville, R. M. Hardie	15.00
Mocksville Ct., F. A. Wright	10.13
North Wilkesboro, A. C. Waggoner	72.11
Total	$803.99

Gastonia District

Bessemer City, G. W. Vick	$ 15.00
Cherryville Ct., J. E. B. Houser	16.58
Crouse, To Be Supplied	10.00
Dallas, J. G. Wilkenson	10.15
East End, E. W. Needham	10.20
West End, J. C. Grose	10.00
Grace, S. W. Johnson	8.30
Total	$ 83.38

Greensboro District

Draper, Paul R. Rayle	$ 84.40
Bessemer, R. H. Laughlin	5.00
Bethel-Battleground, R. M. Andrews	2.50
Calvary, P. L. Shore, Jr.	21.00
College Place, R. M. Courtney	81.15
Glenwood, E. M. Avett	29.00
Grace, E. K. McLarty, Jr.	70.00
Newlyn St., A. L. Latham	25.00
Proximity, R. C. Goforth	45.00
West Greensboro, Kenneth Goodson	30.46
Leaksville, J. E. Carroll	17.00
Mt. Pleasant Ct., R. P. Gibbs	9.55
Mitchells-Vickery, W. Yokeley	5.00
Reidsville, E. L. Ballard	5.00
Spray, T. R. Wolfe	33.95
Stoneville, W. B. Shinn	3.00
Total	$431.01

High Point District

Archdale, G. E. White	$ 17.75
First Asheboro, Paul Hardin, Jr.	79.91
Farmer, J. O. Ervin	10.00
Greers Chapel, Atlas Ridge	2.00
High Point—Calvary, O. L. Brown	10.00
First, W. A. Jenkins	10.00
Highland, T. G. Smith	8.00
Lebanon, O. L. Easter	10.00
Main Street, N. C. Williams	37.50
Ward Street, J. E. McSwain	19.50
Liberty—First, G. R. Brown	17.00
Linwood, O. E. Grey	36.00
Pleasant Grove, C. E. Ridge	25.00
Ramseur-Franklinville, J. E. Pritchard	29.71
Randolph-Grays Ch. H. L. Isley	2.00
Why Not, To Be Supplied	15.81
Total	$330.18

Marion District

Cliffside, E. L. Kirk	$ 5.00
Cross Mills, F. R. Barger	8.00
Marion Mills, J. O. Banks	25.00
Marion Ct., H. W. Bell	7.00
Mill Springs, M. W. Edwards	8.25
North Forest, R. C. Niman	5.00
Morganton Ct., F. W. Bangle	11.00
Old Fort Ct., C. R. Ross	6.00
Pleasant Grove, C. H. Peace	23.16
Rutherford College, J. R. Duncan	30.75
Rutherford, R. C. Smathers	25.00
Total	$154.16

Salisbury District

Albemarle—Central, R. D. Ware	$ 18.56
First Street, G. N. Dulin	19.00
China Grove, W. O. Weldon	12.50
Epworth, J. L. Morgan	36.00
Forest Hill, C. C. Herbert, Jr.	28.00
Kerr Street, R. B. Shumaker	21.58
Friendship, W. C. Sides, Jr.	2.00
Bethpage, R. W. McCulley	10.00
Landis, C. W. Avett	7.00
Mt. Olivet, F. W. Kiker	35.00
Coburn Memorial, W. G. McFarland	31.25
Stanfield, J. R. Hamilton	4.00
Total	$224.89

Statesville District

Balls Creek, R. L. Forbis	$ 70.00
Catawba, W. Q. Grigg	50.00
Davidson-Fairview, C. F. Tate	24.50
Granite Falls, Reid Wall	42.00
Harmony, R. V. Martin	10.05
Hickory—Bethel, Elzie Myers	24.00
First, W. A. Rollins	250.00
Westview, H. C. Freeman	12.50
Hudson, R. E. Hunt	23.05
Lenoir, J. C. Cornett	80.65
Lenoir Ct., W. L. Harkey	33.75
Mooresvile—Central, J. W. Moore	205.00
Mooresville Ct., H. L. Powell	30.15
Mt. Zion, W. S. Smith	35.00
Newton, M. Q. Tuttle	12.50
North Newton, C. A. Morrison	15.00
Olin, J. E. Hipps	8.00
Statesville—Boulevard, H. C. Byrum	6.00
Broad Street, H. G. Allen	25.00
Race Street, F. H. Price	50.00
Statesville Ct., G. F. Houck	28.00
Total	$1035.15

Waynesville District

Cullowhee, S. Richey	10.00
Dellwood, L. C. Stevens	17.00
Franklin Ct., P. L. Green	5.00
Hayesville, A. J. Clemmer, Jr.	1.00
Junaluska, Miles McLlean	15.00
Waynesville, J. C. Madison	25.00
Total	$ 73.00

Winston Salem District

Hanes Clemmons, J. M. Barber	38.00
Lexington—First, John Hoyle, Jr.	12.50
Maple Springs, J. L. Holmes	6.00
Rockford St., C. E. Williams	30.75
North Davidson, W. T. Albright	30.00
Rural Hall, J. L. Sharpe	10.16
Walkertown-Loves, A. P. Ratiedge	44.40
Walnut Cove, W. Reid Harris	5.25
Welcome Ct., C. O. Kennerly	3.00
Winston Salem—Ardmore, J. H. Brendle, Jr.	18.21
Centenary, W A. Stanbury	350.00
Central Terrace, A. A. Kyles	60.00
Winston Ct., J. T. Shackford	3.10
Total	$ 611.37
Grand Total	$4552.05

R. M. COURTNEY, Treasurer.

HEARING THAT CORN GROW!

Corn is mostly going to be very good this year—and the era of corn scarcity is approaching an end. To a large extent the heat and moisture which are necessary for a big crop of corn are now present. J. A. Grant of Princeton, N. J., writes: "Did you know that you can actually hear corn grow? This is the time of year that this report goes around the country. People think it's a joke, but it's a fact. You might want to stage a broadcast of it, so people everywhere could listen in. The set-up would have to be in a quiet part of the country, far away from other noises. And the weather would have to be right and the corn at a certain stage of development, when it is just bursting its sleeves with energy. I used to get a great kick out of it 50 years ago in Nebraska. I would go out in the tall corn of an evening when the ground was full of moisture, and sit down and hear the 'click, click' all around me, caused by the slippage of the sleeves as the stalk expands. It gives one a feeling that God and nature are in full co-operation with him."—Pathfinder.

POSTAL PERFORMANCE

By Daniel Youngs

When you see a mailman with a heavy bag of mail hanging over his shoulder, do you think he is having a hard time?

Maybe he is; yet, compared with the first mailman, he seems to be having a picnic! Our first record of postal service seems to be in 1672, when a monthly service was inaugurated between Boston and New York.

The first carrier left New York in January, 1672, and, on horseback, started for Boston. Before starting, he had to swear to behave civilly and to mark the trees along his route with "blazes" (chopping off a section of bark), to aid those who would follow his route. Next, local post offices were established in New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Virginia.

In 1693, the General Assembly of the Province of Massachusetts Bay extended this service to neighboring colonies and fixed a rate of two pence for a single letter of one sheet, and four pence for packets, a group of three letters. But between Boston and New York the rate was twelve pence, and to Virginia, two shillings.

In those days postal charges were not arrived at by weight, as now, but rather by the number of sheets and according to the distance the letters were to travel. But in 1710 the British Parliament fixed postal charges for the colonies, as for instance, Boston to Virginia—1 shilling 3 pence.

There was little change in postal rates until 1816, when rates were based on mileage for a single letter, 80 miles, 10 cents; 150 miles, 12½ cents; and 400 miles, 18¾ cents. Over 400 miles, there was a flat rate of 25 cents.

It was not until 1845, although there were then 4000 miles of railroads existent, that these rates were changed, and in 1847, instead of having to pay cash for postage, stamps were placed on sale.

In 1847 the United States put on two stamps, a five-cent one bearing the portrait of Benjamin Franklin, and a ten-cent one with the portrait of George Washington.

Now, today, when we can send a letter anywhere in the United States for only three cents, we must wonder a little as to how our forefathers felt when they had to pay twenty-five cents for having a single sheet carried over four hundred miles!—Upward.

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SCHOOL OF MISSIONS, LAKE JUNALUSKA, JULY 27-AUGUST 4

Courses and Teachers

Latin America (home and foreign) textbook: "On This Foundation," Rycroft. Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft, Dr. Hugh Stuntz.

A Just and Durable Peace: Dr. T. M. Trimble, Dr. N. C. McPherson, Jr.

The Work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service: Mrs. Helen Bourne.

Workshop and Missionary Education: Rev. Horace W. Williams.

Seminars

Stewardship: Miss Ottie Branstetter.

Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities: Miss Thelma Stevens.

Methods in Program Building: Miss Oscie Sanders.

For further information write Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

GASOLINE AND LAKE JUNALUSKA

From Dr. W. A. Lambeth, superintendent of Lake Junaluska Assembly, comes the following announcement, which we are sure will be of interest to our readers:

"While persons visiting Lake Junaluska should, patriotically, use trains or buses when possible, those driving their own cars may obtain gasoline to return home or reach a non-rationing area unless present regulations are changed. Furthermore, drivers from non-rationing area may secure a rationing card for gasoline to be used while remaining at the Lake. The character of this card will be determined by the rationing board, but non-residents will be able to secure the same amount of gasoline as North Carolinians in the same circumstances. Unless changes are made in the regulations, therefore visitors should not fear being 'stranded' at Lake Junaluska."

WHY ATTEND A SUMMER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS?

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of missionary education, Woman's Division of Christian Service, Board of Missions and Church Extension, gives the following reasons why the members of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service should attend the schools of missions sponsored by the Woman's Division or by conference societies, in co-operation with conference boards of education:

(1) With confidence in the validity of certain benefits to be derived from such schools, attention is called first to the personal contacts with missionaries and deaconesses direct from fields of service. We not only get stimulation from such personalities, but we learn through face-to-face conversation the facts about situations in these fields. Also from contacts with nationals and with authors of current books, the same rich results are experienced.

(2) Another great advantage accruing from attending a school is learning new methods of presenting the different study themes and the total educational work of the woman's society. Those who have planned the programs have kept in mind the teaching and learning values especially in jurisdiction schools.

(3) In addition to this opportunity for leadership education, which is an imperative need at this crucial hour, great inspiration, increased courage, and vital motivation are in store for those who attend hoping to find real uplift and a surer technique for teaching and learning the Christian way of life.—The Methodist Woman, July, 1942.

FLAGS PLACED IN CHURCH BY CIRCLE

A friend writes us from Concord that the Laura Harris circle of Central church of that city has adopted as its latest project the placing of the two flags—the Christian and American—in he church and expect to have them presented very soon. We congratulate this group of tireless workers on this action on their part. This circle is composed of 20 of the younger women of the church, and as their secretary writes, "they are always doing something." Miss Margaret Hartsell is chairman of the circle and Mrs. W. B. Ward, Jr., is recording secretary.

SUGGESTIONS FOR SPECIAL PRAYER DURING JULY

There comes from the Woman's Division of Christian Service a request for special prayer during July for foreign work: In the new India, new ways to present the old Gospel; home work, for residences for girls away from home, Esther Halls and Friendship Homes.

IT CAN BE DONE

Under the above title Mrs. A. E. Hire, the enthusiastic secretary of mission study in the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Sedge Garden Methodist church, Winston-Salem district, tells of the gratifying progress of mission study in that society, a large majority of the members being women engaged in public work. Mrs. Hire says "they are so zealous for information and so anxious to be in the front line in their church work, that during the past winter, when the busy day was over, they were willing to gather at night for their study class." This spring when they were ready for a second class they sent their study text to Mrs. Hire with a request that she be their teacher again for other night classes, but in consideration of the gas and tire situation it was decided to meet on a Saturday afternoon, instead of night as heretofore. I want, says Mrs. Hire, to find 27 busy women, most of them having only Saturday for their home work at the end of a busy week, yet they were willing to leave the much needed home work for the work of the kingdom. Surely Christ will say of them as he said of Mary of old, "They have chosen the better part." The pastor of the church is fortunate to have such a group of co-operative people as are the women of Sedge Garden and Crews churches. Mrs. Hire asks "that other societies go and do likewise," adding "he can who thinks he can" and giving as a motto, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

THE CHRISTIAN AND AMERICAN FLAGS

How inspiring and impressive in these days of national conflicts is the presence of the two flags on the pulpit platforms of so many of our churches. The Christian flag expressing our allegiance to God and the American flag our loyalty to our country! The World Outlook for July carries a most interesting article on the Christian flag, from which we quote:

"September 26, 1897, the superintendent of the Sunday school at Brighton Chapel, Coney Island, was inspired by an American flag draped on the pulpit, and suggested the creation of a Christian flag, which would express our allegiance to God as the national flag expresses our allegiance to God and our loyalty to our country.

He prepared the design for a banner of the Prince of Peace—a white flag representing peace and purity; in the upper corner a field, blue like the unclouded sky, the symbol of fidelity and truth; on this field a cross of red, the universal emblem of Christian service and sacrifice.

In 1908 Dr. Lynn Hough, then pastor of the Third Methodist Episcopal church in Long Island City, wrote a salute to the Christian flag based on the well known salute to our national standard in these words:

'I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the Saviour for whose kingdom it stands, one brotherhood, uniting all mankind in service and love.'

This Christian flag has gone all over Christendom, found in thousands of churches all over this and other lands. One visitor found it dominating the platform at a large religious gathering in Exeter Hall, London; another found it above the flags of the nations at a conventon in Shanghai, and it held the place of honor in the World Sunday School Convention in Tokyo, Japan. It has come to be accepted as the official flag of the Christian church. In many of our churches both the Stars and Stripes and the Christian flag are found. They add beauty to the sanctuary, and the emotional stimulus evoked by the affection and sense of loyalty they inspire is greatly conducive to the spirit of worship. Christian patriotism and devotion to the kingdom would be considerably enhanced if every church in the land would place these beautiful emblems in the sanctuary."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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UNDER ORDERS

It would surprise many who complain that the church's teaching is vague to learn that we are under definite orders: 1. The ten commandments —they are valid for our guidance today. 2. Our Lord's summing up of the law—love to God and our neighbor. 3. Our Lord's parables and the Sermon on the Mount, "Go and do likewise." 4. The last command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.' Here are plain orders. Shall we keep them? '

A NEED AND A PLAN

A letter dated June 23 from Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president Woman's Division of Christian Service, and Mrs. V. F. DeVinny, secretary organization and promotion, states: "During the past week the executive committee of the Woman's Division, in session in New York, was faced with the need of giving serious consideration to the large decrease in missionary giving for 1941 and the disastrous effect this decrease will have on the work maintained by the W. S. C. S. unless something is done immediately to increase the income from the conference." The letter further informs us that "the appropriation of 1942 is $3,713,082 for the work of the Woman's Division of Christian Service was made on the expected income in 1941 of at least the equal contributed by the merging groups in 1940. The income, however, was $384,-474 short of this expected amount. The reports of the conference show that while some have made encouraging increases, many decreased. Thus it is obvious that the situation is serious and must be faced realistically. We feel confident that no officer or loyal member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service would be willing that this new organization shall retrench its program of service or do less than Methodist women did formerly in their separate organizations." Calling our attention to this need is only to stir our hearts to an eagerness to help to remedy this situation. The plan adopted and suggested by the executive committee of the Woman's Division is simple and appealing. They are asking that each woman in each local society give at least 25 cents over and above her pledge for 1942. At the end of 1941 the membership of the N. C. conference was 20,628. This means that a minimum gift from our conference would be $5157. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, is urging that a chairman of this fund shall be appointed in each local society in the conference and that she, in turn, shall choose her assistants and solicit EVERY WOMAN in the society for a gift of 25 cents or more. The ingathering of the gifts should be made at the September meetings of the societies. A responsibility in this matter is placed upon every member of every society in the conferences. The women of the N. C. conference will not fail in this instance

DID YOU LISTEN IN?

Because of conditions brought on by the war situation, the program of the annual rally day at the Methodist Orphanage was curtailed, thus eliminating the traditional home coming celebration. Instead, a one-half hour program was broadcast over station WPTF on Sunday afternoon, June 28. The Methodist Orphanage glee club, which has become one of the very highest type in the state or elsewhere, was heard in several lovely and appropriate selections. The glee club is under the direction of Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith, director of music in the Raleigh public schools. Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University, spoke heart stirring and timely words concerning the Christian aspects of the institution and its leaders and the many facilities of comfort and convenience there. For this we are all grateful, having in our hearts an inexpressible devotion for the home for our orphaned children. Inexpressible, did you say? Yes, perhaps in words but not in deeds. Dr. Childs did not remind us that the dining room floor of the Orphanage is in dire need of a covering. Nor did he remind us that that covering might be purchased with no extra expense and with a minimum of effort on the part of Methodist women. We know, of course, that effort consists of sending to Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the orphanage, coupons from all Octagon products — Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzianne coffee and tea, Rumford baking powder. Let's increase our efforts in this worthy cause during the summer months and help to meet this need.

WOMEN AND LIQUOR

"The liquor forces of America made a surprise attack on temperance a few years ago and it was like a bomb dropped in our midst without warning," stated Mrs. H. I. Glass in a recent address before the members of the Raleigh Woman's Christian Temperance Union. "Not only did the liquor forces drop a deadly bomb but they are continuing their work with subtle advertisements," continued she. "If we are prone to think that there is nothing that we can do about it, we should remember that God has no hands but our hands to do his work." Mrs. Glass pointed out that America is a drinking nation fighting nations that are not drinking, and cited that during the first world war intoxicating drinks were prohibited for our boys in service, while today they are allowed an unlimited supply. She urged her hearers that they not pass up lightly the issue of abolishing the liquor traffic, but that they use every opportunity to mould public opinion in the cause of temperance.

Editor's note: This challenge came from the beloved wife of a beloved district superintendent in the N. C. conference and was spoken with conviction and appeal. As members of the W. S. C. S. and of the Methodist Church may we, too, accept that challenge and use every opportunity that is ours to further the cause of temperance.

FIVE WORTHY ADVANTAGES

One may wonder whether the values received in attendance upon the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska on July 23-August 4 are equal to the efforts which one must needs exert in attending. However, all doubt of the validity of the many benefits are dispelled when comes the realization of the advantages of personal contacts with missionaries and deaconesses direct from the fields of service; contacts with several division or jurisdictional leaders who are both ready to give and receive council, using council for experienced leaders in planning for woman's work; opportunities for exchanging ideas and methods of work in churches, district and conference societies; opportunities for learning new methods of presenting the different study themes; an increased courage, inspiration and motivation for carrying on the work in the W. S. C. S. Could one wish for greater advantages than these? N. C. conference should have many representatives at Lake Junaluska on July 23-August 4.

AMERICAN WOMEN THANKFUL

It had rained for several days. It rained the day the meeting began. It was the World Day of Prayer and the women of Chikore, Africa, were taking their part in it. Forty women, wrapped in shawls, slipped and slopped over ten miles in the wet mud. Twelve women took part in the program and the choir sang. Mrs. John P. Dysart of Chikore translated the program into Chindau. Mrs. Mona Hlatywayo, reporting for the women, ends her report: "We are thanking the American board for sending us missionaries to help us in Africa. We need more and more help. Mrs. Dysart has told us that a meeting like this is being held in many countries in different parts of the world and that all are following this same program. So it makes us feel that we are one with all the others."—Christian World Facts.

CHILDREN SHARE

Among the numerous activities growing out of the recent sessions of the vacation church school at Edenton Street Methodist church, the children happily brought donations amounting to $23.14 to be sent to the Committee on Overseas Relief. The offerings were inspired by a study of "Worship Around the World," which the boys and girls in the junior department studied with extreme profit and pleasure and by the interest of Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., assistant pastor.

There is no wisdom, save in truth.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH

Last week's issue of the Advocate was a mighty good one.

It can profitably be re-read from cover to cover.

Wish more pastors would send in more news notes.

The average layman is not interested in who preached where but who did what.

It appears that Western North Carolina Methodists have been diligent in business so far this conference year.

No Methodist congregation ought to perish for lack of Methodist knowledge.

WENT, LISTENED AND LEARNED

Seven of our promising youngsters attended the senior assembly of the Methodist Youth Fellowship at Lake Junaluska last week, three of them being sent by Centenary church school and four by the Children's Home. Those going were D. C. Freeman, Bill Crews, Odell King, Jane Kluttz, Anne Sprinkle, Ruby Pierce and DeHurley Lasley. These youngsters were greatly benefitted and are charged with an enthusiasm for worth-while endeavor. The following note is taken from the Twin City Sentinel: "William Crews, of the Children's Home, Winston-Salem, was yesterday elected vice-president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Western North Carolina Conference by the senior assembly of the fellowship in session at Lake Junaluska. The election automatically makes Crews the presiding officer of the senior assembly composed of youths 15-17 years of age. The president of the fellowship will be elected next week by an assembly of young people 18-23 years of age, to be in session July 6-11. Crews, a member of Centenary Methodist Church, succeeds Gilreath Adams of Charlotte."

TENDER BUT CHALLENGING

In a letter from our good friend, Dr. A. G. Dixon, the following extract is taken from an accompanying letter which he asked us to read to all the children who formerly lived in the High Point Children's Home. Gathering them together as a separate group for the first time since they came here, they listened with intense interest to the following tender and challenging message: "Our dear, precious Children: Just one year ago today we took you all in the bus and delivered you into the hands and keeping of Mr. and Mrs. Woosley and their good helpers. We are so glad that you fitted into the scheme of things over there so quickly and so beautifully and that you are happy in that splendid Home. It seems a long time to us but to you, with your young and buoyant lives, we suspect it has been a short year. Some have gone out and in the course of time you will all be going out to fill your places in life. We are looking to you, and expecting you to fill these places well. May God bless and hold you steady while you prepare for life's great work. Mother Dixon and I both thank you very sincerely for the thoughtful and kind telegrams you sent to her on Mother's day and to me on Father's Day. It was precious of you to think of us and to express your thoughts in that way. We love each of you very dearly and we think of you and pray for you daily."



A Bird, Figuratively and Literally

TRUE TO THE TRUST

The first district conference this scribe attended as an agent of the Western North Carolina Conference was at Mills River, in the beautiful French Broad Valley of Henderson county. It was during the other World War. The conference lasted through two days. On the first day we did without dinner, giving ourselves to fasting and prayer for allied victory. It was a noteworthy meeting. The following message has just come from Mrs. S. E. Greenwood of that congregation: "Will you please ring the joy bell in recognition of the fact that Mills River Chapel has paid her twelve per cent to our Children's Home. Mrs. Floyd Osborne and her Sunday school class assumed the responsiblity of raising it and we have learned from past experience that when they undertake a task it is thoroughly completed on time. We are highly pleased with our pastor and family, and are expecting a good year as the result of their faithful ministry."

SINGING UP A STORM

Fay and Ray Horton are nine-year-old twin girls. They are ready for beginning their fourth grade work when school opens. They live with smiles on their faces. Last week Fay fell off the elevated "hand walker," breaking both arms just above the wrist. Visiting her at the hospital soon after the breaks were attended to we found the little girl in a room alone with beads of perspiration standing all over her face, but with a characteristic smile she exclaimed "Hello, Pop!" The attending nurse said, "You know, that little girl has just been singing up a storm all the afternoon."

THE BIRD BOY

The picture this week is that of eight-year-old Joe Reavis, sponsored by the Epworth League of Calvary, Charlotte. On his shoulder is that young robin the boys rescued from perishing, having taken it when blown from the nest in by the warm stove and nursed it until it was ready to fly away to live in bird realms. Just look how happy Joe is over having a bird roost on him. In fact, Joe is somewhat of a bird himself.

THE JOY BELL

The Children's Home apportionment joy bell continues to send out melodious tidings from time to time. True, it does not ring as much in the summer-time as it does in the winter-time, but it rings. It would like to ring some more, if someone would only pull the bell cord. Those having done so since last report are herewith listed. Kindly join us in grateful thanks to them and their pastors in charge:

Asbury, Huntersville Circuit, Rev. J. O. Cox.

Main Street, Belmont, Rev. J. B. McLarty.

Skyland, Fletcher Circuit, Rev. N. G. Bethea.

Wesley Chapel, South Fork Circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

FACING THE ISSUE

All the members of our graduating class have been placed and are now assuming the challenges connected with making a living. The following quotation is taken from a letter just received from one of the girls: "Now that I have been away almost two weeks I can appreciate what a good home is. I miss every one so much, but I have fought back every tear. I haven't shed one but I am about to break over right now. I can't begin to thank you and all the other kind people at the Home who did so much to make my life what it is. As I sit here writing I feel full of gratitude for having had a chance to amount to something."

Our bodies are gardens to which our wills are gardeners; and they decide what we grow within us.

—Shakespeare.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

A CHALLENGING OPPORTUNITY—There are many Methodists in the North Carolina Conference who could easily support children in the Methodist Orphanage. I do not know of anything that would give our well-to-do friends so much joy and satisfaction as assuming the full support of a child. Such an investment would be of great help to the Orphanage and would, at the same time, prove a benediction to big-hearted, generously disposed friends.

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MOST COMMENDABLE—The Durham District is to be host to sixty of our Methodist Orphanage children from July 23rd or 24th to August 6th or 7th. Our youngsters are looking forward with keen anticipation to their visits among the churches throughout the Durham District. Brother T. B. Hough has very kindly consented to divide up these children among the several Charges of the District. The children range in age from six to twelve years. I feel confident that the friends who entertain them in their homes will enjoy this new experience. This plan will endear our children to our many friends throughout the Durham District.

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SACRED CONCERT—On the fourth Sunday night in June—in response to a most cordial invitation from Brother R. L. Jerome—our young people gave a Sacred Concert in the Hayes-Barton Methodist Church, Raleigh, N. C. The congregation was unusually large for a mid-summer night service. Brother Jerome and his congregation received us with open hands and hearts. The message that our young people gave thrilled the hearts of everyone present. I regret exceedingly that due to the tire and gasoline shortage we shall have to call in our Singing Class from further engagements. If pastors should want the Singing Class to give Sacred Concerts on their Charges, it will be necessary for the Class to go on the train.

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FRANKLINTON—Since Brother S. E. Mercer had to be off in a revival on the last Sunday in June, he extended me a very cordial invitation to fill his appointment at the eleven o'clock hour on that day. I carried Mrs. Rives and a group of our young people with me for the service. I made a brief Orphanage talk, and Mrs. Rives and the children gave a beautiful Sacred Concert, which was sincerely appreciated by the congregation. I never go to Franklinton, or pass through the town, without a deep sense of gratitude to Mr. S. C. Vann and family for what they have done for the Methodist Orphanage through the years. Mr. Vann, who was our largest benefactor will continue to live in the lives of our boys and girls because of his great philanthropy. Many other friends in Franklinton are generous and loyal to our Home. Brother Mercer is in his fifth years as pastor of these splendid people. He is greatly loved and honored by all the Franklinton people, regardless of Church affiliations. He has had a great pastorate among these choice people. He is one of the staunchest friends of the Methodist Orphanage.

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ORPHANAGE RALLY DAY—Because of the shortage in tires and gasoline we did not ask our friends to visit the Orphanage the fourth Sunday in June. Instead of our friends coming to us, we went to them over the radio. All the preachers and Church School Superintendents in the Conference were requested by postal cards to announce at the eleven o'clock service in the Churches, and in the Sunday Schools, that our Glee Club and Dr. B. G. Childs, of Duke University, would broadcast between five and five thirty. Our Glee Club, numbering forty children, sang several selections, which I trust were well received by the radio audience. Dr. Childs made a masterly address following the exercises by the Glee Club. Everyone who heard Dr. Childs was amply repaid for listening in. He stated that the Methodist Orphanage is a training school, a shrine, and a Christian Home. He elaborated on these three points to the satisfaction of all who heard him. The Orphanage feels greatly indebted to Dr. Childs for his address, and to Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith, who was in charge of the Orphanage Glee Club.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER—As the time draws near for me to leave this real home, there is love in my heart but a lump in my throat. For thirteen long, but seemingly short years, I have had the privilege of living at the Methodist Orphanage. I wish to thank our friends throughout the North Carolina Conference for their kindness to me and the rest of our great family.

To the ladies of the Laura Duncan Auxiliary in Beaufort, I wish to say thank you for the clothes that you sent me semi-annually. Your kindness will not soon be forgotten.

Faculty of the Home, your guidance has been greatly appreciated. May the other boys and girls here be benefitted by your leadership as I have been.

The doctors of Raleigh have been especially kind in offering us their services. They see that our boys and girls are kept in excellent health. I also wish to extend my thanks to them.

Last, but far from least, it is my supreme pleasure to pay tribute to

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VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

Reports of Vacation School activities are coming in with every mail. The following have been received since the last report given here:

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Belmont Park—Mrs. W. N. Smith.
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Chadwick—M. G. Ervin.

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Sutherland (Creston)—Robert W. Evans.
Laurel Springs (Laurel Springs) — Mrs. Sulon G. Ferree.
Bethel (Mocksville)—Rev. F. A. Wright.
Elkin—Mrs. Max F. Boyles.
Siloam (Dobson)—Robert W. Evans.

Gastonia District

Plateau (South Fork)—Delbert Byrum.
Cramerton—Mrs. Edith Howe.
Kings Mountain, Grace—S. W. Johnson.
Central, Shelby—Mrs Wilber Bober.
Dallas (Dallas) — Miss Tressie Mae Cashion.
Lafayette St., Shelby—Leola Allen.
White Zion (Vale)—Rev. Ellis P. Green.
Ebenezer—Rev. R. H. Stamey.
Main St., Gastonia—Miss Billy Beam.
Friendship (Fallston)—Geo. W. Clay.
Wesley's Chapel (South Fork) — Delbert Byrum.

Greensboro District

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Glenwood—E. M. Avett.
West Market—Mrs. O. D. Nelson.
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Reeds (Shiloh)—T. G. Madison.
Friendship (Shiloh)—T. G. Madison.
Yadkin College (Shiloh)—T. G. Madison.
Lineberry (S. Davidson) — J. C. Hilbert.
Archdale—G. E. White.
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First, Forest City—Mrs. Troy Geer.
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Rocky Springs (Hiddenite)—E. H. Lowman.
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Granite Falls (Granite Falls) — Reid Wall.
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If your Vacation School has not been planned, begin now! It is not too late, and we must do everything we can to meet the needs of our children. On the religious training of childhood and youth will depend the stability of their lives.

RULES FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

By W. R. Ward, Jr.

Do not let the war become an excuse for neglecting and ignoring life's normal responsibilities and duties.

Take time for council and give place to reason before following through on decisions made when the emotions are aroused.

Make light of your own sacrifices while being ready to acknowledge the greater sacrifices of others.

Maintain a sense of humor.

Let there be no hate of persons in anything you think, or say, or do.

Do not impune selfish motives to those who differ with you in what they conceive to be their compelling duty in this time of war.

Hold fast to regular habits of prayer and worship, which renew the soul, strengthen the mind, and keep one morally fit.

Learn to surmount fears with faith, to conquer rumors with reason, and to overcome personal grief through sharing the grief of others.

Forget not that you are an ambassador for Christ and thereby especially sent to live for peace and universal brotherhood.

Set no god above God the Father of all, who is suffering with burdened humanity and co-operating with men in his struggle for permanent peace.

BEAUTY CLAY

By Grace Kipka Blanchard

Why is it all around I hear
A grumble that this time of year
It rains so so hard, and every day
Washes half the hills away?

Why is it I can't feel mad,
Though I've ruined the shoes I had
When the rain begins to pour
And red mud's splattered 'round my door?

Is it because I am not nerved
That I remain so undisturbed?
Why should I always feel so gay
Knowing well the trickeries of wet red clay?

Have you ever longed when far from home
For the sound of a voice on the telephone?
Have you wished 'mid the beauty of another state
For just one glimpse of a hinge-rusted gate?

If you have and then once again found your way back
To the simple dear things which for years you have lacked,
If you've thrilled to the joy of a remembered view,
A pine or cedar or old yaou,

If you've walked down the path o'er the crest of a hill
And felt nostalgia for some childhood thrill,
Then you'll know how I feel and not think me a dud
When I truly see beauty in lovely red mud.

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FIRST LOUISBURG INTERMEDIATE ASSEMBLY

The first Louisburg Assembly was held at Louisburg College June 26-30. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, affectionately called Uncle Bobby by the young people, presided. Our dean was Rev. N. W. Grant, and the rest of our staff were: Mrs. B. F. Boone, assembly mother; Rev. Linwood Blackburn, director of recreaton; Mrs. J. O. Wood; Mrs. S. A. Maxwell; Misses Mary Elizabeth Myers, Edith Fore, Janella Kirk, Rebecca Stallings, Helen Butner, Louise Aycock, Mattie Newman, Joyce Griffin, Lanie Gunter, Helen Prince, Lorene Weaver, Helen Evans; Mrs. Blackburn; Messrs. Gene Purcell, Ralph Fleming, Harris Proctor, Bill Wells; Rev. Forrest Hedden; Rev. and Mrs. Grant; and Rev. and Mrs. Fuster.

After registration of the delegates, we played games on the campus, and met the new people. The bell rang, and everyone rushed to the dining hall. After vesper services we were introduced to our staff by Uncle Bobby in the auditorium. Linwood Blackburn led us in games, after which we had a social out on the front steps. We had our friendship circle and went to our rooms. Before bed we met in small groups with a counselor for prayer groups. Each morning we would be given printed sheets for use when we went alone out on the campus with our Bibles for morning meditation.

After breakfast we went to our choice of classes: "God In the World Today;" "Ways We Worship;" "How Can I Know I Am a Christian;" Choosing Our Heroes;" or "We Live Together." After this we enjoyed games and went to assembly. Officers chosen for the assembly were: Ed Hillman of Rocky Mount, president; Percy Weeks of Clinton, vice-president; Eleanor Allen of Durham, secretary-treasurer; and Mary Etta Pearsall of Rocky Mount, publicity superintendent. Then came commission groups. We chose one of the following: Worship and Evangelism; Community Service; World Friendship; Recreation; or Officers' Group. After lunch came rest hour and interest groups which included; Handcrafts; Assembly Paper; Music; Cuban Culture and Lore; Poster Making! and Dramatics. Saturday afternoon we hiked out to the Green Hill House where the first annual Methodist Conference of organized Methodism was held. Rev. E. H. Davis, one of the oldest ministers in the North Carolina Conference, told us the history of the house.

Monday night we gathered for our banquet. The theme for it was "South America." We sang songs of Latin America and Mr. and Mrs. Fuster sang several songs in Spanish. Talent night followed the banquet. There were readings, skits, songs, a play, piano numbers, and so forth. Everyone enjoyed it immensely! A present was given to Mr. and Mrs. Fuster in the form of a South American custom. Then we sang taps and went to bed.

The climax of the assembly came when the entire assembly went to the church for the communion service.

We can't express our deep appreciation to Uncle Bobby and the staff for our pleasant stay. This assembly will live in the hearts of all of us for what it has been.

Mary Etta Pearsall,
Publicity Superintendent.

Young Adult Assembly

The first Young Adult Assembly of the North Carolina Methodist Conference was held at Louisburg College, Louisburg, N. C., July 4-5. The purpose of the Assembly was to bring together for a period of fellowship and study interested young adults between the ages of 24 and 35. The assembly was planned by the 1941-42 initial organization officers: Mrs. Henry E. Boyd, Jr., president; Miss Evelyn Williams, vice-president; Mrs. B. M. Justice, secretary-treasurer. At the business session held Sunday, the following were elected officers and commission chairmen for next year: Miss Mary Noble, Trinity Methodist Church, Durham, president; Miss Ruth Ingram, Ebenezer Methodist Church, Goldsboro, vice-president; Miss Nell Harviel, Front Street Methodist Church, Burlington, Secretary, Miss Flora Thompson, Edenton Street Methodist Church, Raleigh, treasurer. Sixty-four were in attendance at the assembly.

Leaders of the assembly were: Dr. F. L. Gibbs, Director of the Young Adult work of the Methodist Church; Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education of the North Carolina Conference and Director of the Assembly; Rev. O. L. Hathaway, Conference Director of Adult Work; Rev. J. T. Greene, leader of a quest period on "The Christian Home;" Rev. P. F. Newton, Director of Music; and Rev. Forest Hedden, Director of Recreation.

Murfreesboo Intermediate Assembly

Approximately fifty intermediates have registered for the assembly at Chowan College, Murfreesboro, July 13-17. Other registrations are coming in daily and it is likely that we will have the largest attendance we have ever had for this assembly. Other registrations will be accepted as long as we have room for delegates. We can accommodate about one hundred delegates at Murfreesboro.

Vacation School Reports

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Children's Storyland



A BUSHEL OF PUPS

Teddy and Tessie were blue-eyed twins who lived on a farm. They liked the farm animals and they liked to help with the chores. Gipsy, their dog, went everywhere with them.

"When you are older I'll give each of you a lamb," their father said one day.

"How old, daddy?" Teddy asked.

"Soon, daddy?" Tessie chimed in.

"Not until you are old enough to care for them yourselves." Then, seeing how disappointed they looked, he said, "You have Gipsy to play with until you are big enough to do real work."

The twins' mother was always busy. Every time she sat down she took up her knitting.

"What is it going to be, mother?" Tessie asked, touching the soft, bright yarn.

"A sweater for a boy somewhere across the sea. The Red Cross will send it to him," she told the twins.

Teddy and Tessie heard much about the hungry, homeless people in other lands. They thought of them when they saw their mother knitting.

"Mother, couldn't we save some of our food and send it to the hungry people?" Teddy wanted to know.

"I'd give them some of my apples," Tessie said, for she was fond of apples.

"There wouldn't be ships enough to take it that way. You see, the Red Cross and our church and other such groups of helpers know best what is needed and plan to send it. They need money most," their mother said. "And we must stay well so we can help."

Teddy and Tessie had no money. But they didn't forget about wanting to help.

"If we had our sheep we could sell the wool and give some money," said Teddy.

Tessie shook her curly head. "We haven't anything but Gipsy."

Of course they wouldn't want to sell their playmate.

One morning their father came in to breakfast with a look on his face that meant a surprise. "There's something new in the barn," he laughed.

"A baby calf," guessed Teddy.

"A tiny lamb," shrieked Tessie.

But their father shook his head and wouldn't tell. The twins were so excited that they could hardly eat their breakfast.

On the way to the barn they held to their father's hands and hop-skipped to keep up with his long steps. He led them to a hollow in a pile of hay. Gipsy looked up at them proudly. Something squirmed all about her.

"Puppies!" Teddy shouted.

"Oh," squealed Tessie. "Are they ours?"

"All yours," their father grinned.

The roly-poly puppies grew like weeds. They soon had their eyes open. They learned to waddle about clumsily.

"What are you going to do with your pups? We never can feed seven dogs. And when they are a little older they will chew up everything on the farm," their father said.

Teddy looked worried. Tessie's chin shook.

That very afternoon old Mr. Timmonds came limping over. The twins heard him tell their father that he was going to have a sale in a few weeks and move to town. He couldn't do farm work any longer, he said. The twins liked Mr. Timmonds.

Tessie and Teddy had put the puppies in an old bushel basket out in the sunshine.

"A whole bushel of pups!" their neighbor chuckled. "What are you going to do with them?" That was what Teddy and Tessie didn't know. "Look like they'd make good dogs," Mr. Timmonds went on. "Why dont' you bring them over and sell them at my sale?"

"Daddy says we can't keep them, but we want them to belong to kind people," Teddy said slowly.

"They'd eat you out of house and home. And if folks paid money for them, they would take care of them." Mr. Timmonds nodded. "Besides, neighbors probably would buy them so you could see them once in a while."

Tessie thought of something and her face brightened. "And we could give some of our money to send food to the hungry people!"

"Sure! It will be just as good as having wool to sell," Teddy agreed with a happy grin.—Bertha C. Anderson, in Story World.

WHICH ARE YOU?

By Norita Wilson

Together they traveled the pathway of life
From the morn till the setting of sun,
Yet the one was so joyous, the other downcast
When the journey had been run.

They went hand in hand o'er a desert sand
To reach that far land fair and sweet,
The one saw the grandeur of mountains afar—
The other, the sand at her feet.

They must needs cross a rill which their pathway traversed
As they left far behind them the ridge.
The one had the song of the brook in her ears,
The other but looked for a bridge.

A child near their pathway, intent on its play,
Was baking mud pies spread in view.
The one saw the smile, the other the grime
As the friendly tot waved them adieu.

They passed through a gateway, on nearing their goal,
And entered a flowering mart.
The one felt the kiss of a rose on her lips,
The other, a thorn in her heart.

—The Better Home.

THE TIE OF LOVE

One day one of the gigantic eagles of Scotland carried away a sleeping infant. The whole village pursued it, but the eagle soon perched itself upon a lofty crag and everyone despaired of the child's life.

A sailor tried to climb the ascent, but he was obliged to give up the attempt. A robust Highlander, accustomed to hill climbing, tried but was forced to return. At last a poor peasant woman came forward and putting her feet on one shelf of the rock, then a second, then a third, she rose to the very top of the cliff. While the hearts of those below were trembling, she came down step by step, until amid the shouts of the villagers, she stood at the bottom of the rock with the child on her bosom.

Why did that woman succeed when the strong sailor and the practiced Highlander failed? Why? Because between her and the babe there was a tie; that woman was the mother of the babe. Let there be that tie of love of Christ and to souls in your hearts, and greater wonders will be accomplished. —King's Business.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Teacher: "Can any boy tell me three food essentials required to keep the body in health?"

There was a silence in the class till a tenderfoot scout held up his hand and replied, "Your breakfast, your dinner, and your supper!"

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"But, Tommy," said his mother, "didn't your conscience tell you you were doing wrong?"

"Yes," said Tommy, "but I've learned not to believe everything I hear." —Selected.

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Teacher: "Who can tell me what an island is?"

Tommy: "I know, teacher; it's a hunk of land that went out for a swim and got stuck."—Ex.

Sunday School Lesson

JULY 12

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By Rollin H. Walker

Adam and Eve: Temptation and Sin

Genesis 3:1-13, 23, 24

The modern man, noticing the absence of high-sounding, abstract language in the legend of the Fall, tends to regard it as merely a story such as one might tell to children, but one that contains no evidence of deep thought. But just the opposite is true. It is the effort of an ancient philosopher to uphold faith in the goodness of the Creator in view of the facts of human experience that seem to make against that faith.

The writer looked out on life and saw men condemned to killing drudgery. He saw that nature with its thorns and thistles seemed to wage a constant fight against man's attempt to get a living out of the soil. He saw women condemned to the pains of childbirth, and enslaved to their husbands, and at last the grave for every one. And he said, I cannot believe that God planned the world after this fashion; these evils must have come from man's wilful sin. So he tells us the story of "man's disobedience, and the fruit of that forbidden tree whose mortal taste brought death into the world, and all our woe."

The story, of course, bristles with difficulties, if any one wants to make literal history out of it, but its psychology is as accurate as an untouched photograph. Indeed it is contemporary; it is happening all the time. Every one of us finds a tree in the midst of the garden which God says we may not eat thereof. Always there is a limit to the satisfaction of our desires beyond which we may not go if we retain health and happiness. Always there is a temptation to regard these moral limitiations as a kind of prison, and a temptation to assume the role of a superman who, like the dictators, rides rough-shod over the imprisoned laws and scruples.

Indeed no one ever fell in any other way than that which is pictured in this story. The serpent told Eve that if she ate of the fruit she would not surely die, just as the tempter is constantly assuring men today that if they are smart enough they can "get by" with almost anything. Indeed, said the serpent, if you eat of the tree you will be as gods, above moral limitations. The ancient gods were supposed to do as they pleased.

Then Eve saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to gratify morbid curiosity. So, like the modern who, for instance, is allured by the attractions of the night club, and she says, For once I shall see life and enjoy it, she took of the fruit and ate thereof. And then in obedience to the universal impulse of the sinner, she gave to her husband, and he did eat. If I am drinking myself drunk I am eager to have someone else to guzzle with me. It makes me feel less lonesome, and more respectable in my sin.

But in the cool of the evening Adam and Eve heard a sound that made them run to the seclusion of the tangled and leafy mazes of the garden. How true to life! Of all things at that time they did not wish communion with God. Much modern fiction hides itself amid the trees of the garden by ignoring the very existence of God.

Those words, Adam, where art thou? sound like a broadcast from the skies coming to this generation in which Adam is engaged in wild, maniacal war.

How ludicrously contemporary is Adam's excuse! The woman which thou gavest to be with me, she gave me, and I did eat. The fault is with God and the woman. Like Adam we keep excusing our iniquities by saying, I am the victim of environment and heredity. And the poor woman blamed it on the serpent. The woman sentenced to the pain and the servitude which has been her lot, and the man to gruelling drudgery and the prospect of approaching death.

So closes the first grim tragedy. The rest of the Bible is the story of the long, long journey of the race to a higher Eden. It tells of a second Adam who is not only a living soul, but a life-giving spirit, and who is the beginning of a new heredity and promises that all the faithful shall partake of the tree of life which is in the midst of the paradise of God (Revelation 2:7).

A GROWN SHEEP WENT ASTRAY

'Twas a sheep, not a lamb, that strayed away,
In the parable Jesus told—
A grown-up sheep that had gone astray
From the ninety and nine in the fold.

Out on the hillside, out in the cold,
'Twas a sheep the Good Shepherd sought;
And back to the flock, safe into the fold,
'Twas a sheep the Good Shepherd brought.

And why for the sheep should we earnestly long
And as earnestly hope and pray?
Because there is danger. If they go wrong,
They will lead the lambs astray.

For the lambs will follow the sheep, you know,
Wherever the sheep may stray.
When the sheep go wrong, it will not be long
Till the lambs are as wrong as they.

And so with the sheep we earnestly plead,
For the sake of the lambs, today,
If the sheep are lost, what terrible cost
Some lambs will have to pay!

—Author unknown.

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A. J. Hobbs, D.S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Durham Ct., Pleasant Green, 11 12
Hillsboro, Palmer's Grove, 3 12
Davis Street, 7:30 15
Leasburg, Bethel, 11 19
Milton, Connally's, 3 19
Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Wanchese, 11 12
Manteo, 8 12
Washington, 11 19
Belhaven, Pantego, 8 19
Chowan, Evans, 11 24
South Mills, 11 25
Aulander, Colerain, 11 26
North Gates, Savages, 3 26
Swan Quarter, Fairfield, 11 31

August
Mattamuskeet, Englehard, 11 1
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 2
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3 2
Pasquotank, Eureka, 11 8
Bath, Asbury, 11 9
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 8 9
Hatteras, 8 11
Kinnakeet, Clark-Bethel, 8 12
Edenton, 11 16
Windsor, White Oak, 3 16
Williamston, 8 19
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 22
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 23
Currituck, Hebron, 3 23
Ahoskie, 8 26
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September
First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Aberdeen, 11 12
Biscoe, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead Ct., Troy and Troy Ct., at Trinity, 3 12
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church, 8....19

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Tar River, Ebenezer, 11 12
Benson, Elevation, 8 12
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 11 26
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3 26
Mamers, Union, 8 29
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 31

August
Four Oaks, Sanders Chapel, 11 2
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8 2
Selma, 2 5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 9
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Walstonburg, Bell Arthur, 11 12
LaGrange, Institute, 3 12
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 8 12
Kinston, Queen Street, 8 15
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Middleburg, Cokesbury, 8 10
Warrenton, Hebron, 11 11
Rocky Mount, First Church, 11 12
Nashville, York, 4 12
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

August
Wilson, 11 2
McKendree, 8 2

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D.S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Town Creek, 7 10
Southport, 11 12
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 12
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

July
Tryon, 11 12
Saluda, 8 12
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 15
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
St. Paul, Haynes Grove, 11 12
Trap Hill, 3 12
East Bend, night 12
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July
Polkville, Clover Hill, 11 12
Fallston, Double Shoals, 3 12
King's Mountain, Grace, night 12
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

July
Grace, 11 26
Haw River, Fairgrove, 3 26
West End, 8 26

August
West Market, 11 2
Gibsonville, 8 2
Centenary, 11 16
Summerfield, 8 16
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Stokesdale, 8 30

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Liberty, First, 11 12
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Gilead, 2:45 12
Junaluska 14-20
Welch Memorial, 8 23
Highland, 11 26

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

July
Rutherfordton, 11 12
Mill Spring, Gray's Chapel, 3 12
Forest City, night 12
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

August
Bakersville, Bakersville, 11 9
Elk Park, Linville, 3 9
Spruce Pine, night 9
Old Fort, 11 16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 16
Avery, Pisgah, 11 23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30 23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night 23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Mooresville, Central, 11 12
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 12
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 26
Mount Zion, 7:30 26

August
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 2
Hudson, Cedar Valley, 3 2

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July
Lewisville, Doubs, 11 12
Concord, Sharon, H. Grove, 3 12
Pilot Mountain, New Hope, 11 19
Pinnacle, Shoals, 3 19
Rockford Street, 8 19
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 26
Welcome, Center, 3 26

August
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 9
City Mission, 8 9
West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11 16
Kernersville Ct., 8 16
Green Street, 11 23
Centenary, 11 30

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But how typical of life it all is, for drudgery is one of life's great teachers. It is because we have certain jobs to do every day, in spite of headache, and weariness, that we lay the foundation of character, Somebody recently told us that a college education was absolutely essential in order to become a true gentleman. This is a mistake. "The University of Adversity" has graduated more gentlemen than all of the other universities combined.

Patience, power of concentration, method, accuracy, courage, self-control, self-denial—these are the qualities which are needed to do life's best work, and where do we cultivate them more readily than in what we often call mere drudgery? The development of these virtues requires time. Nature never accepts a cash payment in full for anything—this would be an injustice to the poor and weak. Watching a switch engine being shunted from track to track, one gets the impression that much of the time is being spent in a needless going back and forth, and yet every movement has its definite purpose.

The switch engine is the connecting link between the great trains that span the continent, and thus it fulfils one of its principal missions. It is interesting that both the engineer of the switch engine and he who runs the "lightning express" receive their general orders from the same source, and that one of the chief requirements from both is faithfulness. And their reward is based chiefly upon the possession of this virtue.

Both engineers receive their power from the same source—that is, it is exactly the same kind of power. And neither of them can budge his engine without that power. I don't know to what extent men give God credit for what they have and for what they are, but I do know when the average man fails he usually says: "I am what God made me." But when he succeeds, he smugly declares: "I am a self-made man." And he generally looks it.—Dr. Charles Stelzle.

METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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Mr. Barnes—the capable and devoted father to the children at the Methodist Orphanage. He has been a friend to me as well as a leader. To him, I extend my best wishes for many more years of service at our Home.

In closing, I wish to say that my life will be richer as a result of the training that I have received at the Methodist Orphanage. I extend to it my sincerest appreciation. When I take my place in this old world I shall long remember its services to me.

Mattie Kate Muse.

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In Memoriam

BURTON—Anna Parker Burton was born June 7, 1861; died June 12, 1942, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Everett Hurt, Boonville, N. C. She was a loyal Methodist since childhood. The husband, J. C. Burton, and two children preceded her in death. Left to mourn her loss are two sons, P. A. of Greensboro and Oscar of Kernersville; two daughters, Mrs. Houston Jones and Mrs. Everett Hurt of Boonville; one brother, Rev. P. E. Parker, Thomasville; one sister, Miss Mary Parker, Julian; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. A Daughter.

CRAFT — On Sunday, May 31, 1942, the devout spirit of Mrs. Etta Leinbach Craft entered into life eternal. She was a loyal and faithful member of Mt. Tabor Methodist church. In all her suffering she endured as one who saw the face of the invisible.

Mrs. Leinbach gave to the church a worthy example of allegiance. Throughout her life she could always be depended upon to do her part. Her family and many friends will recall in gratitude her firmness and graciousness of character. One of her outstanding qualities was that she forgot herself in serving others. She had a winsome faith in God and the beauty of her life served as an attractive example of Christianity. She is sorely missed in our church and in our community. Abram J. Cox, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, through the providence of an unerring and all wise loving heavenly Father, our beloved Sunday school superintendent, Brother D. E. Lewis, has been called to his heavenly reward. Therefore resolved, by the men's Bible class of the Campbell's Creek Sunday school, that we deeply feel our great loss and will miss his wise counsel and friendship.

We hereby extend to each member of the family our sincere sympathy in this hour of sorrow and pray that they may be comforted by our gracious heavenly Father.

W. I. Austin,
C. J. Overton,
O. K. Mayo.

BRIDGES — Former pastors and their wives of Coburn Memorial Methodist church, Salisbury, will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Helen Murph Bridges, who was an active member of this church from early girlhood till her marriage five years ago to Rev. Ralph A. Bridges, rector of St. Stephens Episcopal church of Erwin. After that time she was an outstanding member and active worker and leader in St. Stephens church and community of Erwin.

She was a member of the church choir, the woman's auxiliary, was a Sunday school teacher and took a prominent and active part in the civic and social affairs of the town. Mrs. Bridges was graduated with magna cum laude honors from Catawba College, Salisbury. She then taught school in Cabarrus and Rowan counties until her marriage.

She died Sunday afternoon, June 7, in Rowan Memorial Hospital, Salisbury, her former home. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Murph, 219 Mitchell Avenue, Salisbury. Funeral rites were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock in St. Stephens church in Erwin. The Rt. Rev. Edwin A. Penick of Raleigh, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina ,officiated. The burial followed at 3:30 in Chestnut Hill cemetery, Salisbury. Rev. Edward B Guerry and Rev. G. C. Stutzer, both rectors of Salisbury, officiated at the grave side service. Pallbears were vestrymen of St. Stephens church.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Mr. James L. Little was for 50 years or more a member of the board of trustees and the board of stewards of Jarvis Memorial church, Greenville, N. C.; for a number of successive terms he faithfully and efficiently served as chairman of the board of stewards.

Mr. Little was liberal with his time and money in the administration of the affairs of the church. He was always present when it was possible for him to attend any meeting in the church and Sunday school. His council was always sought in all the problems of the church and his advice was always good and acceptable. His manner was gentle and kind and considerate in dealing with each situation that arose. Throughout the years of service to his church he made a host of friends for himself and for the church. He spent his whole life preparing to live after death and throughout eternity, and his loving memory will linger with us for many years to come.

The entire membership of the church, and particularly the board of stewards and the board of trustees, sincerely mourn their loss of such a faithful servant.

Therefore, be it resolved by the board of stewards in regular session assembled on this the 5th day of May, 1942, that since, God in his infinite wisdom has sent the angel of death into the home of our beloved brother and taken him to his heavenly home beyond the skies to rest in peace with God and his angels throughout eternity, that we extend to his widow and companion of many years, and sons, our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in his passing; that a copy of this resolution be spread on our minutes and a copy mailed to the local newspapers and the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Respectfully submitted,
M. K. Blount,
Chm. Trustees.
K. W. Cobb,
Chm. Board of Stewards.
J. H. Waldrop,
Chm. Finance Com.
E. L. Willard,
Sec. Board of Stewards.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Society of Christian Service of Hillsboro Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of the members, Miss Josephine Forrest, who departed this life June 3, 1942.

Miss Forrest was a refined Christian character, devoted to her family, friends and her church. For several years she had been unable to attend church regularly, but her interest continued with the church. We thank God for her faithful, inspiring Christian life.

Therefore be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

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* * * A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame is the imprisoned lightning, and her name Mother of Exiles. * * * Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she with silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send those, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door."—*From bronze inscription on Statue of Liberty.*

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

July 19-25 (Sixth Week)

July 19 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in the Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "This Crucial Hour," Bishop W. T. Watkins.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Bishop U. V. W. Darlington.

July 20 (Mon.), 9:00 a.m.—Devotional, Bishop W. W. Peele, leader.
9:40 a.m.—Discussion Period, Dr. A. J. Walton, leader.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "Let's Learn Our A B Cs," Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.

July 21 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Four Corners and a Straight Line," Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "On the Fundamentals: The Church," Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf.

July 22 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "On the Fundamentals: The Christ," Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Opening Address, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.

July 23 (Thu.), 9:30 a.m.—Devotions, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.
10:10 a.m.—Forum on Men's Work, Mr. E. Dow Bancroft.
11:10 a.m.—Recess.
11:20 a.m.—Song Service.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.
4:00 p.m.—Forum Discussion.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.

July 24 (Fri.), 9:30 a.m.—Devotions, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.
10:10 a.m.—Forum on Stewardship, Dr. James W. Workman.
11:10 a.m.—Recess.
11:20 a.m.—Song Service.
11:30 a.m.—Address, Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker.
4:00 p.m.—Forum Discussion.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.

ACCUMULATED IMPRESSIONS

Sidney M. Shalett after visiting sixty war plants in twenty-one cities of thirteen states gives in last Sunday's New York Times his impressions of what is going on just now in this country. Here is his story:

"Throughout the land a mighty revolution is in progress. American industry is beating the plowshares of peacetime—the autos, the electric refrigerators, the toasters and the washing machines—into the swords of total war; planes, tanks and high explosive bombs. It is a revolution to which there can be but one end—the doom of Nazidom.

American industry did not ask for this job of total conversion to production of the tools of war. It did not want it, any more than America wanted the war—any more than Americans wanted to exchange their cars for tanks. In many instances it was even slow to take up the task.

But now the colossus is at work and the results of the gigantic effort are discernable in every manufacturing city in the land. You can see the planes and tanks and deadly bombs and you can grasp the inexorable promise of hundreds upon hundreds of thousands more ready to pour from the production lines. The nazi propagandists may laugh and jeer and whistle in the wind, snorting 'Fantastic!' and 'Democratic lies!' just as long as it suits their fancy to do so. But the wave of American industrial might, built up by the free effort of a free and angry people, is going to mount up into a terrible deluge that will pour forth and wash out the ugly stains of brutality and oppression now upon the earth."

TWO MEN AND A PSALM

One of England's leading actors was being banqueted. In the after-dinner ceremonies the actor was asked to recite for the pleasure of his guests. He consented, and asked if there was anything special anyone in the audience would like to hear.

There was a moment's pause, then an old clergyman spoke up, "Could you, sir," he said, "recite the Twenty-Third Psalm?"

A strange look came over the actor's face, but he was speechless for only a moment. "I can, sir—and I will, on one condition, and that is that after I have recited, you, my friend, will do the same."

"I?'" replied the surprised clergyman; "but I am not an elocutionist. However, if you wish, I will do so."

Impressively the great actor began the Psalm, holding his audience spellbound. As he finished, a great burst of applause broke from the guests.

After the applause had ceased, the old clergyman arose. The audience sat in tense silence. The Psalm was recited, and when it was done, there was not the slightest ripple of applause, but those in the audience whose eyes were yet dry had their heads bowed.

The great actor, with hand on the shoulder of the old clergyman, his voice trembling, exclaimed, "I reached your eyes and ears, my friends, this man reached your hearts; I know the Twenty-Third Psalm, this man knows the Shepherd."—Friendly Chat—Baker Oil Tools, Inc.

LIQUOR SALE DOUBLES IN YEAR

Liquor sales in North Carolina's ABC counties doubled from June, 1941, to June, 1942, a report from the State Board of Alcoholic Control revealed this week.

Last month gross sales of $1,258,393.75 were reported, while in June, 1941, the total was $614,915.91. ABC officials said that some of the increase was caused by the increase in federal tax levied in October, 1941, amounting to $2.25 per case. A further increase in tax will come in early fall of this year, officials said.

This record in North Carolina is a startling and humiliating one. We ration sugar and gas and rubber and are made to pay 2 1-2 cents a gallon more for gas on this Atlantic seaboard, but no limit is placed on liquor. Mr. Justice Black in Raleigh this week insisted that victory demands denials—denial of the daily necessities of life.

Why not have war time prohibition in this section so much regimented? This unrestricted freedom granted liquor indicates the depth to which we have fallen.

GOVERNOR DOUGHTON TALKS PLAIN

The time has come when relief rolls should be scrutinized "very closely," Governor Broughton told members of the State Association of County Commissioners and the Association of County Accountants in joint session in Asheville.

"I believe that every able bodied man who wants a job can get one," declared the governor, "and shouldn't be fed at the public trough. The time has come to stop it."

The United States did not become a great nation on the dole system, he said, and continuance of such assistance too long will bring deterioration of those aided.

"We have got to get back to hard work, to individual initiative," the governor declared.

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Many Scotchmen and quite a few who are not Scotch name their boys after John Knox, the courageous Scotch reformer, but they do not name even their dogs after Pontius Pilate, the cowardly Roman who allowed Jesus to be crucified.

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The North Carolina Council of Churches is engaged in a most commendable work in the effort to extend its program of religious education in the public schools of the state. The idea seems to be sweeping the state. More than 15,000 children were reached this past year by over sixty teachers. In most cases full or part time teachers are employed who meet all requirements of the State Department of Public Instruction.

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A smoke signal from France: Forbidden to boo when nazi officials appeared on the screen, one theater audience coughed so long and so loud that the lights were flashed on and a nazi officer strode across the stage. "Who coughed?" he demanded. There was no answer until an old man rose in the rear of the theater and called out, "Nobody here coughed." "Who coughed?" again demanded the nazi. "The unknown soldier," quietly replied the old man.

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I was born an American; I live an American; I shall die an American; and I intend to perform the duties incumbent upon me in that character to the end of my career. I mean to do this with absolute disregard of personal consequences! What are the personal consequences? What is the individual man, with all the good or evil that may betide him, in comparison with the good or evil which may befall a great country, and in the midst of great transactions which concern that country's fate? Let the consequences be what they will, I am careless. No man can suffer too much, and no man can fall too soon, if he suffer, or if he fall, in the defense of the liberties and constitution of his country.—Daniel Webster.

"The pulpit is higher than any throne," said D. L. Moody to Yale students more than a generation ago. He was thinking of the power and permanence of the divine message when declared by a prophet of the Most High. And history proves the truth of this declaration. Thrones topple and fall but the words of God's prophets abide from generation to generation.

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From Elmer Davis' office in Washington reporting for the unconquered people come these assuring words: "Men everywhere are proud of the heroism of their fellowmen and will tell of it, even though they die in the telling. So on the winds of freedom, those winds which never cease to blow, are borne today the stories of heroism in the unconquered countries. Conquered? The stories which the winds of freedom bear prove once again that free men cannot be conquered. The treachery and the armed might of tyranny may crush them for a time, but those who live will speak out and speak again until freedom is restored. Thus come the voices from the countries which the axis has sought to enslave."

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John the Baptist, a man of humble origin who ate simple food and wore plain clothes, was the greatest of all prophets, if one may accept the estimate of Jesus. With the exceptions of Luke and Paul the writers of the New Testament were unlettered men. This is an interesting observation but does not prove that learning is a hindrance to would-be writers, because Paul, the scholar, wrote one-third of the New Testament, which is equal to the best of that most influential of all books. John Bunyan was poor as a church mouse and spent long years in jail. Charles Dickens spent part of his boyhood in jail because the Dickens family was thrown in prison for debt. But these instances do not prove that poverty and prisons are a guarantee of the world's greatest literature. In a word, it's unsafe to trust too implicitly in hasty generalizations.

The Giants of Earth

MUCH has been made of the mighty giants among men who have spread terror in those far off times. But what about the modern giants among the nations in these last times and also in the days to be? What must certainly be the fate of weak and dependent peoples when a few mighty nations hold sway. We are told by some that following this war, America, England, Russia and China may be expected to rule the world. Others insist that the Mongolian race will dominate the Caucasian and thus push the white man from his high pedestal of bearing "the white man's burden." Be this as it may we do know that the world can never be the same again and that the present boundaries of the nations will not remain. For centuries shore lines and mountain ranges have done much to set the boundaries of human habitations.

Ancient people of desert lands were afraid of the oceans so they dared not to venture over the wide raging seas. Notably the early Hebrews dreamed of the good time when there would be no more sea. But all such ideals are no more. The barriers of early times have lost their terrors, to say nothing of their restraints.

Since the airplane defies space and the radio has made an audience chamber of the earth, likewise man's dominion defies all former metes and bounds. Just now the dominance of man in war belongs to the air in defiance of all former national limitations. This means the strong are able to crush the weak and helpless groups and thus render impossible the small groups of free peoples of earth. The giants will once more bear rule on the earth.

The Christian doctrine that the strong must bear the burdens of the weak will have no place where might makes right under the rule of giants. How urgent then is the oft heard demand that the coming peace must be a Christian peace in which the weak nations may be able to enjoy the freedom for which all are waging this war. Most evident is the demand that a permanent peace must be a Christian peace.

Along with this effort to win the war must go the determination to win the peace. Every effort of the Christian church should be to win an influential place at the peace table so as to save the world from any such end as that in 1918. This means the ministers as leaders of the spiritual forces should keep the Prince of Peace enthroned in every church that he may become a living presence in the lives of the people, to make for peace and brotherhood among men. Just now this is the chief business of every minister and all church bodies. Instead of preaching war, preach Jesus; instead of exalting might and power on the battle fields,exalt a meek and gentle spirit. "The meek shall inherit the earth."

Widely Separated Communities

CARL SPENCER once upon a time portrayed a certain town that had an A B C store, a jail, a funeral home, a church and a cemetery on the same street. This street begins in front of the liquor store and ends at the cemetery. If the citizens of that town have a creed it might well be the old one, "Drink today for tomorrow ye die."

Years age we often visited the Stumpy Point community of Dare County, N. C. It had no public institution of any kind except a school house and a Methodist Church. They had no need for a jail or officers of the law. Practically the entire community went to Sunday School and Church on Sunday and on other days of the week they worked and behaved themselves.

Most of these citizens were proud that the early disciples of Jesus were fisherfolk. The Methodist preachers who passed that way found there the most devoted and faithful members of the Church. We trust that in these last days they do not support an A B C store and a jail but hold fast to the fine habits of other days.

An Old, Stubborn Truth

THE greatest of all books has declared with laconic brevity and clearness, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." And the reason offered therefor is, "God is not mocked." And from this same text thousands upon thousands of sermons have been preached by messengers of righteousness. If all these preachers have not been mistaken about the truth of their text, and the Holy Book is to be trusted, why all this talk about converting the peoples of Europe into one great love feast as soon as this war ends? Such talk is fanciful in the extreme. Such a dream is preposterous. The harvest that must result from the sowings of the last three years is terrible to contemplate. God is not mocked; whatsover a nation soweth that shall it also reap.

Where It All Began

WHAT began? A story that is stranger than fiction, but withal "a round unvarnished tale" with few embelishments.

Something more than half a century ago the Revenue Cutter Colfax came from Boston to Wilmington, N. C. With the limited crew was a Chinese boy, Charlie Soong, by name, who in the well informed circles of this country and China is known as the father of Madame Chiang Kai-shek, empress of China.

Some good women of Wilmington became interested in this Oriental youth and found that he was eager to secure an education, and they without delay interested General Julian S. Carr of Durham in the lad who saw that he should secure the educational advantages of Trinity College, then located near High Point in Randolph county, N. C. Here he proved to be a bright, appreciative student, who never forgot the college training that he got in North Carolina and held in loving remembrance the big-hearted, fatherly Julian S. Carr who had helped him on the way to an education and a useful life.

After his return to China Julian S. Carr, the Methodist Church and the United States of America commanded his loyalty and love. So much so that when his three daughters were to be educated he sent them to a Methodist college in America.

These girls came to Macon, Georgia, where Wesleyan College is located. Two of these three daughters, now well known in all parts of the earth, graduated at Wesleyan during the presidency of Bishop W. N. Ainsworth. They were Eling Soong, who later married H. H. Kung, who became minister of commerce and industry of the Chinese republic; and Chun Ling Soong, who became the wife of Sun Yat Sen, father of the modern revolution in China.

The third Soong daughter was too young to attend college when she first came to this country, and Bishop and Mrs. Ainsworth took her into their home where the Chinese girl, Mai Ling Soong, became the playmate of the Ainsworths' daughter, the late Eloise Ainsworth.

Mai Ling Soong went to Wesleyan for one year but after graduation of her sisters transferred to Wellesley to be near her brother who was attending Harvard. After returning to China she became Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

Here in the greatest possible brevity is a sketch of the "Soong Dynasty" of the present day China which for six years has suffered the unspeakable outrages of the Japanese war lords. But we are inclined to believe that the American nation is going to help China in her struggles to be delivered from the brutalities and crimes of Japan, and that these two nations will become perpetual allies in the age long struggle for justice and liberty to all peoples of this earth.

But when this dream shall have been realized let us not forget that it all began in North Carolina and that Julian S. Carr and those missionary minded Methodist women of Wilmington and, also, Trinity College had a conspicuous part in this historic story that equals in its surprising content the most romantic dreams of fiction.

Inner Urge and Outward Restraint

WHEREVER there is an effort to prohibit the liquor traffic and restrain the trade certain wise ones will begin to ring the changes on the old slogan, "You can't legislate morals into a people." True, every sensible person knows you can't legislate any of the intangibles of life or of religion into man but every one knows that legislative restraints belong to civilized man in every land.

In all human endeavor there is the inner urge and the outer restraint. Life and religion both belong to two worlds—the outward and the inward. The motive gives character and color to the moral act. Legislation and personal motives both have to do with a moral order. A religion that is simply an outward form becomes a by-word and a reproach. The spirit and the inner urge make every system of religion effective in the life of the world. So, civil and divine law furnish the outward casings for morals and religion; the nature and the spirit of man furnish the inner urge.

Fortunate are the boys and girls who have known the restraints that come with the careful training of devoted and religious parents. Along with this the internal ties develop in the religious home. These internal ties are most valuable when the outer bonds in the world come to their assistance.

Thus both legal restraints and moral courage are valuable for all who would successfully make their way through life. We have to do with a moral order and the demands of religion in this moral and spiritual universe.

People and Things

We thank The Virginia Methodist Advocate for the timely picture on the front page of this paper.

Home coming and anniversary at Oak View Methodist church Sunday, July 12.—R. E. Ward, Pastor.

A. L. Dietrich, assistant treasurer of the Board of Education and business manager of its service department, has retired from active service.

Rev. and Mrs. A. James Clemmer of Hayesville are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Patricia Ann, who was born on June 24, the birthday of the father. The mother and daughter have returned home from the hospital and both are "doing nicely."

Eric Tipton, former Duke University baseball star, was unanimously selected on the American Association All-Star team which will play the league-leading Kansas City Blues in a night game July 28. Tipton plays in the outfield for Kansas City and is hitting around .350.

Home coming day is observed on the Friendship charge, Salisbury district, on the following dates and at the respective churches: Oak Grove, July 26, Friendship, August 2, and Bethel, August 9. We most cordially invite all former pastors and members to be present with us on these dates. Our friends have a special invitation as well.—W. C. Sides, Jr.

Sourwood trees didn't flourish in his bailiwick and he wanted clear sourwood honey, so an apiarist from the eastern part of the state solved the problem by taking his bees where the sourwood grows—the mountains. He arrived with 60 hives which he said he would place in "sourwood territory" for the season of sourwood blooms. At the end of the season he plans to take them back home.

At quarterly conference Sunday, Durham circuit reported for this quarter four daily vacation Bible schools, attendance 180; four revivals, with 70 additions to church; increase on Golden Cross; world service paid in full; salary to date. Other items well on the way to completion; 23 Advocate subscribers; ten children from Methodist Orphanage will spend vacation on the charge.—S. J. Starnes, P. C.

There is no rationing of beer and whiskey. Buy all you can and drink it as long as you can. No drunken nation can ever win a war. Remember what happened to now occupied France; and again at Pearl Harbor on the 7th of last December. But all the saloons at Pearl Harbor were closed December 8. The severe loss of life and damage to property had then been wrought by enemies.—Norlina Headlight.

In the church congregation one Sunday morning was a young bride whose husband was an usher. Becoming terribly worried about having a roast in the oven at home, she wrote a note to her husband, asking the usher to deliver it. Her husband, thinking the folded note was a notice to the pastor, hurried down the aisle and placed it on the pulpit. Stopping abruptly in the middle of his sermon to read the message the astonished minister faced this injunction: "Please go home and turn off the gas."—Selected.

Dr. Raysor, one of our oldest active members (nearly 80) has done a perfectly splendid job of raising the payment we have to make annually on our church debt, as well as a sizable sum for interest twice a year, made a report last Sunday morning on progress his committee is making for payment shortly to be made. (See report). Dr. Raysor has been chairman of the committee all seven years. He has never taken a written pledge. He just quietly goes around and sees the members and he has never failed to get up the full amount.—Geo. L. Hackney.

The work is going fine at Park Street, Belmont. All claims are paid to date on the basis of a large increase for all causes. A piano and tables have been bought for the junior department; also tables for the beginners and primary departments. Carpet has been bought for the church and Innlite ceiling for auditorium of the church, and the church debt has been reduced at least one-half.—John F. Wyatt, Pastor.

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman has a series of lectures with the general theme "The Dimensions of a Modern Preacher" presented under these sub-headings: "His Length," "His Breadth," 'His Depth," "His Height," and "His Volume." That is a thought provoking list of subjects that concerns clerical dimensions. One wonders just what this distinguished preacher has to say on these subjects as he takes the measure of the "cloth."

Mrs. Lynn Harold Hough of Madison, N. J., received word by cable on Monday of last week that her husband, Dean Lynn Harold Hough of Drew Theological Seminary had arrived safely in London. Dr. Hough, as previously announced, is preaching this summer to the congregation of the City Temple, London, which has been worshipping in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher since the destruction of its own edifice by bombs.—Zions Herald.

After stopping all automobiles on a certain strip of road near Carolina Beach several days ago, state highway engineers found that most of the 7,000 motorists stopped admitted they were joy-riding. On stopping one car, the engineers expected the usual admittance that the occupants were out for a ride to the beach, but when asked, "Are you on a pleasure trip, too?" the young man and girl in the car replied, "Nope, we're going to get married."—The Uplift.
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The weight of scholarship gives "debts" the preference over "trespasses" in the English traslation of the Lord's Prayer. However, we wish that one or the other could be universally adopted. Hardly a week passes without our hearing in public worship the Lord's Prayer, and every time part of the congregation says, "Debts," and the other part, "Trespasses." It almost spoils the use of this prayer in public worship. We see no reason why pastors should not ask of their own people unity in the use of whichever word the congregation is willing to adopt.—Selected.

In the old days, reports "Yankee Magazine," it was the custom that no one could be buried in the backwoods towns of New England until someone had said a word of praise for the deceased. Once, however, it seemed as if the rule was going to be broken, for, after the minister had completed his part of the services for the meanest man in town, a vast silence settled down as everybody waited for somebody else to say the word of praise. Finally, one long and lean citizen arose and remarked, "He was not always quite so mean as he was most of the time."

Reputed to be the first such course ever provided the children of parents stationed at army posts, Fort Jackson's daily vacation Bible school drew to a conclusion last week when over 100 boys and girls of many denominations were awarded diplomas during impressive graduation exercises. Some 200 officers and enlisted men from this post as well as friends from Columbia and vicinity attended the hour-and-a-half exercises which were staged in the chapel building of the Andrew Jackson Homes Area. The ceremonies opened with a lengthy procession of student graduates, headed by the American flag, the Christian flag and the Holy Bible that filed into the building where numerous interested spectators awaited.

Dr. J. Q. Schisler, executive secretary of the division of the local church, Board of Education, was one of the responsible executives of major Protestant denominations invited to meet with the Commission on Chaplains of the United States government in New York on July 6. The purpose of the meeting was to plan for an organization, preferably co-operative, representing the Protestant churches and which Protestant men in the army can join and to discuss printed materials to be used by such an organization. On July 15 Dr. Schisler will also attend the meeting in Chicago of the Methodist Commission on Chaplains.

Entire personnel of the district superintendents of the Tennessee conference are expected to be in attendance upon the district superintendents' conference for the Southeastern Jurisdiction, at Lake Junaluska, July 14.20. Dr. B. C. Hodge, superintendent of the Nashville district, is chairman of the conference and is presiding over the sessions. The eight bishops of the Southeastern Jurisdiction are to be present and take part in the meetings. Prominent on the program of the conference will be a series of sermons by Dr. Paul Quillian, pastor First Methodist church, Houston, Texas, and daily addresses by Dr. Mark Depp, pastor Christ Methodist church, Pittsburgh, Penn.

The pastor is pleased to report two excellent vacation church schools on the Caledonia circuit. Under the splendid leadership of Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial worker of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, a school which enrolled 154 pupils, was held in East Laurinburg and issued 97 perfect attendance certificates. It was an inspiring group of intelligent youngsters that worked hard and played hard, showing great possibilities for Methodism in that town. At Caledonia church the pastor and his wife were met by 43 pulpils, 33 of which were awarded perfect attendance certificates. Fine departmental leadership was displayed by Misses Pearl Thompson, Annie Vivian Jones, and Mrs. Louise Hasty Beane.—B. F. Meacham.

At the Hayesville Methodist church the two weeks' revival running June 15-29 accomplished what such a meeting should. A true revival within the church itself was experienced. A large number of the members were truly revived in spirit and an several occasions the service took on an air similar to that of the reputed "old time Methodist meeting." Rev. Roy Houts of Andrews did the preaching, assisted in the twice daily services by Mrs. Houts at the piano, and by Rev. A. James Clemmer, the progressive pastor of this new stone church. B. Roy Brown of Duke divinity school led the singing. The revival was unusual in several respects. There was full co-operation from the Baptists who came with their pastor in large numbers. Then there was an unusually large number of young people attending a discussion group preceding the night preaching and staying to form a large youth choir. The children, too, were there each service to sing their "booster" songs.

Our third Bible school this summer was held at Palm Tree Methodist church. We had a total enrollment of 61 in the school. With the able assistance of Miss Vivian Johnson and Miss Margaret Wray we feel as though the school served the great purpose that it was meant to serve. The junior class did their work out in the yard. They made the map of Palestine, putting the most interesting parts in. They dug the dead sea and the lake of Gallilee and put the mountains in. The primaries planted seeds in cans so they could see just where their daily bread came from. The intermediates made a scrap book of worship programs. We had 22 intermediates, 20 juniors, 16 primaries, in our school. Brother Ridenhour from Duke University is still with us and is doing a good piece of work. On Saturday morning the commencement program was held. Brother Roof, pastor of the Lutheran church here, spoke to the group on this occasion. He used character building as his subject. This was very spiritual and enlightening. We are looking forward to another good school at Macedonia.—Ellis P. Greene, Pastor.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

MRS. ANNIE W. ELLIOTT WEDDED TO F. S. RITCH

In a ceremony characterized by charming simplicity Mrs. Annie Warden Elliott and F. S. Ritch were wedded July 11 at 5 o'clock at the First Methodist church, Charlotte.

Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald pastor of Belmont Park Methodist church, officiated. Before the ceremony Eugene Craft, organist, played "Meditation" by Massinet, and "Invocation" by Mailly. The Bridal March from "Lohengrin" was played for the processional and Mendelssohn's Wedding March for the recessional. During the service "Landonderry Air" was played.

There were no attendants. The bride wore a heavenly blue sheer dress, white hat and accessories and a shoulder bouquet of orchids.

Mrs. Rich is the widow of the late Flynn Elliott of Beatty's Ford road, and daughter of the late Joseph Wardin, former poultry editor of The Charlotte Observer and The Atlanta Constitution, and the late Mary Bassinger Wardin, and niece of E .G. Wardin. Mrs. Ritch is well known in music circles and is a teacher of piano and organist and choir director at Belmont Park Methodist church. She has a wide circle of friends in the city and county.

Mr. Ritch is a son of the late Thomas C. Ritch and Sarah Moore Ritch of Charlotte. He is head of the accounting department of the Cole Manufacturing Company, and has been treasurer of Belmont Park Methodist church where he has been a member for the last 40 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritch will make their home at 3238 Monroe road.

NEWS ITEMS FROM JENKINS MEMORIAL

In May we had the happy privilege of having Mrs. Reaves' class from the Orphanage at Jenkins Memorial on the second Sunday night. Then on the fifth Sunday they went to Pleasant Grove, after which we all enjoyed a delicious dinner on the grounds. The services were beautiful, worshipful and inspiring and showed careful training and hard work.

In June Dr. Robert Bradshaw was with us three days at Jenkins Memorial for inspiration and instruction. The people were so happy to have him back again and he seemed to feel he was "home" again.

Besides the evening messages, Dr. Bradshaw talked to the young boys of the neighborhood at five each afternoon, and on Tuesday evening joined the young people in a fellowship supper and vesper service at Pullen Park.

The Youth Fellowship led a beautiful candlelight service on Father's Day. We are proud of our young people and expect great things of them. They always have the music on Sunday night, help the pastor with the church bulletin each week, helped wonderfully in vacation church school and are always ready to do their part. We had three representatives at Louisburg from this group—Johnny Crabtree, Miss Martha Peatross and Miss Florence Jane Winifree.

Two of our women attended the Leadership Assembly at Louisburg this week—Mrs. S. T. Pearce, president of the woman's society, and Mrs. T. A. Harmon, superintendent of children's division in church school.

PRAISE FOR ADVOCATE JOB WORK

The printing done by the Advocate shop for the Lake Junaluska Assembly wins the highest commendation. Supt. W. A. Lambeth in a letter of appreciation makes this request:

"Please tell Mr. Mitchell that the public keeps saying to me that our booklet this year is the best ever! Thanks."

The Methodists of our two North Carolina conferences should know that Dr. W. A. Lambeth has been giving the Advocate shop all the printing of the Junaluska Assembly so that the church paper may receive the needed support. This is entirely mutual, for the Advocate lends all possible aid to the assembly.

Our desire is to please our patrons and to aid every interest of the Methodist people.

MARION IVEY CRUTCHFIELD

1897-1942

On April 30th, God sent to earth an angel to guide to his heavenly home another of His chosen ones.

Marion Ivey Crutchfield was born in Orange county, Efland, N. C., the son of George F. and the late Margaret Thompson Strowd Crutchfield. He lived in this community the greater part of his life, except when in pursuit of an education. He was a graduate of Elon College and Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Md.

When a very young boy Ivey joined the Chestnut Ridge M. P. Church, later transferring, with his family to the Efland Methodist Church.

As a Christian, he was steadfast and sure. His faith increased as his health declined. He fell asleep after a prolonged illness, having been ill for about three years.

During the last month of his illness he read the Bible through then continued to read seeking there the comfort and assurance of God's love for His children. This he surely found, sustaining and enabling him to bear patiently his long suffering. He was a generous, big-hearted Christian friend, and might well have said with Abou Ben Adhem, "write me as one who loves his fellowmen."

He was a great grandson of Rev. Daniel Thompson, who was instrumental in the establishment of the M. P. Church throughout this section of the State.

Last rites were conducted May 1st at five o'clock from the Efland Methodist Church, by his pastor Rev. C. P. Morris, interment following in the church cemetery.

Active and honorary pallbearers were members of the Masonic Order, Eagle Lodge No. 13, which had charge of the graveside rites.

Floral bearers were members of the Sunday School which he attended as long as he was able, taught in, and loved.

Rev. Mr. Morris read as part of the services some of Ivey's favorite passages from John 14, Psalm 23, John 3-16 and Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar."

"I've Done My Work."—Bond, was used as a vocal solo. This being one of his favorite songs.

Besides his father there survives the following: one brother James E. of the home, two sisters, Mrs. John Stanford of Efland, Mrs. Gaston B. Moore of Whitakers, two nieces and three nephews.

Why the Master spoke to our loved one thus early in life we do not understand, nor do we question. The, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord," has been answered.

Altho Ivey had his weaknesses and made mistakes as all humans do and while we submit to our great loss with aching hearts, we know that He doeth all things well. He makes no mistakes. Ivey has gone where there will be no more disappointments, sorrow, nor suffering, where Jesus reigns eternally his Sovereign and his friend.

In the afterwhile, we shall meet again. Parting will not be for long. Heaven will seem more sweet for Ivey will be on the shore to greet us when we, too, shall "Wrap the drapery of our couch around us and lie down to pleasant dreams."

The throng of sorrowing relatives and friends who filled the chapel to pay their last respects attested to the esteem in which this our dear one was held, and an unusually beautiful floral tribute blanketed the grave as a token of love and sympathy.

With the poet we may well say:

"I cannot say, and I will not say
That he is dead—He is just away!
With a cherry smile, and a wave of the hand,
He has wondered into and unknown land,
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be, since he lingers there.
And you, O you, who the wildest yearn.
For the old-time step and the glad return,
Think of him faring on, as dear
In the love of There as the love of Here;
Think of him still as the same I say.
He is not dead. He is just away.

—One Who Loved Him.

IS LEON HENDERSON GUILTY?

Listen to what the National Whirligig sends out of Washington to the daily press of this country.

Is it true?

The American people must give heavy financial tribute in order to learn how Leon Henderson's price-fixing regulations affect their way of life. The price administrator will not leave Washington to address manufacturers, middlemen, or consumers unless he is well paid for his advice.

He has been besieged by varous groups to come before them and interpret the complicated rulings of his office. Housewives do not understand the details and neither do the corner grocerymen. Never before was such a confusing system of controls imposed on the buyers and sellers of goods in the United States. OPA literature, admittedly foggy, has muddled rather than clarified the problem. So there has been a general demand that Mr. Henderson or one of his aides shall take the stump and explain the unexplainable. The public seems willing to deprive itself, but it wants to know the whys and wherefores.

Leon will be glad to expound the need for sacrifice. But his minimum fee for such sermons is $250. He does not write his own speeches, of course. He is too busy for that mundane effort. They are prepared by a clerical assistant whose top salary is $5,000 a year. But, as delivered by Leon, they are most excellent lectures, although the taxpayer foots the oratorical bill.

DR. C. A. RAYSOR TELLS HOW THE DEBT ON CENTRAL, ASHEVILLE, HAS BEEN PAID

The Finance Committee has requested me to tender its sincere congratulations, and a thousand thanks, to the more than four hundred loyal members of our beloved church, for their generous volunteer extra gifts, to make possible the twenty-five hundred dollar yearly installment on our church debt.

While the goal has not been reached, it is in sight—and when the few who have not already pledged, do so, we are confident that the full amount will be subscribed.

For seven years these annual payments have been made in full and on time—also, the fourteen semi-annual interest payments, not a day's default.

For your information, the total debt on our church, including the parsonage, was seven years ago forty thousand dollars, and now it has been reduced to less than twenty-three thousand, or more than seventeen thousand dollars reduction in seven years.

This is a fine record, and to all who have had a hand in it, must create a sense of peculiar pride and great joy.

Do I hear you say that this has been a big task? I tell you, No—for by the beautiful spirit of gracious cooperation by such a large number of our membership, it has been a labor of love, and a means of grace to us, as I hope it has been to you.

So now, it is not without hope that the day is not far away, when our whole church will rise up as a unit and highly resolve that they will not stop or rest, until this entire obligation is paid in full, to the end we can present this holy temple of the living God to His Son, our Lord and Master, free and clear from the sting and shame of debt and disgrace, transformed to the Glory and Honor of His Name, for rededication.

When this is done, we can all join in singing the Gloria in Excelsis, and halleluiahs, to His Name, and listen to the still, small voice of our Heavenly Father when He says, as He did to the prophets of old, "For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that My Name may be here forever."

C. A. Raysor, Secretary.

BREVARD COLLEGE LEADS IN PER CENT OF STUDENT INCOME

Dr. E. J. Coltrane has made, or had made, a study of the sources of income to 52 senior college and 17 junior colleges and this study shows that 75.8 per cent of the income of Brevard College comes from student fees, which leads the entire list of colleges. This record shows that Brevard College is more largely supported by the students than any other of the 17 junior colleges and the 52 senior colleges, which is a great showing for Brevard College students in paying the operating expenses of that institution.

GREAT ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN IN BROAD STREET CHURCH, STATESVILLE

Dr. H. G. Allen, pastor of Broad Street church, Statesville, has just closed an Advocate campaign that resulted in 111 new subscribers and 15 renewals. All the new subscribers are for one year except 15 which are for six months. The check accompanying the lists is for $251.50.



Dr. H. G. Allen

The method of campaign adopted by Dr. Allen and his people in securing this record breaking list of new subscribers was as follows:

We made a typewritten list, with street address, of every home in my charge which did not get the Advocate; talked it up from pulpit and class room; selected Mr. Gibson Austin as chairman and Mr. C. A. Leonard, assistant, and a canvassing committee which we trained and gave lists. The canvass was practically finished in one week. Each canvasser made a report which showed that nearly every name on lists was visited. Results: 110 and 3-4 new and 15 renewal subscriptions. One good layman offered to give the Advocate to those unable to take it and 25 got it free.

Broad Street led the conference in the number of new subscribers last year and I believe we have done so this year.

The Advocate helps the church because "There is no inspiration without information."

You may count always on Broad Street, Statesville, doing the right thing.

H. G. Allen.

SPENCE SUCCEEDS EARNHARDT AT CALVARY, DURHAM

Dr. H. E. Spence, professor of religious education at Duke University, has been appointed by Bishop Clare Purcell pastor of Calvary Methodist church to succeed Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, who has been appointed an army chaplain with the rank of first lieutenant. Dr. Spence will assume the pastorate on July 19 and will finish the present conference year. He will continue his work at Duke University.

Dr. Spence served as pastor of the Mangum Street Methodist church, parent church of Calvary Methodist, for three years starting in 1908. He then was named assistant professor of English at Duke, a post he held until 1913, when he went to Sanford to serve four years as pastor of the Sanford Methodist church. During his ministry there the present church was constructed. In 1918 Dr. Spence returned to Duke as professor of religious education.

SUN-DIALS ARE FASCINATING IN THE SWISS TICINO

Watch- and Clockmaking is one of the oldest and most widely honored Swiss industries. The story of its evolution from a humble start at Geneva, in 1550, and at Le Cocle, in the canton of Neuchatel, in 1679, to its present exalted status will for ever remain a tribute to the inventive mind and persevering qualities of Swiss watchmakers.

Already in the Middle Ages churches and town halls were equipped with great clocks. Outstanding examples of these intricate medieval masterpieces are contained in the Clock Towers of Benne and Soleure. Gradually, in the days of the Renaissance, starting in the 14th century, clockmakers began experimenting with smaller and smaller clocks, suitable for general public and home use.

However, man had invented still another instrument for measuring and indicating time. It was the more primitive sun-dial, highly popular in sunny regions like the canton of Ticino. In that beauteous Swiss southland there is hardly a village that does not boast its "meridiana." One finds them on churches, town halls or school buildings and even on private dwellings. Colorful frescoes and quaint inscriptions are frequently an accompanying adornment.

As timepieces many sun-dials are not 100% accurate, but the gay-hearted people of the Cinino countryside do not mind these shortcomings. They are accustomed to work from sunrise until sunset and thus do not count mere minutes.

At Cimadera, in the sequestered Val di Colla, the inscription on the local sun-dial proclaims in Latin: "I count only the bright hours." At San Nicolao the merits of the church sun-dial are praised as follows:

"Without striking the hours I am understood by all
Without any noise I reveal the time,
Bells and iron may mislead,
But I, in the light of the sun, do never err."

Sun-dials in Switzerland are often very old. There is one at Arosio, high up in the Malcantone district, which bears the year number of 1664. Other timepieces of this type may, however, be quite new. Thus, the church of Banco, near Novaggio, features one of 1926. Its creator is Engineer Ferretti, who after a successful career in Switzerland and abroad, retired at the age of over 70 to his native village. Astronomy being his hobby Mr. Ferretti made careful calculations for a sun-dial on the local parish church. In due course he had a dial painted which permits the reading of the hours as well as the minutes. Since this particular sun-dial covers almost one entire wall of the church the inhabitants were rather irked about it at first. However, today they are proud to have such an accurate timepiece in the village.

There is another fine sun-dial on the courtyard side of an inn at Meride on Monte San Giorgio. This dial, too, was cleverly planned and painted by the owner's father some 29 years ago. Marie Widmer.

Seers and Saviours

By F. HAROLD BUSS

This world has never been a comfortable place for idealists and men of vision. To see "distant gates of Eden gleam," and to follow the gleam in unquestioning self-abandonment, is to invite the scorn and ridicule of the common run of mankind. For the dreamer of dreams, the prophets and pioneers and reformers, the reward is not seldom the martyr's crown. "They have been nailed to crosses—thrown to flames." The hatred that killed Jesus, "the pioneer of Life," has destroyed many another whose forward-ranging vision disturbed the opaque conservatism of his time.

But though it may crucify the idealist and his ideals, the world is saved by its seers. In Bolton King's words: "The idealist is still mankind's best friend; and he does most for the race who purges its spiritual vision." Craft of statesman, prowess of warrior, great possessions, are vain things for the salvation of any people, if the eyes of the heart are not enlightened to know the hope to which God calls. "Low lies the best till lifted up to heaven." It is because they glimpsed the divine pattern of things, and gave their lives in obedience to the heavenly vision, that the God-inspired idealists of all time are the epoch-makers, the elect of mankind. They are, as Robert Bridges puts it—

> Saviours of society, seers of the promised land,
> The loved and lovable whose names live evermore,
> The sainted pioneers of salvation, unto whom
> All wisdom won and all man's future hope is due.

Not many of us would claim the name and authority of a saviour or a seer. Yet the gifts of faith and vision which have marked the great servants of humanity were never more needed than in these days, when Christian ideals are so widely rejected. Military defeat is not the worst disaster to be feared. The catastrophe of a mass-regression towards a brutish materialism, crushing out the life of the soul, is a far more deadly peril. Behind the armies of our foes the powers of darkness are "mustering their unseen array." Not by weapons of steel can these be overcome. Against the spiritual hosts of evil, "with force of arms we nothing can." Unless we can oppose them with the strength derived from an undefeatable faith and an undimmable vision, the light of the world, and not the lamps of Europe only, will go out.

For this cause, the seers are the true "saviours of society." From Abraham and Moses the bright succession runs. The vision of the invisible is the secret of victory. The dream precedes the redeeming faith. Faith in the ideal gives courage to endure and strive. Without the light of a spiritual vision, we perish. When the mind and soul are blind to spiritual factors, the future appears to belong to the mightiest in material strength. This is moral defeatism; and the cynic who sneers at the idealist is the arch-enemy of humanity's hopes of good.

Happy are they who, in the darkness of night and chaos, see like the exile of Patmos, "a new heaven and a new earth" and "the holy city coming down out of heaven from God." Dreams they are; promises of blessing yet unrealized. We have only "seen them and halted them from afar," but the vision gives hope and heart for pilgriming and pioneering towards the promised land. Only men of God-illumined vision are numbered with "the sainted pioneers of salvation." How much depends on them! How much we need them today!

Amid the barbaric savagery around us, the ark of God, the depository of treasures of the soul most excellent and precious, must be guarded with jealous and zealous care. Its safe-keeping lies with those who believe that God is, and that he is a rewarder of them that seek him. On them "all man's future hope" depends. An epoch of "spiritual migration," as General Smuts calls it, is upon us. To guide that migration to holy and divine ends will test to the utmost our loyalty to the highest.

Mighty forces are operating to degrade man to the level of the beasts that perish, to rob the soul of its heritage of honor and of hope. The spirit and standards of Chrsit are openly repudiated and derided, and darkness is preferred to light. Who but those who dream dreams and see visions shall be sufficient for these things? Who but the seers can be the saviours now? The world as it was before the war will never return. It will be grievously worse or gloriously better. The issue hangs on whether there are enough men and women with Christian faith and far-sight, and the courage to act on them. The ideal is before us: God's kingdom of justice, peace and joy, a society in which Christ is Lord and love is law, a city beautiful in its holiness. To purge the world of gross and bitter things will be a task demanding heroic strength and sacrifice. Pioneers and prophets of the ideal, who shape life on spiritual and eternal standards, must expect the world's enmity and stoning. But those who would lead mankind upward to God may not falter for fear of what man can do—

> O to die advancing on!
> Are there some of us to droop and die? has the hour come?
> Then upon the march we fittest die.

Fittest and best to die marching "on to the city of God" rather than to loll in ignoble ease and lose our souls. In the struggle against satanic powers our vision of the risen, conquering Son, the Prince Leader of life, will keep us from fainting and failing. The enemy of souls is strong, but above the dust and smoke of the battlefield "we see Jesus, crowned with glory and honor."—Methodist Recorder.

SPIRITUAL PRIORITIES

The newspapers are reminding us of government "priorities." . . . . The Bible keeps reminding us of "God's priorities." Jesus said that the first and great commandment is to love God with all the heart, soul, mind, and strength. Again, he reminded men that they had obligation to God as well as to Caesar. Still again he said, "Seek ye first, the kingdom of God and his righteousness."

In times of national crisis we need to be cautious lest we give to Caesar what belongs to God. In the dark days of the Civil War, the minister of a church in Washington announced one morning that the worship services would

be discontinued because the church was needed as a hospital to care for the wounded. President Lincoln who was in the service arose and said, "I was not aware that this order included churches. I hereby rescind it." Lincoln counted the regular services of worship as indispensable even in such a time.—First Church Bulletin, Rochester, N. Y.

"FAITH AND NURTURE"

H. Shelton Smith

The most important reason religious education has had such a hard time capturing the imagination and allegiance of ministers generally is that its exponents, while reading all the books available on teaching method, have neglected to read books on theology. The result has been that in learning how to teach religion they have neglected what to teach. They have stressed the form and under-emphasized the substance. If you will only teach this way, they have said, the result will be a generation of trained Christians; churches have tried it that way and the result is a generation alarmingly secular. Looking upon the theological sterility of religious education many preachers have no doubt thought more or less articulately; "What wouldn't we give for a religious educator who knows theology!"

Shelton Smith of Duke Divinity School knows theology as well as teaching method. To read his new book, "Faith and Nurture," is to make exciting discovery that religious education can have the form of the best pedagogical method and at the same time the substance of a virile evangelical faith. The promise of what is in store for the reader of this book may be suggested by chapter sub-headings like this: "Man as Creature of God," "Image of God and Sinner," "The Gospel of Repentance," "The Gospel of Deliverance."

The reader has the feeling that the author is so intent on pointing out the shortcomings of recent religious education methods that he is somewhat overbalanced in analysis, but he does more than criticise. He points the way ahead. It is an important book and will be for long time to come.

THE FARMER

When I looked in at the door of the big farm kitchen I was told that the farmer was somewhere "at top side of the land." So I went in search of him.

I met him a few minutes later, and together we skirted a field of wheat. As we tramped along, now on a narrow strip of turf, now on the soil, clouds of dust rose up about our feet.

"The land's dry," I remarked.

He noded. "Very," said he.

"It's a wonder anything will grow in soil as dry as this," I said.

Again he noded. "It's wonderful that anything grows at all," he replied. "Everything's wonderful in Nature."

I waited, for my old farmer friend is something of a philosopher, and I like to hear him talk.

"Plants are all wonderful," he continued presently. They've wonderful reserves. Come a dry spell, and they keep on longer than you'd think. Come wet weather, they take a lot of drowning!"

It was my turn to nod.

"Pity more folks isn't like 'em," was the odd comment. "There's too many folks today that can't stand extremes of anything! A bit of bad luck, half a peck of trouble, loss or bereavement, and over they go . . . bowled out middle wicket. And likewise a bit of good fortune, a step up in the world—and they can't stand it."

He paused again, this veteran of storm and sunshine.

"I reckon," he concluded, "that it's only them that is rooted and grounded in the love of God that can stand firm whichever way fortune's wind happens to blow."

—Methodist Recorder.

WHIPPOORWILLS AND NIGHTHAWKS

By Gladys Jordan

"Whippoorwill, whippoorwill!" This plaintive call, with its peculiar rhythm, coming to us through the shadowy twilight, again and again, can not but hold our attention. An we begin to wonder a bit about the bird that "mourns unseen and ceaseless sings."

The whippoorwill gets its name from its song, but around it hover some of the pleasant superstitions of old England. There is a tradition that no frost ever appears after the whippoorwill comes nor will it appear until after he leaves for the sunny South. The English people called these birds goatsuckers and once really believed that they came out at night and milked the goats. This belief arose from the fact that the birds closely followed the goats for the insects that are about them.

The whippoorwills are rarely seen, but they would be greatly missed in any friendly neighborhood. Each year, when I first hear their call, I feel as though an old friend has come back again. They make no nest, but lay their two eggs on the ground. Their food consists of insects and the chief meal is taken after sunset, when they sweep back and forth through the air gathering any and all that come within their range.

This bird loves the solitary woods but it does not like the water so it is almost never seen near the seashore. Its silence in the daytime is almost uncanny. If one happens to come upon the whippoorwill suddenly it will rise almost without a sound and float silently away. Its dull, mottled markings blend almost perfectly with the tree upon which it stretches out lengthwise. They walk but little as their feet are small and weak, but their wings are powerful and their flight easy and graceful.

Another of the so-called "goatsuckers" is the nighthawk. This again is a misnomer, as the bird is neither a hawk nor a goatsucker. In old England it was also called "nightjar," and "bullbat." It closely resembles the whippoorwill, for which it is often mistaken.

Instead of the weird cry of the whippoorwill, the nighthawk gives a harsh, nasal, "pent, pent," while flying. This is followed by a sort of whirring, booming sound that is produced by the air against its outspread wings in its swift descent from unseen heights. It dives straight down toward the treetops as though bent on destruction, then, when its fate seems hopeless, it sweeps in a swift graceful curve upward and disappears, only to return again and again in the same stunt dive.

The nighthawks often hunt in company in the early morning. Seldom do they hunt after sunset unless there is a full moon. They devour thousands of harmful insects. Like the whoppoorwills, they rest during the heat of the day, stretched out on some branch that blends perfectly with their plumage. They, too, lay their eggs on the ground or on the surface of a rock. In August, they bid the country good-bye and take up a new life in the big cities, where they seem very much at home. It is not unusual to see them resting happily on the roof-tops or whirling about street lights where they find many insects attracted by the lights. Their heavy wings have large white spots that in flying look like big holes. The head is large but the bill is small in the nighthawk but the whippoorwills have large fly-trap mouths. Each is a good friend, and an interesting study to all bird lovers.—Our Dumb Animals.

COUNTERFEIT?

By Beaumont Hodge

Are you a counterfeit Christian?

Webster's dictionary tells us that a counterfeit is "Made in exact imitation of something genuine and intended to pass for the genuine; as, counterfeit money."

Have you ever had a counterfeit coin in your possession? One that you could not tell from the genuine coin, till you dropped it on some hard surface and then you knew that it was counterfeit because it did not "ring true"? It had a dead, lifeless sound. It was no good. Its value as a coin was "nothing."

In the Bible, we are told of a counterfeit religious leader by the name of Ananias. He was a disciple at Jerusalem, husband of Saphira (Acts 5:1-11). Having sold his goods for the benefit of the church, he kept back a part of the price, bringing to the apostles the remainder, as if it were whole, his wife also being in the scheme. St. Peter denounced the fraud, and Ananias fell down and expired. Because of his hypocrisy he did not "ring true." His value as a religious leader was "nothing."

We have the counterparts of Ananias in our modern day. Folk who profess to have given their all to Christ. They parade their piety, hoping thereby to obtain preferment. Their service is of the lips only, not coming from the heart. The writer has in mind one such person, who to him did not "ring true." The person alluded to was a very prominent minister. He was a pulpit orator of great ability. He was a student of the Bible and could give wonderful interpretations of it. He was a masterly speaker. Yet, somehow the message that came from his pulpit did not seem to grip his hearers in the manner that the "inspired word" should. There seemed to be something lacking, even though the mechanics of the sermon were about as near perfect as could be obtained, the audience did not feel the impact that one feels when coming into contact with a person who professes Christianity and is genuine. The listener somehow got the impression that the minister was, by far, more concerned with how the message he was delivering would affect himself than he was about delivering a true service to his Lord. One could not help thinking if "Little Jack Horner" who said, "What a great boy am I." He seemed to be listening for praise from the congregation, rather than to the "heavenly voice" that would say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." The heart did not "ring true."

In a small church a young lady made a talk. The talk she made displayed forethought and preparation. She spoke of spiritual things in a spiritual way. She spoke of consecration and showed consecration in the way she spoke of her subject. It was a well delivered talk, because she had prepared herself for the task both academically and spiritually. The mechanics of the address were just about perfect. All of this is necessary in order to do effective service for the Master. It should not be discounted. However, the words she spoke seemed to be driven home to the listeners by an inner force that seemed to emanate from the speaker. The words spoken seemed to be coming from an earnest heart. The voice of the speaker "rang true" because of the true heart of the speaker. She was genuine, not counterfeit.

The writer lays no claim to being a paragon of Christianity. He wishes most sincerely that he honestly could. No one knows his faults more than he. He today asks himself this question, "Are you a counterfeit Christian"? Upon reflection it is a most disconcerting question to answer. He wonders if he always "rings true," and must in all honesty say "No."

Let all of us who profess to he Christians "take stock," an inventory, if you please, and see if the holy principles of Christianity are as firmly planted in our hearts as they should be. Let us all resolve that from now on, by the grace of God, we shall let his light shine out from our lives and become a blessing to those with whom we come in contact. Ask yourself this question and answer it honestly.

"Am I a counterfeit Christian?"

STOVER DAY

Sunday, July 12, was designated as Stover Day in the Rutherford College Methodist church. A special program was given to honor Rev. J. T. Stover, the senior member of the Western North Carolina conference, who celebrated his 90th birthday on last Friday, July 10.

The towering age of Brother Stover who has lived far beyond the average age of his generation puts him well out in front, and that is but one of the many fine things pertaining to his life that makes him worthy of honor. During these twenty and two years of retirement he has been most faithful to the church both with his presence and his means. He has occupied his chair inside the chancel twice each Sunday for lo these many years. He could not hear all that was being said but he wanted to be present and worship with us.

His eloquence in public prayer has truly been an inspiration to every one who was present.

There are many worthy things which might be said of this grand, good man; but perhaps the one most unique is that he has read the Bible through 89 times and is now reading it through again. This is very likely a record unequaled in the state or nation. It is a sermon on Bible reading which very few, if any, can preach.

So with his long train of years, his unwavering devotion to the Methodist church, and his close acquaintance with the Scriptures easily explains why his seat near the pulpit preaches with such inspiration and power. No doubt the whole conference and his multitude of friends covet the pleasure of celebrating many more happy birthdays with this man of God.

J. R. Duncan.

GILREATH ADAMS, JR., ELECTED PRESIDENT METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Gilreath Adams, Jr., of Charlotte was elected president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Western North Carolina conference at closing session of a six-day meet at Lake Junaluska July 6-11. More than 300 delegates and leaders left this morning after a successful session attended by Methodist young people 18-23 years of age. The meet followed a gathering of a younger group, June 29-July 4. The two Fellowship assemblies of Western North Carolina youth were attended by more than 700 young people and leaders. President-elect Adams succeeds Kempton Jones of Salisbury, who is also national president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, a church-wide body of youth representative of a Methodist youth constituency of two million church members. Adams will attend the first national convocation of the Youth Fellowship to be held at Oxford, Ohio, September 1-5. Other officers of the Western North Carolina Fellowship elected here are: Vice president, William Crews, Winston-Salem; Peggy Royall of Elkin, secretary; Margaret Blackard, Charlotte, associate secretary; Mrs. Agnes Kirk, Salisbury, treasurer; dean senior assembly (15-17 age group), Rev. Robert Stacey, Belmont; dean young people's assembly (18-23), Rev. Carl R. King, Salisbury.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.



Bishop Clare Purcell



Rev. W. L. Hutchins, Dist. Supt.

Dedicate New $6100 Educational Annex to Sylva Methodist Church Sunday

The new educational annex to the Sylva Methodist church will be dedicated by Bishop Clare Purcell Sunday morning, July 19, at 11 o'clock.

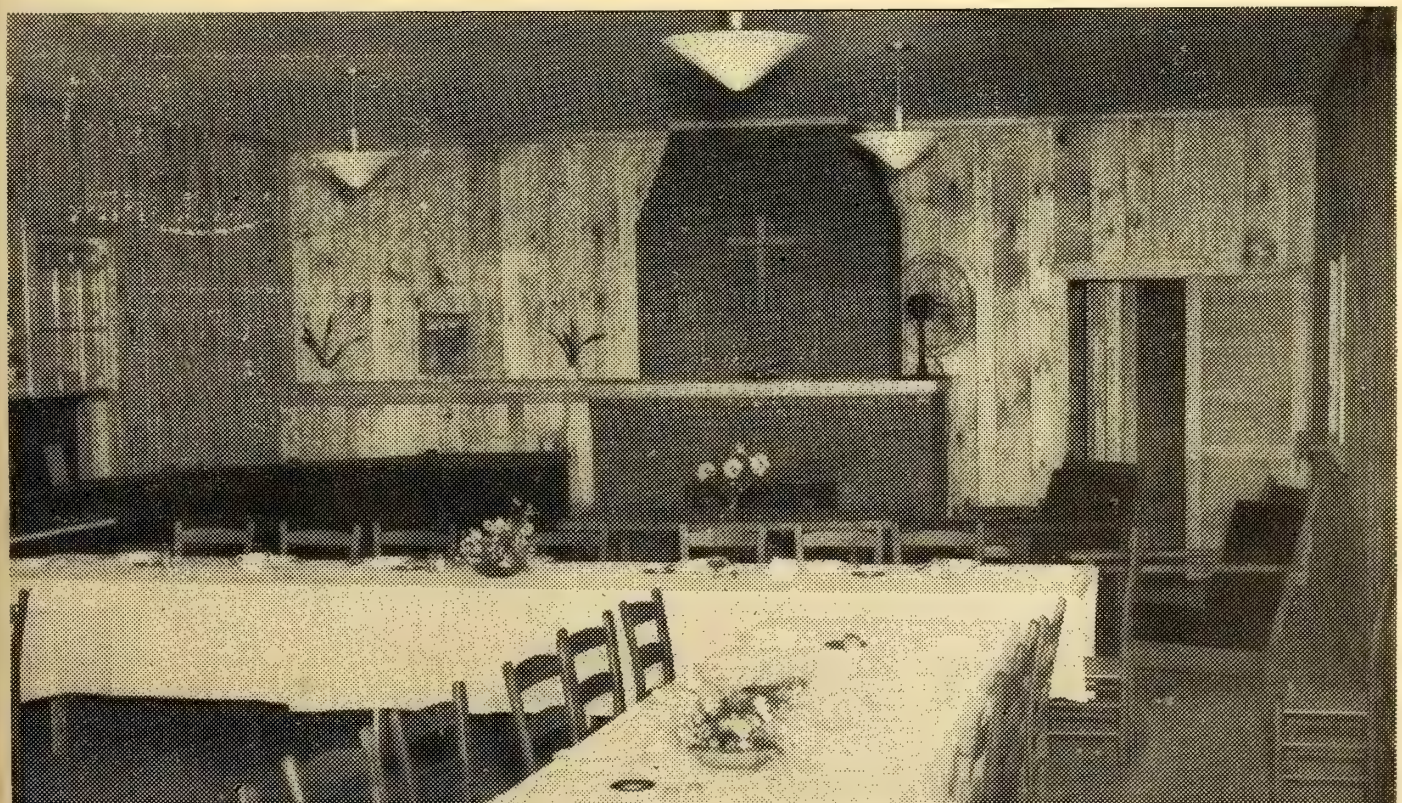
The new educational building contains the junior department, the intermediate department, the young people's department, a modern kitchen, and a splendidly furnished social and dining room (pictured below). The members of the Sylva Methodist church have planned, constructed and paid for this splendid building during this conference year which began November 1. Already the new building has been used for a standard training school which served many of the churches in this region for Youth Caravan program, for an enriched social and recreational and worship program for the young people, and also for many community as well as church organizations. The Methodists of Sylva in this and other projects of the year have proved their progressive and generous spirit and their true loyalty to their church.

The new structure has been named the Charles L. Allison Educational Building in honor of the man who for 30 years led so well the educational program for the Methodist church in Sylva, a man whose life is a splendid picture of noble Christian character. Together with Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, Dr. W. L. Hutchins of Waynesville, will officiate in the dedication. Invited guests will be Dr. J. M. Ormond, representing Duke Endowment at Duke University in Durham, Dr. L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district and former superintendent of Waynesville district. The dedication and the message brought by Bishop Purcell will be a most impressive service and one long to be remembered by the Methodists and their friends in Sylva.

The building committee, of which Mr. Dan K. Moore was chairman, was made up of the following members: Raymond U. Sutton, J. Claude Allison, Mrs. E. L. McKee, T. N. Massie, E. J. Duckett, Paul C. Ellis, with ex-officio members, Herbert Gibson, chairman of board of stewards; Dr. Harold S. McGuire, superintendent of the Sunday school; E. L. McKee, chairman of the board of trustees, and Rev. Robert G. Tuttle, pastor of the church.

If you know of a thing that will darken the joy
Of a man or a woman, a girl or a boy,
That will wipe out a smile or the least way annoy
A fellow, or cause any gladness to cloy,
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

—Our Dumb Animals.



The Social Hall and Dining Room of the new Educational Building, Sylva Methodist Church, Sylva, N. C.

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PASSING OF MR. C. E. WAKEFIELD

The numerous friends in the Conference, of Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Corresponding Secretary of the Charlotte District, learn with deep regret of the passing of her husband on Sunday evening, July 5th, after an illness of several months. His funeral service was held Monday at 4:00 p. m., with Rev. Howard P. Powell, pastor of Dilworth Methodist Church; Rev. G. T. Bond, District Superintendent of Charlotte District and Rev. C. M. Pickens, retired minister of Charlotte, officiating. Following this service the body was taken to Savannah, Ga., and after a funeral service there, was interred in Bon-A-Venture Cemetery.

We extend to Mrs. Wakefield and the other loved ones our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

"The pains of death are past,
Labor and sorrow cease;
And life's long warfare closed at last,
His soul is found in peace.
Soldier of Christ, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ,
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

GASTONIA DISTRICT MEETING

Mrs. J. E. Mauney, Secretary

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, Gastonia District, met on June 4th at the Methodist Church in Lincolnton, with the District President, Mrs. C. R. McAdams of Belmont, presiding.

After the opening hymn, the worship service was conducted by Rev. L. D. Thompson, whose topic was "Putting Lure in the Left-Overs," with Rev. 3, 2 as his Scriptural text. Mrs. Shives, President of the local W. S. C. S. gave the welcome address. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Conference President, made an inspiring talk on the meaning of the title—Woman's Society of Christian Service, as "Willing Strivers of Christ's Standards."

Rev. E. M. Jones, District Superintendent, brought greetings, expressing his joy to see so many present, regardless of tire shortage and gas rationing. About 180 representatives of the various societies of the district were in attendance. A high light of the day's program was a most interesting talk by Miss Leila Tuttle, returned missionary from China, who brought information that was interesting and revealing of the present conditions in China.

Two Conference officers who live in the district, Mrs. J. W. Harbison, Secretary of Supplies and Mrs. George Hoyle, Secretary Children's Work, gave reports of their work that were encouraging. Before a most impressive pledge service led by Mrs. Weaver, Melvin Lipe rendered a violin solo, and one of the local members sang, "The Holy City," concluding the morning's program.

The ladies of the church served a plate lunch in the dining room of the church at the noon hour.

The afternoon session opened with a hymn followed by the reports of the District officers, conducted in a most unique manner, with Mrs. McAdams, presiding officer, asking questions relative to their departmental work, and their accomplishments during the year. Their answers were interesting and showed that each one had been busy in her work, with encouraging results. Mrs. Wilbur Baber, District Corresponding Secretary, gave an interesting report of her recent trip to Columbus, Ohio, where she attended the Assembly Meeting, and told of some of the happenings of these days.

Recommendations from the Executive Board and the District, relative to the work of the district, and looking to its progress during 1942, were submitted and approved by unanimous vote.

New officers elected for the year: Vice-President, Mrs. W. G. Boyd, Gastonia; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wilbur Baber, Shelby; Secretary Missionary Education, Miss Carrie J. Mauney, Bessemer City; Secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Paul Randall, Shelby; Secretary Young Women and Girls' Work, Mrs. Lester Houser, Cherryville; Secretary Literature and Publications, Mrs. Frank L. Rankin, Mt. Holly. Three Zone leaders elected were: Mrs. Tom Finger, Boger City; Mrs. E. B. Goodwin, Sulphur Springs; and Mrs. Fred Stowe, Dallas. After report of the Hospitality Committee the helpful and interesting meeting came to a close.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MEETING

From Mrs. G. G. Adams, Recording Secretary we have the following account of recent meetings: The women of the Charlotte District were fortunate to have Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Conference President, and Miss Leila Tuttle, missionary to China, speak at their district meeting in First Church, Charlotte.

Mrs. Weaver told of the great work done and reported by representatives at the Assembly meeting in Columbus, Ohio, stressing the fact that the only way for Christian women is "forward," even though advance seems impossible, at times.

Miss Tuttle spoke of the abundance of our blessings, and urged us to keep the church alive, physically as well as spiritually. She stated that the cost of the necessities of life in China have increased 350% and that often it is impossible for our Christian Chinese to have many things that we consider absolutely essential to living. Because of what Christianity has meant to China, and because of the earnestness and effectiveness of the Missionary Endeavor, the Government has offered to send planes, and pay the travel expenses, of all who could or would work in China.

Mrs. C. E. Wakefield read the names of the 22 women who have gone into the larger life. After flowers had been placed in their memory, Mrs. Weaver closed the service of remembrance with prayer.

PLEASED WITH NEW PLAN

Mrs. W. M. McLaurine, District President, dispatched the business of the meeting in such an efficient manner, that all present agreed that the new plan of the District Officers' set-up, corresponding to the set-up in the local church, is a fine idea. All officers have worked at their jobs during the year and gave splendid reports. Miss Ruby Barkley and Miss Euline Smith told of the splendid work of nursery, kindergarten and clubs at the Bethlehem Center and introduced a group of children who attended the Vacation School.

Mrs. W. W. Hagood, stressed "Supplies," as only Mrs. Hagood can. Mrs. Clare Purcell urged the organization and work of the Spiritual Life Groups, using for our daily text this year, "Did not our hearts burn within us as He talked with us by the way?"

Miss Lillian Walker, Secretary of Missionary Education, introduced Mrs. J. W. Payne, Conference Secretary of this department, who stressed the importance of study to Christian growth, and urged more study groups to attain the Jurisdictional standard. It was voted to send Miss Walker to the Pastor's School at Duke University, for the mission study course. Mrs. W. G. Gravely, Secretary C. S. R. introduced Mrs. Onilee R. Brown, State President W. C. T. U., who spoke on the necessity for "Alcohol Education," one phase of C. S. R. work for Christian women.

Mrs. R. E. Evans, reported the Children's work and Miss Lillian Wood, that of the Girls and Younger Women Groups, each urging greater interest and activity in her department.

Several ladies from Myers Park Church presented a skit, showing the value of our missionary and church literature in the planning of worthwhile Woman's Society of Christian Service programs.

Mrs. J. W. Patrick reported the Student work and urged increased activity in this department. Mrs. J. P. Waggoner gave interesting facts on the Status of Women. The pledge service was conducted by Mrs. Henry Fisher and Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, and pledges totalled more than nine-tenths of the years' pledge, from two-thirds of the societies of the district. After the report of the nominating committee, the group adjourned to the dining room of the church for a bountiful lunch. During this hour the statistical Secretary reported 250 delegates in attendance with Mrs. Sneed Ogburn of Japan and Miss Catherine Stevens of China, as special guests. Thanks were extended Rev. Howard Wilkinson, Associate pastor for his helpful message to the officers of the District for the well planned program and to the ladies of First Church for their hospitality and entertainment.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

"WHERE SHALL WE SEEK?"

"Where shall we seek the kingdom?" was the subject of one of five sermons preached by Dr. E. Stanley Jones during the recent N. C. pastors' school at Duke University. Said Dr. Jones: "When God made us and the universe, he must have designed in us a way. If we live according to that way, we will live; if we don't we get hurt. . . . The kingdom of God is stamped within us as a way to live. I shall work as if the whole kingdom depends upon me and pray as though it depends upon God. We are never taught in the pages of the New Testament to build a new kingdom; the kingdom is already built. We are told to seek the kingdom, accept the kingdom, proclaim the kingdom. There is a way to live and that is God's way. If we try to live any other way, we don't. When we are one with Christ we feel that we are working with him in his universe. . . Every self-centered person is a self-disrupted person because he is in conflict with himself. 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.' If we do that we will be happy. In the structure of our being that is the way to live. We can't get along with people unless we give them the same opportunities we want for ourselves." Referring to some of the greatest sins Dr. Jones listed goals without a purpose, unbelief, anger, hate, fear, worry, anxiety, unresolved guilt. "We can't get away with sin," declared he, "because sin is its own punishment. Forgiveness is within us; atonement is within us; the cross is within us. When we break the laws we break ourselves. Then we are to surrender, submit. A new birth back to the homeland of the soul and finding again that for which we are made."

GUILD REPORTS

Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, is urging that all Guilds send treasurers' and corresponding secretaries' reports to her. This should be done immediately.

AN APPRECIATION

"The Churches Make News," a weekly radio program broadcast each Sunday afternoon over station WPTF, with Rev. Allyn P. Robinson, Jr., as editor and commentator, will be off the air until September. Those who have listened in from Sunday to Sunday have done so with pleasure and profit and will, therefore, be eagerly anticipating his return to the air. At the same time we will be wishing for Mr. Robinson a happy and refreshing vacation. The women of the N. C. conference W. S. C. S. have particular cause to be grateful to Mr. Robinson because of his interest and co-operation in their undertakings, as manifested by the many and varied news items which he has broadcast concerning the work of the W. S. C. S. in general and the N. C. conference in particular. We heartily appreciate the efficient and effective work which he has done in publicizing church news of all denominations.

CONCERNING A HALF WAY MARK

Mrs. George W. Keene, publications manager Woman's Division of Christian Service, announces in the July issue of The Methodist Woman that beginning with the November issue of that publication an honor roll of all societies having attained the goals two-thirds net gain in subscriptions and the reality of the slogan, "Every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook" will be listed. She is urging that all societies eligible for this honor roll inform her of the fact. We are also planning to have such an honor roll on the N. C. conference woman's page, as was announced on the page a few weeks ago. We should have reached the half-way mark in these goals by this time. Increased interest and efforts of every member of the W. S. C. S. in every society in the conference will make a gratifying and creditable list for the conference. Best of all, however, will be the results in a better informed membership and more fruitful work in the kingdom.

WOMEN PRESENT GIFTS

Several weeks ago it was the joy and privilege of your editor to attend a joint meeting of Southern-Central and Quinn County zones, which was held in Bethel Methodist church. Upon entering this sanctuary one is immediately impressed with the beauty and the worshipful atmosphere of its architecture, enhanced by many helpful reminders of spiritual thoughts. The illuminated cross above the choir and the hymnals were gifts of individuals in memory or in honor of loved ones. On the wooden moulding below the hymn board, however, is a brass gift plate representing the share which the women of the W. S. C. S. had in helping to make for more spontaneous worship. The plate is inscribed with the words: "Presented by the Woman's Society of Christian Service 1941. Brass flower vase, Hoffman's Christ in Gethsemane, organ alcove draperies, pulpit scarf, chancel cushions. The present church was begun in the fall of 1921 and completed in 1922. The dedication sermon was preached by Bishop Collins Denny on November 6, 1932. Rev. J. G. Phillips is pastor.

SOME COURSES AND INSTRUCTORS

The annual school of missions and missionary conference which is scheduled at Lake Junaluska on July 27-August 4 will again offer varied courses of study, seminars, open forums, addresses and other features—all led by folk of outstanding ability and personality. The courses which will be taught during this year and their instructors include: Missions in Latin America, Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft, missionary from South America, author and authority on Latin-American problems, and Dr. Hugh G. Stantz, vice president Scarritt College; The Church and Peace Education, Dr. H. B. Trimble, dean of Candler School of Theology, Emory University; The Work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary missionary education, Joint Division of Education and Cultivation Board of Missions and Church Extension; Missionary Education Work Shop, Mr. H. W. Williams, secretary Joint Committee on Missionary Education Board of Missions and Church Extension. Information concerning accommodations, rates and reservations should be addressed to Dr. W. A. Lambeth, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE TO MEET

Mrs. Henry W. Maddrey, Northampton zone leader, announces that Zion society will be hostess to the zone on July 23, beginning at 10 a. m. The day has been set apart as Young Women and Girls' Day and a special invitation has been issued to the students of the churches of the zone. The major portion of the program will be in charge of the young people. Mrs. H. Lee Thomas of Carthage, conference secretary of student work, will be guest speaker at the morning session and Rev. C. W. Goldston will be heard at the afternoon session. Special music will be rendered by young people of Severn, Conway and Rich Square. Mrs. Maddrey is urging that the women of the zone attend in large numbers, in order that they might both give and receive encouragement and inspiration.

FROM A JAPANESE CHRISTIAN

After war was declared on December 7 a distinguished Japanese Christian wrote to an American friend: "May I send to you some simple words that come straight from my breaking heart? The sudden turn of the war utterly overwhelms me with a burning sense of grief and humiliation. I am certain that thinking Christians in Japan are now continuously on their knees before our Father praying for his mercy for us all. . . . There is some solace, however, in the reality of the Christian fellowship which transcends the barriers of war.

THE MATRIARCH

A number of years ago a simple unlettered village woman in India became a Christian. Had the campaign for illiterates been on at that time she might easily have been one of those who learned to read, but such an opportunity did not come to her. But, determined that others younger than herself should have that privilege, she has been relentless in seeing that her children received an education. There are now four generations under the influence of Christ's Gospel, and she and marshals off the children to Christian schools every day.—Christian World Facts.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH

Sister Sourwood is displeased because the Children's Home will not go out and collect canned goods for credit on her congregation's Children's Home quota.

Sister Sweetgum writes that she and other women in her congregation desire to put up two hundred cans of choice peaches as a gift to our children.

The congregation that is not challenged to do a big thing gets much satisfaction in doing a little thing.

The most pessimistic pessimist is a deflated optimist.

THE GROWING SEASON

This is the growing season. Frequent rains and the warm sunshine are having their effect on all growing stuff. The grain and the grass grow together, unless separted. The job our boys are now busy about is that of encouraging the growth of the foodstuff after the grass and weeds are separated from it. A good deal of headway is being made in this regard. Already some of the corn has been "laid by." The third cutting of the alfalfa is almost here. The garden products are bountiful. Truly this is the growing season.

GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Not only is this the growing season for the stuff. It is the growing season for the children. Plenty of outdoor exercise, with sufficient food to satisfy healthy appetites and regular habits of rest and recreation tend to make our youngsters grow and grow. Clothing becomes too tight, shoes too small and skimpiness unsatisfactory. It is marvelous to note how much weight a family of well over 400 youngsters can take on during a summer. With the growth there has come a lot of satisfactory development.

VACATION MINDED

By common consent we all left off the talking about vacations until the middle of July. But now that such time has come our youngsters have turned loose. Their pent up anticipation connected with their summer visits has been turned loose with marked proportions. One is reminded at every turn and, it seems, by every child as he goes about over the campus of the desire for information about a vacation trip. "Has anybody written to you about my vacation?" is the frequent request one hears.

GOING AWAY PLANS

After hesitation and watchful waiting we have decided that our children may have their usual summer vacations. Those whose friends can come for them by automobile will leave Saturday, August 1, and return the same way Saturday, August 22, thus allowing a three weeks vacation. Those leaving by bus or train will leave Tuesday, August 4, and return Friday, August 21, thus missing the heavy week end travel traffic. Such an arrangement provides for less vacation time but does bring more convenience and security in traveling. While the children are away a majority of our staff will be enjoying their vacations.

THE HONEY MAN

Early every summer our good friend, Rev. E. W. Fox, a superanuated minister who preaches more than an average of one sermon every week as a



Let's see, what will I do about it?

pinch hitter for the brethren, allocates two hundred or more pounds of honey for our youngsters. It seems that Brother Ernest's bees never grow weary in well doing and that he never grows weary in well giving. A recent short visit with him and Mrs. Fox caused one to rejoice over the fact that some of the best of life may be had in the approach towards the sunset.

SITTING AND THINKING

It is said that some people sit and sit while others sit and think. It appears that young Arlen Eidson, a six-year-older who recently came to live at the Children's Home, is doing some thinking while he sits. Arlen has big enough freckles on his face to become illustrious. He doubtless will since he has plenty of sense and apparently plenty of ambition. He makes a beginning at his school experience next September.

THE HELPING HAND

Answering a call from a Methodist school teacher, one whose interest in the community goes far beyond teaching the children reading, writing and arithmetic, we went to Alarka, in Swain county, whose narrow fertile valley with its various coves provides a place of habitation for some twelve to fourteen hundred people, families who years ago moved into that area to work in a lumber plant, and who, following the closing of the plant, continue to live as best they can in the area. A few of the people are prosperous, but all of them have big families, it being frequently noted that in the small few-roomed houses there were eight or ten children. The school teacher said that most of the intelligent people in that area were Baptists and the others belonged to the Holiness sect, that the little weather-beaten Baptist church was a live organization, using Baptist standard literature in the Sunday school and being well versed in the Co-operative Program. Our mission was to find three children whose Methodist mother died some five years ago and whose loyal father was eking out an existence in a small cabin up on a high mountain ridge. There they were, 14-year-old Evelyn, 12-year-old Glenn and eight-year-old Mary, good mountain stock with not much of an outlet for good deeds, even though a beautiful new stone school house had recently been built in which seven teachers were bringing learning to the Alarkaites. The challenge to the Children's Home is with reference to three up-and-coming youngsters whose mother was a Methodist Marr.

TWO BELL RINGINGS

The old joy bell vibrated a little last week—just two times. But the two ringings reminded us of the fact that it will favorably react when sufficiently urged. The ringings may be a bit less frequent during the summer, but doubtless as the fall begins the ringings will be longer and louder. Those having paid their Children's Home quota during the week and thus entitled to pull the cord to the joy bell are herewith listed. Please join us in grateful thanks to them and their pastors:

Pleasant Grove, Crouse circuit, Rev. W. F. Eaker.

Shiloh, Granite Quarry circuit, Rev. C. G. Isley.

BOYS IN SERVICE

As furloughs are being provided to our boys in service just prior to their embarkation or to their changing from one camp to another they come by to see us, some coming from the far western states. The boys are glad to get back home and we are glad to see the boys. So many of them drop by as not to provide for any great amount of conversation, but the envigorating experience of being back home serves us all mighty well. Frequent letters go to our boys as they are stationed here and there. We think that no time is better spent that that which goes into the keeping in touch with our fine stalwart young men who are fighting some of our battles for us.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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HAY—Last week we stored away in our large dairy barn nine hundred and forty-six bales of hay. The boys worked hard baling the hay after it had been cut and stacked in the field. It takes about twenty-five hundred bales of hay each year to supply the needs of the Methodist Orphanage. Our fall hay crops ought to yield us a thousand to twelve hundred bales. Feeding about seventy head of cattle and eight mules requires a large supply of hay. The first of August we expect to fill our two large silos with ensilage for the cattle during the fall, winter and early spring. Our silos hold two hundred and seventy tons of ensilage. People who think our boys do not have much to do are entirely mistaken. The fact is that our boys and girls have a world of work to do the year round.

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OUR TRUCK FARM — For some time the Orphanage has been gathering a large supply of vegetables of various kinds. Our truck farm is decidedly the best we have had in many years. About two weeks ago we dug our Irish potato crop and stored them away for summer and fall use. We put up at least two hundred bushels, which will come in very nicely from now on. We have just planted our fall crop of Irish potatoes with the hope of making a large supply for our winter use. During the later part of the summer we plant our fall crop of vegetables for winter use. We average at least two crops per year on every acre of our cultivated land. Our friends can see from the foregoing statement that the Methodist Orphanage does intensive farming, and at the same time improves our land each year.

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A DELIGHTFUL COMPANION — Several days ago I had an important matter which called me to Danville, Va. Since Dr. John C. Glenn, pastor of Edenton Street church, was having his vacation at home, I invited him to be my traveling companion. I do not recall ever having a more delightful companion to accompany me on a trip. Dr. Glenn is one of the most friendly and companionable ministers in our conference. Every Sunday he preaches to congregations that fill Edenton Street church to its capacity. He is an excellent preacher and a splendid executive. Under his ministry Edenton Street church has grown by leaps and bounds. He is the pastor of our children, and our high school boys and girls are devoted to Dr. Glenn and enjoy his preaching immensely. Brother James H. Overton preaches each Sunday afternoon in the Orphanage chapel to our younger children. The Methodist Orphanage has no more enthusiastice and devoted friend than Dr. Glenn. I consider it a great privilege to number him as one of my best friends.

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HIGHLY PRIZED TREASURE — While Hon. Josephus Daniels was Secretary of the Navy he wrote the children in the Methodist Orphanage that it would be impossible for him to be present with them on Christmas day. Ever since the Orphanage was established it has been the custom of Mr. and Mrs. Daniels to give every child in the Orphanage a Christmas present, and to attend the Christmas day exercises in the Orphanage chapel. When Secretary Daniels wrote the children that he would not be able to be with them on Christmas day, they wrote to President Wilson requestiing him to let Mr. Daniels be in Raleigh on that day, I am reproducing the letter which President Wilson requesting him to in reply to their letter. The letter will be found on the Orphanage page. I am sure our many friends will be delighted to read the letter which our children received from the President of the United States.

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The White House, Washington.
December 23, 1913.

My Dear Little Friends:

I wish with all my heart that I could send you your good friend Secretary Daniels to be with you on Christmas Day, but, unhappily, he is obliged in conscience to be here on that day. He will, however, be free to come after Christmas and expects, I believe, to be in Raleigh on Saturday. I cannot help hoping that this arrangement, instead of depriving you of your usual Christmas pleasures will really give you two Christmases, Thursday and Saturday. We have learned to have as warm an affection for Secretary Daniels as evidently you have and I am going to take the liberty of sending you all my love through him.

With wishes for a very merry double Christmas,

Faithfully yours,
Woodrow Wilson.

Children of M. E. Orphanage,
Care Rev| John N. Cole, Supt.,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

DILEMMA SOLVED

Two fussy traveling salesladies were riding in opposite seats in the train. One thought the car was too hot, the other said it was too cold.

Just then a dusky porter came through.

"Porter," commanded the first lady, "I wish you'd open that window. I'm nearly smothered."

"Don't do it!" snapped the other. "If you do I'll freeze to death."

The porter scratched his head.

"What you 'spose Ah should do in a case lahk dat?" he asked a portly-looking traveling man, about two seats to the rear, trying to enjoy a little reading.

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WHO SHOULD COME ? **(No one under fifteen should attend)**

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1. Officers of Annual Conference Youth Organizations.
2. Officers of District and Sub-district Youth Organizations.
3. Officers and leaders in Local Church Youth Organizations.
4. Young people specially designated by the Annual Conference.

II. The following adults may attend:

1. District Directors.
2. Counselors of Sub-district Youth Organizations.

(Other adult leaders should attend the Leadership School—see below).

Registrar for Western North Carolina Conference—Mrs. Agnes E. Kirk, Box 828, Salisbury, N. C. Advance registration fee, $2.50. Information sent on request

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Shackford Building, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

AUGUST 3-14, 1942

WHO SHOULD COME ?

1. Camp Leaders.
2. Local Church Workers.
3. Conference Staff Members.
4. Local Church Directors of Christian Education.
5. Accredited Instructors and Prospective Instructors.
6. District Directors of Children's Work, Youth Work, and Adult Work.
7. Conference and District Presidents of the Young Adult Fellowship.

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MISS ELIZABETH MYERS, Office Secretary-Associate Director Youth Work
REV. O. L. HATHAWAY, Selma, N. C., Director Adult Work
Conference Office Address: Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

SECOND LOUISBURG INTERMEDIATE ASSEMBLY

June 30 was the beginning of the second Louisburg Christian Adventure Assembly which closed on July 4. The theme of the assembly was "Come and See." About one hundred delegates attended.

Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, known as "Uncle Bobby" to the delegates, with Rev. R. E. Brown of Fayetteville, serving as dean, led the assembly capably assisted by the following: Mrs. B. F. Boone, assembly mother; Miss Newman, assembly nurse; Rev. Linwood Blackburn, director of recreation; Mrs. J. O. Wood, director of music; Misses Mary Elizabeth Myers, Helen Prince, Helen Butner, Helen Evans, Lanie Gunter, Rebecca Stallings, Lorene Weaver, Janella Kirk, Edith Fore, Mrs. S. A. Maxwell, Rev and Mrs. Angel Fuster of Cuba, Mrs. Linwood Blackburn, Rev. Forrest Hedden, Gene Purcell, Ralph Fleming, Bill Wells, and Harris Proctor.

Two of our most interesting workers were Mr. and Mrs. Angel Fustor of Cuba, who taught an interesting course, Cuban Culture and Lore. They have been in the United States almost ten months attending Scarritt College. During the assembly they favored us with many Spanish songs.

The courses of which we had our choice were: "God in the World Today," taught by Rev. R. W. Bradshaw; "Ways We Worship," taught by Miss Elizabeth Myers; "How Can I Know I Am a Christian?" taught by Rev. R. E. Brown; "Choosing Our Heroes," taught by Rev. F. D. Hedden; and "We Live Together," taught by Mrs. S. A. Maxwell.

In commission groups we learned how to prepare more interesting programs for our Youth Fellowship groups. These were enjoyed by all.

Handcrafts, assembly paper, music, Cuban culture and lore, poster making and kodaking were offered in the interest groups.

On Wednesday the following officers were elected: President, Connie Herbert, Wilmington; vice president, Eugene Mauney, Wilmington; secretary-treasurer, Winnie Joyner, Fayetteville; publicity superintendents, Norwood Smith and Louise Trogdon, Wilmington and Henderson, respectively.

The annual hike to Green Hill House, the meeting place of the first Methodist conference after the organizing conference, took place on Wednesday. The interesting talk planned by Mr. Davis, retired minister who lives at the house, was interrupted by a downpour of rain.

The banquet based on Latin America was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Eleanor Ann Hunter of Fayetteville presided. The program consisted of toasts, musical selections, and a talk by Mr. Davis, to whom Mr. Brown presented a birthday gift. Following the banquet talent night was held at which talented young people and staff members of the assembly participated.

The baseball game with the members of the staff competing with the students was quite interesting. The final result was a victory for the staff.

One of the most impressive features of the assembly was the camp fire and candle light service held on Friday night.

On Saturday our hearts were overflowing as we bade our friends farewell.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY OFFERING

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Roxboro, Oak Grove	6.28
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Gatesville, Philadelphia	4.02
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South Mills, Newland	7.80
Total	23.82

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Pinebluff, Beaver Dam	2.00
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Moncure	5.87

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Norlina	6.40
Tarboro, St. James	5.60
Weldon	16.00
Total	28.00

Wilmington District

Chadbourn, Fair Bluff	4.00
Wilmington, Trinity	21.25
Total	25.25
Grand total	137.17

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY

Elizabeth City District

Windsor, Cashie	.95

METHODIST STUDENT DAY

Elizabeth City District

Columbia, Wesley Memorial	4.77

Wilmington District

Wilmington, Trinity	14.00
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MURFREESBORO ASSEMBLY

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11:47 AM Lv.	Hertford	Ar.	2:35 PM
12:12 AM Lv.	Edenton	Ar.	2:15 PM
1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:25 PM
2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:15 PM
3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
4:27 PM Lv.	Wilson	Ar.	9:53 AM
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LIFE AT THE BEACH

By Rebecca Venable

The day was hot, and the beach was crowded with bathers sunning in the sand and watching the flashing blue water. Among the groups making bright spots of color against the tilting and tipping waves, one singled itself our for my idle attention, chiefly because of the two gay little girls and the positive, penetrating voice of one of the women. This woman was regaling the three others with an account of life at the beach in Florida during the hotel season, and Palm Beach in particular—the size of the tips, the cost of bathing privileges, and so forth. Her listeners — Main Street cousins, presumably—looked properly impressed and hopefully anointed white skins with sun-tan oil while she complacently surveyed her nearly mulatto tan and well-modeled, slim figure.

The little girls, about ten, they looked, prattled, laughed and played in the sand. The chunky, rather plain, eager one interrupted politely, "Mother! We're so hot! We want to get cones. Jane has some money. May I have some, too?"

"Of course you want a cone! You always do," unamiably replied the mother. "Here!" and she handed the child some change from her beach bag.

"Thank you," murmured the little girl, flushing, and looking glad to scamper away with her small companion.

"And why wouldn't she want a cone in this heat?" I grumbled indignantly to myself as I turned over in my beach chair to drowse again under the warm shade of its striped umbrella. Some time later an imploring wail aroused me, "Mother! Mother! Come quick! Mother! It's all melting! Oh, hurry, Mother!"

It was the little girl with the passion for ice cream cones. I sat up to see what the commotion was about. There she was, poor child, up on the board walk where two ice cream cones were fast running away from her frantic grasp.

"What is it? What do you want now?" called her mother irritably. Then glimpsing her little daughter's predicament she darted up and strode clumsily through the heavy sand, scolding as she went. Curious eyes turned to watch and curious ears strained to catch the tirade. Disgusted, I closed my eyes only to open them as the trio returned.

"Never again!" scolded the irate one tensely. "Never will I take you any place with me again!—Florida or any other place. Enjoy yourself today,"—as if she could, poor little one!—"because it's the last time! Carrying an ice cream cone all the way in this sun! Look at yourself! And getting me all sticky, too! Why don' you ever think?" She stopped for breath.

"But Mother," protested the scarlet-faced little victim, "I want to bring you one, too!" and there were tears in her eyes, I saw.

The other child bore dripping cones also, one of which she laughingly handed to her mother. "You'll need a straw!" she giggled.

"Thank you, dear," smiled her mother, taking the treat in a pleased way. "Now that was very thoughtful and generous of you girls!"

Which, I reffected, is the important think for little girls to be. And you, mother of the unhappy little girl, beautiful as you are, are making yourself most unattractive by your unkindness, and are forfeiting the affection and confidence of your little daughter. Of course you want the love of your child; what a pity you don't take time to understand how to cultivate it!—The National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City.

WHY SINGAPORE FELL

Dean Nelson of Emmanuel Missionary College, who spent twenty years in the Far East, said that the naval base at Singapore fell because its defense and great guns were pointed toward the open sea, while the enemy came from the jungles to the rear. Einstein, who had scorned the churches says that religion only has the power to make convictions stick when opposed by Nazi oppression. At this graduation time it is well for us parents to remember these two facts. We anxiously plan for our children's success. We by books, travel, engage music and dancing teachers, save and insure for school and college; and so often neglect prayer, worship, and our own example of faithfulness in religion. We may be building new Singapores. The enemies of youth and adulthood usually come from the jungles of pagan character and uncontrolled emotion, not from undeveloped minds, not from the educational or cultural side of our natures. THEN TOO, from where will come those princes of the human race, those star-led, God-sent leaders, whom society sorely needs, if within the family circle we fail our Christ. TRULY, EXCEPT THE LORD BUILD THE HOME THEY LABOR IN VAIN THAT BUILD IT.

—Michigan Christian Advocate.

INTERESTING CONUNDRUMS

Why is rain different for Sunday? Because it can fall on any day of the week.

Why is a tight boot like an oak tree? Because it produces a corn (acorn),

Why is an Irish city likely to be the largest in the world? Because it is alway Dublin (doubling).

What word of five letters has only one left if you take away two? Stone.

What is it you cannot hold for 10 minutes, although it is lighter than a feather? Your breath.

Of what trade is the sun? A tanner.

Why is coffee like a dull knife? It has to be ground.

What happens twice in a moment and not once in a thousand years? The letter M.

What is the longest word in the English language? Smiles, because there is a mile beween the first and last letters.

What plant stands for the number four? IV (ivy).

Why is it easy to get into a bald man's house? Because he has few locks.

Why is it dangerous to sleep on a train? Because it is running over sleepers all the time.

Why is a pig in a parlor like a house on fire? Because the sooner it is out the better.

Why is blindman's buff like sympathy? It is a fellow feeling for another.

What ships are always within sight? Hardships.

Why are teeth like verbs? Because they are regular, irregular and defective.

When is a merchant above his business? When he lives over his shop.

Why should gloves never be sold? Because they are intended to be kept on hand.

What kind of fruit does the electric plant bear? Currants.—L. E. Eubanks in "The Sentinel."

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Brown was taking his boy through the zoo. When they came to the gorilla, the youngster asked, "What is that, daddy?"

"That's one of our ancestors, my boy."

"Gee! I wish I could show that to Jimmy Peabody, who's always blowin' about his that came over in the Mayflower."—Boston Transcript.

* * *

"Mama, I wish I had a little brother."

"Why do you wish that, dear?"

"'Cause I'm tired of teasing the cat."

Sunday School Lesson

JULY 19

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By Rollin H. Walker

Cain and Abel: A Conrast

Genesis 4

It is to be hoped that the class hour will not have any of its precious minutes wasted by a discussion of the question, Who was Cain's wife? for the only answer to that question is, The woman he married. The ancient tradition which the writer records seems to presuppose an inhabited world, but this of course is out of harmony with the previous story of the creation of Adam and Eve as the first pair. The ancient traditions of the patriarchs are colored by the later developments of the race or the nation, and this coloring makes the stories to some extent inconsistent.

Abel was a keeper of sheep and Cain was a tiller of the ground and when his ground bore fruit he brought an offering unto the Lord. And Abel brought of the firstlings of his flock. Why did the Lord have respect unto the offering of Abel, and not unto the offering of Cain? Some have said that the narrator expresses the ancient feeling that only a bloody sacrifice was acceptable to God. But most of the commentaries agree in saying that the writer sees the difference in their inner attitude (Isaiah 56.2; Psalm 51.17). This is plainly shown by Cain's resentment and jealousy.

Then the question arises, How did Cain know that Abel's sacrifice was acceptable, and his offerings was displeasing to God? Parallel passages would indicate that the writer might have conceived that the fire of God descended upon Abel's sacrifice, but not on Cain's (2 Kings 18.38; Judges 6.21). Or perhaps God prospered Abel but did not prosper Cain (Psalm 16.4; Proverbs 3.9, 10). At any rate Cain was sullen and angry. He was out of sorts with both God and man, and especially jealous of his brother whom God rained blessings.

But God said to Cain, If thou doest well thy countenance shall be lifted up. All you need to do is to repent. But if you do not, sin is crouching at the door like a fierce wild beast, ready to spring upon you. But Cain did not repent, and he became a tiger like the wild beast itself, and when he and his brother were alone he murdered him. And thus began the bloody trail of persecution inspired by jealousy and religious rancor which culminated in the crucifixion of Jesus.

Cain was the first totalitarian. He would kill off all who disagreed with him, and inaugurate a new era in the world. But Cain soon heard the dread question which has been repeated over and over down through the ages to all who sin against their fellow men, "Where is thy brother Abel?" And it comes to us meaning not merely, Where is the brother whom you have murdered? but, where is the brother whom you have taken the trouble to know about at all, the brother to whose wants and sufferings you have been carelessly indifferent (Matthew 25: 44)?

There is an old legend of an Italian who stabbed the reigning prince of his country, and the king exclaimed, "Why dost thou stab me? I have done thee no harm." But the assassin answered, "You condemned my brother to death." And the king replied, "I knew it not." "You knew it not!" Said the assassin, "Then I will stab thee again!"

Jesus said, "There is nothing covered that shall not be revealed;" and Shakespeare echoes his thought, "Though murder have no tongue, it speaks with most miraculous organ." And the Lord said to Cain, The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. Here is the central point of the whole story. This is a moral universe. How shrilly and clamorously is the voice of innocent blood now crying unto the Lord all over this war-torn earth!

Cain is condemned to live on barren soil, just as the world today will be condemned to hunger for devoting its time to making instruments of destruction rather than to agricultural research and the perfecting of the means of transportation and exchange of the fruits of the earth. And Cain was also condemned to be a wanderer like the gaunt and thieving Bedouins that inhabit the desert fringes of Palestine. A man of the Cain type is always being told to move on. In mind, if not in body, sin makes a hobo of any man. And like the dictators today he is always suspecting others of murderous treachery. The wicked fleeth when no man pursueth.

"I DON'T WANT TO BE TIED UP"

So a member of my church expressed himself recently in declining to assume a certain official responsibility that would call for his regular presence at church on Sunday morning." said a certain pastor recently.

The statement is quoted here because it expresses plainly, bluntly, almost cruelly, what seems to be the attitude of a number of people. In it can be found the real reason for the general situation in which humanity finds itself today.

"I don't want to be tied up," means, "Let somebody else do it;" it means, "I don't care whether it is done or not." It means, "Let Rome burn. I'm going to fiddle." Carried to its logical conclusion, it would mean that there would be no Sunday School teachers, no choir, no organist, no ushers, no congregation, no church.—Biblical Recorder.

Happy is the old age that atones for the follies of youth; but happier still the youth for which old age needs not to blush.—Talmud.

Time heals many things, but worrying about them does not.—Luther.

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July
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Mebane, Central, 7:30 19
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Hay Street, 11 19
Broadway, Jonesboro, and Sanford, at Poplar Spgs., 3 19
Siler City and Siler City Ct., at First Church 8....19

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Washington, 11 19
Belhaven, Pantego, 8 19
Chowan, Evans, 11 24
South Mills, 11 25
Aulander, Colerain, 11 26
North Gates, Savages, 3 26
Swan Quarter, Fairfield, 11 31

August
Mattamuskeet, Englehard, 11 1
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 2
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3 2
Pasquotank, Eureka, 11 8
Bath, Asbury, 11 9
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 8 9
Hatteras, 8 11
Kinnakeet, Clark-Bethel, 8 12
Edenton, 11 16
Windsor, White Oak, 3 16
Williamston, 8 19
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 22
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 23
Currituck, Hebron, 3 23
Ahoskie, 8 26
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September
First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

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H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 11 26
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3 26
Mamers, Union, 8 29
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 31

August
Four Oaks, Sanders Chapel, 11 2
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8 2
Selma, 8 5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 9
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

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THIRD ROUND

July
Hookerton, Ormond's, 11 19
Grifton, Edwards, 3 19
Ayden, Winterville, 8 19
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

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THIRD ROUND

July
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

August
Wilson, 11 2
McKendree, 8 2

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THIRD ROUND

July
Scott's Hill, Union, 3:30 19

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July
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 19
Marshall, Marshall, 8 19
Hillside-Merrimon, 8 22
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
North Wilkesboro, 11 19
Moravian Falls, 3 19
Wilkesboro, night 19
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

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E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

July
Grace, 11 26
Haw River, Fairgrove, 3 26
West End, 8 26

August
West Market, 11 2
Gibsonville, 8 2
Centenary, 11 16
Summerfield, 8 16
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Stokesdale, 8 30

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Marion, First, 11	26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3	26
	August
Bakersville, Bakersville, 11	9
Elk Park, Linville, 3	9
Spruce Pine, night	9
Old Fort, 11	16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night	16
Avery, Pisgah, 11	23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30	23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night	23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11	30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30	30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night	30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

	July
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11	26
Mount Zion, 7:30	26
	August
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11	2
Hudson, Cedar Valley, 3	2

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
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THIRD ROUND—IN PART

	July
Pilot Mountain, New Hope, 11	19
Pinnacle, Shoals, 3	19
Rockford Street, 8	19
Thomasville, Main Street, 11	26
Welcome, Center, 3	26
	August
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11	9
City Mission, 8	9
West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11	16
Kernersville Ct., 8	16
Green Street, 11	23
Centenary, 11	30

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tions on opening date, although others came to make our total registration 24. Each year there has been some increase and this year there is a sharp upturn in the number of registrations. The total number of young people attending this assembly and the assemblies at Louisburg will run well over 800, the best record in the history of our assemblies. In the face of travel conditions and other conditions that were somewhat discouraging this attendance record is all the more unusual.

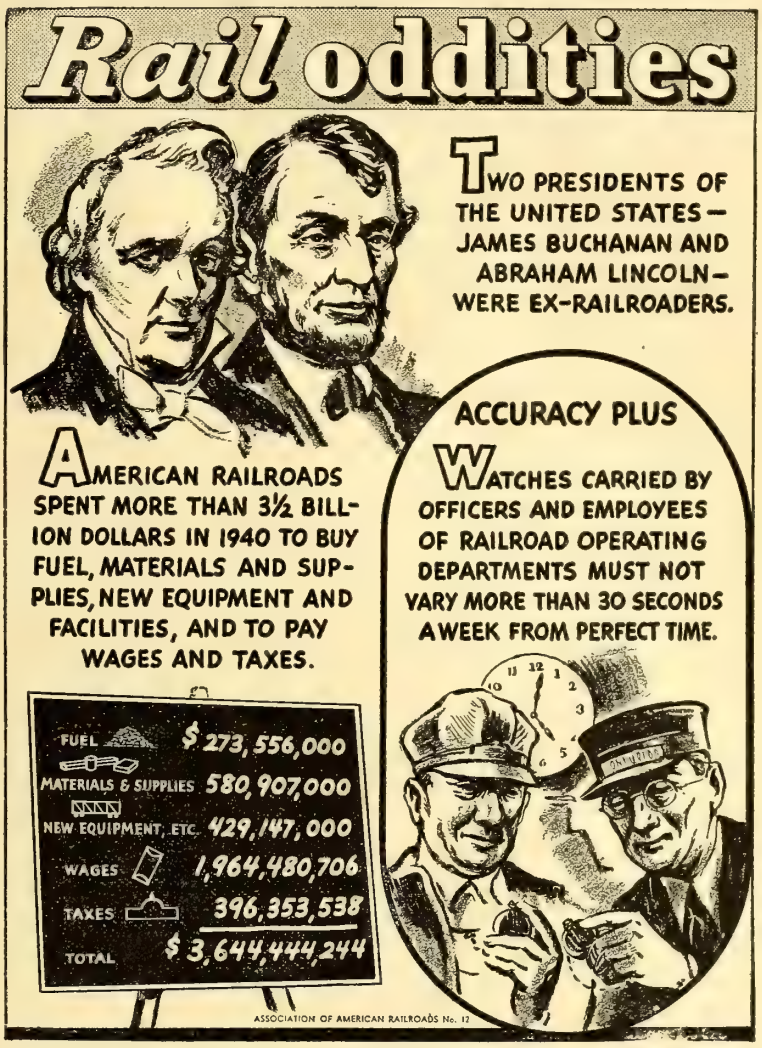
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Early Tuesday morning, June 30, 1942, Mrs. Clay Houser of Vale was called to her heavenly home. Her life span was short but she was well known and beloved by all. In early girlhood she professed faith in Jesus Christ and united with White Zion Methodist church, of which she was a faithful and loyal member. She has devoted her life to being a faithful wife, a loving mother, neighbor, and a Christian friend. The greatness of her Christian personality was felt and admired by all she met.

The golden gate was opened,
And a gentle voice said come,
With her farewell unspoken,
She calmly entered home.

Funeral services were held at White Zion church on Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. E. P. Green and Rev. H. I. Ridenhour. She was laid to rest in the church cemetery.

Her Pastor.

BROWN—Mrs. Lucy L. Brown was born August 18, 1865, departed this life January 13, 1942, age being 76 years, 4 mouths and 25 days. She is survived by her husband, Mr. John Brown; two daughters, Mrs. R. R. Amick, Liberty Rt. 1, and Mrs. J. M. Lassiter of Asheboro; four sons, Alfred Brown, Liberty, Eugene Brown, Julian, Sample Brown, Liberty, and Grady Brown; two sisters, Mrs. C. W. Staley, Liberty, and Mrs. James Sullivan, Greensboro; three brothers, G. A. Kime, Iowa, Cicero Kime, Greensboro, and W .C. Kime, Liberty. Also nine grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives.

Mrs. Brown had been a member of Shiloh Methodist church since early girlhood. A good woman has been called to her reward. Funeral and burial were at Shiloh. The pastor conducted the service.

H. L. Isley.

HUTCHISON—George Wesley Hutchison was born at Sandy Ridge, Stokes county, N. C., on December 25, 1870. He was the youngest son of Richard R. and Docia Ward Hutchison. He departed this life April 30, 1941. His younger life was spent near Walnut Cove. He moved to Mt. Airy about 28 years ago. He made a profession of faith and joined the Methodist church in early life and lived a consecrated Christian life until his death. He was married twice. His first marriage was to Miss Lenora Harris of Pinnacle, on March 5, 1893. She preceded him in death in 1929. His second marriage was to Miss Sarah Morris of Mt. Airy on December 20, 1936.

He was much devoted to the church and the cause of Christ. The pastor could always depend on "Brother George" to be in his place at the services of the church and in the official meetings. He was a steward for many years and was district lay leader for some time.

He was greatly interested in our people reading the Christian Advocate. He paid for many subscriptions to the Advocate for poor people who were not able to pay for the subscriptions. At one time he paid for subscriptions for a number of officials in his district who were not taking their church paper. He was a liberal giver to the church and was the preacher's friend.

He and one of his preacher friends who was a former pastor, Rev. A. C. Gibbs made a trip together to the Holy Land in the year 1933. He greatly enjoyed his visit to the Holy Land, which seemed to be a great spiritual blessing to him. He had traveled much in the United States and Canada.

He was a tobacco buyer and was employed by the Export Leaf Tobacco Company for 25 years.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Sarah Morris Hutchison of Mt. Airy; one brother, Rev. C. R. Hutchison of Walnut Cove; one sister, Mrs. J. M. Shelton of Madison.

For many years he was greatly afflicted, but bore his suffering with patience and was willing and ready to go when God called.

The funeral service was held in Central Methodist church, Mt. Airy. The preachers taking part in the service were the pastor, Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. A. C. Gibbs of Elkin, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick of Greensboro, and Rev. C. E. Williams of Mt. Airy.

The body was laid to rest in the Oakdale cemetery.

(Written by Rev. R. E. Ward, at the request of the family).

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the board of stewards of the Princeton Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of our most able and faithful members.

On the morning of June 12, 1942, the spirit of Clifton Graham Holt passed on to its eternal reward, that home not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Mr. Holt was a native of this community,a son of Adlai Felix Holt and the late Betsy Edwards Holt. He was known and admired by all for his sterling character, honesty, integrity and unswerving adherence to duty. He will be greatly missed by all, and especially by scores who relied on him for advice and aid in times of stress.

For several years "C. G." had been a member of the Princeton Methodist church, and for the past ten years had served ably and actively on the board of stewards. Those who knew and loved him in that capacity cannot but feel that his presence will linger with us to bless. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That his life was one of loyal service. He helped in great measure the advancement of God's kingdom and his life has been a benediction to the church and to his friends.

Second, That we wish to express to his family our heartfelt sympathy, and may God comfort them in this hour as he alone can.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy be placed upon the minutes of the board of stewards of the Princeton Methodist church.

H. M. Fitzzerald, Chm.
Mrs. Lois D. Braswell, Sec.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Society of Christian Service of the Hillsboro Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of the faithful members, Miss Josephine Forrest ,who departed this life June 3, 1942.

Miss Forrest was a refined Christian character, devoted to her family, friends and church. For several years she had not been physically able to attend church services regularly, but her interest was always with the church and its activities. We thank God for her inspiring life.

Therefore be it resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. S. F. Nicks,
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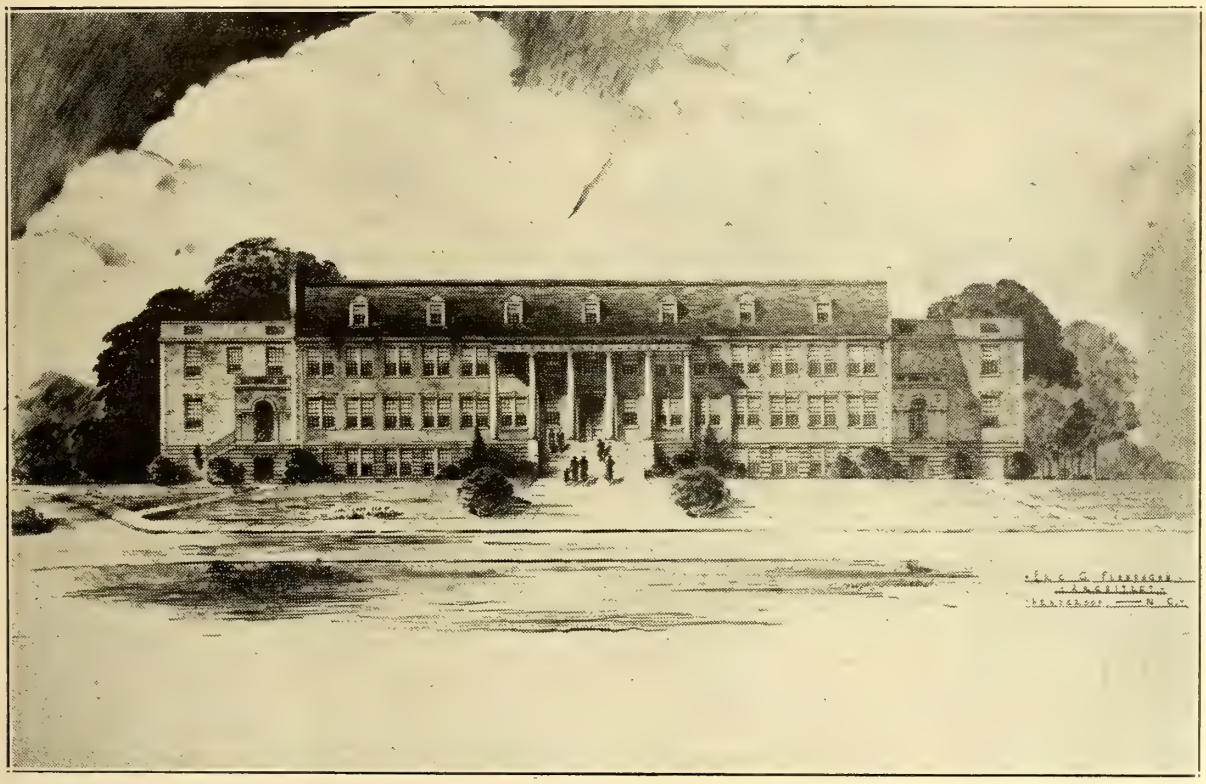
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DURHAM ORGANIZES AGAINST ALCOHOL AND RELATED COMMUNITY EVILS

The committee appointed to organize for the protection of soldiers soon to be sent to Camp Butner and of other youths of this community has carefully considered the many problems involved. The two especially:

(1) The problem of wholesome recreation for the men in camp.

(2) The problem created by the increasing ruthlessness with which the local liquor authorities are pushing liquor under the guise of "control" upon the youth of this community and apparently are planning to sell vast quantities of alcohol to the drafted men soon to be our guests.

The first problem is tentatively in process of solution in the U. S. O. drive to which the churches are giving their support and the time of so many of their most earnest members. The committee recommends that this cooperation continue. Obviously the churches, however, must keep on the alert to avoid any attempt on the part of interested persons who wish to use the U. S. O. as a means of advertising or dispensing alcohol to the men. We think the local liquor forces have shown their eagerness to advertise liquor and all other forms of beverage alcohol in every possible way. They will bear watching with reference to the U. S. O. as well as in other particulars.

The second problem, that of protecting the youth of Durham, including the young men who will soon come to the camp, from the continuous drive to encourage the liquor habit waged by the liquor forces, is one that necessitates a persistent campaign. The outrageous advertising of liquor in local and national press, in magazines, and by radio has recently been supplemented by the recapitulation locally of the hoary arguments the friends of liquor repeat over and over:

(1) Prohibition, according to them, was a noble experiment that went wrong. (But there is nothing noble about the experiment to pretend to control liquor and then advertise it in every way possible, contrary to the express promises of those who followed the liquor interests by repealing the prohibition amendment).

(2) They ascribe to prohibition the evils the liquor forces through their own lawlessness associated with prohibition. (It was not the people opposed to liquor who created the bootlegger and bribed public officials. It was the liqour crowd themselves who were determined to break down the law and make a joke of it. They are now betraying the good-hearted citizens of Durham and other communities who trusted to their promises to control the sale of liquor).

It is not necessary, however, to recount all the condescending and ancient arguments of the friends of liquor when they are determined to press the issue. We know that Durham has considerably more drunkenness than it ever had under prohibition. We know that ABC liquor is costing us in murders and destitution far more than any of the alleged profits brazenly claimed by those who casually declare themselves in favor of educating our youth to use alcohol as a beverage. The irony of teaching the moderate use or any other use of a habit-forming drug is too apparent to need emphasis.

Under the circumstances your committee recommends:

(1) That all persons in Durham who are willing to face the sneers and false propaganda of the liquor forces be invited to initiate a vigorous educational campaign to expose this continuous attack made by the local liquor forces on the morals and integrity of the community.

(2) That this campaign be carried on by encouraging all willing to brave the displeasure of the liquor forces to pledges themselves personally and their influence to fight the sale of alcohol within this community by so-called legal outlets of the national and international liquor business as well as by bootleggers; and

(3) That as soon as public sentiment has awakened to the seriousness of the situation, an election be called to take the city and county of Durham out of the liquor business.

Dr. F. A. G. Cowper is chairman of this educational campaign, with the authority to associate with himself four other persons as a central committee, and to approve local committees of all units desiring to participate in this public service; that units be organized as rapidly as possible, and that each approved unit be allowed one representative on the central committee to serve with the chairman and the four other members by him appointed.

Dr. George T. Watkins, Chairman.

Trela D. Collins,	S. J. Starnes,
Mrs. E. M. Herndon,	D. C. May,
Holland Holton,	H. B. Anderson.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

July 26-August 1 (Seventh Week)

July 25 (Sat.), 9:30 a.m.—Devotions, Dr. C. Clifford Bacon.
10:10 a.m.—Forum on Lay Activities, Dr. G. L. Morelock.
11:10 a.m.—Recess.
11:20 a.m.—Address, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.
4:00 p.m.—Forum Discussion.
8:00 p.m.—Song Service.
8:15 p.m.—Address, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

July 26 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

July 27 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Southward With George Washington," Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.
8:00 p.m.—Address, "Strategy We Must Have to Win War," Brigadier-General Henry Joseph Reilly.

July 28 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Refinding the Thirty Lost Years in the Life of Jesus,' 'Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler.
8:00 p.m.—Opening Address, Dr. W. G. Cram.
8:30 p.m.—Address, "Experiences in Singapore and Malaya," Bishop Edwin F. Lee.

July 29 (Wed.), 9:15 a.m.— Conference Hour, Bishop Edwin F. Lee.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—General Forum Hour, Presentation of All Areas of Work. Miss Elizabeth Lee, Dr. W. S. Rycroft, Dr. Hugh Stuntz.
8:00 p.m.—Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft.

July 30 (Thu.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Dr Elmer T. Clark.
8:00 p.m.—Miss Elizabeth Lee.

July 31 (Fri.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour, Dr. H. P. Myers.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Dr. H. B. Trimble.
8:00 p.m.—President Y. C. Yang, Soochow University.

August 1 (Sat.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Dr. A. J. Walton.
8:30 p.m.—Kodachrome-Slide Pictures, taken by Dr. Elmer T. Clark in South and Central America, as well as Stereopticon Slides on China Relief.

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In the compaigns for ABC stores the stress is always on "control"; the constant appeal to the profit motive and the benefits derived from the sale of liquor follows in the blatent advertising of alcohol in all its forms. Such is the explorations of the liquor business.

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Europe is fighting back. From the Continent comes word of resistance to Hitler in occupied countries. But the voices reaching the outside world tell more than stories of heroism. They carry a warning which says: "We cannot do this job alone. We will keep the fires of resistance burning to show you—in the lands still free—that our mutual cause is just, our courage high, our faith unflinching."

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I walked a mile with Pleasure.
She chattered all the way,
But left me none the wiser
For all she had to say.
I walked a mile with Sorrow,
And ne'er a word said she;
But, oh, the things I learned from her
When Sorrow walked with me!

So wrote Robert Browning Hamilton.

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The Christian church of America has kept in a fine way to the spiritual mission of the church. The Prince of Peace has been exalted from Sunday to Sunday in the churches of the land. A certain element is making an effort just now to line up the church with the armed forces to help win the war. Far better would it be to stimulate organized religion to do more to save the Republic from the serious moral and religious collapse with which we are threatened. Unless this is done there may be little worth saving when the war is won. We were just beginning to recover from the backwash of the other war when this one broke. The church failed in the other war—such perils threaten us again.

It has been said that you cannot change the character of a tiger by painting his cage or the nature of a hyena by putting him behind bars of gold. These observations are so obviously true that no one for a single moment would question their accuracy, while they suggest that the external housing of men and women should not be trusted very far in the redemption of human character.

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Last week Zions Herald referring to Britain banning the attempt to "produce blood lust or hate during training of the soldiers" makes this observation of America: "There has been during the present war some circulation of objectionable cartoons, some stimulation of a hateful spirit by screen and radio. There also have been a few fiery speeches delivered. But, as compared with World War I, such developments have been relatively meager. We have learned some things by experience. Then too, since 1918 the absolute pacifists have kept the wrong of cruelty and hatred ever before us. They deserve much credit for the example of their high idealism."

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The usual moral and social collapse that comes with war and to a people at war is becoming more and more manifest all about us. Violent deaths and disregard of human welfare fill the records from day to day. Wednesday's News and Observer of this week reports six attacks made on girls, one of these being by an unidentified soldier at Monroe. The devilish elements in men run riot when the atmosphere is charged with slaughter and death incident to war. Disregard of the Sabbath and of religious restraints contribute to moral collapse and disregard of legal restraints. Contributing to a further weakening of the social and moral and conventional human restraints, the women are being brought into the armed service. This venture adds to the spectacular but contributes nothing to the strength of the nation.

The Upward Push

THE course of the human race has been tortuous and the climb upward has been rough and steep, but the trek is onward though thousands fall by the wayside.

Some years ago the inimitable Francis D. Winston, discussing men and affairs with an intimate friend, remarked: "After all, the struggle of the race is to get away from fried meat." And why run from "fried meat?" Because hidden away in the secret places of every individual there lies a yearning for individual importance which the simple, homely ways of primitive living contradict. And it so happens if circumstances deny individual importance to fathers and mothers, then there is a fiercer struggle to set their children in the high places.

Through the centuries individuals and groups and nations have lived by this dominating desire which, carried to achievement, has special enmity among all the peoples of earth. It has torn asunder members of the same family, it has organized jealousy, hatred, envy and revenge until the human race is caught in this gigantic maelstrom that is all but ready to swallow up civilization.

The lust for prestige has crept into all ranks like the sweep of a pestilence that passes by none; even ministers and members of benevolent organizations are not immune but clamor for the exalted pedestal where the common herd must look up and admire.

"How good it must feel to be the granddaughter of a minister that is known and reverenced on two continents!" said one woman to another. "Oh, yes; I am proud to belong in the family, but when grandfather entered a room all other members of the family crawled under the table ." Here lies a pathos that runs throughout the annals of the human race; sometimes it is individual, sometimes it is collective, belonging to a whole race suffering persecutions for centuries. It breeds bitterness to be born with a skin that consigns one to an inferior place; it fosters a defiant spirit when one's own life blood is scorned. Yet, out of the pathos of these two races have come the plaintive melodies of the Negro spirituals and the contributions of the Hebrew people in mu-,sic, science and philanthropy.

The Man of Gallilee never hesitated to use his full authority when it became necessary to serve a holy purpose. He had all power in heaven and on earth and used this power to exalt others. No man cringed as a coward in his presence, but went out with new hope, new courage, and renewed strength.

This craving in the human breast for a sympathetic understanding he satisfied; for the learned sought him and the lowly found equal joy in his presence.

Durham County Sets a Good Example

THE move made in Durham against alcohol and related community evils might well be followed in other sections of the state at this time. This is to be a vigorous educational campaign in Durham to expose the continuous attack made by the local liquor forces on the morals and integrity of the community. Soon as public sentiment has awakened to the seriousness of the situation an election is to be called to take the city and county of Durham out of the liquor business.

The problem of protecting the youth of Durham, including the young men of the camp nearby, from the liquor habit urged by the liquor folks is one to be faced in many towns and counties of North Carolina. The outrageous advertising of liquor in the local and national press and by radio should arouse the people. Then, too, there is the constant appeal to the profit motive and also the unscrupulous propaganda insisting that better conditions have resulted with the coming of the ABC stores. So the facts of the situation should be brought to the people as to the liquor situation in the state at this time.

The Baptist Council, the Durham Council of Churches, the Ministerial Alliance, and the W. C. T. U. initiated the move in Durham. In almost every other community are forces opposed to the liquor trade that might take the lead for better social and moral conditions. Will they act?

Task of the Church Today

BISHOP W. W. PEELE in an address to the conference school at Lynchburg turned his attention to the industrial communities and conditions about camps scattered over Virginia. What he said there applies in a most pointed way to North Carolina. We append his paragraph dealing with vice and liquor:

> Virginia Methodism needs to stir itself in an all-out effort to prohibit commercialized vice and liquor in the communities surrounding the camps. That practically means in the entire state of Virginia. Camps are now dotted all over the state. In fact, the war effort, in one way or another, just about blankets the area of the Virginia

conference. I know we are told that this is no time to bring up the question of prohibition; that we have but one object before us and that is to win the war. We are exhorted to build up unity and not division among the people. Well, we might take a look at that. We are talking prohibition of many other things. The use of sugar, gasoline, rubber, and thousands of necessities, and luxuries, whose manufacture has ceased that war materials may be produced, is restricted. Upon what meat has this, the liquor traffic, fed that it has grown so great that one dare not question its right to continue when the emergencies of war are upon us? Is a cocktail more important than a bottle of milk for a baby? Is the use of the family car to be limited while beer trucks ride the highways as kings? Why give up so many of the worth-while things of life and hold on to the totally unnecessary and harmful liquor traffic? Some things just do not make sense, and this is one of them.

Women's Clubs to Fight Vice

THE General Federation of Women's Clubs is ordered to mobilize its two million and a half members to fight vice and vice conditions in every hamlet and city where soldiers and sailors are concentrated over the country. Women are stirred over the increase in venereal diseases and drunkenness. They are ready to help wherever they can. Then, too, here in North Carolina there is a state-wide effort to remedy the disgraceful conditions about our many army camps.

Last week the Charlotte Observer carried this banner head line across an entire page: "Beer Curfew Looms As Council Enters Vice Drive." A fine gesture this. But we are here to insist that slight headway will be made against prostitution and vices incident to such until something radical is done about the general situation. The sale of liquor more than doubled during the past year by the liquor stores. Durham, with a new army camp, led the state. The much talked about cleaning up conditions is largely pretense.

Alcoholic poison and syphilitic poison go together. Clean up the sale of liquor and you have gone far in remedying the shameful situation that the club women and the doctors are set to clean up. These must work together, but by their side must be lined up in every community the officers of the law. Note this: The ABC stores make much of their enforcement officers getting the non-tax paid liquor dealers, but what about the men who pay their taxes and proceed to violate the law? Alcohol in tax paid liquor promotes prostitution and drunkenness the same as the non-tax paid. If we are going to have a clean up of prostitution and vice we must get the mother of vice.

Three Decades of Marvelous Growth

THE East Carolina Teachers' College at Greenville, N. C., has rendered a marvelous service to the youth of the state, especially to the people of the eastern part of the state. Most of the thirty-six thousand students enrolled since the school opened its doors, October 5, 1909, have given themselves to teaching the youth of North Carolina.

Well do we recall that day in 1907 when the committee on location of the school decided to locate at Greenville. Ex-Governor Thos. J. Jarvis and others associated with him were most jubilant over the good fortune that had come to Greenville and to Pitt county. But no one then ever dreamed of an institution with the material resources and teaching forces as this college has at present.

In fact we insisted that this was the greatest day Greenville had ever known. The big contribution to the welfare of the children and the money the school would bring to the town, we insisted would go beyond expectation. Yet the skeptical remained unconvinced. The years have told the story.

Better than all else is the promise of the years. Its leavening influence for the past 30 years is an indication of the unlimited blessings to accrue before the end of the century. Generations unborn will be made tto rejoice that such great and good men as Thomas J. Jarvis and his associates dreamed and labored for the welfare of coming generations.

Dr. Robert H. Wright was the first president. During the twenty-five years he held office the school was set going in its formative years as a training school for teachers. With its development into the East Carolina Teachers' College it has remained true to the course set for it by President Wright.

Dr. Leon R. Meadows, who succeeds Robert H. Wright as president, has been connected with the college from the early days and he is admirably fitted to carry on the work begun there thirty years ago.

For three decades this college, devoted to the training of teachers, has steadily advanced in the enlargement of the plant, in the strengthening of the faculty and in the growth of the student body. The competent and well trained faculty offering a variety of courses and an ever enlarging group of teachers in the schools of the state make this an institution of much value to North Carolina.

People and Things

Since I am in the new parsonage at Lee's Chapel my address is R. F. D. 2, Brown Summit, N. C.—J. J. Powell.

Our D. V. B. school at Valdese June 15-29 had enrollment of 70—eight teachers; daily average 56. Thirty-three had perfect attendance.—Plint.

Dr. Paul W. Quillian, well known in all parts of the south, sustained his fine reputation as a speaker and preacher before the recent district superintendents' conference at Lake Junaluska.

The preacher was reading the Scripture when an old lady broke in: "What kind of a Bible are you using, parson?" "I'm reading from the revised version," he said. "Huh!" she said. "The King James version was good enough for St. Paul and it's good enough for me."

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor in China Grove, is among those attending the ministers' conference at Union Seminary in New York this week. Dr. Harry E. Fosdick, Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, Dr. John A. Mackay are leaders of the conference on "The Work of the Minister."

Rev. E. R. Whidden, superannuated preacher living at Dellwood, passed away Thursday, July 17. He was buried at Shady Grove on the Jonathan charge Friday. Revs. G. M. Carver, W. M. Robbins and W. L. Hutchins had charge of the funeral. A suitable memoir will be written by Brother Carver.

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the W. N. C. conference will hold their annual tea, honoring bishops' wives, missionaries and deaconesses and all ministers' wives at Junaluska, August 6 from 4 to 6 p. m. on the lawn by the auditorium.—Mrs. M. T. Smathers, president; Mrs. T. H. Swofford, secretary.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Gentry of Handy announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca, to Lieutenant John C. Carter, Jr., who is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky. Miss Gentry has attended Greensboro College for the past two years. The wedding will take place August 1 in the Hayesville Methodist church, Hayesville.

Pleasant Union church, Mt. Pleasant circuit, Greensboro district, will have the annual home coming program Sunday, July 26. The day's activities will begin with the church school session at 11 o'clock. Following at 12 noon will be the preaching hour, which will be the first service in the revival series to follow during the week with daily services at ten a. m. and eight p. m. Picnic lunch will be served at one o'clock. The afternoon service will be held at two. All former pastors, friends and members are cordially invited. —Rollin Gibbs.

Twenty-three children received perfect attendance certificates at the closing exercises of the vacation Bible school held in the Creswell Methodist church Wednesday night, July 8. The impressive program given by the children who attended the school consisted of Bible verses and songs by the beginners, a Bible quiz about children of the Bible by the primaries, a pantomine of world children by the juniors, and the presentation of the Christian flag to the church by the intermediates. Making the flag was the project of the intermediate boys and girls. Following the program, exhibits of hand work of the classes were shown. Teachers in the school were: Beginners, Miss Roberta Fitts, assisted by Miss Doris Craddock; primaries, Miss Pauline Fitts; juniors, Mrs. R. L. Spruill, assisted by Miss Norma Belanga; and intermediates, Rev. R. N. Fitts. Mrs. H. A. Norman had charge of the music.

Please say to our friends through the Advocate that Mrs. Humble is critically ill in Highsmith hospital in Fayetteville. She suffered a hemorrhage of the brain July 1 and has been unconscious ever since and gradually growing weaker with every passing day. Pray for us, for we are passing through deep waters now.—J. C. Humble.

Among the 900 American and refugee passengers who arrived in New York from Europe on July 1 on the "diplomatic ship" Drottingholm were Rev. and Mrs. Gaither P. Warfield and their young daughter. Mr. Warfield was in charge of the Polish mission of the Methodist church when that country was overrun by the nazis. When the United States entered the war Mr. Warfield was placed under confinement and interned in the internment camp in Laufen, Germany. He was released in exchange for German internees recently permitted to return to Europe. Mrs. Warfield is a citizen of Poland and had not been confined to internment because of that fact.

Our fourth and last Bible school of the summer was held at Macedonia church. The total enrollment was 66. This was our largest school of the year. In four schools we had 203 pupils. We had 20 instructors in the schools. I would like to give credit to the fine group of teachers and workers we had this summer. It was a joy to work with them. Brother H. I. Ridenhour from Duke was with us the four weeks. He did a good job. The revival at Macedonia is going along fine. Thus far 21 souls have found peace and rest in Jesus. It will run through Wednesday of this week. With the fine spirit we should have a good revival at Reeps Grove starting next Monday. It makes one feel good to know that he is getting something done for our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.—Ellis P. Greene, Pastor.

Santification is a beautiful word and Christian perfection a most worthy goal. But much of their beauty and blessing has been clouded by false professions and unworthy living. Christian stewardship is also like word. Urgent with holy thought and essential to holy living, it has been unholy wedded to much confusion and misinterpretation. While definitions may be multiplied and lengthened into chapters or volumes, to us Christian stewardship is that relation to God wherein it is our lifelong pleasure to do God's will in all things. It is making all things (property, gifts, talents, graces) do the will of God and fulfil his purposes. So this one question presents itself: "How can I use this that I have to further God's cause?" Surely this should be the purpose of every Christian. Let us try this holy partnership with God!—W. J. Plint.

Like a cup of cold water to a thirsty man, like a shower to dried up crops in mid-summer, like an oasis in the hot, dead desert, has been the revival services at Jones Memorial church. God has been good to us and blessed us. Our hearts have become awakened; we are new creatures in Christ Jesus. About 15 young and older people have dedicated and re-dedicated their lives to Christ and his service. All have received new inspiration and encouragement. All of us give our thanks to Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert E. S. Miller of Mayodan for their services. About two weeks ago we closed a very successful vacation church school. Fifty-two people were enrolled. Of these 52 young people, 37 received certificates and 21 received gold stars for perfect attendance records. We are thankful that Christ still lives in the hearts and lives of men, women, boys and girls.—R. P. Waugh, Pastor.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Eugene Cross, a loyal member of the Methodist church, died at his home in Marion July 6 at the age of 68. He had been in declining health some months. He was a native of Mississippi. He was superintendent of the Taylorsville cotton mill 30 years ago. Later he built and operated the Cross mill near Marion. He leaves a wife and several children. Dr. Barnhardt, his pastor, conducted the funeral at Marion.

I appreciate very greatly the words of appreciation for me found in last week's Advocate and thank you for that expression of your appreciation of my efforts as editor of the woman's page, N. C. Christian Advocate, W. N. C. C. I assure you it is a great pleasure to me to give of my time and efforts in this work that has been committed to me, and I hope that I may be able to achieve, in the future, more than I have in the past. Again thanking you and with best wishes for the continued success of our Advocate, I am, most sincerely, Mrs. W. R. Harris.

MISS FRANCK BRIDE OF DR. W. S. CREDLE

In the chapel of Duke University at 5 o'clock Saturday afternon, July 18, Miss Margaret Elizabeth Franck, daughter of Mrs. William Francis Franck of Durham and the late Mr. Franck, became the bride of Dr. William Swindell Credle, lieutenant, junior grade, medical corps of the United States naval reserves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Gibbon Credle of Oxford.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Kelsey Regen, pastor of First Presbyterian church.

With Mrs. William Francis Franck, Jr., of Martinsville, Va., at the organ console, prenuptial selections were given.

The bridegroom's best man was Dr. Armistead D. Williams of Richmond, Va. Groomsmen were Lieutenant J. G. Edward, Lieutenant W. Sickels, Lieutenant Beverdy H. Jones, Lieutenant Robert C. Allison, and Lieutenant Andrew C. Peterson. Miss Mary Credle of Oxford, sister of the bridegroom, was maid of honor.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, William Francis Franck of Martinsville, Va.

The bride is a graduate of Duke University and of the Feagin School of Dramatic Art, New York. She is a Theta Alpha Phi.

Dr. Credle is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, and received his medical degree from the University of Virginia. He is a member of Chi Phi and Nu Sigma fraternities. He interned in surgery in Duke hospital. He is now stationed at the field hospital, Marine barracks, New River, and following a wedding trip through the Great Smoky mountains, he and Mrs. Credle will be at home at New River.

Honoring the bridal party, Mrs. Franck entertained informally at a reception at her home after the wedding.

NEWS FROM TRYON CHARGE

Sunday, July 12, was a red letter day for Tryon Methism, with Dr. M. T. Smathers and Chaplain George Schreyer taking the center of the stage under the guiding hand of the new pastor, Rev. R. W. Blanchard, who has finished his first quarter on the charge.

The reports were excellent and all ministerial claims were paid to date with the same of all payments on the new parsonage. There has been some increase in world service giving this summer and plans are under way to top last year's giving by fifty dollars.

The social event of the day was a "soldiers' dinner" in the parsonage with a blanket invitation from the pulpit to share what there was with the visiting ministers. Besides the ministers mentioned, Rev. A. B. Barr, a located preacher from the South Carolina conference and now residing in Tryon, joined the happy dinner party. Mrs. Smathers and Mrs. Schreyer also attended.

Following dinner, guests were shown about the newly acquired property of the parsonage plot in the fashionable residential district. Methodists may well be proud to have acquired this fine property and none of the local people regret the venture in faith that made such a purchase possible. There is a determined resolve that the property shall not in any way lessen the general outlook of the church. Tryon is confident that it can even make some gains besides.

Chaplain George Schreyer is at present located at 509 North Brewer Street, Paris, Tenn. R. W. Blanchard

MISS HELEN ROBERTS AND MISS MARGARET PEELE APPOINTED TO GREENSBORO COLLEGE FACULTY

Recently appointed members of the Greensboro College faculty are Miss Helen Louise Roberts, instructor in clothing and textiles in the department of home economics, and Miss Margaret Lois Peele, supervisor of the dispensary, nurse, and instructor in hygiene and related subjects, according to an announcement by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.



Miss Lois Peele



Miss Helen Roberts

Miss Roberts, a native of Missouri, received her B.S. degree from State Teachers' College, Springfield, Mo.; the Master's degree from Columbia University; and has done some graduate work beyond the M.A. degree at the University of Texas. She has had teaching experience of nine years, three of which were at Haskill Institute, Lawrence, Kansas, and two in the College of Education, Cheney, Washington.

Miss Roberts, who succeeds Miss Edith A. Langley, will be associated with Miss Grace F. Hinchliff, head of the department of home economics.

Also joining the faculty at the beginning of the fall semester will be Miss Margaret Lois Peele,, a graduate with the A.B. degree of Greensboro College. She received the B.S. degree in nursing from Duke University School of Nursing. Miss Peele, a native of Guilford College, has had experience as assistant head nurse, head nurse, and supervision work in Duke Hospital and also in private nursing. She will have charge of the dispensary division of the Aurelia Bowman Gray Student hospital and will work with Miss Pearl Turner, supervisor of the student hospital, Miss Agnes Jeter, director of physical education, and other agencies on the campus in promoting a general good health program throughout the scholastic year.

ROCK SPRINGS CAMP MEETING AUGUST 2-9

The 112th annual camp meeting at Rock Springs Camp Ground will convene August 2 and continue through August 9. Rev. Harold Robinson will preach morning and evening during the week.

At the laymen's hour Friday morning Mr. Paul Ervin of Charlotte will speak. Bishop Clare Purcell will preach August 9 at 11:30.

Mr. F. C. Todd, the district lay leader of the Gastonia district, will direct the music. Mr. Todd will be assisted at the piano by Mrs. William Sigmon.

A vacation Bible school for the children will be in session each morning. In the afternoon Rev. Norman Preston of the school of religion of Duke University will teach a course for the teachers in the Sunday school work.

Rev. Earl Armstrong will preach August 2 at 11 a. m. Mr. Paul R. Sheahan, a layman of Charlotte, will speak Sunday afternoon, August 9.

S. A. STEWART WRITES INTERESTINGLY ABOUT LOS ANGELES

Just a week ago the Southern California-Arizona annual conference closed with the reading of the appointments by Bishop James Chamberlain Baker. As many of you know, this is a big conference, comprising the southern part of California and all of the state of Arizona. In the good old days "the Methodists north of God" were numerically stronger than the "Methodists south of God," but now they are all bundled into one harmonious body, and unless one were intimately acquainted with the past history, he could discover no remnants of cleavage. Like our Western North Carolina conference on the opposite coast, this conference is progressive, aggressive, and forward looking. The wise and sane leadership of Bishop Baker is greatly appreciated. The conference expressed its gratitude and confidence in him in a resolution congratulating him on being selected as the successor to Dr. John R. Mott as head of the International Missionary Council.

I will mention a few things that appeared to me as highlights of the conference.

The first and to me most significant were the morning devotions, conducted by Bishop Baker himself every morning for half an hour (8:30 to 9). They were held in the beautiful St. Paul's Cathedral of the Episcopal church, about five blocks from First Methodist church of Los Angeles, which was the seat of the conference, of which Dr. Donald Tippett is the pastor. The separation from the conference seat, the well-worked out programs of worship, the able and timely utterances of Bishop Baker gave a tone and tonic to the whole conference. Many people spoke of the spiritual uplift received. Nobody was urged to attend, but nearly all the conference members were present every morning, and many visitors also.

This conference session has more of the "retreat" nature than many other conferences have. There is no large "pastors' school," such as we have at Duke, and no Junaluska summer conferences as we of N. C. have; so the annual conference session contiues a full week, and there are fine programs each night with able speakers, home-grown and imported. These were well attended, the large auditorium and the auditorium and the balcony being well filled every night. Dr. Tippett led off the first night with an able address on "Whither Bound," and Dr. Day of First church, Pasadena, closed the series with a helpful talk on "Methods of Devotion." Then between were a forum on "After the War Problems," conducted by five able men, and a great pageant of Methodism, "Triumphant Crusade," a vivid portrayal of Methodism's world-wide service. One of the great meetings which filled the church almost to overflowing was that of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, when Dr. Roy L. Smith gave the anniversary address. The fact that Dr. Smith had formerly been pastor of this church doubtless helped to draw the big crowd, for he is much beloved in these parts.

The unique service of the conference was a combined ceremony of "Graduation" and "Reception." Before the altar were gathered the eleven retiring ministers and the seven new members to be received into full connection. Bishop Baker handed the lighted torch to one of the conference members who gave it to the leader of the retiring group. He made a few appropriate remarks. The torch was then passed down the line of the retiring ministers, the last of whom gave the light to the leader of the young ministers, who made a short acceptance speech and then passed the torch down the line of the new men. The light was then returned to Bishop Baker, who concluded the service with prayer for both groups. Then the bishop presented to each of the retiring members a parchment certificate assuring him of the love and appreciation of the church for his —— years of faithful service. The address to the incoming class of seven was given by Bishop Titus Lowe, who was visiting the conference.

The work of the conference is done chiefly by committees, necessarily so since the conference is so large. The reports were printed and a copy was given to all members before the committees came before the body for discussion. This procedure seemed a bit "cut and dried," but unavoidable. The reports on war and peace, on social relations, on evangelism brought out considerable debate, as usual. Also as usual, it seems, a number of barbed shafts were aimed at the head of Dr. Shuler—"Bob," they all love to call him —the stormy petrel of the conference. It is a little amusing to see or hear Dr. Shuler, head of the committee on evangelism, and Dr. George Warmer, spokesman for the religious education group, vie with each other in declaring that they each believe in the work of the other, and support the whole program of the church. But one is conscious through it all that in spite of their difference in emphasis, they do love each other, as all good Methodists should.

I shall not trouble you with many statistics, but the following comparison of this conference with our Western N. C. conference may not be uninteresting:

Large though the conference is, there are only five districts. The whole state of Arizona is in one district. Overhead expenses are kept down by having fewer district superintendents. There are 298 charges, averaging 60 to each district. In our W. N. C. conference we have 11 districts for 385 charges, averaging 35 to a district. The number of full members here is 98,960, as against 181,950 in W. N. C.; increases respectively 3,362 and 14,939. The church school enrollment in each was 92,149 and 166,911. But these Californians beat us in giving for benevolences—$194,595 here, against our $153,098. They have a slight increase over the previous year, while we Tar Heels dropped back $15,829. I don't know how much is paid to our retired preachers, but here they paid $20 for each year of service, and they plan to make it $20.50 this coming year. So a superannuate with a record of forty years of service will be receiving $820—much better, I think, than we are doing in N. C. The Woman's Societies of Christian Service gave for World Service $116,157, while our W. N. C. women gave $58,816 only, though they far outnumber the women of the California societies.

Well, Mr. Editor, every conference, like every individual, has that whereof to be proud, and this So. Cal.-Ariz. conference has a right to be proud both of her past and her present. One fine thing to note is the many and varied institutions and home mission enterprises which they support. They have a full-time secretary of missions, Dr. J. E. Dunning, a very vigorous leader. He speaks most graciously of the fine time he had when he visited the Missionary Council in Charlotte three years ago. Yes, if we know each other we will love each other, for we are co-workers in a great enterprise.

During the conference somebody got off the story of the Kansas man who was caught in a terrible Kansas storm, borne through the air at airplane speed and finally landed in a hospital. The local pastor called to sympathize. Lacking the sense of humor which the victim had, the pastor said, "Brother, when you were passing through the air, was the good Lord with you?" The patient replied, "Well, if he was, he was going some!"

This conference, Mr. Editor, is going some, and in the right direction, I am persuaded.

IRON IN RELIGION

"We have strained too much of the iron out of our religion. Our beautiful churches, comfortable seats, just the right temperature, and short, sugar-coated sermons have taken the hardness out of our worship and our service to God. We have almost forgotten that every religion and government has been founded and sustained in blood and sweat and suffering. We no longer have to suffer for our religion; and most of us are willing to serve when it does not inconvenience us. Our country required as, at times, to leave all, go where sent, and die if necessary. That is exactly what Christ said he would require of all citizens of his kingdom. The 'soft stuff' won't go over with 'Uncle Sam'; and, let us not fool ourselves, it will not go with God. He said, 'I will spew thee out of my mouth.' Neutrals are out of caste in the world today, and they ought to be out of caste in the church."—Selected.

There are the things I prize
And hold of deepest worth:
Light of the sapphire skies,
Peace of the silent hills,
Shelter of the forest,
Comfort of the grass,
Shadows of the clouds, that quickly pass,
And, after showers, the smell of flowers
And the deep brown earth;
But best of all, along the way,
Friendship and mirth.

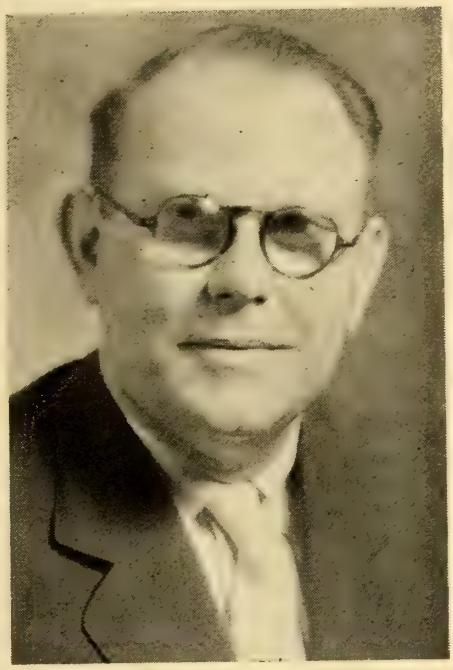
—Henry Van Dyke.

"Some people want more money so they can help God, while others want God's help so they can make more money."

W. J. SMITH ELECTED N. C. CONFERENCE LAY LEADER

At the recent called meeting of the North Carolina Board of Lay Activities in Goldsboro, Mr. W. J. Smith of Bethel was elected president of the board and conference lay leader. He was elected to fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Dr. W. K. Greene.

Mr. Smith represented the conference board in Chicago last week at the Methodist National Council of Conference Lay Leaders. He says he was especially impressed with the fact that the church could get a layman from every conference in the nation, and assemble them all in the same place at the same time in mid-summer, to work several days from 7:30 in the morning until 10 at night. He also mentions the enthusiasm of the conference lay leaders from the northern region, where lay activities had not been organized before the Uniting Conference. The new lay leader will attend the Methodist Laymen's conference at Lake Junaluska, July 22-26.



Mr. W. J. Smith, Bethel, N. C., Lay Leader of the North Carolina Conference

The laymen of the conference will doubtless be interested in a few words about Mr. Smith, in addition to the fact that he is usually called Jasper by the men who know him. He is a business man, under forty. He is president of the Bethel Manufacturing Co. and a farmer. Jasper is a Duke man, of the Trinity College days, class of '23, and a Rose Bowl addict. He served as public school principal for five years in Martin and Pitt counties before going into business. He has been a county commissioner in Pitt, and is now a member of the Pitt county board of education, and of the Selective Service Board No. 1. He is a Mason and a Rotarian.

In the Bethel church Mr. Smith has been a steward for ten years, has served as church school superintendent, and is now church lay leader. He has been associate lay leader in the Rocky Mount district, and is district lay leader at the present time.

BOARD OF PENSIONS ELECTS NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

At a special meeting of the Board of Pensions, held at the Centenary Methodist church, St. Louis, June 30, Rev. A. T. McIlwain was elected executive secretary of the Missouri Corporation to succeed the late Dr. Charles W. Tadlock. Dr. McIlwain is a member of the North Mississippi conference and has been serving for the past year as district superintendent of the Columbus district of that conference.

CHANGES IN W. N. C. CONFERENCE

The following changes of ministerial appointments in the Western North Carolina conference were authorized at a cabinet meeting held by Bishop Purcell with the district superintendents of the conference at Lake Junaluska July 15:

Rev. Carl W. Dennis goes from Wolf Mountain mission in the Asheville district to Mill Spring in the Marion.

Rev. Lewis W. Hall goes from the Ivy charge in the Asheville district to the Wolf Mountain mission in the same district.

Dr. S. P. Kennett, one of the teachers at High Point College, High Point district, will go to the Hillside-Merrimon charge in Asheville, Asheville district, succeeding Rev. H. S. Williams, released for service as a chaplain in the armed forces of the United States.

Rev. J. S. Johnson will supply the Pigeon Valley charge in the Waynesville district, succeeding Rev. Marvin Hoyle, who goes to the Bethel charge, succeeding Rev. J. W. Blitch, who has been released for service as chaplain in the armed forces.

Rev. T. D. Huss goes to the Todd charge in the Elkin district.

The Park Street church, Belmont, the Morven circuit and Midway remain to be supplied. The Ivy charge will probably be merged. M. T. Smathers, Sec.

JUNALUSKA PERSONALS

Rev. E. B. Fisher, pastor of the Lumberton Methodist church, has spent one week of his four weeks' vacation at the Lake. He has July as vacation month at the request of his church, so he will be at home in August. The tobacco market opens the first of August and it is a busy month in Lumberton as are the months following. So the pastor rests when the Lumberton people rest and prepare for the busy days that are ahead. Brother Fisher spends the greater part of his vacation with his family at the beach.

The Asheville Times announces that Dr. H. E. Sprinkle, Jr., pastor of West Asheville church, will enter the army as chaplain at an early date.

Dr. W. L. Sherrill of Charlotte is spending several weeks of this summer in the mountains of North Carolina and most of the time at the Lake. He reached here Friday of last week. He is looking remarkably well and seems to be enjoying himself at the Lake. He can make new friends and hold his old friends no matter where he abides. His friends are glad to see him and enjoy his fellowship.

Have you ever been to Soco Gap on the new short cut from Waynesville to Cherokee and New Found Gap? It is 15 miles shorter than the old road and picturesque in the extreme. The elevation in the gap is 4300 feet. Through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ivey the Advocate man and his wife Saturday of last week enjoyed this privilege. Put it down as another delightful deed of the Iveys. Last Sunday we were reminded by the dahlias that adorned the platform of the assembly auditorium that Mr. Ivey is still the dahlia king of Junaluska, of North Carolina, and one of the dahlia kings of the whole earth.

APPOINTMENT CHANGES

Bishop Clare Purcell authorizes the following changes in appointments in the Wilmington district, N. C. conference:

Rev. W. F. Trawick is appointed to Hallsboro circuit to succeed Rev. C. B. Long, who has been called to Fort McLelland as U. S. chaplain.

Rev. J. D. Stott has been assigned to Pembroke Parish to assist in some special work. A. S. Parker, D.S.

Things That Belong to Peace

By DR. LISTON POPE

(An address by Dr. Liston Pope, assistant professor of social ethics at Yale University School, New Haven, Conn., delivered at the sixth annual North Carolina Convocation of Churches, Burlington, N. C., April 7-8, 1942).

In these days we are reminded more forcibly than ever, by unspeakable tragedy across the world, of the contrast between man's ancient dream of peace and the recurring actuality of war. The dream has haunted our history since the days when men had visions of living quietly beneath their own vines and fig trees, with swords beaten into plowshares and nations studying war no more. Through countless centuries those visions survived, until in the 19th century it seemed that they might become flesh and dwell among us.

The form in which the dream of peace has come to us is more nearly a product of the 19th century than of our Hebrew-Christian heritage. That century believed, with its central doctrines of evolution and progress, that war would inevitably and automatically disappear at last from the earth. As proof it could cite its own record. It was singularly peaceful as contrasted with the half dozen centuries which had preceded it. Napoleon had been overthrown near its beginning. The Industrial Revolution held the center of the social stage . Trade drew nations together. The three greatest social philosophers of the century, August Comte, Karl Marx, and Herbert Spencer—one French, one German, one English—disagreed on many things, but agreed unanimously that at least war would be replaced by the inexorable logic of economic development. If wars appeared occasionally, they were interpreted as simply an evidence that society was still a little early in the evolutionary process. In time war would go the way of man's vestigial tail, or at worst would be eliminated from the body politic through operations no more strenuous than those required for the excision of a veriform appendix. The dream of peace was sure and confident, rather than an elusive phantom fleeing through the night.

Much of the mood of that century has lingered on into our own, and has informed all our thought about war and peace. So, in the face of the first World War, we were able to interpret even war itself as a way to peace, and a war to end all war was fought. Until recently, many of us continued to think that at last all weapons would be turned into skyscrapers and gadgets. We were going to outlaw war, to substitute conference for conflagration, to rub shoulders instead of cannon. We were going on forever signing disarmament resolutions rather than rearmament contracts, and singing "Peace, Perfect Peace" rather than "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Amateur statisticians calculated the number of city halls, school buildings, theological seminaries and insane asylums possible of construction with money formerly spent in war. Many pretentious theories, professing scientific status, arose to support the wishful and wistful dream.

Disillusionment over the results of the first World War gave wings to anti-war movements. Presumably we had fought that war to make the world safe for democracy—and behold, dictators in half a dozen lands. We had fought that war to end war—and behold, a vindicative peace and a vast rearmament program immediately afterwards. And so on: the first World War was appraised and found wanting, and a whole generation of us were taught to be cynical of war and of the defense of ideals by military might. Pacifist sentiments spread through the repentant churches. War was denounced as politically futile, ethically indefensible, and utterly contradictory to the ideals and spirit of high religion. Individuals, churches, and nations vowed never again to bless, sanction or support it, under the fond hope that it would never again be necessary to do so.

Then came the terrible awakening, and the shattering of the dream of peace in our time. What can we say now about war and peace, when nearly all the world is at war? Not what can we wish—some of us are tired of all the wishful thinking, of all the easy hopes and blueprint solutions. Rather, what can we say now about war and peace in our civilization in terms of all the evidence available?

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Many things we have said we can no longer say. First of all, we cannot say that peace will come through any simple program of specific action, so that lo here, disarmament, and lo there, transfer of colonies, and the thousand-year reign of peace will come. All the simple explanations of war in terms of one or two or even half a dozen definite factors have been shown to be misleading. We know that was results from a highly complex conjunction of factors, no one of which is in itself inevitably and invariably a cause of either war or peace. We shall not have peace simply by doing away with nationalism, or imperialism, or population pressures, or distatorship, or armaments, or favoritism as between belligerents, or hatred and pride, or any other specific factors. We shall not have peace simply by controlling munitions makers, or promoting a peace movement, or upholding a certain type of political regime (such as democracy over against dictatorship), or finding widespread prosperity. All these actions may be prerequisites of peace. None of them are guarantees. In so far as they profess to solve the problem of war, they are patent medicines, false cures for a disease hardly diagnosed as yet. No one of these factors will invariably lead toward either war or peace; everything seems to depend on the combination in the immediate situation. Any factor may under certain conditions lead toward peace rather than war, and vice versa. A strong pacifist movement in conjunction with certain other factors may result in the defeat of its own purposes.

The notion that efforts at negotiation prolonged indefinitely will generally prevent war seems likewise too simple. Between 1500 B.C. and A.D. 1860, 8,000 negotiated treaties of peace, intended to remain in effect forever, were concluded. The average length of time they remained in effect was two years.

Nor shall we have peace simply by overthrowing this or that allegedly war-like nation. Such action may be a prerequisite of peace in a given situation, but it does not guarantee that peace will endure. As a matter of fact, there have been no consistently peaceful or consistently militaristic nations in history, when history is viewed over long periods of time. The most warlike nations at some periods have become the most peaceful in subsequent centuries. Holland in the 17th and 18th centuries was one of the terrors of the world, and Spain before that. In the 19th and 20th centuries, both have been relatively peaceful. Between 1600 and 1900, Germany spent only about half as much of her time at war as England and Frence. Any nation is likely to be militaristic when its immediate purposes seem served thereby. The United States of America is tempted now to become the most militaristic nation the world has ever seen. Trotsky predicted it bitterly, and many of our contemporaries have become the prophets of the American Century.

Nor can we say with assurance, any longer, that peace must come as civilization develops. The 19th century faith to this effect has not only failed of evidence; it has been actually disproved by careful study and by the march of events. Civilization has ended to develop, through progress in science, the arts, ideas, and social organization, as often in time of war as in time of peace. This does not mean that war causes advance in culture or that advance

in culture brings war. It simply means there is often a correlation between them, that the two are not always necessarily anti-ethical. Some of the most peaceful periods have witnessed great advance in culture. Likewise, some of the most militaristic. Man has been at war at least half the time in his history. His civilization has moved on, nevertheless. It might have moved faster, farther, had he not been at war. One can say nothing about that. One cannot prove anything about something that has not happened. Suffice it to say that conflict has been as normal as tranquility in our past; yet, culture and civilization have moved on, for better or for worse.

In terms of our values, peace and civilization ought to go together. In terms of our history the reverse has as often as not been true. As a matter of fact, organized warfare is a fairly modern invention. Whatever may have been true in their family life, the cave men apparently did not plot the systematic extermination of their neighbors by organized military measures. I can think of no more brutal experiment than turning a band of cave men loose in contemporary Europe and watching their defenseless terror as the bombing planes circle overhead. It may not be civilized for men to fight, but civilized men do fight, with a ferocity and destructiveness that would put their preliterate ancestors to shame.

The best evidence available, including studies by Woods, Bodart, Sorokin, and others, indicates that there is no clear trend in our Western civilization toward either increase or decrease in war, but only a kind of trendless fluctuation. Of recent centuries, the 19th was most peaceful, but the 20th has already made up the deficit and has become the bloodiest and most belligerent in the history of the world.

Nor can we continue to say with conviction that peace is the greatest of all possible goods, in terms of which all other action is to be judged. Peace alone does not guarantee that it will not be used for continued exploitation of peoples and nations. There can be bad peace, just as there can be good peace. To cry "Peace, Peace" when there is no justice in peace is to heal the hurt of peoples slightly if at all. Indeed, to insist on peace at all costs is a strategy that plays into the hands of those who desire to aggrandize themselves irrespective of their neighbors' rights. War seems preferable, in terms of the whole scale of values, to dictatorial domination of the world so long as war bids fair to stop that domination. Peace is truly just only when, as the Psalmist puts it, "righteousness and peace have kissed each other." Peace is a very great ideal; it is not the only one.

Many things we have said about peace we can no longer say. The problem of peace must be seen in a different dimension from that in which the 19th century viewed it. There is little hope that war will automatically disappear from the world through social evolution or progress. We looked for peace, but no good came. Now there is heard again throughout the world the cry of the ancient prophet—hurt for the hurt of the daughter of his people—"Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?"

(To be continued)

OUR METHODIST HOSPITAL MAKING HISTORY

Our Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at Elkin introduces to its clientile and public two well trained women doctors, namely, Dr. Lois Visscher and Dr. Olivia Abernethy.

Dr. Visscher comes highly recommended from Hemotic Hospital in Chicago, and she is to be surgical resident at the hospital, assistant to Dr. Charles Haywood. Eventually she will go as a missionary. Dr. Olivia Abernethy is our home town girl that has made good in the medical profession. She took her pre-med at Carolina, degree from Medical College of Virginia, interned at Pottsville, Penn., and has been at Duke Hospital for many months specializing in pediatrics. She will do general practice, but her offices will be located at the Hugh Chatham Hospital, which will naturally associate her with the staff of that institution, though there will be no official connection.

The Wesley class of the First Methodist church, Lenoir, sent in an incubator as its gift to the hospital, and it arrived just in time to help save the lives of twin babies, born prematurely.

So keep up the good work with special gifts, and particularly with the Golden Cross offerings for charity.

Herman Duncan.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' CONFERENCE OF THE SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

The outstanding conference last week at the Lake was the fourth Southeastern Jurisdiction Conference of District Superintendents. A majority of the bishops of this jurisdiction and approximately one hundred superintendents attended from the territory south of Washington, D. C. and east of the Mississippi river. The bishops present were Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, Ga., J. L. Decell of Mississippi, Paul B. Kern of Nashville, and Clare Purcell of Charlotte. W. T. Watkins, at the last moment, was prevented from attending on account of illness.

The Tennessee conference had a full attendance of superintendents; so did the Western North Carolina conference. From the North Carolina conference H. I. Glass and W. V. McRae attended. Holston had about half of the superintendents present, and from Kentucky, Virginia, Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi were fine representations.

The leading speakers were Dr. Mark Depp of Pittsburgh, Pa., Dr. Paul W. Quillian of Houston, Texas. It was Dr. Depp's first visit south and he won the admiration and praise of the Junaluska audiences. Several of the regular attendants of the Duke pastors' summer school are insisting that he be secured for the Duke pastors' school.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are:

President, R. Z. Tyler, Miami district, Florida conference.

Vice prseident, S. O. Kimbrough, Anniston district, North Alabama conference.

Secretary-treasurer, Geo. E. Clary, Macon district, South Georgia conference.

Executive committeemen: Bishops Arthur J. Moore and J. L. Decell; E. G. Mackay, Atlanta East district, North Georgia conference; W. F. Blackard, Chattanooga district, Holston conference.

The conference closed Sunday night with a sermon by Bishop Paul B. Kern.

The most striking difference between this and other summers at Lake Junaluska is the absence of automobiles racing along the drives of the assembly grounds, roaring across the dam of the lake and hustling to Waynesville, Asheville and other points of interest. The cars are here, but parked about the hotels and cottages. And the people are here in surprisingly large numbers. I am at the Terrace Hotel and the usual number of guests are here, and more than sometimes, and the attendance at the auditorium does not appear much, if any, below other years on the 20th day of July. Everything seems to be going well in spite of a shortage of rubber and gas.

Mrs. Plyler and I took lunch last Sunday with Mrs. H. G. Hardin at her summer home. Rev. Grady Hardin, Mrs. Hardin and their fine eight-months-old baby girl of Winston-Salem. They were on a two weeks' vacation before Dr. Stanbury, the pastor of Centenary, begins his vacation. (Grady Hardin is Centenary's associate pastor). Jimmie Hardin, whom the Greensboro people remember as a baby when Dr. Hardin was pastor of West Market church, is now a lad 13 years of age and a fine boy. He is planning to be a doctor when he grows up and thereby preserve the family tradition. It was certainly a delightful hour we spent with these neighbors and friends of other years.

A. W. Plyler.

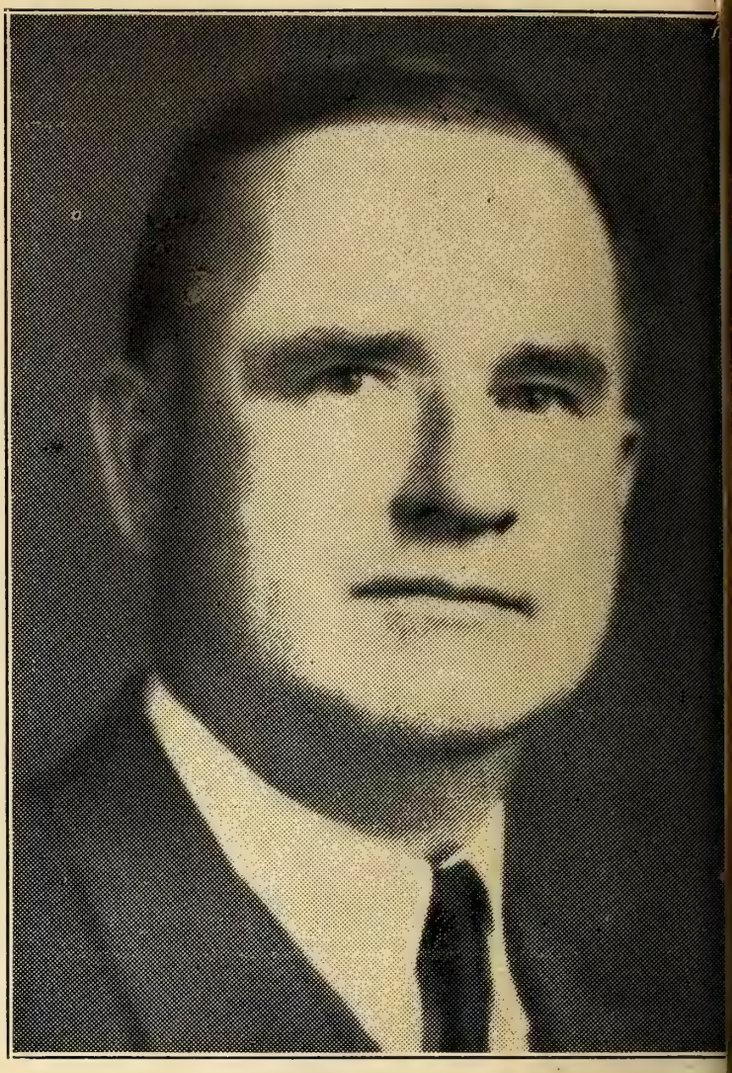
LEARNING HOW TO LIVE TOGETHER"

By Daniel Lane, Delegate from Roanoke Rapids

Learning how to live together was the theme of the thirty-third Rotary International convention held in Toronto, Canada, June 21-25, attended by 7,000 Rotarians from 31 countries. Meeting for the second time in Toronto, a beautiful city of a million, in twelve years, in wartimes, in a country in the war from the beginning, the convention was taken in deadly seriousness. Transportation is increasingly a problem. All buses and trains are crowded. Intense activity is the order everywhere. At the stations and on trains one sees repeatedly emotional touches of partings and reunions as loved ones part or greet upon leaving their loved ones.

Every plenary session was opened with silent prayer. His Excellency, the Earl of Athlone, Governor General of Canada, added a bit of the royalty glamour by opening the convention. He spoke of a "revolutionary peace based on a complete reorientation of the old ideas of national rivalry, in which the ideas of service replace the modern ideals of material acquisition, blurring the lines separating the various peoples and races of the world—a peace based upon mutual understanding and tolerance, based on strong realities." The motto of Rotary is "Service Above Self." The Earl concluded with "that seems to me to be the reason why a convention such as this is so tremendously important."

President Tom Davis, from Butte, Montana, sounded the keynote in his address: Learning how to live together is now a necessity, in our vocations—to know and to better understand our employees, our employers—our customers, our clients—our patients—our parishioners. To learn how to live together helps us in our community efforts. It brings us into focus with the thinking which will drive misunderstanding and unfriendliness from our dealings with our neighbors. Learning how to live together empraces our intercourse with all the peoples of the earth. It will improve our perspective, as we analyze the problems of strangling tariffs, of the use of bottlenecks by land and by sea—of our intelligent and necessary allocation of raw materials to struggling and starving nations—of elminating the frictional points which lead to never ceasing wars—of the steps which must be taken if the world is to live in friendliness and understanding. Learning how to live together applies to our home lives, as we strive to be worthy, helpful sons and husbands and fathers to whom our wives and children can give love and respect. The dreadful holocaust of the present has come from the peoples of the world having failed to learn how to live together. Pessimists predict that the civilization—of us the democratic nations will be destroyed—will be driven from the face of the earth. If this be true—it will be true for one reason only—the failure of civilized human beings to learn how to live together. Shall we be able to so live, and to associate with our fellows, that we shall deal justly with all men? Can we forget distinction in caste—and difference in color? Can we overcome the barrier of language? Can we rid the world of ignorance, intolerance and greed? All this can be done if we learn how to live together. Yet one needs only to glance at the daily papers, to look about us at the marching ranks of our best and finest men and women to realize how signally we have failed to make the most of living together. It is a tragedy for which we are paying with "blood, sweat and tears," and will pay—and must pay.



DR. LEON R. MEADOWS
President East Carolina Teachers College
Greenville, N. C.

T. A. Warren, vice president of R. I.: Rotary and Christianity may be held to have failed. We have striven for understanding and good will, but the regeneration of the whole world is a matter of ages and not of years. Christianity realizes that. And Christianity has not failed. Christianity toils on with growing usefulness, and so must we; content, perhaps with slow results, but expedited now by the tribulations which so often are the forerunners of major progress. The nations and denominations still know far too little of each other. Each still moves almost independently.

Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary: Our most glamorous purpose is to foster international understanding and good will. We have actually succeeded in creating a world-wide fellowship of nearly a quarter million disciples in fifty countries of the world. Our devotees include practically all major religious faiths and most of the political ideologists. We have been able to accomplish this by adhering strictly to the one matter in hand and avoiding all others. If the nations of the world will take a leaf from the pages of Rotary, leaving all countries to follow their own political and religious ideas, united in the one purpose of effecting lasting peace they will succeed. If on the other hand they attempt to force their political conceptions on each other chaos will come again.

Merton S. Rice of Detroit: After we look at all the problems before us we come back to the child. The foun-

dation hope of all of us is in the normal child. We realize the importance of Rotary's crippled children, but we are forgetful of the normal child. It may be up to us to determine what many boys will be. Responsibility will show itself in strange ways in your towns tomorrow.

In times like these we see the soul of religion as we do of Rotary. The church of Christ may learn much from Rotary, if we leaders are open minded and teachable. Christ declared that the children of the world were wiser in their day than the children of light.

BROTHER STOKES COMES TO DEFENSE OF LEON HENDERSON

Interesting indeed was the quotation from National Whirligig concerning Leon Henderson which you printed in your July 16 issue under the caption "Is Leon Henderson Guilty?"

While no one would deny that a part of the confusion in Washington is to be found in the office of Price Administration, one might well question the advisability of focusing the spotlight of criticism upon Henderson, who, after all, has done a magnificent job (thus far) of keeping down inflation. It is no less a person than commentator Walter Lippmann who wrote several days ago: "Having offered the Congress such a pusillanimous fiscal policy, the administration set a standard and established a political climate in which poor Leon Henderson must absorb the whole political punishment for all the things that his colleagues and his chief are leaving undone. All the chickens come home to roost on his doorstep. Everything that the administration is afraid to do about rubber and gasoline and taxes and the farm bloc and wages, Leon Henderson has to find some ingenius way to be bold about."

Time magazine puts its finger upon at least a part of the reason why Henderson is having such rough going when it comments: "Bulky OP Administrator Leon Henderson dislikes patronage. Balky Congress dislikes Henderson and loves patronage. . . . What hurts Congress are Henderson's non-political appointments." (Time, July 6, 1942).

James C. Stokes.



Back Campus View Across Wright Circle East Carolina Teachers College

McLARTY-WILLIS MARRIAGE IN BOONE

In a wedding of simple beauty on Tuesday, July 14, at high noon in the Boone Methodist church, Miss Mary McLarty, daughter of Rev. E. K. McLarty, became the bride of Mr. John Carlton Willis of Elizabethtown, N. C. Dr. McLarty, pastor of the church and father of the bride, performed the ceremony.

The church was decorated with a profusion of white rhododendron and Carolina spruce. Twin baskets of white gladioli and large white candelabra were used to complete the nuptial setting.

Preliminary to the ceremony Mrs. A. E. South, church organist, played a musical program including "The Rose of Tralee," "Indian Love Call," "Intermezzo." Two brothers of the bride, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., of Greensboro, and Dr. Furman G. McLarty of Hillsboro, sang. Dr. McLarty sang "At Dawning" and Rev. Mr. McLarty sang "Because" and at the close of the ceremony "O Perfect Love." The traditional wedding marches were used for the processional and recessional.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Rev. James B. McLarty of Belmont. Mrs. Furman G. McLarty of Hillsboro acted as matron of honor, little Margaret Whitnel McLarty ring bearer, and Margaret Elizabeth McLarty flower girl. Mr. Hubert M. Willis of Elizabethtown acted as best man for his brother. Ushers were Mr. Frank M. Payne of Boone and Mr. Vance Whitener of Spindale.

After the ceremony the out-of-town guests and members of the family, along with the bridal party, were entertained with a wedding breakfast at the parsonage, prepared by the ladies of the church. Later the bridal couple left for their honeymoon, following which they will be at home in Elizabethtown.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. E. K. McLarty and the late Mrs. Mary Brown McLarty. She attended Brevard College and Greensboro College, and for the past year has taught near Elizabethtown.

The groom is the son of Mrs. Forney Willis and the late Mr. Willis. He attended State College and at present is associated with the Farm Security Administration of Robeson county.

Among the out-of-town guests attending the wedding were: Mrs. James B. McLarty of Belmont; Mrs. E. K. McLarty, Jr., of Greensboro; Mrs. Jane Hess B. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Brown and daughters, Jane, Margaret and Mary Lou, Miss Eleanor Brown, Mr. Hugh Brown, all of Asheville; Mrs. W. W. Hagood, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hagood and Mrs. R. E. Evans, all of Charlotte.

BOGER CITY CHURCH ACTIVE

Boger City church has taken on a new front. Early this year the front was remodeled, making a vestibule which was much needed. This was placed there by Mrs. S. B. Goodson and family in memory of G. B. Goodson, a staunch supporter of the church during his lifetime.

K. A. Finger, with the co-operation of the stewards, painted the church on the outside. They are now planning to paint the parsonage.

All divisions of the church have been well represented at our camps and assemblies this summer. Five intermediates attended Camp Carlyle; six young people, three at each assembly, at Lake Junaluska, and three at the young adult assembly at Camp Carlyle. The church will be greatly benefited by the experiences of these.

Our vacation Bible school was held in June with an enrollment of 19. The school proved to be very successful under the capable leadership of Mrs. Tom Finger, superintendent of the children's division, and her workers.

Our services are well attended. The attendance on Sunday evening and at mid-week prayer service has been especially good. This is due to the splendid gospel preached by our pastor, Rev. H. E. Stimson, and his fine leadership.

Leona Williamson, Reporter.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY OF MISSIONARY EDUCATION

Under date of July 3, 1942, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, sceretary of missionary education, Woman's Division of Board of Missions and Church Extension, has issued the following letter, relative to the financial condition in our woman's work. We are glad to quote from this letter, that our women of the Woman Societies of Christian Service in our conference may have this information from Mrs. Bourne:

My Dear Friends:

Immediately following the meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Division in June, you received a letter signed by Mrs. Bragg and Mrs. DeVinney, but the whole woman's division is back of their appeal, and every one of us is concerned about the deficit on the 1941 appropriation. It is difficult to understand how such a thing could be, but there is a committee of women seeking to discover the sources of the shortage and the reasons for the decreased giving from women who have been so faithful, generous and devoted in the past. Now, when the need for the world mission of the Christian religion is so urgent, we, who know and love, must stand with Christ in every sin-stricken place, by the side of every weary, sorrowing soul. Their pain must become, in part, our pain, so that we may resolve to share with them through sacrificial gifts, love and prayer his saving grace, which renews strength and hope, and gives comfort and joy.

I want to help you and others to understand that our great concern is nothing ordinary, for this situation of need is extreme. There must be hundreds of thousands of women who would gladly make a great sacrifice if they knew the present urgency. So in the news letter which follows you will find some of the startling facts, as well as some of the heartening facts concerning the progress of the Christian message, by means of your consecrated gifts to the Woman's Socieyt.

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne.

Facts From Missionary News Letter

When we hear it said: "The missionaries are out of Korea and Japan, we cannot send money to those countries now," as women in the local societies have heard many times in the past 18 months, our reaction should not be the reduction of our giving, but the facing of facts which may startle you as they did the finance committee of the Woman's Division.

Do you know that $213,690 nonpayable funds appropriated for Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Burma, Malaysia, Poland, Bulgaria, if available, would not be sufficient to meet appropriations made to fields in which there is no interruption of work, as in Latin America, Northern Africa, Central Africa, China, India? Do you know that amount is part of deficit of $384,474 which the Woman's Division faces because of decreased giving?

Do you know that some of those emergency needs are caused by the reduction of the buying power of the dollar in West China (only about one-fourth what it was two years ago); tha tthe health of our missionaries is threatened; that some have lost everything they possessed; that the cost and difficulties of travel are almost unbelievable; that the immediate necessity of locating and repairing homes for missionaries and native workers is a severe strain on these heroic workers?

Do you know that Chistian churches and schools are still carrying on in Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Malaya and Burma? Do you know that Helen Kim has sold her home and is borowing money to keep Ewha College running?

Do you know that we must be ready to re-enter Japan, Korea, occupied China, the Philippines, Malaysia, our European fields, the minute the war is over. No one knows what kind of work we shall be able to do in that good day, but no Christian can doubt but that it will be a larger, more effective work than we have ever done. It will take money and much money for rehabilitation, for enlarged budgets, for the support of schools, and repaying the churches the amounts they have advanced or borrowed. If we wait until the war closes to raise the money, we shall lose months, maybe years. We should not have to surrender a single dollar of the appropriations written in these books for those suffering countries.

Finally, do you know what God wants us, as Christians, to do about this critical situation?

A BIRTHDAY GIFT TO MISSIONS

Oftentimes it is an inspiration to the missionary women of one denomination to know of the achievements of the women in a "sister denomination," so we are passing on to the members of our Woman's Missionary Society of Christian Service in the Western North Carolina conference one of the good things that we have heard recently, through the Asheville Citizen, of the accomplishments of the woman's auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, reported at a recent meeting in Montreat, N. C.:

"Thirty years ago, in 1912, on the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Woman's Auxiliary by the General Assembly, the 'birthday gift' was inaugurated—a gift devoted alternately to home and foreign mission causes, and during the 20 years, while the gift has not varied greatly, that of 1941 was in excess of any year, being more than $59,000. This sum went to pioneer evangelistic work in Brazil, and to the establishment of an endowment fund of $10,000 for the Collegiate Home in Montreat—a vacation home for the children of missionaries who are in the foreign fields.

The feature of the meeting at Montreat on Thursday evening, July 9, was the announcement of the 1942 'birthday gift' of approximately $50,000, the total contribution for the 20 years amounting to approximately $900,000. This year's gift will go to the training of negro ministers, workers and leaders, to be administered, very largley, through Stillman Institute of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, under the direction of the Home Missions executive committee."

We congratulate this group of workers on this generous gift, and wish for them continued success in the years to follow.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR BOYS

By a Soldier's Mother

"Sometimes as we sit alone with our memories we live over once more the days when our boys first came to us. We remember how we looked into their tiny faces and thought them the most beautiful boys ever born. We cradled them in our arms and rocked them to sleep. We watched them toddle from babyhood to childhood; from childhood to manhood; and in each stage we went along praying, hoping, trusting. . . . With shoulders squared and chin up 'our boys' have responded to their country's call and they have done it without whining; contributing their bit to help preserve the things that are worth while, believing that life is a very little thing unless it is made great by honor, courage and love. We, the mothers, will try and be good soldiers too, remembering that 'they also serve who only stand and wait.' We must not fail these boys of ours. And so we pray that 'God will keep our loved ones, now far absent, 'neath his care.' "—From News Sheet of Pasadena Church, St. Petersburg, Fla.

DR. ELMER T. CLARK GUEST SPEAKER IN ASHEVILLE

Central Church, Asheville, N. C., was most fortunate on Sunday, July 5th, to have as guest speaker, Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Secretary of Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, and Editor of The World Outlook, who brought an interesting and revealing message on, "What Has Happened to Our Missions in the War?" From his message we learned of the different locations of the missionary work of the Methodist Church, in the various nations of the war-torn world; of the establishment of schools, churches and other institutions and their progress prior to and during the war; and he gave statistics showing the number of missionaries still in active service in the various fields, paying a deserved tribute to their loyalty and devotion to the great missionary cause of which they are so vital a part. His sermon was heard with the closest attention and deepest interest, and was indeed a revelation to those interested in the welfare of our mission work in these trying times. Dr. and Mrs. Clark are summering at Lake Junaluska, occupying their new home there which has recently been completed.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER AND ITS POWER

Prayer is the mightiest thing put into human hands. If we know how to pray nothing is impossible to us. Prayer should be a thing of plan and purpose as well as impulse. The power to pray and the power to teach others to pray is entirely dependent on the depth of the spiritual life. There can be no forward movement in missions except as this is attained through a deepening of the spiritual life of the leaders of the church and a real spiritual revival among its members. The one real lack of today is a lack of spiritual life; the one great need, the realization of the constant presence and power of the Holy Spirit.—Robert E. Speer.

SEMINARS AND FORUMS

Last week we reminded our readers of the school of missions and missionary conference to be held at Lake Junaluska on July 27-August 4, and listed the courses of study. Some other interesting and profitable features of the event will be the seminars, forums and platform addresses. The subjects of the seminars and their leaders will be: Christian Stewardship, Miss Otie Branstetter, supervisor of week day religious education, St. Louis, Mo.; Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. M. E. Tilly, secretary of that department of work in the Southeastern Jurisdiction; Methods in Program Building, Miss Oscie Sanders, educational worker joint division of education and promotion, Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. K. W. Warden, secretary W. S. G. Southeastern Jurisdiction, and Miss Jane McDonald. The general forum hours will be led by Dr. Hugh G. Stuntz, vice president Scarritt College; Mrs. Helen Bourne; secretary missionary education joint division of education and cultivation, and others. Speakers will be Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Bishop Edwin F. Lee, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Miss Elizabeth Lee, Dr. Y. C. Yang, Dr. W. G. Cram, Dr. Elmer T. Clark. Information concerning reservations may be obtained by writing Dr. W. A. Lambeth, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

FACING FACTS

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DURHAM DISTRICT MEETING

A strong plea for the strengthening of the missionary spirit of the church was made by Mr. Harry Comer, secretary Y. M. C. A. at University of N. C. when he spoke to the women of Durham district at their annual meeting in Chapel Hill on May 27. Mr. Comer traced the history of the modern missionary movement and stated that there is no real Christian who has not become aware of the continued need for missionaries and the need for a dominant missionary spirit in the church. Said he: "There is a universal responsibility of Christians for their fellowman. We cannot ignore the need of man in any part of the world. Church members need more than ever to study, think and grow together to meet the responsibilities that face them." The noon day devotional was led by Miss Elizabeth Lamb, who stressed the power of prayer. Rev. J. M. Culbreth opened the meeting with a meditation. Mrs. Fletcher Green spoke words of welcome, to which Miss Bessie Thompson responded. Other speakers on the program included Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary; Miss Annie Baldwin, Scarritt Associate plan; Mrs. A .H. Borland, Efficiency Aim; Mrs. R. C. Gary, Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, young women and girls' work; Miss Evelyn Rothrock and Mrs. Fuller Glass, annual conference; Miss Ruth Brooks, rural work. Reports from the six zones were given. Miss Dorothy Thompson sang "Spirit of God" and Mrs. L. L. Connor sang "Teach Me Thy Will." Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, presided.

LESSONS FROM CHINA

Most inspiring lessons of steadfastness come to us from China. After four years of war, famine, epidemic, these indomitable people stand. While waging war the Chinese go right ahead with fundamental reconstruction of their nation along lines of political unity, popular government, mass education, rural economics, industrial cooperatives, public health, and training for the professions. And through all, China wastes no energy hating the Japs.

NEWS FROM LATIN AMERICA

Impressions gained of Methodism in South America formed the basis of a platform address on July 7 at Lake Junaluska by Dr. Elmer T. Clark, editor World Outlook. Dr. Clark recently spent two months in Latin America, going as a delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Church in Brazil. He visited Montevideo, Buenos Aires, Santiago, Lima, Callao, Panama, and Mexico. In South and Central America he visited the 25 schools of the Methodist Church, in which more than 13,000 students are enrolled. "Too much cannot be said in praise of these schools," according to Dr. Clark. The general institutions in South America give instruction from the primany through the high school. In Mexico, owing to restrictive legislation, certain schools are leased for nominal amounts to Methodist people, who conduct them as private institutions, the results being the same as if they were under church control. Inasmuch as the church cannot own property, the seminary and training school conduct their classes in churches. Beyond question these schools are the best of their kind in the countries, or cities where they are located. They are under national supervision and inspection, which means a degree of regimentation and a material centered system unknown in the United States. The church in Brazil has some strong national leaders. Some of these were educated in the United States. Brazil has more Methodis tchurch members than all the rest of Latin America combined—26,700 out of a grand total of 46,000. Mexico is second with about 10,500 members and 16,000 preparatory members.—News and Observer.

MORE BUT NOT ENOUGH

When second quarter reports of literature and publications had been compiled it was revealed that a total number of 2155 subscriptions to The Methodist Woman and 1954 subscriptoins to World Outlook hadbeen reported from 270 societies. Those figures are an increase over first quarter. However, with 500 societies and 18,308 members a vast number of other women should be enjoying the benefits of these two excellent publications and many, many other societies should be on the alert concerning quartely reports. Rocky Mount district led in number of societies reporting with 50; Durham and New Bern were second with 43 each; Raleigh, 42; Wilmington, 40; Elizabeth City, 27; Fayetteville, 25. In number of subscriptions to The Methodist Woman, Raleigh district led with 460; Rocky Mount second with 554· New Bern, 345; Wilmington, 291; Durham, 269; Elizabeth City, 209; Fayetteville, 206. Raleigh district is first in number of subscriptions to World Outlook, having reported 367; New Bern second with 325; Durham 324; Rocky Mount 303; Wilmington 279; Fayetteville 192; Elizabeth City 164.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH

Our children are handicapped in that the expected usually happens.

They do not know what it is to have a sitting hen leave her nest just before hatching time.

Disappointment to too many too frequently lowers group morale.

A good substitute may be better than a poor original.

DAY BY DAY

We are living day by day with our problems and our opportunities. Each day seems to end before we have gotten very far with what there is to do, and another begins with a lot of unfinished business. We haven't a great deal of time to complain about the heat. We mop our face, do what we can with what is before us and go along with the direction of a big family. Every day is a busy day.

VACATION TIME

One of the most enveloping lines of consideration is that involved in planning for the vacations of our children. Their friends and relatives are writing to know about their going and when they must come back. In those instances where we are acquainted with the home environment it is a simple matter to make commitment. In instances which changes of address and newness of home are involved we must make inquiry and be sure that our youngsters will be fittingly directed. Those who come by automobile for their children will get them Saturday, August 1. Those children who must go by bus or train will not leave until Tuesday, August 4.

CANNING TIME

Mr. Booze, our truck farmer, has just come down to ask for the help of 18 girls tomorrow at the canning house. He says he has plenty of boys but that he needs some girls to look after the peeling and preparation of some 85 bushels of tomatoes preparatory to their being canned for winter use. The canning house is just beginning to operate, though some 700 gallons of kraut has previously been stored away.

LAYING BY TIME

The boys are laying by the last of the corn, some 100 acres of it. They report that it is mighty hot to be cutting out grass between long rows of corn extending above their heads. To vary the situation they have been switched over to cleaning out the creek banks where they can paddle in the water some. It is expected that the last of the corn will be laid by this week.

THE USUAL HAPPENS

While our youngsters may proceed along the even tenor of their way in the assurance that what is expected will happen to them, those who direct them must be prepared for surprises and emergencies. It usually happens that when the hottest weather comes the most challenging situations arise. The boys say that it is too hot to sleep inside and when privileged to bring some of their covering on the outside they do not know where the boundary line of propriety stops. There is never a dull moment in the raising of a family of over 400 children.

THE SWICEGOOD FUND

Our mail is overwhelmingly encouraging. At times like these when money does not come in to any great extent messages of good cheer mean more to us. One of our most encouraging friends is Rev. E. L. Kirk of Cliffside. A letter last week went on this wise: "One of my stewards, H. E. Crawley of Avondale, told me last night that his tithe was stacking up on him and asked as to the best way to apply same. After discussion he decided on the Children"s Home Swicegood fund. Find enclosed check for $10 to be credited on the Swicegood special from Avondale church. Crawley is a good, hard working man, loves his church and the cause of Christ."

CRUSO'S GOOD FORTUNE

William Crews, often called "Bill" but more recently called "Cruso," was recently elected by the senior fellowship group at Lake Junaluska as its president. His official title is vice president of the Youth Fellowship but as such he becomes president of the senior goup, that group of youngsters ranging from 15 through 17 years of age. Word has come that due to his office Cruso has been awarded by Rev. Carl H. King's department a $25 scholarship fund for ten days' attendance upon the young people's training school at Junaluska, beginning July 21 and extending to August 1. Today Cruso is busy mailing out copies of the Home Chronicle so that they may be placed in the mail in time for him to catch tomorrow"s bus for Lake Junaluska. We feel that young Cruso will be worthy of the honor bestowed upon him.

THREE OF A KIND

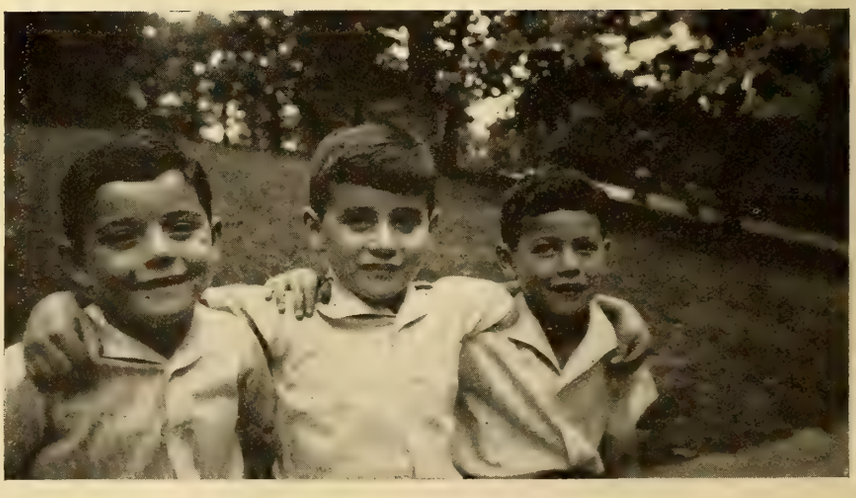
The picture this week is that of Billy, Tommy and Donald Buchanan, three brothers. The kodak was so focused as to show Billy most prominently. Tommy is oldest, Billy next and Donald last, nine, eight and seven years old, respectively, Tommy being exactly one year older than Donald. These youngsters are not only interesting but very enthusiastic members of our family. Tommy is errand boy at the Administration building. The other boys are helping members of the Anna Hanes cottage family.

NO BELL RINGINGS

The ten per cent apportionment joy bell has not rung during the past week. While the hot weather may be a hindrance, the real cause for its not having rung is that no congregation has during the week paid its entire apportionment. But a good brother did come by today and left with us $25 for the payment of a deficit that occurred 12 years ago. He discovered that due to a mistake, this amount had not been paid as reported in the conference journal. He therefore wanted to pay it and set his conscience straight. That man could use $25 to a mighty good advantage. But he said that he could use a good conscience to a better advantage.

THE SWIMMING POOL

Our swimming pool may not be a thing of beauty but it is a joy for a good part of the week for our youngsters. All children above the baby cottage age gets the benefit of a good plunge each day except Sunday and Monday. The baby cottage children have their wading pool. Even though the youngsters cannot linger in the swimming pool longer than from a half an hour to an hour each day, they do know that this joy is coming and can thus stand the heat better. We have some good swimmers and some fancy divers. The old swimming hole is a very serviceable institution.



Three Rahs for Three Fine Boys

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VACATIONING — DURHAM DISTRICT—At the time this week's Advocate reaches its readers, 60 of our children will be visiting in the homes of friends throughout the Durham district. This is a new experience for the children of the Methodist Orphanage. I sincerely trust that this new experience will result in deepening the interest of the Methodist Orphanage on the part of those who give our children such a lovely vacation. I am grateful to Dr. B. G. Childs and the Julian S. Carr Bible class, for making the visit of our 60 children possible. Brother T. B. Hough has our grateful appreciation for assigning the 60 children to homes in the Durham district. The children who have gone were anticipating the time of their lives.

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AN EXPLANATION — One reason it is costing the Methodist Orphanage so much to meet its operating expenses is due to the fact that we have had to pay at least $5,000 in taxes. In addition to this heavy burden living expenses have gone up at least 17 per cent in recent months. Indications are that prices will go still higher in the near future. Taxes and the higher cost of living are beyond our control, and we have to meet these additional obligations. The Orphanage is practicing the most rigid economy, gathering up the fragments so that nothing may be lost. Our constituency that is so responsive to the needs of our fatherless children will continue to bear in mind the fact that the Methodist Orphanage is face to face with serious financial difficulties. Every dollar that is sent to us for the maintenance of our children is wisely and economically spent. I am trusting that many Good Samaritans will remember us during these trying times.

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MILK OF HUMAN KINDNESS — Several days ago the executive committee of the board of trustees of the Methodist Orphanage accepted 20 odd children. The majority of these children have already arrived at the Orphanage and are adjusting themselves nicely to their new environment. Four of the children who were accepted were in very destitute circumstances, and did not have suitable clothes to wear. I called this fact to the attention of a prominent lady in the community in which these children lived, and asked her if she could get them suitable clothes to wear to their new home. Her response to my request was generous and beautiful. I see so much of the milk of human kindness, as the executive head of the Methodist Orphanage, that I have become a confirmed optimist.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER

To the Methodists of the North Carollina conference and to the faculty and superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage I wish to express my sincere appreciation for what you have done for me during the past 14 years. I wish to assure you that your efforts have not been in vain. The education, home and many other gifts and opportunities that you have so generously provided have been accepted and appreciated. From the depths of my heart come the desire and feeling to join my tongue in saying "thank you."

Special thanks is expressed to the Woman's Missionary Society of Webb Avenue Methodist church of Burlington. With these women a bond of love exists. May nothing tend to decrease or destroy the sacred love I have for that society. These women have faithfully and generously clothed me during my long stay at this beloved home. They call me "their boy." To them I have become closely attached, and I hope to continue to be their boy throughout life's journey. My desire is to make them proud of me. This I will do because I love them dearly and because they are the kindest friends I know. So to you ladies, from down deep within, I wish to extend my sincerest appreciation, and may your kindness be repaid double by Jesus, the giver of every good and perfect gift.

To the Methodist Orphanage and to its many friends I dedicate my life. May God so lead me that long after I have passed on people will say, "He was a student at the Methodist Orphanage, the home he loved so much." All that I am and ever hope to be was made possible by this home and its devoted friends. A hearty thanks goes out to you from a youth who really appreciates what has been done for him.

I end my senior year at the home with great appreciation. I shall leave with the determination to succeed in life and to show this world what a blessed home, with many friends, has done for me. I will remain true to the home and to the standards it upholds. With the home's trust and God's leading hand, I can not and will not fail.

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ASSEMBLIES OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION

By Hollyce Highfill

In addition to the camps held for intermediates and young adults at Camp Carlyle, two very successful assemblies were held for young people at Lake Junaluska. The first assembly, held June 29 through July 4, was for the seniors ages 15, 16 and 17, and was the largest with 410, including the staff, in attendance. The second, which was for young people ages 18 through 23, was held July 6-11 and the enrollment was 242. The two assemblies were very similar in their program of work, worship and fellowship.

Morning Devotions

The first bugle after revielle called the delegates to the east steps of the Shackford building for morning devotions. These devotions were planned by the classes on worship and evangelism along the theme of the assemblies, "Daring to Do God's Will."

Classes

Accredited classes were held in Worship and Evangelism, Understanding Ourselves, Use of Leisure Time, Youth Work in the Small Church, Senior and Young People's Program, Community Service, Music in the Small Church, Choosing a Vocation, World Friendship, Work of the Sub-district Youth Organization, and Recreation.

Bible Hour

By request the Bible hour was added as a new feature of the program this year. Dr. John D. Lee, Jr., of Emory University was leader for this period. Using Bible characters as a background, Dr. Lee presented challenging messages to youth today. These periods led to a better appreciation of the Bible and a keener awareness of responsibility as Christians.

Business

For the first time a Constitution was adopted by the Western North Carolina Young People's Conference. A Policy was also drawn up. Gilread G. Adams, Jr., vice president, presided over both assemblies in the absence of Kempton Jones. Gilreath was elected president for 1942-43. He is from Charlotte and is a student at Brevard College, where he is a rising sophomore and holds several offices. Bill Crews from the Children's Home in Winston-Salem was elected by the senior assembly as vice president. He presides over this assembly. Peggy Royall of Elkin, who has served for the past two years as associate secretary, was elected secretary. Peggy attends Greensboro College, where she will be a sophomore next year. For associate secretary the senior assembly elected Margaret Blackard of Charlotte. Mrs. John F. Kirk of Salisbury was re-elected treasure by the assemblies.

Commission chairmen and advisers were appointed by the council as follows: Worship and Evangelism, Miss Nell Webb, Cherryville, chairman, and Rev. Carl H. King, Salisbury, adviser; Community Service, Clyde Collins, Troutman, chairman, and Mrs. G. G. Adams of Charlotte, adviser; World Friendship, Miss Mary Moling Kirkman, Pleasant Garden, chairman, and Miss Mabel Cherry, Newton, adviser; Recreation, R. Harold Hipps, Gastonia, chairman, and Rev. Earl Brewer, Charlotte, adviser.

The following district directors were also affirmed: Asheville, Miss Clara Ross, Asheville; Charlotte, Miss Mary Margaret Johnson, Charlotte; Elkin, Rev. W. J. Huneycutt, Yadkinville; Gastonia, Rev. Robert H. Stamey, Belmont; Greensboro, Miss Hollyce Highfill, Greensboro; High Point, Miss Viola Brigman, High Point; Marion, Mrs. Connie Cope, Marion; Salisbury, Mrs. John F. Kirk, Salisbury; Statesville, Miss Pauline Webb, Statesville; Waynesville, Miss Vivian Moore, Andrews; Winston-Salem, Miss Brona Nifong, Winston-Salem.

Reports were made by the district directors that showed definite progress during the past year. Activities such as retreats, Epworth training conferences, picnics and banquets were held. Response to the Methodist Youth Fund and conference work was good. The ratio for giving to the two funds was suggested as 2 to 1 in favor of the Methodist Youth Fund.

Afternoon Activities

For one hour each afternoon the delegates went to one of many interest groups. These groups were in handicrafts, hiking and nature lore, folk games, journalism, first aid, kodaking, dramatics, tennis for beginners, the assembly choir, and discussion of youth and war. A new feature was the commission laboratories where the problems of the four commissions were studied. During the free period in the afternoon tennis, ping-pong, swimming, boating and horse-shoes were enjoyed.

Singing

Whenever the delegates were together for assembly they were singing. Mrs. C. C. Herbert led the group and taught many folk songs and inspiring hymns.

Vespers

Vespers were held on the west slope between two of the lodges. These programs were also planned along the theme "Daring to Do God's Will."

Platform Hour

Three outstanding speakers for platform hours added to the assemblies' program. Bishop Clare Purcell spoke to the senior assembly on "Sal Magundy Salad" or "Things I Wish I Had Known Before I Was 21." The five things he discussed were:

1. What I was going to do in life.
2. That what we put in our stomachs before we are 25 largely determines our health after we are 50.
3. How to handle money.
4. That you can't get something for nothing.
5. The joy of being committed to a cause.

Bishop Paul Kern and Dr. Elmer T. Clark spoke to the young people's assembly. Said Bishop Kern: "I salute you, the knights of a great adventure. You have a hard load to carry, but I do not feel sorry for you, for you are at the beginning of a new discovery. You must find new and better techniques for personal living. The world must be re-made on the platform of the Sermon on the Mount. One great thing to do is to get rid of war with the safeguard peace. I salute you with the joy of God as you go out into this crusade for a new and better world. No generation of young people has ever had an adventure like yours."

Dr. Clark spoke on the work of the missions in occupied war areas. He said: "The church is the only international bond. The Christian gospel is the only tie that holds the world together in any sort of unity. We dare not let the missionary enterprise die if we are to have any kind of a way out of the present world disaster. For war does not repeal the Great Commission or lessen the duty of the Christian church. If unity is achieved it will be because men are bound together in the bonds of brotherhood in Christ."

World Friendship Day

Wednesday of each assembly was designated as World Friendship Day. The platform was decorated with a large Christian flag high in the center. Below it were crossed small American and British flags. On each side of these were flags of other nations. Delegates represented several countries where Methodist missionaries are at work. Rev. Louis Lomax, a major in social science at Paine College, and who is in charge of the religious life of the negroes on the assembly grounds, spoke for the race. Miss Betty Ling, a popular young Chinese girl attending Westminster Choir School, gave a most challenging talk about her country. An offering was taken at each assembly totaling $92. This was divided equally between the Gilbert Negro Center which is on the assembly grounds, and China Relief.

Banquet

A colorful sight was made by boys and girls as they went to the annual banquet. The theme was "Ye Olde Singing School." Silver cleffs, musical notes and robed choir dolls decorated the tables. Talented delegates presented a delightful musical program.

Three-way Fellowship Program

For a fellowship hour of movies, folk games and a campfire the delegates were divided into three groups. The movies for the senior assembly were taken and shown by Rev. John Everington and his daughter, Alice. These movies were of old cathedrals and churches of England, some of which are now destroyed. At the

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MURFREESBORO CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLY

The seventh annual Christian Adventure Assembly was held at Chowan College, Murfreesboro, June 13-17, 1942, with the theme "Come and See Jesus." There were 88 delegates in attendance and a staff of 15 headed by Rev. O. L. Hardwick, dean. Joyce Meekins, president, presided over the meetings, assisted by the following officers: Vice president, Paul Moyle; secretary, Hazel Stephenson; publicity chairman, Ethel Parker Morgan.

Delegates enjoyed the privileges of worship, study and play during the assembly days. Each morning each delegate with his Bible and guidance sheet sought a quiet spot for private meditation. Vesper services were conducted by the members of the worship and evangelism commission, and each day was concluded with the friendship circle and prayer groups.

On Wednesday evening the Chowan Tribe held its council fire and after the fire-lighting ceremonial, which was presided over by Chief Tommy Robbins, the tribe enjoyed folk songs and folk tales. The camp fire was concluded with the symbolism of the fire and a candlelight procession back to the building.

Courses offered were: How Can I Know I Am a Christian? Rev. O. L. Hardwick; We Live Together, Rev. R. E. Walston; God in the World Today, Rev. C. E. Vale; Choosing Our Heroes, Rev. M. W. Maness, Ways We Worship, Miss Elizabeth Myers.

At the worship period delegates met for study in the four commission areas —Worship and Evangelism, Miss Helen Evans; World Friendship, Rev. R. E. Walston; Community Service, Miss Lorene Weaver; Recreation, Rev. L. E. Blackburn.

Play time was a very happy time and offered much variety. Badminton, soft ball, croquet, folk games, and swimming were offered during the recreation period. However, we had the opportunity not only to do these things that we liked to do but also to learn new things and pursue new interests.

The interest groups, consisting of banquet, dramatics, music and handicrafts, were very popular with the young people. The banquet group, led by Rev. Linwood Blackburn, planned and carried out the assembly banquet, using as their theme a Latin American Fiesta. Gay senoritas and musical senors decorated the walls and programs and the flags of several Latin American countries added color to the occasion. Miss Helen Evans directed the interest group in music and she and her group added greatly to the assembly program through their contributions at vesper services, assembly periods, the banquet and talent night programs. The handicraft group, under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Myers, offered opportunities for making chenalias, wooden shower shoes, bracelets and fiber brushes, which proved very popular. Much ingenuity and originalty was displayed. Miss Lorena Weaver, Miss Janella Kirk, and Mr. Gene Purcell demonstrated crafts. Mrs. Linwood Blackburn directed the dramatics interest group, which group enjoyed arranging and producing a skit for the talent night program and also furnished talent for the banquet.

The four days were spent in happy fellowship and communion with God. Each one contributed his bit to the spirit of the assembly to make it more inspirational. The impressive holy communion service led by the director, Rev. R. W. Bradshaw, brought the assembly to a close.

Ethel Parker Morgan.

FELLOWSHIP OF STUDY

The Fellowship of Study offers to all those interested in the welfare of the children of the church an excellent opportunity for personal enrichment and better understanding of the work of the children's department in the church. In joining this fellowship a member is asked to read at least four books in the field of child education during the year, to use the approved church school materials, and to be venturesome in one's teaching during the year. Books may be borrowed from the conference library for a period of two weeks. We shall be glad to send enrollment card and suggested reading list upon request. The following persons are enrolled in the Fellowship of Study for the current church school year 1941-42:

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"My friends, you had better warm up or freeze over. Better set the kettle outside in the atmosphere at zero, or put it on the altar of God and stir up the coals into a blaze. If we do not, God will remove us."—Half-and-Half-Churches, by T. DeWitt Talmage, "Around the Tea Table."

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SIGNS FOR TOURISTS
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By J. J. Sessler

Charles and Elsie went on a trip with their parents. The day before they were to leave the car was washed and greased, and the clothes were packed for an early start the next morning.

At sunrise they were on their way. All the indications pointed to a good day for traveling. As they were winding their way out of the city for the open country, Charles wondered how his father knew the way so well. He turned right at one street and left at the next.

"Daddy, how do you know the way so well?" finally asked Charles.

"I don't know the way," replied the father, "I have never come this way before, I am merely following the signs. See that sign there in the shape of a triangle? If we follow that it will lead us to the big bridge which we must cross. All we have to do is to follow the signs."

This was something Charles and Elsie did not know about traveling. The father explained that on a long trip, signs were necessary otherwise the traveler would become confused and lose his way.

As they approached the bridge Elsie said, "Look, that sign says, 'Keep to the Right'; I saw it first. Are you going to keep to the right, daddy?"

"Of course, Elsie, it would be very dangerous here not to keep to the right."

As they came into the next town the car went very much slower. Charles and Elsie wondered why they were going so slowly. "We will never get there at this slow speed," suggested Charles and Elsie.

"Didn't you see the sign a short distance back?" asked the mother.

"What did it say, mother?" Elsie wanted to know.

"It said 'Go Slowly,' " replied mother.

"And that means," informed the father, "that there are other people who have to use this road as well as we. Going too fast will mean a collision."

They now were in the long open stretches of the country. On either side of the road there were fields of grain and hay. Some distance ahead there was a group of men working. "I think there is some construction ahead," said the father.

"And what does that mean?" asked Elsie.

"We will find out in a short time," answered the father.

The car slowed down. To the right was a large sign which read, "Bridge out, Detour."

"What do we do now?" asked Elsie.

"There is only one thing to do," answered the father, "and that is to detour as the sign says we should. To avoid plunging into the river, we must go in a roundabout way. That is what detour means."

The detour was rough and the car crawled along at a very slow pace. When finally they were back on the main road Charles said, "We lost a lot of time there."

"Yes, we did," said the mother, "but it is better to avoid danger by going around it even if we lose time."

"What was that?" suddenly asked Elsie.

"It sounded like thunder to me," replied Charles.

"There is a threatening sky ahead of us; we will be running into a shower before long," observed father.

In a short time the first drops of rain were patering on the roof of the car. As it began to rain faster, driving became dangerous. Just then they were passing a sign reading, "Pavement Slippery When Wet." As they came around the next curve they were suddenly confronted by a car upside down in the ditch. The driver was the only one in the car and he was merely bruised and badly shaken. Other cars had already arrived on the scene, and First Aid treatment was given to the injured man.

"How can a car turn over like that?" asked Charles.

"That is very easy; he lost control of the car," answered the father, "but it would not have happened had he obeyed that sign a little way back which told him that this pavement is slippery when wet. That accident just goes to show that it pays to obey the signs."

The rain was a passing shower and now the sun was again shining as it was sinking in the west. It had been a long day of travel. So the family found a comfortable place for the night.

"You know, daddy," said Charles, "the signs along the road make traveling easy."

"Of course," replied the father, "they tell you how to get where you want to go, and how to stay out of trouble along the way."

They were all tired and ready for bed. The first day of the trip had been a success.

You and I are traveling on a highway every day of our lives. This highway leads from this world to the next. The signs along this highway are to be found in the Bible. The Bible tells us to keep to the right. We should live the right kind of life; a life that is true and honest.

We all want to get to heaven and in the Bible we find signs which tell us how to get there. On the road to heaven we come across these signs, "Thou shalt worship the Lord, thy God," "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," "Honor thy father and thy mother," "Thou shalt not steal," "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ."

These are only a few of the many signs which show us how to live and how to get to heaven. As a tourist on the highway follows the signs, so all of us should follow the signs in the Bible.—The Expositor.

THE PUZZLE

Cora M. V. Preble

There's something Rosalie and I
  Can't understand—dear me;
It really is a puzzle, too,
  And queer as queer can be!

My hair is short and shiny black,
  And curls all o'er my head,
While Rosalie's is blonde and long,
  And very straight, instead.

Now, when I wet my hair it curls,
  So Rosalie said she
Would wet her hair so she could have
  Some ringlet curls like me.

But when we got a basin full
  Of water, dearie me!
The more we dampened Rosie's hair
  Straighter it seemed to be!

And we would like to know just why—
  We're only little girls—
That water makes her hair more straight
  And mine more full of curls!

—Child's Gem.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"Now, boys," the teacher queried, "after what I have explained of the lion's fierceness, strength and daring, can any one of you name a single animal that the king of beasts stands in awe of?"

Up shot little Willie's hand. "Well!" the teacher asked, "which is the animal?"

Willie (promptly)—"Please, teacher, the lioness!"—Whitley Seaside Chronicle.

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First Little Girl—Why did your mother spank you?

Second Little Girl (professor's daughter)—Because she is too untutored, ignorant and archaic in her ideas to devise a more modern reformatory method based on the superior intelligence of the younger generation. —Pathfinder.

Sunday School Lesson

JULY 26

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By Rollin H. Walker

Noah: God's Covenant With Mankind

Genesis 6 to 9

The editor of the book of Genesis makes no attempt to harmonize the two accounts of the flood which he has woven together. He had evidently committed both narratives to memory, and he gives us in connection with each detail the, often divergent, parallel in the other document.

It is eminently reasonable to suppose that the flood story has a historical basis. The valleys of the Tigris and the Euphrates were subject to enormous floods. Of course the writers of these stories knew nothing of the size of the earth and the vast continents across the seas, and of the difficulties of the polar animals in getting down to the ark. Nothing is easier with our enlarged knowledge of the earth than to make a joke of the whole story. And it behooves the teacher not to spend time and energy in trying to defend it in its details, and thus fail to make the point which the writers wish to impress upon us. There is such a thing as being so eager to defend the Bible that we forget to expound it. There is a story of a certain man who was struck dead for trying to steal the ark (2 Samuel 6:6-7). One fears that the undertakers would have a rushing business all over the country if that penalty were inforced in connection with our lesson.

It is interesting to note that the writer feels that God repented himself that he had made man, and it grieved him at his heart. He feels that God, like the scientist, at times tries experiments that have negative results. This is good medicine for the people who feel that everything is mechanically foreordained.

Noah is forewarned of the coming calamity. But we are to understand that the rest of mankind scouted at the very idea of the coming judgment. Jesus said that it would be the same in the future. As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the days of the Son of man; they ate, they drank, they married and were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark and the flood came and destroyed them all. Jesus thus shows us how to use this story. We are to see its parallel in every day life, and in the experience of the nations. And how often have the words of our Lord been fulfilled! With what terrible suddenness the present flood of world-wide calamity burst upon us!

And what is true of nations is of course true of individuals. The rains descended, the floods came and beat on every man's house in an hour that he thinks not. And he survives the storm, or is swept away according as he has or has not prepared for the flood.

We are told that after Noah came out of the ark he made a great sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the Lord. In the parallel pagan account, which is older than this story, the gods are said to have gathered above the sacrifice like flies. Our writer has pasteurized the paganism out of the story.

How painfully honest the Bible is in its account of its heroes! The Bible writer would have enjoyed painting Noah as an ideal saint, but he has to tell us that after the flood Noah planted a vineyard, and got drunk on the wine thereof. Look at the man who of all the earth was worthy to be saved, as he lies there uncovered in disgraceful drunken stupor! Surely the Lord has a hard time in making something out of the human race. After God had given the Allies victory in the first world war, they went on a spree of folly and immorality, and Charles E. Jefferson, the great minister of Broadway Tabernacle, chose for his text on the first Armistice Day, "And Noah was drunk." That is the way to use the Old Testament in preaching.

The Bible writer tells us that Jehovah made a covenant with Noah that he would never again send a flood to destroy all flesh. One surmises that he realized that while the God he knew was a God of stern judgments, he was not one who would be likely to send such a complete and world-wide disaster upon all men. So with prophetic skill he uses the rainbow as a sign that God will never again destroy the earth. And the Revelator tells us that he saw a rainbow round about the throne of God (Revelation 4:3).

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THIRD ROUND

July
Mount Tirzah, New Bethel, 11 26
Rougemont, Rougemont, 3 26

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Chowan, Evans, 11 24
South Mills, 11 25
Aulander, Colerain, 11 26
North Gates, Savages, 3 26
Swan Quarter, Fairfield, 11 31

August
Mattamuskeet, Englehard, 11 1
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 2
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3 2
Pasquotank, Eureka, 11 8
Bath, Asbury, 11 9
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 8 9
Hatteras, 8 11
Kinnakeet, Clark-Bethel, 8 12
Edenton, 11 16
Windsor, White Oak, 3 16
Williamston, 8 19
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 22
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 23
Currituck, Hebron, 3 23
Ahoskie, 8 26
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September
First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Creedmoor, Grove Hill, 11 26
Vance, Harris Chapel, 3 26
Mamers, Union, 8 29
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 31

August
Four Oaks, Sanders Chapel, 11 2
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8 2
Selma, 3 5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 9
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
New Port, Havelock, 11 26
Dover, Asbury, 8 26

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Weldon, 11 26
Littleton, New Hope, 3:30 26
Littleton Ct., Hawkins, 8 26

August
Wilson, 11 2
McKendree, 8 2
Spring Church-Garysburg, Spring Church, 11 23
Halifax, Pierce's, 4 23
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 30
Bethel, 11 30

September
Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October
Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November
Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

July
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 11 26
Acton, Acton, 8 26
Haywood Street, 8 29

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Mocksville, 11 26
Davie, 3 26
Advance, night 26

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July
Trinity, Gastonia, 11 26
Stanley, Iron Station, night 26

August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

July
Grace, 11 26
Haw River, Fairgrove, 3 26
West End, 8 26

August
West Market, 11 2
Gibsonville, 8 2
Centenary, 11 16
Summerfield, 8 16
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Stokesdale, 8 30

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., High Point, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Highland, 11 26

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Marion Ct., Pleasant Grove, 11 25
Marion, First, 11 26
McDowell, Snow Hill, 3 26

August
Bakersville, Bakersville, 11 9
Elk Park, Linville, 3 9
Spruce Pine, night 9
Old Fort, 11 16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 16
Avery, Pisgah, 11 23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30 23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night 23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

September
Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 13
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Bostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Davidson-Fairview, Davidson, 11 26
Mount Zion, 7:30 26

August
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 2
Hudson, Cedar Valley, 3 2

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

July
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 26
Welcome, Center, 3 26

August
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 9
City Mission, 8 9
West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11 16
Kernersville Ct., 8 16
Green Street, 11 23
Centenary, 11 30

WORKING FOR HIM

God has given all of us talents, something to use for him. Oh, do not let the world have that which God has given you. I do not mean to say—you will not misunderstand me, I am sure—that if you are called upon, as most of us, all of us in some way or other, are, to do the world's work, we are going to do it to the best of our ability. True consecration begins when all that is done. That is a debt not only to God, but to man. Speak for him, or perhaps write for him; perhaps you can use hands and feet in his service.—J. Russell Howden.

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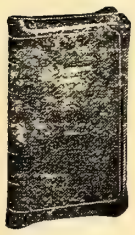
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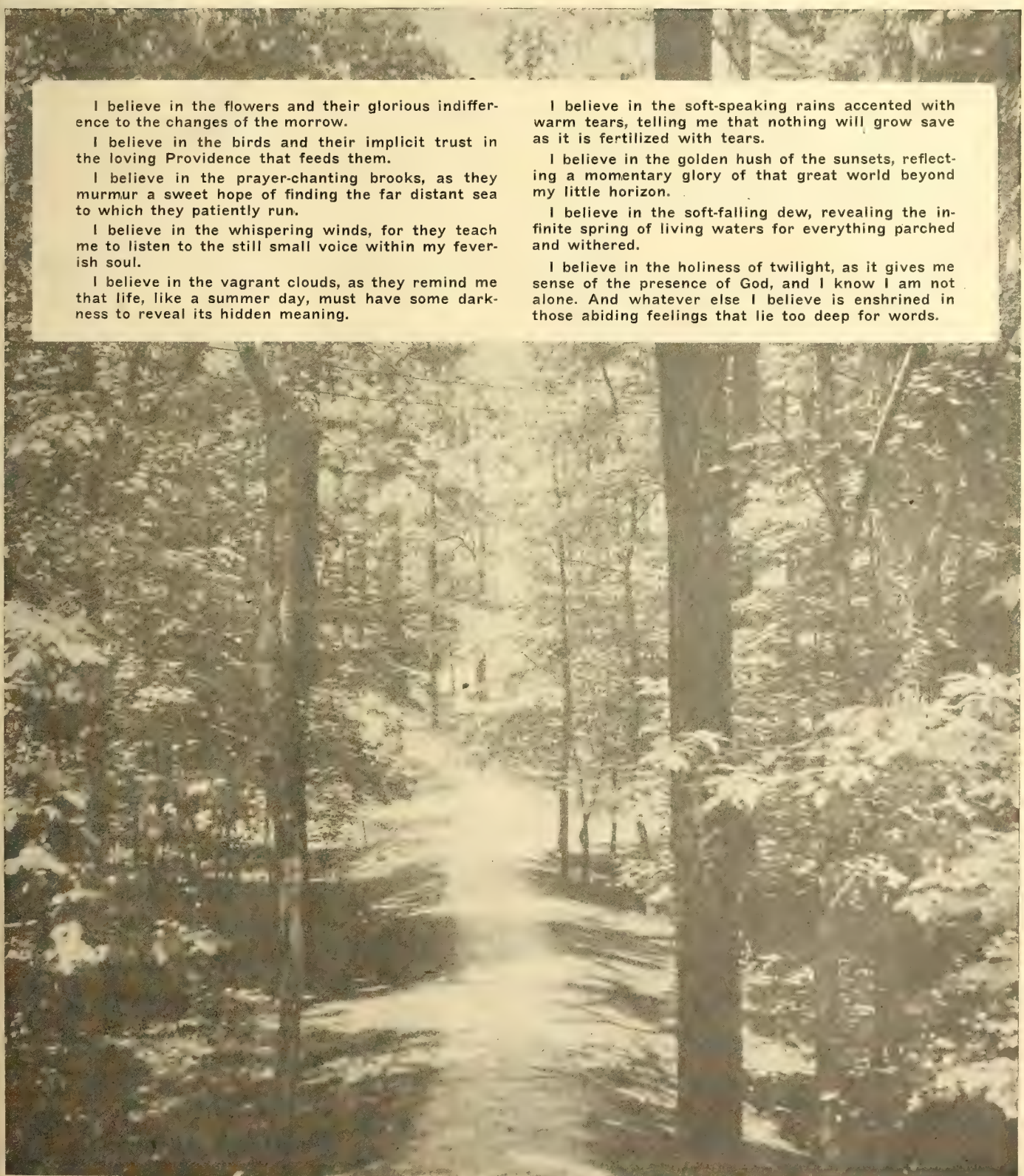
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A Summer Creed

By A. A. ARGOW



I believe in the flowers and their glorious indifference to the changes of the morrow.

I believe in the birds and their implicit trust in the loving Providence that feeds them.

I believe in the prayer-chanting brooks, as they murmur a sweet hope of finding the far distant sea to which they patiently run.

I believe in the whispering winds, for they teach me to listen to the still small voice within my feverish soul.

I believe in the vagrant clouds, as they remind me that life, like a summer day, must have some darkness to reveal its hidden meaning.

I believe in the soft-speaking rains accented with warm tears, telling me that nothing will grow save as it is fertilized with tears.

I believe in the golden hush of the sunsets, reflecting a momentary glory of that great world beyond my little horizon.

I believe in the soft-falling dew, revealing the infinite spring of living waters for everything parched and withered.

I believe in the holiness of twilight, as it gives me sense of the presence of God, and I know I am not alone. And whatever else I believe is enshrined in those abiding feelings that lie too deep for words.

JUNALUSKA PERSONALS

Hon. Josephus Daniels and Mrs. Daniels are at their summer home in Junaluska. This eminent North Carolinian has so many titles that one is at a loss to know which to prefix to his name. Ambassador to Mexico for a decade and Secretary of the Navy for eight years, which included the first world war, he may with accuracy be called Secretary Daniels or ambassador. But most people prefer to say simply "Mr. Daniels."

He and Mrs. Daniels are this summer keeping open house to their friends and Mr. Daniels spends his morning hours writing editorials for the News and Observer of which he is again full fledged editor. Printer's ink once on a man's fingers remains forever.

Friends and admirers from all sections call to see the Daniels. Bishop Waldorf was their guest when at the Lake last week to fill a speaking engagement.

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Bishop Paul B. Kern has one of the most attractive summer residences within the Assembly grounds. It is located on one of the highest ridges of these grounds where the lake is in full view and the mountain peaks are round about, like the psalmist says the mountains are around Jerusalem. The bishop takes pleasure in pointing out his flower and vegetable gardens, but we labored in vain to find out who cultivates those gardens.

The house is the fulfillment of an architect's dream and beautifully furnished. It is just such a home as Mrs. Kern, one of the most charming women of this southland, can enjoy to the fullest, especially since her grandchildren are frequent visitors.

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Mrs Turpin, head of Methodist publicity at Nashville, Tenn., is on the job this year as she has been for a number of years in the past. She sends to the press of the country daily reports of happenings of public interest and of platform addresses by prominent speakers, and these serve to keep this "Summer Capital of Methodism" before the general public. The success of this summer assembly is more deeply indebted to Mrs. Turpin than any other single individual. She also prepares a daily bulletin which is distributed free to all guests and visitors to the assembly grounds.

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CHAPLAIN VICKERS IN INDIA

Rev. T. G. Vickers is now stationed at New Delhi, India, and is the senior American chaplain in India. He says the heat is severe but he is standing it very well and his health is good. His address is Chaplain T. G. Vickers, 0-108012, AP0885, Hdq. 10th Air Force, Care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

The tree overthrown by the wind had more branches than roots.—Chinese.

RAMSEUR AND RANDOLPH COUNTY MOURN THE PASSING OF J. C. CRAVEN

It is very seldom that a community is so deeply saddened as was Ramseur at the death of Jesse Clarence Craven, aged thirty-five years, whose death occurred at the Randolph Hospital in Asheboro on Friday, July 24. Mr. Craven, superintendent of the Columbia Manufacturing Company here, a textile mill which has been in the hands of his family since the founding of Ramseur many years ago, was severely burned while testing an electric motor in the mill late Saturday afternoon, July 11, and lingered almost two weeks. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Craven, who have been among the outstanding citizens of this county for many years. He was a graduate of Rutherford College and attended Duke University, was at the head of the Ramseur Volunteer Fire Department, was a member of the town board, was a former president of the Ramseur Lions Club, a director of the Building and Loan Association and a member of the official board of the Methodist church. The funeral was held at the church on Saturday afternoon, July 25, with an audience twice the capacity of the building. The pastor was assisted in the service by Rev. Paul Hardin of Asheboro.

In addition to his parents Mr. Craven is survived by his wife, the former Frances Whitehead, by one son, Jesse Clarence, Jr., aged six years, and by one brother, Alton Watkins Craven of Ramesur.

J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

August 2-8 (Eighth Week)

August 2 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "Christian Missions in a World Like This," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Deathless Church," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

August 3 (Mon.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour, Dr. C. K. Vliet.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Presentation of All Areas of Work by Missionaries and Deaconesses.
8:00 p.m.—Hymns of the Church, Junaluska Choir.

August 4 (Tue.), 9:15 a.m.—Conference Hour, Dr. Karl K. Quimby.
11:00 a.m.—Worship.
11:15 a.m.—Summation of Conference Program: What Can We Do? Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Dr. Wm. F. Quillian.
8:00 p.m.—Address, "The Christian Minister As Prophet," Bishop Francis J. McConnell.

August 5 (Wed.), 9:00 a.m.—Address, "The Christian Minister As Pastor," Dr. Costen J. Harrell.
10:15 a.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
11:00 a.m.—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
8:00 a.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
8:30 p.m.—Dr. Costen J. Harrell.

August 6 (Thu.), 9:00 a.m.—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
10:15 a.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
11:00 a.m.—Address, "The Christian Minister As Preacher," Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.
4:00-6:00 p.m.—Tea for Wives of Bishops and Preachers by Ministers' Wives of W. N. C. Conference.
8:00 p.m.—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.

August 7 (Fri.), 9:00 a.m.—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.
10:00 a.m.—Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
11:00 a.m.—Dr. Costen J. Harrell.
8:00 p.m.—Book Review, Dr. Nolan B. Harmon.
8:30 p.m.—Dr. Ralph W. Sockman.

August 8 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Inner Resources and Bright Intervals," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture "Remember the Day," and M. G. M. Short, "Colorful North Carolina."

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Nothing more clearly sets out the fundamental difference of the American way for which we are fighting from that of the nazis than the action of the Supreme Court as to the right of a habeas corpus of the nazi saboteurs. The sanctity and the permanence of our democracy heads up in this august tribunal.

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A new Kipling story: In the days when he lived at Rottingdean, Sussex, there was a bus driver who used to point out Kipling to his fares with a flourish of his whip. Kipling wrote a letter of protest to the bus proprietor. There was no answer. Kipling wrote again and yet again. Then he called. The bus proprietor received him all smiles. "I wish you would write me a letter every day, Mr. Kipling," said he; "it's better than the bus business."

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Somebody has said, "Listen at the keyhole of any century and you will hear a most delightful sound." From whence comes this delightful sound? Not from the angels in heaven nor the saints in glory. It is a sound that emanates from the shores of time and comes dancing down through the centuries. It is the care free laughter of little children. Cruelty has not yet put its poison into their hearts and they can in their laughter echo the unspoiled gladness of the world.

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"Next to our kinship to God, the most basic and significant relationships of life are within the home," says Dr. Aaron H. Rapking, rural expert of the Methodist Church. "The home is the greatest of all institutions. The right kind of atmosphere within the home, and between parents and children, is the best basis for living a worth while life. Certainly there is nothing better than the home to help bring about the best relationship between man and God. Many souls are anemic and hungry today because they are looking outside for the happiness that can come only by way of the home."

"You white folks gits religion and den you just set back and looks solemn, and don't pleasure yo'se'ves no mo'. Dat ain't right," says Roark Bradford in the Reader's Digest. Then he puts in the old colored preacher's mouth what is right. Listen to him: "When you gives yo' baby a piece er candy, you wants him to be happy, don't you? Well, when God gives you religion, he wants you to enjoy hit, too. Don't set around and mope and ack so holy, like you sick. Grown folks gittin' religion is jest like de baby gittin' candy."

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William Shakespeare, Robert Burns, Robert Browning, Alfred Tennyson, and Rudyard Kipling are great names in English literature. With the exception of Shakespeare, Kipling was the equal if not the superior of the others. There has been quite a bit of speculation, and some explanations offered, why Kipling was not made poet laureate of England. With a man of his superior gifts it would have been an empty honor, but people ask why. If it was the result of a royal prejudice this omission to confer a merited distinction was highly discreditable, even though it did no hurt to the reputation of this distinguished man of letters whose immortality is secure.

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"Remember Pearl Harbor" is a slogan that certain Americans have sought to use as a reminder of Japanese perfidy. But there are other reasons to use the slogan. The liquor crowd should remember that the Japanese saloon keepers for three weeks before the attack had been selling liquor far under cost with the result that Honolulu had been cursed with an unusual amount of drunkenness even for Honolulu. They should remember also that the Japs knew Saturday had been pay day and Saturday night would be a period of carousal. Remember Pearl Harbor, but remember it as the victim of intoxicating liquors. And let those who remember these things join in the putting away of liquor while the war lasts.

Notable Utterance of Cordell Hull

THE speech of Cordell Hull which was broadcast to the world last week must hold a foremost place among the utterances of men in high position during this war. The Secretary of State spoke with full assurance of ultimate victory, but the situation following the war claimed his best thought and his most urgent demands. In it all there was an encouraging and convincing reminder of the urgent declarations of Woodrow Wilson during the other world war.

Those who regard war a cure for all the ills of the world and can see nothing save the victory to be won by the power of might do not grow ecstatic over such speeches as this of Cordell Hull, which dealt with the serious world situation to follow the war. But certainly this statesmanlike declaration will claim more attention as we face the issue of the world situation. For a world at war must in the end involve all the nations of the planet at present and for the centuries to come. So, it must be most encouraging to all of us to have many individuals and groups while this conflict is raging on land and sea and in the air to be pondering the issues to be met around the peace table and in the decades following.

The present plea of Christian people among the nations for Christ to have a place in the midst of all the conflicting elements give most assurance of a permanent peace for the nations. How else can we hope for the objectives of Cordell Hull to be realized? Notably these: (1) That we defend liberty for all peoples; (2) for men to be free they must have economic freedom and economic security; (3) the united nations must state fundamental policies which will chart for mankind a wise course based on spiritual values; (4) and that at the end of the war these united nations must exercise surveilance over aggressor nations. This certainly means that the militarists of Germany and Japan must go and literally a different world order must prevail. Such a view as this does not make appeal to the war lords of the nations.

The emphasis placed by Secretary Hull on the importance of teachers, ministers and all who deal with the moral and social, the intellectual and the spiritual life of the people is of utmost significance. This urges that a first place be granted the family, the school and the church in all that enters into the new order in these days and in the momentous days to follow the war.

Bishop Ernest Lynn Waldorf at Lake Junaluska

SEVERAL years ago Bishop Waldorf came to Winston-Salem to address a great men's meeting in Centenary Methodist church. "Thumbs" was his subject. His conquest of that assembly was complete. Many declared that they had never heard it on that order before. He appeared again at the annual conference in High Point last fall a year ago and his preaching won as great victory as did his address in Winston-Salem. Last week he delivered two sermons at the Lake.

His subject was "The Church." He came, he saw (this was his first visit to Junaluska) and he conquered. It has been a long, long time since we have heard a more inspiring sermon on the Christian church. It was not a sermon of generalities, but of great fundamental truths, presented concretely and reinforced by the bishop's unique personality. Following the sermon Dr. Lambeth announced the old hymn:

"I love thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of thine abode;
The church our blest Redeemer saved
With his own precious blood."

The singing of that big spirit filled assembly measured up to the best traditions of the old time camp meetings.

Bishop Waldorf said that if invited he would come again. Dr. Lambeth says that he will be invited.

Jane Addams Pointed the Way

FORTY-FIVE years ago in Chicago Jane Addams on South Halstead street in a stranded old family dwelling around which had grown up the most congested tenement population in Chicago's "great west side" began her work of improving local conditions by working with her neighbors. She and her college mate, Ellen Gates Starr, cherished the single purpose to live and make their home there and to work with their neighbors to improve local and city conditions. In those early days but few knew of this venture in friendly and neighborly living. Later the larger group of kindred spirits came to be known as "Hull House." Even then to most of the people it was simply the place where Jane Addams lived.

Neighborly relations such as was practiced in many communities in the early settlements of America was put into practice here in this

slum district of Chicago. Friendly interests of certain noble spirit in those early scattered settlements were manifest at marriages, births, funerals and other such family events. This neighborly spirit did much then for community life and for good citizenship. Something of this same sort of life made unusual appeal in the great city in the days of Jane Addams.

Miss Addams always contended that this neighborhood spirit was not restricted to any one locality. Her loyalty to her own neighborhood impelled her to be an active citizen of Chicago. This civic consciousness accounts for the zest with which she responded to Chicago's claims upon her service. Her hope for a neighborly nation and a neighborly world led to her many efforts for reforms. The World War enlisted her among the first in an effort for world peace. She personally appeared before the high officials of nations at war pleading for international peace. Meanwhile she rallied groups of influential women in many lands into the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, which she founded and over which she presided.

Without doubt the work and inspiration of this good neighbor and citizen abides in the present efforts of the many who are so much interested and so fully enlisted in the peace that is to follow this present war. Never before have so many during a war been so sincerely striving for a permanent peace. The recent speeches of Sumner Wells and Cordell Hull are notable.

Cast Aside the Old Homily

GOD have mercy on the man who is reciting old sermons these days. The passionate utterance of the preacher in fellowship with God and in touch with the folks has not lost the victor's crown. These are most unusual days; no ordinary sermon will meet the needs of the people.

In every assembly on Sunday morning are men anxious about their boys who are away from home. Women with broken hearts and some with streaming eyes slip into the pews eager for a message from God and a balm for a troubled soul. To such a group a minister with passionate utterance should speak home to the heart. What a sacrilege is it for a man in such a presence to quietly repeat an ancient and dull homily with no human touch and little of the spirit of God in it!

For the man of God who lives in touch with the plain people and the devoted fathers and mothers of the land, face to face with the issues of a world at war, there never was such an easy time to preach. But for all who attempt to wear the old vestments of ecclesiasticism or to rattle the dry bones of theological discussion it is a dry and dusty land full of dead men's bones.

These weeks certain pastors of city churches are out among the poor in country places preaching without money and without price. There he learns the meaning of the familiar words, the poor have the gospel preached unto them. Then, too, he is able to return to his own people with a fresh urge in his message and a new joy in his gospel. Sermons will gush forth as waters from the fountain and the people will be refreshed by the living message. Fellowship with God and a new human touch will have furnished for all the victor's crown.

An Important Part of Life

THE Lapp in the land of the Aurora Borealis cannot live without his reindeer. The Arabian steed enjoyed greater renown than his dark rider over the desert sands of the Orient. Ox carts and "prairie schooners" drawn by faithful and sometimes weary horses to the unoccupied lands toward the setting sun had an important part in the lift of those hardy pioneers who led the march of civilization in our own land of promise. The Methodist circuit rider's horse had an important part in building the kingdom of God in America. But now these animal helpers are in the discard. We must now have gas; we cannot get on without gas and rubber which have become an essential of our present day method of travel and transportation.

It is not surprising, therefore, that people are disturbed when suddenly and unexpectedly deprived of these essentials of our commercial life. It is really a more serious matter than some of the would-be leaders about Washington seem to think.

Three women on a street car: A young mother with a boy of five, very tired and rather cross, and resentful of his mother's rebukes. As they left a woman said, "Pretty hard for a little boy to live in a grown-up world." In front of her a young woman looked up from her morning paper, pointed to the headlines and said contemptuously, "Do you call this a grown-up world?"

✣ People and Things ✣

On Sunday morning, August 2, Hon. Josephus Daniels, ex-ambassador to Mexico, will make an address to the congregation of Central church, Asheville. His subject will be "A Good Neighbor." Service on that Sunday morning, including the address, will be broadcast by Station WWNC.

Rev. Robt. M. Hardee, pastor of the Mocksville Methodist church, was in the Advocate office last Monday morning and reported that he would leave August 1 for Camp McClellen, Ala., to begin his work as army chaplain. Mrs. Hardee will remain in North Carolina until he has made arrangements for living quarters and will then join her husband.

The young people of the Burlington circuit invite the young people of Alamance county to Bethel church, Burlington circuit, for rally day program the second Sunday of August. Worth while program in the morning—Mr. Harris Proctor to bring the rally day message. We welcome all to Bethel. The young people of Burlington circuit will meet at their parsonage on Tuesday night of this week for an ice cream supper and fellowship.

Rev. R. M. Hauss, pastor of the Shelby circuit, who was recently elevated to the presidency of the Shelby Lions Club, was an official delegate to the international convention at Toronto, Canada, July 20-24. Being Key Member of Lions International, he took part on the program at the Key Members luncheon. Shelby Lions Club, which is one of the largest and most active clubs in North Carolina, has a membership of 97.

The national income reached an all-time high last year at $92,000,000,000. Financial wizards are telling us that the figure will go as high as $107,000,000,000 this year. About 12½ billion that we normally would have spent for autos, electrical equipment, etc., is going to be available for spending for something else. The liquor business, the movies, the gamblers, are already making plans to get a cut of this gigantic melon. Why shouldn't the church receive a little of it? Think of this when you make out your pledge."—Third Church Bulletin, Pittsburgh.

Rev. J. F. Minnis, former Methodist Protestant missionary to India, is now on furlough, visiting at his home near Hillsboro. He would like to be used by churches or societies between August 9 and 23, on week days (Sundays are already filled). There are doubtless many places where he could be used to the profit and information of those who do not know him, and the great pleasure of those who have known him through the years. If you wish to make an appointment for him to come to your church, write him at Hillsboro, N. C.—Mrs. R. M. Andrews.

Reflecting the rubber shortage and the rapidly fading treads on automobile tires, figures made public by the Highway Safety Division reveal the startling fact that fatal accidents from tire failures have jumped 250 per cent for June, 1942, over June, 1941. "This is an alarming condition and is destined to become worse," declared T. Boddie Ward, commissioner of motor vehicles, in taking cognizance of the situation. "It is a serious menace and a challenge to each motor vehicle driver," continued Mr. Ward. In June of this year 60 persons were killed in 53 traffic accidents on streets and highways of North Carolina. Of the total of 53 accidents, seven or 13.2 per cent were caused by blowouts. In those seven accidents eight persons were killed and 11 sent to hospitals. In June, 1941, a total of 97 persons were killed in 80 motor vehicle traffic accidents. Of the total of 80 fatal accidents only two or 2.5 per cent were attributed to tire failure, according to reports of investigating officers.

Frank C. Sherrill died one day last week at his home at Cornelius, age 71. He was born in Iredell county, son of Jeptha and Rachel Robinson Sherrill. He attended Old Trinity College. Some 40 years ago he moved to Cornelius and has been in the cotton business. He was president of the Gem Cotton Mill at the time of his death. Besides his widow he leaves four sons and four daughters and one sister, Mrs. T. J. Williamson. For many years he was an official member of Mt. Zion Methodist church and often represented his church at the annual conference. The funeral was at Mt. Zion church, conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. S. Smith, and Dr. J. B. Craven.—A. C. S.

Hitler's newspaper gives the following enlightening picture of Americans: "They believe all they see in print; their standardized phrases are copied from Jewish shows on Broadway; they grin all day and say 'Keep smiling, boy'; they have a herd instinct and lack self-resource; they chew gum and have a special gap in their teeth in which to store it; they carry dollar watches; they work by trial-and-error method; they eat griddle cakes and grape fruits; they drive tin lizzies; they confuse civilization with culture, they bluff others into thinking that they are successful; they are conceited and consider themselves 'the crown of creation' when everyone should know that one distinction belongs to the one people of blood and race, the Germans."

In emphasizing the danger to the lives and limbs of the motorists of the state, Mr. Ward declares that thousands of "border-line" tires are now being operated on the highways. "Very few of these drivers have any chance of relief from the death menace to themsleves and their families through the channels of tire replacement. Where tires are thin and treads are slick the only salvation for the driver is added caution, alertness and speeds well below the suggested maximum of 40 miles per hour." As treads continue to grow thinner from wear serious traffic accidents will mount accordingly, pointed out Mr. Ward, not only bringing another death hazard to the war problem, but also endangering all moving traffic on the highways.

Miss Beulah Dare Ormond, 21-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ormond of Dover, is doing a very vital work on a Methodist Youth Caravan team in South Georgia this summer. She teaches an intermediate class on "The Way of Jesus" and a class to young people on "World Friendship." She also helps in recreation for young people, worship services, panel discussions, forums and community service projects in the churches she visits as a caravaner. Miss Ormond spent one week at Lake Junaluska training camp, June 13-20, where she got extensive training for her work. She has visited the following caravan towns so far: Butler, Americus, Bainbridge and Fort Gaines, Ga. She will visit Thomasville, Ga., July 18-25, Valdosta, Ga., July 25-August 1, and Adel, Ga., August 1-8. Miss Ormond is a graduate of Woman's College, U. N. C., where she received her A.B. degree in primary education. She was first grade teacher of Prospect Hill School, last year and will resume her duty there again in September. Miss Ormond did youth caravan work in Mississippi last summer. She enjoyed her work so much that she urges more people to be a caravaner. Her experiences were so wonderful that she wishes everyone could have shared them with her. This summer means even more. She says "after caravaning, you just aren't the same." Miss Ormond is a member of Rev. Haywood Harrell's church, Johnson Chapel Methodist church, Dover.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

Please announce the official opening of the new church at Hudson August 9. All day service and plenty of dinner. All former pastors and editor of the Advocate are cordially invited to be with us. We expect to be ready for dedication in the late fall.—Robert E. Hunt.

The Wadesboro Methodist church rejoiced on Sunday, July 19, over the complete liquidation of its church indebtedness. The original debt was $6,500 and had been paid down recently to about $4,600. In a recent campaign this amount has been collected and paid, leaving the church entirely free of debt.

The annual home coming service will be held at Clover Garden Methodist church next Sunday, August 2. This church is ten miles west of Chapel Hill. Rev. J. A. Tharpe, a former pastor, will have charge of both morning and afternoon services. There will be a picnic lunch at the noon hour. We hope that every one who has an interest in the church or cemetery can be there.

Count on the army to make proper appointments. I am a southern Democrat, so they made me chaplain of a negro regiment encamped on the Republican river. I preach the turning of the other cheek, so they put Joe Louis in my outfit. I preach deliverance to the captives, so they put me in charge of all the prisoners in the fort.—Ed Earnhardt. P. S.—Send my Advocate to Chaplain D. E. Earnhardt, CRTC, Fort Riley, Kansas.

On July 12 Shell and Bradford, before a pleased congregation, burned the mortgage held against our church at Whitnel. Our whole charge is free of indebtedness now and all items to date with a surplus in the treasury. As soon as the mortgage had burned we took subscriptions to raise money for building a parsonage at Whitnel. Twenty-seven hundred dollars was pledged as a beginning on this project. Our work here goes well.—R. H. Nicholson.

The Indian Springs Holiness Camp begins Thursday evening, August 6, with the first sermon being preached by Dr. E. R. Overly of Louisville, Ky. He and Lloyd Nixon of Michigan will alternate in the preaching for the camp. Bishop Arthur J. Moore, resident bishop of the Methodist Church of the Atlanta area, will address the ministers at 8:30 o'clock each morning of August 13, 14 and 15, and will preach at the 11 o'clock hour Friday, August 14. Rev. Harry Blackburn of Parkersburg, W. Va., who for several years has directed the music at the camp, and who is one of America's great camp meeting choir directors, will have charge of the music again this year. A very excellent program for young people and children will be under the direction of Rev. Lynwood Jordan of Rochelle, Ga. Mr. Jordan was for years a teacher in the public schools, is a thoroughly trained college man, and has proved himself a most efficient director of young people.

The pastor of the Acton charge reported the following facts to the third quarterly conference: A remarkable period of splendid progress is evident among the three churches comprising the Acton charge. The interior of the parsonage has been redecorated and a new stoker added to the heating system; three vacation church schools, with an enrollment of 138 pupils, have been held. The pastor was ably assisted in these schools by Miss Ruth Bolick of Rutherford College and Rev. Marvin Boggs of the Duke Foundation. Asbury church has recently installed a heating system and is now engaged in a project to redecorate the auditorium at a cost of $1000. The Acton church has installed a new heating system and has also redecorated the interior. Oak Hill church has put a new roof on the building. The crowning feature of the program was the union of the three churches in a charge-wide preaching mission in which the pastor was assisted by Dr. S. A. Maxwell of Aberdeen. The whole membership was reached by the masterful preaching. Dr. Maxwell is both scholarly and prophetic in his methods. The congregations were large from the outset and the meeting closed in a flame of inspiration for greater achievements on the Acton charge.—H. E. Bolick, Pastor.

Moore's Chapel of the Thrift-Moore's charge, Paw Creek, will celebrate its annual home coming day Sunday, August 2. A resume of the day's program follows: 9:45, church school; 10:45, morning worship; 12-1:30, dinner and fellowship at the church; 1:30, concert of sacred music by the choir and guest singers; address by Mr. Paul Ervin of Charlotte. F. A. Wilkinson presiding. Cordial invitation is extended to all former pastors, members and other friends of Moore's Chapel.—James E. Rink, Pastor.

CARING FOR THE SOLDIERS AT MONROE

Central Methodist church in Monroe is at the center of uptown soldier activities for men of nearby Camp Sutton. A recreation center in the church is operated daily from 9 a. m. to 11 p. m. with two WPA directors in charge. The center is equipped with games ranging from shuffle-board to checkers. Books and magazines are scattered about. The church kitchen is available on specified days for family cooking. A taste of home life is thus afforded men when their wives prepare dinners for them. Writing tables and materials are in abundance. A sewing room is maintained by a soldier's wife where altering and repairing can be had at reasonable prices. Each Monday at noon an enlisted men's wives' luncheon is enjoyed by usually 60 women. After the luncheon games and a program are enjoyed. This luncheon is an activity of the U.S.O.

On Monday and Friday nights an accomplished pianist is in the recreation center from 7 to 10 a. m. The soldiers have happy song hours about the piano. On each Wednesday night soldiers come to the church and take part in the mid-week prayer service, after which they and the civilians go to the center for refreshments, music, singing and games. These fellowship hours have over 100 soldiers in attendance. These programs are sponsored jointly by the church and the WPA.

On Sunday nights at the church hour an old fashioned gospel song service is used with the organ, piano and violin as instrumental accompaniment. Special instrumental and vocal selections are presented at these services. Gospel sermons are preached on Sunday nights. The soldiers enter heartily into the spirit of the meetings.

Five offices are maintained in the church. The pastor's office and study is the scene of many conferences and interviews each day. The USO social activities office is located opposite the pastor's study. A USO worker, an assistant, and a stenographer occupy that office. A rental office is operated to help soldiers' families secure rooms. Sergeant L. A. Stamm and four NYA girls are on duty in the office from 8:30 a. m. to 9:30 p. m. Five hundred and fifty-four room placements have been made in one week through this office. A fourth office is used by Rev. Joe Caldwell, who is assistant to the pastor. Mr. Caldwell is at work with the church young people and the soldiers of Camp Sutton. The Monroe Defense Recreation committee also has an office in the church. Benches have been placed about the lawn and are in constant use. The church is always open for rest, meditation and prayer. At one time recently six people were sitting in the quiet and cool of the auditorium in prayer.

Twenty-two soldier weddings have been performed at the church altar. Two soldiers have been baptized and received into the church. A soldier's wife was baptized at the altar so that she could be in spiritual harmony with her husband.

Central church is thus a center of a large soldier program and the membership is completely in accord with the activities for soldiers and their loved ones.

The pastor, Rev. J. H. Armbrust, is chairman of the Monroe Defense Recreation committee. Both white and colored soldiers' leisure time needs are cared for through the operations of this committee. A grant of $65,000 has been secured from the federal government for a new community building to be placed on a lot provided by the city of Monroe and the American Legion. A large building has been leased for three years in which will be operated a USO soldiers' club. An expenditure of $8,000 is being made to remodel and equip this building.

A total of eight recreation centers are now in operation and two others will be open soon.

Rev. Mr. Armbrust is also a member of the Monroe rental board; is chairman of the inter-racial committee, serves on the army emergency relief committee; and is chairman of the area committee composed of recreation committee chairmen of Charlotte, Albemarle, Concord, Wadesboro, and Monroe. Vann Secrest, Chm.
Central Methodist Church Soldiers' Activities Committee.

*The Reason of Hope

By DR. N. H. D. WILSON

"Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you."—1 Peter 3:15.

Living for months hourly conscious that there is but a step between me and death has made certain questions, once theological, intensely personal and practical. "If a man die shall he live again?" has become, "If I die will I live again?" And "After death, what?" "After my death, what?" I have therefore been giving much thought to the reason for the hope that is in me. I have been examining the foundation of my "hope of glory."

Of course I have not expected to find a mathematical demonstration. The formula, 2 plus 2 equals 4, cannot be applied to spiritual realities. Moreover, I long ago saw that truth which has recently been emphasized by one of the greatest of earth's physicists, that the material sciences can neither prove nor disprove man's immortality.

If you will call my hope a bridge to span the chasm which reaches from the crumbling shores of the life that now is to the mist-covered but eternal hills of the great beyond, I will say that I have not suspended that bridge upon a logical chain which is of necessity as weak as its weakest link but upon a cable, made up of many strands, its strength the combined strength of all the strands. Each strand, though in itself a gossamer thread, adding its measure of strength. To such a cable even the material sciences may contribute. More and more they are proving that there are super-material realities in the universe. And they have discovered many facts and laws which as analogies indicate and illustrate man's immortality.

Frankly, I base my reason of hope on two suppositions: God is and God is good. To me these truths need no proof. My extremist credulity can never believe that the universe, vast, complex, beautiful, moral, is the child of blind chance, or that the source of it all is less or less good than I myself am. I have therefore wagered my life on the assurance of a God who is "Our Father," and on this also I confidently base my hope of heaven. If God is, man's immortality is possible, for as St. Paul exclaims, "Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you that God should raise the dead?" And if God is good, it follows almost as the corollary its proposition, that his human children shall live eternally.

Again, when I look within myself, I find an instinct for life and a fear of death. In my hours of faith, when death seems to me an open door to a larger and eternal life, I approach it with joy. But when faith grows weaker and it threatens to be a step off into the blank of oblivion, all that is within me shrinks back with horror. And this, my experience, is common to all normal men. Would a good God make creatures for annihilation and endow them with such hopes and fears?

I resent the charge that religion is an opiate offering to suffering men hope of heaven to dull their consciousness of wrong lest they rise against their oppressors. Christianity demands justice for every man. The kingdom of heaven to Christ included "Thy will be done on earth" as well as in heaven, and every true follower of the Master will seek that kingdom. But when all has been done which can be done at the present anyway, there remains in this world vast, awful, world-wide injustice and wrong. If there is no after-world in which a just God may correct the inequalities of this world the universe is immoral and God unjust.

Again, the capstone of creation, so far as man can see, is man himself. Though akin to the material universe he transcends it. His personality has value beyond all things material. Will God ruthlessly destroy his masterpiece and "cast as rubbish to the void?" I cannot believe it.

Then, all normal men, everywhere and at all times have looked forward to a future life. Is this a delusion? And the higher the men and the deeper his insight into life, the clearer becomes this expectation. Witness the founders of all religions, the seers, the poets. Or centering our thoughts on the Holy Scriptures, acknowleded by most to be pre-eminent among writings, we find in the Old Testament a dim hope expanding into a clear and confident expectation, and in the Apostles and teachers of the New Testament a firm and abiding confidence.

Yet after all Jesus Christ is, as he himself said, the resurrection and the life. In him, in his confidence, in his teaching, in his promises, in his life and death and resurrection we must find our supreme proof. Marvelous man! But is man alone a bundle of hopeless contradictions. But the acknowledgment of God in Christ solves for me all questions in the world and out of it. It makes the contradictions blend into perfect unity. It makes possible his impossibilities and clarifies all his mysteries. He viewed life from the standpoint of eternity. By his life, his faith, his promises we are assured of life eternal and upon his death, his resurrection, his power we build our hope of glory.

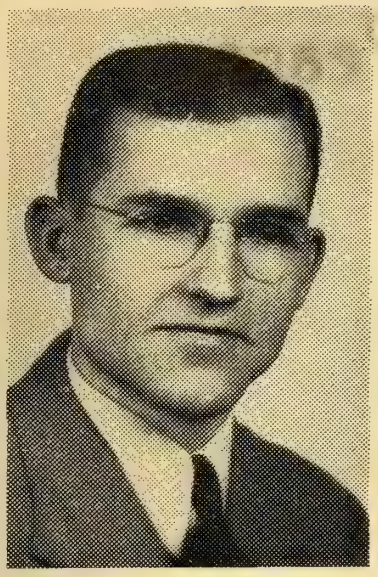
Let us then weave together these strands into our cable. Its center and core is Christ, his character, his faith, his promises, his life, his death, his resurrection. Add the assurance of poets, prophets, apostles, and of a mighty army of wise and holy men. Add the preservation of the highest values in the universe and the possibility of equalizing its injustice. Add the universality of belief and hope. Remember that God is and that God is good. When this is done I believe we have a cable strong enough to sustain our hope, to make it as sure as such a hope can be.

To me at least these truths give assurance. I have a bridge which is safely suspended across the chasm. On it my soul passes from the crumbling shores of the life that now is to the eternal hills beyond.

If a man die, he shall live again. After death comes eternal life.

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*Towards the close of Dr. Wilson's long illness a nephew of his wrote requesting of him his opinion on the subject of a life beyond death. This statement was sent by Dr. Wilson in response to that request. It is now given to a larger circle with the hope that it may help others.



Dr. J. C. Stokes, Pastor



Union Methodist Church to be Dedicated Sunday, August 2nd



Rev. A. C. Gibbs, District Supt.



Bishop Clare Purcell

Union Methodist church, Wilkesboro charge, will be the first church in Wilkes county to be dedicated under the regime of the recently organized Methodist church. This event will take place on Sunday afternoon, August 2, when Bishop Purcell, with the assistance of District Superintendent A. C. Gibbs and the pastor will lead the congregation in the impressive service of dedication. Preceding the afternoon service, the Rev. A. W. Lynch will preach at 11 a. m., and a picnic lunch will be served. All former pastors and friends are invited to attend.

The earliest records reveal that the congregation first met in a log cabin which was also used as a school building, located several hundred yards from the present site. In 1875, with Rev. Mr. Smith, the circuit rider, a parcel of land was secured as a gift from the Hackett family, and an "arbor" building was constructed, having a substantial shingle roof but with the sides open to the weather. In the course of several years the church was enclosed and completed.

This building served the congregation until 1939 when, under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. A. W. Lynch, a substantial brick structure was begun. During the pastorates of Dr. W. J. Plint and Dr. J. C. Stokes, the building has been gradually brought to completion with no indebtedness. The building committee, composed of E. R. Eller, chairman, C. W. Mahaffey, R. G. Call, C. P. Crysel, G. A. Crysel, J. D. McLean, J. E. Crysel, J. P. Crysel, and C. S. Elliott, deserves great credit for performing a magnificent task under most difficult circumstances. Assistance from the Duke Endowment fund and also from the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension was of inestimable help. For a congregation of 120 members, the building of a church valued at more than $8,000, with adequate facilities in all respects for many years to come, represents a work of courage and vision which is worthy of the highest traditions of Methodism.

TAKE WARNING

An exchange tells us that Thomas Bailey Aldrich, the author, sent the following letter to his friend, William Dean Howells, the novelist:

"Dear Howells:

"We had so charming a visit at your house that I have about made up my mind to reside with you permanently. I am tired of writing. I would like to settle down in just such a comfortable home as yours, with a man who can work regularly four or five hours a day, thereby relieving one of all painful apprehension in respect to clothes and pocket money. I am easy to get along with. I have few unresonable wants and never complain when they are constantly supplied. I think I could depend on you.

"P. S.—I should want to bring my two mothers, my two boys—I seem to have everything in twos—my wife and her sister."

One part of knowledge consists in being ignorant of such things as are not worthy to be known.—Author unknown.

Things That Belong to Peace

By DR. LISTON POPE

[Concluded from last week]

(An address by Dr. Liston Pope, assistant professor of social ethics at Yale University School, New Haven, Conn., delivered at the sixth annual North Carolina Convocation of Churches, Burlington, N. C., April 7-8, 1942).

II.

There are many things we can still say positively, and do, to help the hurts of the world. If there is no inexorable process at work in our civilization, presumably our own efforts may help at various points to tip the scale in favor of greater and more lasting peace. There seems to be no inherent necessity in our culture that war should be the major preoccupation of nations. We are not reduced to futility. One of the strangest notions in contemporary American religion is the notion that one is reduced to futility unless perfect action is possible. Though much is taken from the dream of peace in our time, much abides. Whatever may be the ultimate fate of peace in the world, we have immediate responsibilities.

First of all, if we would have a just peace, we must win the war. Hope for a better peace will otherwise become a futile dream. Winning the war is no guarantee of a better world, but it is a prerequisite. If the totalitarian states triumph, there may be no real "peace settlement," but only a species of annexation. Our plans for peace must therefore clarify, rather than obscure or dismiss, the issues of the war. Peace aims and war aims, while not identical, are closely related. As we discover what we are fighting for, the war itself becomes more meaningful and victory is hastened thereby. Hundreds of millions of Indians, Chinese, and conquered Europeans must be convinced that the united nations offer a real alternative to the war aims of the axis powers. In so far as we are able openly and honestly to pledge our support for a world of free people, our peace aims may play a significant part in winning this present war. Delivered in this perspective, talk about peace is by no means premature. Peace is not something to wait for, but something to work for, study for, plan for, fight for —now.

Then, surely, we have a responsibility to keep alive the dream of peace in a day when it bids fair to be lost, recognizing all the while the hard facts that deny the dream. Toward the close of the first World War, Lincoln Steffens was sent out on a semi-official mission to talk to the American people about peace. President Wilson and Colonel House knew that peace was in the offing. They desired that the sentiment of the people should be made articulate, that the thinking of the public should be directed toward the problem of making peace. Because the war was still in progress, they considered it best not to pose the question officially. So Lincoln Steffens was sent out to speak across the country unofficially on the problem of the peace. People would hardly hear him in any of the cities to which he went. At San Diego, finally, they refused to hear him at all. So long accustomed to thinking solely in terms of war, they were in no mood to think in terms of peace. One result was that President Wilson went into the peace conference without a well-articulated, coherent body of public opinion in his own country behind him, and the gentlemen who made the peace knew that President Wilson spoke mostly for himself.

Unless we keep alive even in very trying days the dream of peace, the possibility for relative restriction of war is thereby denied. War may not be the greatest evil, but it is still a work of the devil, destroying men and their values indiscriminately. However necessary war may be in a given situation—and it often seems much the lesser of two evils—it is still evil and is not to be supported as a holy crusade. War is grim, not holy. Recognition of that fact seems to be one of the gains made in the thinking of the democracies since the last war. In trying to destroy totalitarianism by force, we are casting out devils by Beelzebub; and we need to remember it, lest in arrogance of might we come to trust in our own arm of flesh, and become no better than those Fascist nations which exalt war as a positive instrument of national policy. If in war we lose our sense of sin, how much better are we than they?

Thirdly, we have a responsibility to plan and study now for the day when peace shall come again. There are, to be sure, many obstacles to advance formulation of plans, as we do not know what conditions will prevail when the war has ended. It is possible, however, to foresee certain general problems, and to plot in general terms the alternative answers. Certainly we must accumulate information and make tentative plans now, unless the opportunity to make a just peace is to find us again unprepared.

Realistic planning calls for careful, hard study by small groups across the country and around the world. It is encouraging to know that many groups are already at work; a recent survey lists more than 100 agencies in the United States which are working at present on post-war problems, including 35 agencies of our national government. Many secular groups are at work, including the Commission to Study the Organization of Peace and the Federal Union followers of Mr. Clarence Streit. Significant work is likewise being undertaken in religious circles, with the Malvern and Delaware conferences having been most publicized. One of our denominations in America has 300 local study groups located in churches in various parts of the nation.

Local study groups may well concern themselves with the possible answers to questions such as these:

(1) Will we be willing to continue some program akin to lease-lend indefinitely after the war, perhaps spending as much in the years immediately after the armistice as during the war itself, in an effort to alleviate suffering, famine, and pestilence and to reconstruct economic foundations of nations impoverished by war?

(2) Will we be able and ready, as a people, to provide intelligent leadership for world reconstruction, by virtue of the fact that we have come ourselves to an adequate world view?

(3) Shall we be willing to surrender some of our own national privileges, and join in new regional or international organizations to preserve peace and to provide for peaceful settlement of disputes? Or shall we assume that the end of the war has automatically brought peace as well as victory, and that we can turn again to exclusive attention with our own problems, without in any way modifying our rights and privileges in the international scene?

(4) Is it possible to lay plans whereby the transition from a war economy to a peace economy within our own borders may be cushioned? Nearly thirty million persons will stand on the verge of unemployment when hostilities cease, either through dismissal from the armed services or from war industries. Unless we plan now for the transition from war to peace, we shall have unemployment to a degree hitherto undreamed of.

Not only may we dream, study, and plan for peace. We may also begin to work now for greater peace in the world by weaving fabrics of peace into our own lives and our own communities. Peace begins at home, in relations between neighbors, classes, and races. The problems of our world are mirrored in our town, and unless we learn to solve them at home we shall hardly settle them abroad. If there are great religious barriers to world unity, so between the denominations at home. If there is race prejudice

around the earth, there is race prejudice in our town too. If there is economic inequality between nations, so between the rich and the poor in our own communities. If masses are crushed in other lands, there are those in our land who would crush all mass movements, including especially the labor movement. If refugees press against the borders of Europe, there are also refugees here, from Europe and from our own economic carelessness which cuts men and women adrift. Peace begins in the common relations between individuals and groups or it never begins at all. Active work may be undertaken, then, wherever one may be.

One may work actively also in the international scene, despite the barriers created by lines of the war. In attitudes and prayer and a continuing sense of fellowship with all men, the Christian may draw a circle that includes the whole world, even while military necessities draw lines that separate. In keeping alive a humane sense of responsibility for refugees, prisoners of war, the missionary enterprise, and the ecumenical movement among the churches, we can help to lay foundations for a world community based on a sense of the equality and responsibility of all men under God.

After this war is ended we shall have another chance to bring whatever of generosity and sacrificial spirit we possess to bear on the organization of the world. We shall still have responsibility to all men and to all nations. Perhaps there shall be little left with which to rebuild, but as Robert Quillen has reminded us recently, "If we wish to build a new world the materials are at hand. The first world was made out of chaos."

The first world was made by one who still stands above all worlds and nations and peoples and, according to our faith, still exercises His creative power. It is our Hebrew-Christian faith that the world and all men in it were made for high and holy purposes, which shall not at last be denied. So sure as God still lives—and only so sure—the junk dealer shall not inherit the future. After all the dusty days there will come a new morning when men shall begin to build again. After the bombs there will come the sound of hammer and saw. Those who may build best in that day are those who, confident that high purpose rides above the destruction and beyond the smoke, begin now to seek for a city that is as broad as the wide world and as fair as man's fondest hopes, a city that has foundations whose builder and maker is God.

PAINE IS MARCHING ON!

Paine College has done the unbelievable, not by creating short-lived illusions of grandeur that vanish, leaving the dreamer bitterly aware that nothing has actually happened, but by inspiring hundreds of Negro youth with a glorious vision, born of respect for human personality, a faith and belief that the individual is capable of things greater than he has yet been able to achieve. It



A corner of the physics "lab."

reaches its fullest expression in the Paine College ideal:

"To love truth and to seek it above material things; to to be ennobled by common fellowship; to keep the energies of life at full tide; to cultivate an appreciation of the beautiful; to work well and to play with zest; to have an open, unprejudiced mind; to live simply practicing a reasonable economy; to find joy in work well done; to be an earnest disciple in the school of Him who brings the abundant life; to work diligently for a better understanding of the white and colored races; such is the spirit and ideal of Paine College To all who share this spirit and are eager for the pursuit of high things, we offer a hearty welcome."

Participation of every student in the athletic program was cited as outstanding by one of the boys, editor of the college paper. Although Paine has no subsidy for its athletic program, its teams seem to "come up to the rest of those that we play," he believes.

Much of the success of Paine's development is due to the wise and masterly leadership of its able president, Dr. Edmund C. Peters, its head since 1929. Soon after he assumed the presidency, Negroes in Augusta knew that he was their friend. Long an advocate of better housing Dr. Peters headed the newly completed FHA development for Negroes and has taken an active part in community adult education among the Negroes. The president's home, on the edge of the campus, is the center of much gracious hospitality. Mrs. Peters, or "Doctor Ethel," as she is lovingly called, for she is an M.D. in her own right, heads the college program of health education.



Paine College Faculty, showing President Peters in center of second row and Mrs. Peters on his right



Haygood Hall—the administration building and landmark of Augusta, Georgia

THE CHRISTIAN HOME

By Lois M. Marmon

Now—more than ever before—children, young people, men and women need the stability of the Christian home. Lest the lights go out over the world the Christian home must once more step to the front rank from the background to which it has been relegated.

Now—more than ever before—the world needs Christian leaders, Christian men and women and young people—to help heal the open sores of the world which fester in our very midst. Even before the public school, the Sabbath school or the church—it is in the home that the mold of a life is set. By the time a child reaches school age the pattern of his life has been cut.

Is the Christian home going out of fashion? Is it ceasing to exist? We wonder about these questions when we learn that a recent survey shows that thousands of children and young people in our country under 23 years of age receive no religious instruction whatsoever from any agency! A large percentage of our crime is done by youths. The church and the Bible are complete strangers to many of our boys and girls, young folks and adults.

The public school, the teachers, the church and the pastors, do a great work in guiding and molding along the right paths—but remember this—they only have to work with what the home sends them! It is in the home that should give right training first—the church and the school to supplement that training—not to take over the entire duty of the home in this respect.

Last summer I spent a week as an instructor in a Girl Scout camp. Most of the troop of girls I knew—but several of them were strangers to me. A week of closest association with a group of young people is very revealing! I did not work and live many hours with the troop until I could make a pretty good estimate as to the kind of home each one came from, the kind of father and mother each had. It wasn't the material home I could picture in my mind but the things of the spirit in that home that were revealed.

The judge of our juvenile court handles cases in juvenile delinquency each year. Boys and girls are brought before him for crimes that need never have been committed had the proper training and parental guidance and example been given! Boys and girls cannot raise themselves. The longer this judge is in office the more he is convinced that home environment is by far mostly responsible for the cases which come before him—that where the ordinary cleanliness, orderliness and brightness of the church and school appears foreign to a child, a problem in juvenile delinquency has already been incubated!

Wise Billy Sunday said, "To train up a boy in the way he should go you must go that way yourself!"

Now—more than ever before—the world needs Christian homes. The home where the Bible is taught, where reverence and love for God, his church and sacred things are evident, where respect for law, order and obedience is taught, where right precepts and examples stand forth as beacon lights, where the spiritual rather than the material is emphasized. From homes such as this comes the only hope of a sin weary world.

Now—more than ever before—we need Christian homes!—Religious Telescope.

REV. E. M. AVETT, A MASTER WORKMAN EVEN IN JULY

Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor of Glenwood Methodist church, Greensboro, can accomplish in July in spite of its burning heat what some folks can't do in January or May. In fact he is one of those pastors who has proven that he can win anywhere and at any time.

These observations have been brought to mind by his doing what he did this July. He set aside July as the time to secure his quota of new subscribers to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. His quota for Glenwood was ten new subscribers. He announced one Sunday morning what was to be done, and after bringing this to their attention three Sundays following he had not ten but eleven new subscribers, one more than the quota. Avett knows how to get his congregation to do whatever he requests and they are happy to do it. This was the record of his work at Mocksville and wherever he has served as pastor. At Glenwood he has completed his new parsonage and done everything that was to be done and is now on his vacation at Junaluska. Such pastors as he are a guarantee of the success of Methodism.

PASSING OF FRANK SHERRILL

The passing of Frank C. Sherrill of Cornelius, N. C., has left a vacancy which cannot be filled.

His industrial experience and executive ability marked him for leadership. Born and reared in a Christian farm home, he brought untarnished qualities to the field of business. For forty-six years he succeeded in business and in Christian living. He never lost interest in the church. He served it with his means and his time, having served on various boards of the annual conference. Mr. Sherrill was chairman of the board of trustees of Davenport College for a number of years.

Intrusted with large administrative responsibilities of a philanthropic nature, he measured up to the task with an understanding that enlarged the usefulness of the trust. At the time of his death he was chairman of the board of directors of the Cornelius fund of Christian education for worthy girls.

To his family and friends a great example of living has been bequeathed. We shall miss him, but his example and influence will remain.

CENTRAL, CAROLEEN

Sunday morning, August 2, will mark the re-opening of the Central Methodist church of Caroleen, formerly the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, after an extensive remodeling campaign carried out by the congregation over a period of several months. On this date the church will observe home coming day, to which all former members, pastors and friends are invited to attend. Rev. Malcolm Reese, pastor of the church during the past two years, will preach at 11 o'clock.

This building is now brick veneered. The interior has been completely refinished with white walls and dark mahogany wood work. The floor has been sanded and finished a natural color. All of the furnishings have been refinished. There is no debt on the plant.

Central Methodist church was organized by Rev. J. A. Bowles in 1898. The original building remained intact until remodeled this year. The completion of this building program increased to two the number of new church plants erected during the past two years on the Henrietta-Caroleen charge, the first being the Henrietta church which was dedicated by Bishop Purcell last March.

The following members of this congregation served on the building committee: G. C. Hardin, G. C. Phillips, W. E. Owens, S. B. DeBrule, and R. R. Morgan.

LOSSES AND GAINS

I have passed up many mistakes in conference finances, as they appear in print. But when Steve Stewart makes unfavorable comparison of California and Carolina I cannot keep silent. In the Advocate of July 23 he says the Tar Heels "dropped back" in benevolent giving. In a note under my figures (Minutes, page 89) I showed that there was no decrease but an increase of $38,518.11.

While I am at it I want to bring in Dr. Auman's report for the fiscal year ending May 31. He reports a decrease of $668.65 for the W. N. C. conference. Taking into consideration changes in budget items and division there was a very considerable increase in benevolent giving.

I just wanted to check up on Brother Stewart before he gets around to making claims for California weather. I am reminded of the Tar Heel farmer who made a tour of California. When he got back a neighbor asked him about farming out there. "Shucks," he said, "they can't raise anything out there but alpaca and they have to irritate the ground to do that."

E. O. Cole, Treas.
W. N. C. Conference.

THE BEAUTY AND COMFORT OF HICKORY GROVE ENHANCED

Through the co-operation of a people who have a mind to work, Hickory Grove of the Charlotte district is able to report:

A permanent cemetery fund has been established, out of which some $90 has been spent in repairing and painting the fence, cleaning and beautifying the grounds.

The six acres of church and parsonage grounds have been thoroughly cleaned and beautified. A 500 watt candle light has been placed on the grounds, giving an outdoor place for evening meetings.

The parsonage has been painted and re-roofed. New shrubbery and flowers growing and blooming in profusion make it a place of beauty and comfort.

The interior of the beautiful rock church is now in the last phases of complete renovation, which has included a great deal of work in the basement, each room, main church auditorium and balcony. A new sweet-toned Baldwin piano has been placed in the auditorium.

A total cost of all these expenditures will approximate $2,000, all of which has been met as done.

A successful vacation church school has been held. The young people have been organized into the Youth Fellowship with an enrollment of above forty. A young people's choir has been organized for several months now. Delegates were sent to Junaluska.

Forty new members have been added to the membership, 25 by transfer and 15 by faith. Twenty-three of our young men are in the service of our country.

Our annual revival begins on the second Sunday of August. All are invited to the old camp meeting ground.

R. L. Young, Pastor.

MAIN STREET, ALBEMARLE, CLEANS UP DEBT

Without a doubt the finest and most sacrificial piece of work in the Western North Carolina conference has been done by the members of Main Street Methodist church, Albemarle. An indebtedness of slightly more than $10,000 has been raised during the present conference year. The church was built in 1928 at a cost of over $30,000. When completed a debt of $16,500 was outstanding against the building. It had been reduced to $9,667. The interest amounted to $570, making a total to raise of $10,137. That amount has been raised and the debt completely liquidated. Mr. John R. Johnson is chairman of the board of stewards and Mr. John U. Whitlock is chairman of the board of trustees. Everyone worked untiringly and gave sacrificially to remove this long standing and burdensome debt.

Approximately $550 has been expended on the parsonage. A new roof was put on and painted outside and inside with three rooms papered. A gas range and electric ice box has been installed.

Main Street church will be dedicated on Sunday, September 6. And to finish a good job an order has been placed for 100 copies of the Methodist Hymnal. This is a cash order. Plans are going forward for painting and repairing the building outside and the auditorium.

All former pastors, former members and friends are cordially invited to come and rejoice with us September 6.

J. E. Yountz.

A MARRIAGE OF INTEREST IN MARION

Miss Martha Lee Martin of Marion became the bride of Rev. John James Powell of Mooresville and Greensboro in a ceremony in Marion Tuesday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martin. Rev. H. L. Powell of Mooresville, father of the groom, officiated, using the ring ceremony, and was assisted by Dr. J. H. Barnhardt of First Methodist church of Marion, pastor of the bride.

Mrs. H. H. Mull of Dayton, Tenn., greeted the guests at the living room door, and Miss Nancy Carson of Rutherfordton presided over the bride's register.

Mrs. Paul O. Nafe, the bride's former music teacher, played nuptial music.

Miss Sue Martin, only sister of the bride, attended her as maid of honor. The bride entered with her father, by whom she was given in marriage, and was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Hubert Powell of Kannapolis.

The bride wore an ensemble of light blue crepe with white accessories. Her only ornament was a diamond and pearl lavalier, a family heirloom. She carried a canhamiana orchid on her white Bible with a shower of white ribbon and miniature white flowers.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Martin entertained the wedding party at an informal reception at their home on State street.

The bride is a graduate of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. For the past two years she has been a member of the Pikeville high school faculty.

The groom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Powell of Mooresville. He is a graduate of Brevard Junior College and Lenoir-Rhyne College and has completed three years of graduate work at Duke University divinity school. At present he is pastor of Lee's Chapel Methodist church at Greensboro.

After the ceremony the young couple left on a short wedding trip through the mountains of western North Carolina.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. H. H. Mull and Miss Betty Jean Mull of Dayton, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. John M. Mull of Morganton, Rev. H. L. Powell, Miss Martha Powell, Miss Sarah Powell and Loren Powell fo Mooresville, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Powell and Hubert Powell of Kannapolis, and Miss Nancy Carson of Rutherfordton.

APPRECIATION OF S. J. OWEN

Mr. A. J. Owen, long an active steward of the Bessemer City Methodist church and late an honorary steward, passed July 13, and was buried in the Bessemer City cemetery. All business in our town was suspended during the hour of his interment.

His qualities were such that he was beloved by all who knew him, and for the excellence of those qualities his passing was a real bereavement to his church, his community and the business life of our town.

He was gentle, sincere, serene, industrious, always deliberate in his decisions—verily a citizen without guile whom his community could ill afford to lose.

S. J. Durham.

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A PRAYER OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

(From World Outlook)

"Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that thou wilt keep the United States in thy holy protection; that thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large; and finally that thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

(George Washington, 1783, appearing on a plate in his pew, St. Paul's Church, New York City).

THE DAUNTLESS CHINESE

"The dauntless Chinese will survive the present cataclysm and a new and better China will arise after the conflict is over. The excellent traditions and the high culture of pagan China will be infused with a new vitality and a new spirit by the Christianity that has stood by and suffered with her people through these dark and trying days.

"The heroic missionaries who are standing by in China are building the firm foundation of a new and more glorious Chinese nation, that will come as a reward for the sterling virtues being manifested by these patient, long-suffering, courageous, dauntless, indomitable people of the Far East."

(Part of editorial in "The Tablet," Brooklyn, N. Y.)

"WE MUST BE VIGILANT"

Mrs. W. F. Devinney, in The Methodist Woman

Christianity is the one continuing tie which is holding the broken world together. Nothing to which we can give our time and strength and treasure these days can accomplish as much for human welfare both now, and in the future, as the Christian movement. Missions must not be demobilized. The church must not only continue to stand as the beacon light in the community, the nation and the world, but it must be a sign post pointing the way to a better day. Women, the opportunities are expanding, no contracting, in this present world crisis. We not only need to hold the fort, but we must also prepare to understand new exploits for the kingdom. The esprit de corps of the army is maintained by intense loyalty, the esprit de corps of the Woman's Society of Christian Service depends upon a similar loyalty—similar in degree if not in kind. It is essential to our organizational ability that each in the cohesnion of this vast organization will be maintained principally by each society's following, as nearly as possible, the pattern laid out by the division.

A New Organization

The Woman's Society of Christian Service is a new organization, not a reorganization of former societies. Those local societies which hold to the old ways and say "we always did it thus and so" are digging their own graves. Or to have a mind that "it can't be done" according to the division pattern is to take a defeatist attitude. If each society will face the challenge and the possibilities of the new enterprise, it might be said of them as of a certain woman long ago, "She hath done what she could."

We are concerned in advancing the organization and enrolling more and more women. There are still more than a million Methodist women outside the membership of this organization. Herein lies great potential strength. The genius of this organizational plan lies in the fact that the responsibility for success belongs to the many and not to the few, and a channel for service must be found for every woman in the local societies. As the largest group of organized Christian women, the Woman's Society of Christian Service has a solemn mission to fulfil. To meet its responsibilities, every line of work, every organizational activity, must be re-examined in the light of the present day needs and opportunities. We must "lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes." We must be vigilant.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

A letter has come from Mrs. Bragg and Mrs. Devinney saying that at the meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Division of Christian Service recently held in New York City they were faced with the fact that there was a large decrease in missionary giving in 1941,and that this decrease will have a disastrous effect on the work maintained by the W. S. C. S. unless something is done immediately to increase the income from the conferences.

The income for 1941 was $384,474 short of the expected amount of $3,713,022 You can readily see that the situation is serious and must be faced realistically. We feel confident that no officer or loyal member of the W. S. C. S. would be willing that this great new organization shall retrench its program of service or do less than Methodist women did formerly in their separate organizations. I am sending this letter as a S. O. S. call, and to share with you their plea for our help.

The Plan

Every member of your W. S. C. S. is to be asked to help meet this deficit by making an emergency gift of not less than twenty-five cents per member. These gifts will be in addition to the regular conference pledge, but will be credited as receipts from the conference. Even if every member should give this amount it will not bring in the total needed amount, so we hope that many who can give more than the minimum will do so. Leaflets giving further information and offering envelopes will be sent you by your district corresponding secretary as soon as they can be printed. I am asking that you as president of your society appoint a chairman of "Emergency Gifts" who, in turn will choose her assistants and solicit every member to make her gift. All this should be planned with careful, prayerful preparation if the plan is to succeed. The ingathering of these gifts should be made at the September meeting of your local society and sent with your third quarter's report (marked Emergency Gifts) through the regular channel to the conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, N. C.

There must be hundreds and thousands of women in our conference who would gladly make a great sacrifice if they knew that the health of some of our missionaries is threatened, that some have lost everything they possessed, that the cost and difficulties of travel are almost unbelievable; that Christian churches and schools are still carrying on in Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Malaya, and Burma; that Miss Helen Kim of Korea has sold her home and is borrowing money to keep Ewha College running; that in every one of our girls' high schools in Japan the missionaries, before they left, made plans with the Christian faculties left in charge (which place us under moral obligations) to continue appropriations from three to five years, in some cases indefinitely, and that they need this now and will need it much more by the time we can reach them again.

In these days of war we are stirred by our patriotism to make special contributions in behalf of our country. This is as it should be. But let us remember that not our country alone, but the total Christian cause is in jeopardy and demands the same devotion and sacrificial effort as we make in behalf of our beloved land. Ours is a victorious cause. Let us determine to keep our work in the home and foreign fields on a high plane of efficiency in these days of great opportunity.

We are planning many helpful activities for the fall months. Notices will be sent you in regard to our Study Leaders' Day. Please plan to have your full quota of officers and leaders at this meeting.

Watch The Methodist Woman for announcements as to when the literature and envelopes for the Week of Prayer will be ready, and get them in plenty of time to prepare for a great service.

With deepest gratitude for your cooperation, Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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BRING THEM IN

Eight new Woman's Societies of Christian Service were organized in the N. C. conference last quarter. A gratifying and notable achievement. And yet there are 248 churches in the conference which do not have a woman's organization. How much added strength and power for good these churches would have with the missionary spirit and activities of the women in them. Organized societies throughout the conference can and should adopt the "big sister" attitude and exert every effort to affect a W. S. C. S. organization in every church in the conference. The district secretaries and pastors will be cheerfully responsive to any call for service in the matter.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

At the recent meeting of Durham district in Chapel Hill three adults and seven babies were honored with life memberships in the W. S. C. S. Mrs. S. S. Holt, conference recording secretary; Mrs. A. K. Umstead, retiring Durham zone leader, and Mrs. T. B. Hough, Alamance zone leader, were recipients of adult life memberships, gifts of Durham district, Durham zone and Alamance zone, respectively. Honorary baby life memberships were presented to Elizabeth Haynes Green and Robert Ramsey Green, twins of Mrs. Fletcher Green, president Chapel Hill W. S. C. S.; Gerald LaMarr Peele, son of Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Peele, gift of Durham district; Samuel Freeman Nicks, son of Mrs. Samuel Nicks, Roxboro, gift of grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Nicks; Margaret Alice Cotton, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Cotton, gift of Mt. Herman society; Dorothy Jean Pleasant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Pleasant, presented by Leasburg society; Elizabeth Diana Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Foster, from Graham W. S. C. S.

A GOOD INVESTMENT

"It was the most edifying thing I ever attended—I can't tell you just what it meant to me—I feel it more than I can express it," said Freda Maye, a young negro girl of Raleigh, who was a delegate from St. Paul's A. M. E. church to the N. C. school for Christian workers at Hanes Institutonal church, Winston-Salem, on July 6-11. Some outstanding impressions gained by this young public school teacher and church worker were, according to her statement: "To young people the school was a source of inspiration, an opportunity to learn of many more places of service where they are needed. Folk who are already leaders—ministers, laymen and church school teachers—come to the school to get new ideas and inspiration." At one of the evening sessions inter-racial night was observed with an impressive candlelight service and an address by Miss Leilia Tuttle of the W. N. C. conference and for 32 years a missionary to China. The influence of this service will long be felt by those who attended. A youth conference in the form of a one hour daily forum was held in connection with the school. Rev. Julian Smith, secretary religious education at Hanes Institutional church, was leader and Freda Maye was chairman. Freda also took prominent parts in talent night and other activities of the school. The course which she chose was "The Home and Church Working Together in the Religious Nurture of Children." She also audited the course, "Young People's Approach to Religion." Approximately 100 negro workers attended the school this year, a reduction of the usual number who attend. Freda Maye was sent by the Hayes-Barton W. S. C. S. Truly these women have made a wise and sound investment in the kingdom of God.

DID YOU KNOW?

Do you know that Christian churches and schools are still carrying on in Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Malaya and Burma? Do you know that Helen Kim has sold her home and is borrowing money to keep Ewha College running? Do you know that Hiroshima College is using capital funds intended for building to pay for maintenance? Do you know that plans have been made with Tokyo Woman's College to continue appropriations in full for five years? Do you know that in every one of our girls' high schools in Japan as well as in all these colleges the missionaries, before they left, made plans with the Christian faculties left in charge which place us under moral obligations to continue appropriations from three to five years, in somes cases indefinitely? They need this now and they will need it much more by the time we can reach them again.

NO HATRED HERE

A Canadian friend told of being present at the Chiang Kai-shek's family devotions one day. "I never expect to hear such a prayer again in my life," he says. "The Generalissimo began with a simple expression of thanks for personal safety; then he added thanks for courage of his nation under fire; then he prayed for strength for the men in the field and along the firing line, and he prayed for strengtn for himself. But the most amazing thing in his prayer was a plea that God would help him and help China not to hate the Japanese people. He prayed for the Japanese Christians and all the suffering multitudes of Japan. He prayed for the people who were bombed, and for forgiveness for those who dropped the bombs." This sense of world-wide brotherhood of Christians is needed by all of us today. The missionary enterprise is its life blood. There is no other way of creating this community than by preaching the gospel of God, the Lord of the nations and Father of all men.

DID YOU LIKE IT?

In answer to the question "What added features would be of benefit to you in The Methodist Woman, one local secretary of literature and publications commented that she was especially interested in the two page report blank for the department of Christian social relations and local church activities which was properly filled out and published in the July issue of The Methodist Woman and that she would like to have this plan duplicated for the other departments. Since many local officers are dubious of the proper method of making reports, perhaps it would be effective if some would write to Miss Bettie Britingham, editor of The Methodist Woman, 150 5th Ave., New York, and express their desires to have more information in that publication concerning the reports of the various departments of work. If you are one of those doubtful officers, why don't you write your suggestion?

"I WAS PLEASING AGAIN"

Madu, the son of a local chieftain, is an earnest Christian, enthusiastic about village evangelism, and trained in road and dispensary work. His life is a happy example of what Christ can do in pagan Burnaland. Africa. Here is a bit of his story as he has written it: "When I promised to follow Christ and received the covenant, my heart was made very pleasant. But when my father heard of it, he came to me in the night and asked if I was following the white man's road. I said, 'No, but truly the road of God is good.' He said, 'If you do this thing you are no longer my son.' I said, 'I am your son.' He said, 'No, I did not make you.' When he left he called together our important men and they did a pagan witchcraft ceremony. The men asked me, 'Will you stop going to school?' I said, 'No.' They threatened me by saying, 'If you do not, we will not know you any more. Also, see, after this ceremony you will die.' I answered, 'I will not die. God will help me.' So I went to school. When I went home that evening the men would not speak. But on a later day I was pleasing to my father and people again. Now I go ten miles on Sunday. I have prayers and minister to sick people and teach the Bible. Other days I go also. The pleasantness of the Lord Jesus is in my heart. God and Jesus know this. I believe and trust that even if death comes to me in his work, Jesus is always near me. Amen."—Christian World Facts.

ROADS

There are roads that are small,
There are roads that are long,
There are roads where we wander at will;
But the best road of all
For the bold and the strong
Is the road to the top of the hill.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH

If when the rain came you had ten acres of choice alfalfa hay down and 20 acres of corn drying up, what would be your state of mind?

If a little child were being urged by an unworthy parent to vacation with him, what explanation would you make?

If you had all you could do by a dead-line time and a friend came in to talk about nothing, what would you say?

If your tires were thin and your gas allotment low when a call came for a visit to a distant point, what would you do?

THE MOUNTAIN GIRL

The following letter came one day last week, written on a broown piece of paper: "I am a little girl 11 years old. I need a home. My father is dead and my mother is sick and not able to take care of me. I am with my grandmother and she isn't able to send me to school. I would like to get in your Home as I have read so much about it being such a nice, good home. My aunt gets your Home paper and I read all that's in it. I want to come to your Home so bad, as I want to go to school some place. Please write me back and tell me if you can take me."

OVERCOMING A HANDICAP

I went to see Audrey one day last week. Audrey was one of the members of our recent graduating class. She has only one hand, having been born with one hand missing, the arm being normal down to the wrist. Well do I remember having taken the young lady to Charlotte and having located her in a home where she would live under the direction of the state rehabilitation department as she took training for a given vocation. Since then Audrey has gone into an N. Y. A. school where a hundred girls are studying the theory and practice of radio construction and operation. The dean of girls tells me that Audrey is one of her best leaders, that she seems determined to overcome her physical handicap with that additional something that is necessary to get along. So Audrey, a lovely girl, deprived of parents and with only one hand, has a heart, a purpose and a will to succeed. I noticed that she had her Bible with her.

NEWS DOES SPREAD

Brethren and sisters, we are in the vacation business. We aren't taking a vacation. We are trying to arrange for a whole lot of children to take a vacation. When word was given that vacations would be allowed it seemed that the entire family was on the mark ready to go. Letters and cards were dispatched and in the run of time answers came back in goodly numbers. In some instances more than one relative wrote in for a given youngster, no chance having been taken by the party of the first part at being denied a vacation. No now we are writing letters, making arrangements and doing our part at the vacation business. Saturday, August 1, is the going time for those who go away in automobiles with friends. Tuesday, August 4, is the time for those who go away on buses and trains.



They understand one another

A THOUSAND DRESSES

While Mrs. Helen Campbell, head of our clothing department, is recuperating from a serious operation Mrs. Woosley has taken over her work, and this scribe hears a great deal about clothes. She and the girls who assist her report that last week they checked, fitted and refitted a thousand dresses. A lot of those garments were "hand-me-down's." Every girl has had her clothes rechecked and in many instances re-marked. This week is the boys' week.

A RUMOR, SIR, A RUMOR

A lot of our older boys were working over in the new-ground one day last week when through some means or other they got word to their supervisor that shoes were being issued and that they should leave early and get theirs. This scribe happened to be about when they came trooping in, some with shoes and some without shoes, some with shoes on their back and some with shoes in their mind. All wanted new shoes. When informed that this was not the shoe week and they were questioned as to how they got shoe minded, no satisfactory explanation was given, though one lad intimated that a little bird brought the news to him and he told what the bird said.

THE BIRD BOYS

Here's that bird and here's that boy again. They are partners. The boy seems to be telling the bird, a young robin snatched from the storm and raised near the jack stove, to be a good bird when it flies away. So much success was had about raising that young robin, who reluctantly flew away to be a real robin, that other boys decided that raising birds was a noteworthy enterprise, calculated to bring on neighborhood notoriety. So they blew up storms and proceeded to bring in a few birds, well intentioned but poorly negotiated. When the boys were called together they voted unanimously that there oughn't to be any orphan birds except in cases of necessity. So the birds, the squirrels, the chipmunks and the rabbits continue to play about on the campus with the frying-size boys as their chief protectors.

TEN PLUS TWO

The old joy bell rang last week. In fact it rang three times and it had a little additional tone to it. It was ringing not only for the ten per cent apportoinment payments but also for the supplementary apportionment payments. Such will add tone to the ringing. The congregations and pastors having caused the melody are listed as follows:

Friendship, Friendship circuit, Rev. W. C. Sides.

South China Grove and Mt. Mitchell, Kannapolis, Rev. E. A. Armstrong.

Old Union, Randleman-Union circuit, Rev. I. L. Roberts.

WE FILL THE ORDERS

Recently there appeared on this page the picture of two primary boys, Don Burgess and Arlen Eidson, with the information that they were unsponsored. Both are now sponsored, Don having been taken by the Philathea Class of First church, Hickory, and Arlen by the Stamey Wesley Class of West Market Street, Greensboro. Both these classes sponsored members of our recent graduating class and wanted to continue their good work. We are getting in some new children and we can fill some new orders.

INHERITED TENDENCY?

There's an apple tree on a vacant lot close by the street where our boys come home from church. Having cautioned the boys about letting those apples alone, we enjoyed some security relative to Sabbath desecration and apple annihilation. But yesterday six youngsters went after those apples. There was no girl around, so there was no Eve in the apple story. They were all young Adams. Is the desire to get apples off a tree an inherited tendency or is it the product of environment?

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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In this issue of the Advocate our friends will read with interest the tributes which the trustees paid Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Vann and Mr. Joseph G. Brown. I am reproducing the wording on each of the two tablets which were placed in the front entrance of the Vann building. These outstanding friends of the Methodist Orphanage will continue to live in the hearts of our boys and girls who have found a home on our beautiful campus.

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In Memory of
Joseph Gill Brown
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and His Wife
Bettie Henley Vann
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Erection of This Building
and Other
Noble Benefactions
to the
Methodist Orphanage
of the
North Carolina Conference

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PLEASANT GROVE — On Sunday, July 19, Brother W. B. Penny, pastor Jenkins Memorial church, carried me to Pleasant Grove church, which is connected with Jenkins Memorial church, for an afternoon preaching service. The weather was terrifically hot, and consequently the congregation was rather small. I considered it a privilege to preach for Pleasant Grove congregation. I was very cordially received by the friends in the community. Brother Penny is doing unusually good work at Jenkins Memorial and Pleasant Grove churches. He is one of our best trained and equipped men. He is an alumnus of the University of North Carolina, and has his law degree from the same institution. He received his B.D. degree from the Union Seminary in Richmond, Va., and for several years he held pastorates in the Presbyterian church. He is proving a valuable asset to the North Carolina conference. He has a lovely family, which makes his work more effective.

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A RECENT LEGACY— Mrs. Jessie Bell Holliday of Clinton passed away recently and left part of her estate to the Methodist Orphanage. I was in Clinton one day last week to consult her lawyer about the part of the estate that was willed to us. The best appraisal I could get on the value of the property which is to come to the Orphanage was between fifteen and eighteen thousand dollars. Mrs. Holliday specified in her will that the proceeds from a certain part of her property is to be used in erecting a building on the Orphanage campus as a memorial to her mother, Mrs. Emma Tripp. Not one cent of this legacy can be used for operating expenses. It is out of the question, under present conditions, to undertake to erect a memorial building at this time. In the first place we could get no material, and if we could, prices for material and labor are prohibitive. Friends of the Methodist Orphanage feel deeply grateful to Mrs. Holliday for remembering us in her will. A number of years ago I was Mrs. Holliday's pastor and learned to appreciate her sterling qualities.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER

As eight of the happiest years of my life come to an end in this lovely Christian home, I wish to express my deep appreciation to all who have made this possible.

The man who has been a friend and father to me, Mr. Barnes, who is always ready to lend a helping hand, has my deepest gratitude. I also want to thank all my teachers who have been so very patient during all of my school years. The people of the eastern North Carolina conference who are so generous to our lovely home have my whole-hearted appreciation for your service.

I wish to express my deep appreciation to the ladies of Edenton Street church, who have bought me such lovely clothes twice a year. I cannot put in words my gratitude to the one person who has been my guiding light since I have been in this home and will always be that to me. My greatest desire is to grow to be just like this great lady, Mrs. Garland Tucker, who has helped provide my clothes since I was 12 years of age, and one who has helped me solve my problems to which only a mother would know the answer.

As I go out from this home, the teachings and the friends I have met during my happy years here will inspire me to always do the best I can for my community and the Methodist home. Hilda Perry.

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VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

Interesting and helpful activities have been going on in our church schools this summer, as pastors, teachers, and children have been entering into the experiences of vacation schools. Many have shared excellent snapshots with us. We appreciate every report and every picture. Now in these days of special need, our workers are continuing to serve the children. If your church has not planned this special activity, begin now to plan for your vacation school. Write Box 828, Salibury, N. C., for suggestions.

Asheville District

First, Hendersonville—Mrs. S. M. Garren.
Tryon—Mrs. R. N. Blanchard.
Brevard—Rev. E. P. Billups.
Acton (Acton)—Marvin Boggs.
Oak Hill (Acton)—Marvin Boggs
Asbury (Acton)—Marvin Boggs.

Charlotte District

Spencer Memorial—Mrs. C. E. Murray.
Poplar Hill (Polkton)—Robert W. Evans.
Calvary—Mrs. S. M. Needham.
Dilworth—Miss Mary Margaret Johnson.
Ansonville—Rev. Irving R. Miller.

Elkin District

Pilot (Pilot Mountain)—Wayne McLain.
Pilot Mountain (Pilot Mountain)—Wayne McLain.
Dobson (Dobson)—Robert W. Evans.

Gastonia District

Boger City—Mrs. Tom Finger.
Macedonia (Vale)—H. I. Ridenhour.
Palm Tree (Vale)—H. I. Ridenhour.
Park Street, Gastonia—John Wyatt.
Palm Tree (Fallston)—Mary Elizabeth Lee.
Bessemer City—Margaret Kiser.
Bethel (South Fork)—Delbert Byrum.
Reeps Grove (Vale)—H. I. Ridenhour.
Ebenezer (South Fork)—R. Delbert Byrum.
Russell's Chapel (South Fork)—R. Delbert Byrum.

Greensboro District

Madison—Otho J. Jones.
Midway (Midway-Burnett's Chapel)—Gilbert E. S. Miller.
Burnett's Chapel (Midway-Burnett's Chapel)—Gilbert E. S. Miller
Newlyn Street—A. L. Latham.
Groome's (Guilford)—Mrs. Frank Antrim.

High Point District

Chapel Hill (South Davidson)—J. C. Gentry.
Old Union (Randleman-Union) — I. L. Roberts.
St. Pauls (Randleman-Union) — I. L. Roberts.
Naomi (Randleman-Union) — I. L. Roberts.
Worthville (Randleman)—Y. D. Poole.
Central, Asheboro—Mrs. David Almond.

Marion District

First, Valdese—Ralph J. Jones.

Salisbury District

Central, Concord—Lila White Bost.
Coburn Memorial—Carolene Rink.
Oakboro (Albemarle)—Robert H. Kesler.
Providence (Granite Quarry)—Mrs. W. M. Daniel.
Mt. Mitchell (Mt. Mitchell)—Archer R. Turner.
Park Avenue—Mrs. G. Q. Miller.
Mt. Tabor (Granite Quarry) — Mrs. H. Ernest Shoaf.
Jackson Park—Aubert M. Smith.

Statesville District

Broad St., Mooresville—V. R. Masters.
Hopewell (Catawba)—Albert W. Wellons.
Concord (Catawba)—Albert W. Wellons.
Catawba (Catawba)—W. I. Grigg.
Bethlehem (Catawba)—W. I. Grigg.
Providence (Cool Spring—Chester Steele.
Rhodhiss (Grace-Rhodhiss)—J. Max Brandon, Sr.
Grace Chapel (Grace-Rhodhiss)—J. Max Brandon,

Waynesville District

Laurel Hill (Fines Creek)—M. E. Harbin.
Whittier (Whittier)—W. E. Andrews.
Olivet (Whittier)—W. E. Andrews.
Mt. Zion (Macon Ct.)—J. C. Swain.
Morning Star (Morning Star)—J. William Merchant.
Hazelwood (Jonathan)—G. M. Carver.
Wesleyanna (Webster)—B. C. Moss.
Love's Chapel (Webster)—B. C. Moss.
Piney Grove (Fines Creek)—Belton Harbin.
Bryson City—Mrs. C. O. Newell.
Thomas Chapel (Bryson City)—Mrs. C. O. Newell.
East LaPort (Webster—B. C. Moss.

Winston-Salem District

Central, Mt. Airy—Mrs. W. J. Miller.
Oak Summit (New Hope)—A. C. Kennedy.
Midway (Welcome)—Dora Zimmerman.
Central Terrace—A. A. Kyles.
First, Lexington—Sara Smith.
Main Street, Thomasville—Lillian Yow.
Erlanger (Erlanger)—F. E. Howard.

Additional reports received in the last few days:

Asheville District

Salem (Weaverville Ct.) — J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Alexander's Chapel (Weaverville Ct.)—J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Clark's Chapel (Weaverville Ct.)—J. Max Brandon, Jr.

Elkin District

Baltimore (East Bend)—C. Maness Mitchell.
Prospect (East Bend)—C. Maness Mitchell.
Shady Grove (East Bend) — C. Maness Mitchell.
Mount Pleasant (East Bend)—C. Maness Mitchell.
Stony Knoll (East Bend) — C. Maness Mitchell.

Gastonia District

McAdenville—D. Leon Stubbs, Jr.
First, Cherryville—Mrs. W. R. Earnhardt.
Myrtle (Bradley Memorial)—Tressie Mae Cashion.

Greensboro District

Newlyn Street—Mrs. O. M. Ritter.

High Point District

Lebanon—Rev. O. L. Easter.
Franklinville (Ramseur-Franklinville) — J. E. Pritchard.
Ramseur (Ramseur-Franklinville)—J. E. Pritchard.

Marion District

North Morganton (North Forest) — Mrs. R. C. Nemion.
Oak Forest (North Forest) — Mrs. R. C. Nemion.
Old Fort—Robert M. Varner.

Salisbury District

Main Street, Albemarle—Mrs. John Whitlock.
Rock Grove (Main St.-Rowan)—Wade R. Bustle.
Main Street (Main St.-Rowan)—Wade R. Bustle.
Rowan (Main St.-Rowan)—Rev. Wade R. Bustle.
Cedar Grove (Norwood)—W. B. A. Culp.
Green Memorial (Norwood)—Rev. W. B. A. Culp.
Rehobeth (Norwood)—Rev. W. B. A. Culp.
Friendship (Friendship)—W. C. Sides, Jr.
New Mt. Tabor (Friendship)—Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr.
Unity (Landis)—Rev. Clegg W. Avett.

Statesville District

Mt. Zion (Mt. Zion)—Louise Atwell.

Waynesville District

Asbury (Macon Ct.)—Rev. J. C. Swaim.

Winston-Salem District

Trinity (Trinity-Bethel—W. M. Rathburn.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

We are publishing herewith the list of Fourth Sunday World Service offerings received by Mr. Dillon since our last report up to June 1, 1942. We have received word from some pastors that their churches were not credited in our last report for offerings that had been sent. We secure our report from the remittance blanks sent to Mr. Dillon and unless it is noted on these remittance blanks that the offering is a Fourth Sunday offering we cannot include it in our list. We urge, therefore, that those sending offerings to Mr. Dillon note on the blanks that they are Fourth Sunday offerings.

WORLD SERVICE OFFERINGS

Durham District

Alamance, Bethel	$ 24.39
Center	24.54
Rock Creek	28.17
Sapling Ridge	19.77
Andrews Chapel	25.00
Burlington, Front Street	91.59
Webb Avenue	47.52
Fountain Place	21.21
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove	11.00
Walnut Grove	3.66
Chapel Hill	15.09
Durham, Duke Memorial	66.49
Lakewood	14.63
Trinity	47.48
West Durham	12.34
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen Raven	25.00
Haw River	25.00
Mebane, Central	24.88
First Church	46.89
Milton, Connally	3.49
Milton	1.52
New Hope	19.65
Purley	9.55
Semora	6.00
Mount Hermon Ct., Friendship	20.97
Mt. Herman	37.64
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion	3.09
Orange Ct., Chestnut Ridge	2.33
Efland	7.15
Union Grove	2.00
Person Ct., Warren Grove	6.00
Pittsboro, Pittsboro	5.00
Roxboro Ct., Ca-Vel	2.00
Grace	2.00
Longhurst	2.00
Saxapahaw	4.00
Swepsonville	52.51
Yanceyville, Bethel	15.00
Shady Grove	22.50
	$799.05

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	$ 26.99
Aulander, Aulander	4.35
Colerain	6.00
Bath, Bath	4.21
Belhaven	21.00
Chowan, Anderson	9.17
Center Hill	1.00
Columbia, Cedar Grove	4.72
Wesley Chapel	12.75
Wesley Memorial	21.16
Currituck, Ebenezer	1.09
Hebron	2.40
Elizabeth City, City Road	10.00
First Church	54.69
Hatteras	16.00
Hertford	25.00
Kinnakeet, Clarks-Bethel	4.00
Fair Haven	12.43
St. John	12.69
Kitty Hawk, Colington	1.64
Duck	2.34
Kitty Hawk	9.61
Manteo	20.00
Mattamuskeet, Amity	3.38
Bethany	1.60
Englehard	8.84
Watson	3.97
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Biscoe	$ 9.46
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Person Street	31.80
Fayetteville, Ct., Camp Ground	13.00
Glendon, Cool Springs	2.65
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Meroney	1.38
Hamlet	17.19
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Children's Storyland



LITTLE PRINCESS SHANTI'S JALSA

Little Princess Shanti was having a jalsa, which means a party. It was a birthday party, and such a birthday party never was! All the little noble children from far and near were invited—100 of them. They were playing in the great council room, and having such a good time. My, how they did romp and scamper!

On a table in the middle of the veranda was the birthday cake. My, me! what a cake! It wasn't one cake, but six cakes, because the little Princess was six years old. And the last cake was the biggest, and the first cake was the littlest. All six were piled one on top of the other like building blocks.

When Princess Shanti and her guests had eaten all the fruits, nuts and sweets they could possibly eat, they ran back to the big council room again.

There the servants' children and the unfortunate children of the city were standing about watching the party. One little girl, Phulwa, which means flowers, was a cripple, and her big brother, Sunni, had to carry her.

When everyone was tired with racing and playing they gathered around a big table loaded with toys. The Princess began to give the toys to the guests.

Little Phulwa watched so wistfully. When the Princess took up a beautiful big Kewpie doll and gave it away to a dear little girl, Phulwa put her hands over her eyes and cried.

Sunni said, "Why do you cry, little sister?"

And Phulwa answered, "I have no doll, and oh, Big Brother, the Kewpie doll is so beautful!"

Now, just at that very moment the little girl with the Kewpie doll happened to be coming toward Phulwa and Sunni. Sunni put his little sister down on the floor and waited till the little girl had come quite close. Then he snatched away the doll from the little girl and and gave it to Phulwa.

The children screamed and shouted, and a big servant began to beat Sunni, and the Princess' father, the big Maharajah, came running out of his room to see what was the matter.

"What?" said he. "Tears on the Princess' birthday! This won't do. Now tell me all about it."

"My little sister has no doll," said Sunni, "and Princess Shanti has so many. I only took one Kewpie doll."

The little Princess stood quite still for nearly half a minute. She was thinking hard. She put her arms about the neck of the little girl who had the Kewpie doll.

"Will you give me the Kewpie doll back for my birthday?" she asked.

The little girl said, "Yes, of course, because you are the Princess."

So Shanti took the Kewpie doll and gave it back to the little crippled Phulwa, and then she said to her little friends, "I have given each of you a toy. Will you give it back to me?"

And they did, because she was the Princess, you know.

Shanti gave each toy to an unfortunate child.

And when all these children had each been given a toy, she said, "And now, father (he was the big Maharajah, you know), let us give these children the rest of the birthday cake and fruits and sweets."

And they did. And everybody said the little Princess Shanti would grow up to be a kind, beautiful Maharani. And she did.—Apples of Gold.

FOR A PUP

By Marie Cronley

He's just a little fellow
Of a pup,
And his eyes of amber yellow
Looking up,
Promise unalloyed affection,
Void of human imperfection,
Though he's just a little body
Of a pup,
Looking up.

Chocolate coat, all curly deep,
And flapping ears, and square-cut feet
That stumble, as they joyfully streak
Across the spacious room, to greet,
Who comes from realms beyond the street
Of puppydom, and milk, and meat.

And he's just a little tyke
Of a pup,
Who soon to dog's estate and like
Shall grow up,
With the light of deep affection,
In his eyes of meek reflection,
Though he's now but just a shaver
Of a pup,
Looking up.

—Our Dumb Animals.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"I'm glad I'm not a snake," said Sammy.

"Why?" asked his dad.

"Because when a snake has a stomach ache, how does he know whether it's a stiff neck or what it is?"—Ex.

* * *

"Mother," asked Chippie, very earnestly, "did you ever have to go to a hospital and have your independence cut out?"

THE DOG WHO ENGAGED A CAB

By Elma M. Peterson

It is in Hellerup, a pleasant suburb of Copenhagen, Denmark, that the wire-haired terrier, "Bolle," basks in the understanding care of his adoring master and mistress. Should a glimpse of sea through the foliage lure you into the quiet, tree-lined paths of the Lillestrandbej, you would probably see him trotting contentedly home after his daily dip or, if you showed the slightest inclination to turn in as you passed his doorway, hear a sharp, quick bark from his favorite lounging place on the wide window sill in his master's study.

In usual terrier style, Bolle listens intently when talked to and, with eyes aglow and tail awag, succeeds in making himself understood, not only by those familiar with his habits, but by strangers as well. There is one quite outstanding example of his ability in this respect.

One evening his master and mistress, on a leisurely drive about Copenhagen, stopped at a park. As they strolled through the green-bordered paths, Bolle dashed delightedly here and there among the trees and bushes, drinking from a clear pool or joining in the playful antics of other canines. When they were ready to leave the park, Bolle was nowhere to be found. After extensive searching they were obliged to go on without him.

It was one o'clock when they were aroused by the telephone. The voice at the other end of the line informed them that he was a cab-driver.

"A dog with your name on his collar came to my cab," he said, "and seems to insist upon being taken somewhere."

The distance was rather great but you may be sure he was told to bring the dog home.

And that is how Bolle, the terrier, with the cool reasoning of a human, engaged a cab and brought about a happy reunion with his master and mistress.—Our Dumb Animals.

THE HUCKSTER MAN

By Bertha Gerneaux Woods

Crinkly kale, and turnip greens,
Apples, plums, and beets and beans—
Oh, how nice and fresh they are,
Piled up in our huckster car!

"Vitamins to make you grow
Big and strong," says mother. "Though
We can't see them, still we know
There they are, in leaves and roots,
And these pretty, shiny fruits."
Then we choose some apples, sweets,
Spinach and a bunch of beets.
Mother takes her change, and I
Wave the huckster-man goodbye!

—Zions Herald.

Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 2

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By Rollin H. Walker

Abram: A Pioneer in Faith

Genesis 11:31-12, 9; Hebrews 11:8-12

Abraham evidently had immigrant blood in his veins, for his father had trekked from far off Ur of the Chaldees to Haran. He was therefore prepared to hear the voice of the Spirit which bade him start out again to find the land what he was to inherit for a possession.

How did God speak to Abraham? Did he hear an articulate voice, or receive an inner spiritual monition? Some utterly prosaic and unimaginative modern men are perhaps as little capable of appreciating the religious experience of an Abraham as Abraham would have been to understand how a telegraph operator can read the dots and dashes ticking off on the receiver. We do not have to assert that God spoke to Abraham in a voice that would have been recorded on a dictaphone, in order to say that God spoke to him with unmistakable distinctness. There are persons reading these lines who are as certain that God has spoken to them at a crisis in their lives as they would be if they had heard an audible voice reinforced by an angelic chorus. There are some certaintainties in modern as well as in ancient religious experience that could not be made more certain by signs and wonders.

If we had no other ground for believing that God spake to these old patriarchs, the simple fact that they were the beginning of that mighty development that issued in Hebrew monotheism would be enough evidence that the inspiration of God was at the beginning of the process. And then came the thundering majesty of Hebrew prophecy. And when we remember also that this movement culminated in Jesus of Nazareth, we bow in reverent awe and say, Surely God spoke at the beginning of that which has had such a glorious end.

Abraham started to Canaan not knowing where he would settle down. He simply knew the general direction. And that is true also of most of our spiritual and mental migrations. We have a divine urge to explore that which is beyond, and we start out not definitely knowing where our journey is to end. What a striking analogy to Abraham's adventure do we find in the journey of the Pilgrims in the Mayflower. God sent them to find a land where they could worship him according to the dictates of their own consceinces, and they started west; and after a long and weary voyage they landed on the New England coast, and as in the case of Abraham, through them the whole American continent has been blessed.

And it is not merely the descendants of the Puritans who can find in the Abraham story something they can call their own. Many of us can look back to a brave ancestor who left home and country in obedience to a beckoning that said, Come to a land of freedom and opportunity where your children will have a chance. And our fathers set out ofttimes with no definite destination. The writer has gone down into the steerage of a westward bound Atlantic steamer, and asked the people where they were going, and the smiling answer was, "To America." But as to where in America they had little or no idea.

When Abraham got to Shechem we are told that the Lord appeared to him, and he built there an altar unto the Lord. We do not know enough of this. To get a revelation from God is such a wonderful thing. We ought to say and do something to keep our own memory of it alive, and to make it known to our fellowmen.

But ere long Abraham moved further south to Bethel, and there again God appeared to him, and he built another altar. But Abraham had scarcely arrived in Bethel before a famine began to devastate and scorch Palestine, and this country to which God had directed him as the El Dorado of his dreams must at once be left to avoid starvation. So Abraham was forced down into Egypt. What a symbol that, of the way life's experiences often seem to mock our dreams!

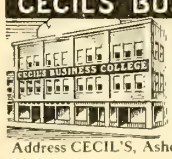
But then in the final outcome Abraham's dreams were vindicated. God did give to his descendants the land of promise; and in a way he never dreamed of, all the world was blessed through him, for the sons of Abraham gave us the Bible, and the Supreme Son of Abraham gave himself for the life of the world.

THE ACCEPTED TIME

There trudged along a Scotch highway years ago a little, old-fashioned mother. By her side was her boy. The boy was going out into the world. At last the mother stopped. She could go no farther. "Robert," she said, "promise me something?" "What?" asked the boy. "Promise me something?" said the mother again. The boy was as Scotch as his mother, and he said: "You will have to tell me before I will promise." She said: "Robert, it is something you can easily do. Promise your mother?" He looked into her face and said: "Very well, mother, I will do anything you wish." She clasped her hands behind his head, pulled his face down close to hers, and said: "Robert, you are going into a wicked world. Begin every day with God. Close every day with God." Then she kissed him, and Robert Moffat says that that kiss made him a missionary. And Joseph Parker says that when Robert Moffat was added to the kingdom of God, a whole continent was added with him. There are critical times in the history of souls. "Now is the accepted time; now is the day of salvation."—J. W. Chapman.

Desire of knowledge, like the thirst of riches, increases with the acquisition of it.—Sterne.

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ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Swan Quarter, Fairfield, 11 31

August
Mattamuskeet, Englehard, 11 1
Murfreesboro, Harrellsville, 11 2
Gatesville, Harrell's, 3 2
Pasquotank, Eureka, 11 8
Bath, Asbury, 11 9
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 8 9
Hatteras, 8 11
Kinnakeet, Clark-Bethel, 8 12
Edenton, 11 16
Windsor, White Oak, 3 16
Williamston, 8 19
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 22
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 23
Currituck, Hebron, 3 23
Ahoskie, 8 26
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September
First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehoboth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

July
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 8 31

August
Four Oaks, Sanders Chapel, 11 2
Newton Grove, Ebenezer, 8 2
Selma, 3 5
Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 9
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Wilson, 11 2
McKendree, 8 2
Spring Church-Garysburg, Spring Church, 11 23
Halifax, Pierce's, 4 23
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 30
Bethel, 11 30

September
Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October
Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November
Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

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ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

August
Mills River, Fannings Chapel, 10 2
Wolf Mountain, 3 2
Brevard, 8 2
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August
Elkin, 11 2
Bryant Memorial, 3 2
Yadkinville, night 2

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
THIRD ROUND—IN PART

August
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 9:30 2
Bradley Memorial, 11 2

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

August
West Market, 11 2
Gibsonville, 8 2
Centenary, 11 16
Summerfield, 8 16
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Stokesdale, 8 30

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Bakersville, Bakersville, 11 9
Elk Park, Linville, 3 9
Spruce Pine, night 9
Old Fort, 11 16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 16
Avery, Pisgah, 11 23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30 23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night 23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

September
Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 13
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Bostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 9
Mt. Mitchell, 11 16
Badin-New London, 11 23
Friendship, Bethel, 3 23
Stanfield, Love's Grove, 11 30
Salem, 3 30
Mount Pleasant, 8 30

September
Roberta, 11 6
Westford, 4 6
Midland, 8 6
China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 3 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October
Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 2
Hudson, Cedar Valley, 3 2

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

July
Highlands, Cashiers, 8 17
Cullowhee, 8 19

August
Sylva, 11 2
Webster, Wesleyanna, 3 2
Franklin, 8 2
Whittier, Olivet, 3 9
Bryson City, 8 9
Clyde, 11 16
Morning Star, 3 16
Canton, First, 8 16
Andrews, 11 23
Robbinsville, 8 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy Ct., 3 30
Shooting Creek, 8 30
Hayesville, 8 31

September
Bethel, 11 6
Junaluska, 8 6
Canton, Central, 8 9
Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October
Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

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City Mission, 8 9
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Kernersville Ct., 8 16
Green Street, 11 23
Marvin, 8 23
Mt. Tabor, 8 30
Centenary, 11 30

September
Kernersville Ct., 11 6
Davidson Ct., 3 6
Walnut Cove, 8 6
Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

FOR A MOTHER IN WARTIME

A ten-point guide for mothers in wartime, written by Mrs. Ernest G. Stillman, was read recently by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt in her Sunday broadcast:

1. Before you turn on the news or open the mail, turn your heart to God, even if only in Mr. Huntington's brief prayer: "I will give thanks to God today. I will give myself to God today. I will ask God to help me today."

2. Keep breakfast cheerful and allow no controversy or personal criticism at any meal.

3. Buy wisely: practical clothing, healthful and simple food.

4. Remember that working for your home and family is working for your nation, but give your free time to the community.

5. Stop parties but increase simple hospitality, especially to service men and their families.

6. Walk in the fresh air a few minutes every day.

7. Look at beauty every day—if only the bare branches of a tree in the park.

8. Hear real music every day—if only a lullaby on the radio.

9. Relax before the family comes home, and be ready to meet their problems.

10. Before turning out the light lift your loved ones near and far, your country and the whole world to Divine Mercy, and end your day saying: "Into thy hands I commit my spirit." —P. T. A. Bulletin.

It is not the variegated colors, the cheerful sounds, and the warm breezes which enliven us so much in the spring; it is the quiet prophetic spirit of endless hope, a presentment of many happy days, the anticipation of higher everlasting blossoms and fruits, and the secret sympathy with the world that is developing itself.—Martin Opitz.

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GRAND OLD HYMN

By Edward A. Walker

One of the grandest old hymns ever written, not so old as many but old enough in the life of our American Republic to have recognition as being a grand old hymn, is the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," by Julia Ward Howe.

We as Americans should never forget that our Nation was formed out of the persecutions of the Old World. Persecutions not only for political views but persecutions; lest we forget that most of the settlement of the Americas was by those who out of those persecutions heard plainly the voice of God saying, "This is my beloved Son, hear ye him." We must never forget that our wonderful system of laws, the United States Constitution formed out of the principles of the wonderful Declaration of Independence, is based upon the teachings not alone of God, but upon the teachings of God and his Son, the Prince of Peace.

Let us not forget that the early founders regarded the Cross of Christ as the pillar of smoke by day and the pillar of fire by night which so many had ceased to follow.

The words of the Battle Hymn of the Republic fill a big void noticeable in the writings of many of our commentators, especially those who base most of their findings on the prophecies of the Old Testament. They are wonderful but let us not forget the place in the Bible, The Word of God, of the Prince of Peace. Let us sing this grand old hymn with new meaning:

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord:
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword.
His truth is marching on.

I have seen him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I have read his righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps.
His day is marching on.

I have read a fiery gospel, writ in burnished rows of steel:
As ye deal with my contemners, so with you my grace shall deal;
Let the hero, born of woman, crush the serpent with his heel,
Since God is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment-seat:
O, be swift, my soul, to answer him!
Be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.

In the beauties of the lilies Christ was born across the sea.
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me;
As he died to make men holy, let us die to make man free.
While God is marching on.

—Religious Telescope.

The willingness to forgive others is one of the basic conditions of being forgiven. It takes grace to do it—to practice the hard sayings.—Hardcastle.

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Truth, when not sought after, rarely comes to light.—Holmes.



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In Memoriam

IN MEMORY

Marvin C. Doxey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Doxey, passed away two years ago July 13.

Marvin, dear, how we miss you
Coming back to and fro;
But we know that you are resting,
Never more on earth to roam.
And we hope again to meet you
When our journey here is over;
And with loved ones there to meet you
On that bright and shining shore.

Gone but not forgotten.

Dad, Mother and Sister.

BARBER—Brother J. F. (Bud) Barber passed to his eternal reward on May 23, 1942. Funeral service was conducted in Fairview church, Burlington circuit, on May 25. One of the largest congregations ever assembled in the local church attended. A good man in the community, in the school, in the church, in the home. Serving as school janitor for about 20 years; church janitor and trustee. "A real good man never dies." We bless the memory of Brother Barber. May God bless the dear wife and the nine children, 30 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. M. C. Ellerbe, Pastor.

DAVIS—James Monroe Davis was born May 6, 1859; died February 9, 1942, age 82 years, 9 months and 3 days. He was twice married. First to Mary Jane Hedrick, who departed this life in early womanhood. To this union were born two children, Mrs. John Floyd and Mrs. Jasper Foust. In later years he was married to Martha Jane Leonard, who died a few years ago. To this union were born eight children, Jefferson, Roy, Fred, George H., Mrs. W. S. Cheek, Mrs. Carl Allred, and Mrs. Cloven Walker. For a long period of years he was a member of Gray's Chapel Methodist church. The pastor conducted the funeral at Gray's Chapel, assisted by Rev. Mr. Edwards of the Baptist church. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

H. L. Isley.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the board of stewards of Edenton Street Methodist church, wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of one of our most faithful and active church members, Mrs. Lena Sanford Land, who passed away Monday, July 13, 1942.

Mrs. Land had been a member of Edenton Street Methodist church for many years and was especially active in the woman's work of the church and on the board of stewards. She will be greatly missed by those who knew her and worked with her.

Be it resolved, therefore, that we shall always cherish her memory and that copies of this tribute be sent to her family, the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and one placed in the files of the board of stewards.

Flora Thompson,
Adrian S. Morris.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

"She hath done what she could." These words, spoken by the Master of one of his loyal and devoted followers, might well have been spoken of Mrs. Lydia Hooten, who left these earthly cares June 13, 1942, and took up her abode in the celestial city with those faithful followers of Jesus who preceded her there. Therefore we, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Lane's Chapel Methodist church, Dover, resolve:

First, the community has lost a good neighbor and an excellent example of Christian service.

Second, Lane's Chapel church has lost a loyal member, a true child of God, the heavenly Father, a disciple of his son Jesus Christ, and a faithful worker for the advancement of his cause in the world.

Third, the Woman's Society of Christian Service has lost an interested member and a fine example of Christian character.

Fourth, that all of us have lost a friend, for to know her was to love her, and until memory fails we shall remember the joy she expressed, the happiness that was a part of her being, the many things she did for others—and we say indeed and in truth "She hath done what she could."

(Signed) W. S. C. S.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The pastor and members of the board of stewards of Graham Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of its members.

On July 12, 1942, the Lord saw fit to take Mr. C. W. Hunter to his eternal reward.

Mr. Hunter was a faithful steward, a lover of all that would help advance the kingdom of God. For several years he had been a member of the Methodist church, serving ably and actively on the board of stewards. Those who knew him in every capacity of God's work cannot but feel that his presence will linger with us to bless. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That his life was one of loyal service, inspiring those he came in contact with to be more loyal for the advancement of God's kingdom here on earth.

Second, That we wish to express to the family our heartfelt sympathy, and may God comfort them in their bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be placed upon the minutes of the board of stewards of the Graham Methodist church.

J. J. Boone, Pastor.
Ross Henderson, Chm.
Gladys Amick, Sec.

A TRIBUTE

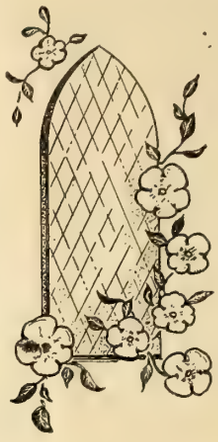
Miss Florence Wagner, loyal and consecrated member of circle No. 1, Wesleyan Service Guild, Front Street Methodist church, Burlington, passed into the other life in a hospital in Baltimore Sunday, June 21, 1942.

In her passing this circle has lost one of its best and truest members. She loved her God, her church, and her fellow creatures, and she was happiest when present for her church meetings. She took special delight in giving liberally to the church causes and to those in need.

We can but bow in resignation and humility to Him who doeth all things well. We shall miss her, but we realize she has passed into a more abundant life.

We are paying this tribute to her lovely character and to her fine achievements, and are sending a copy to her brother, to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication, and spreading a copy on the minutes of this circle.

Miss Florine Robertson,
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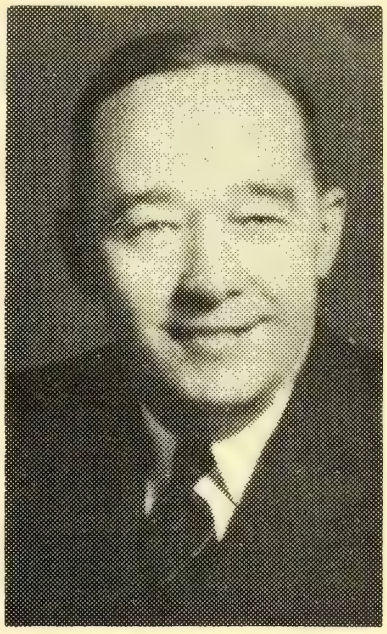
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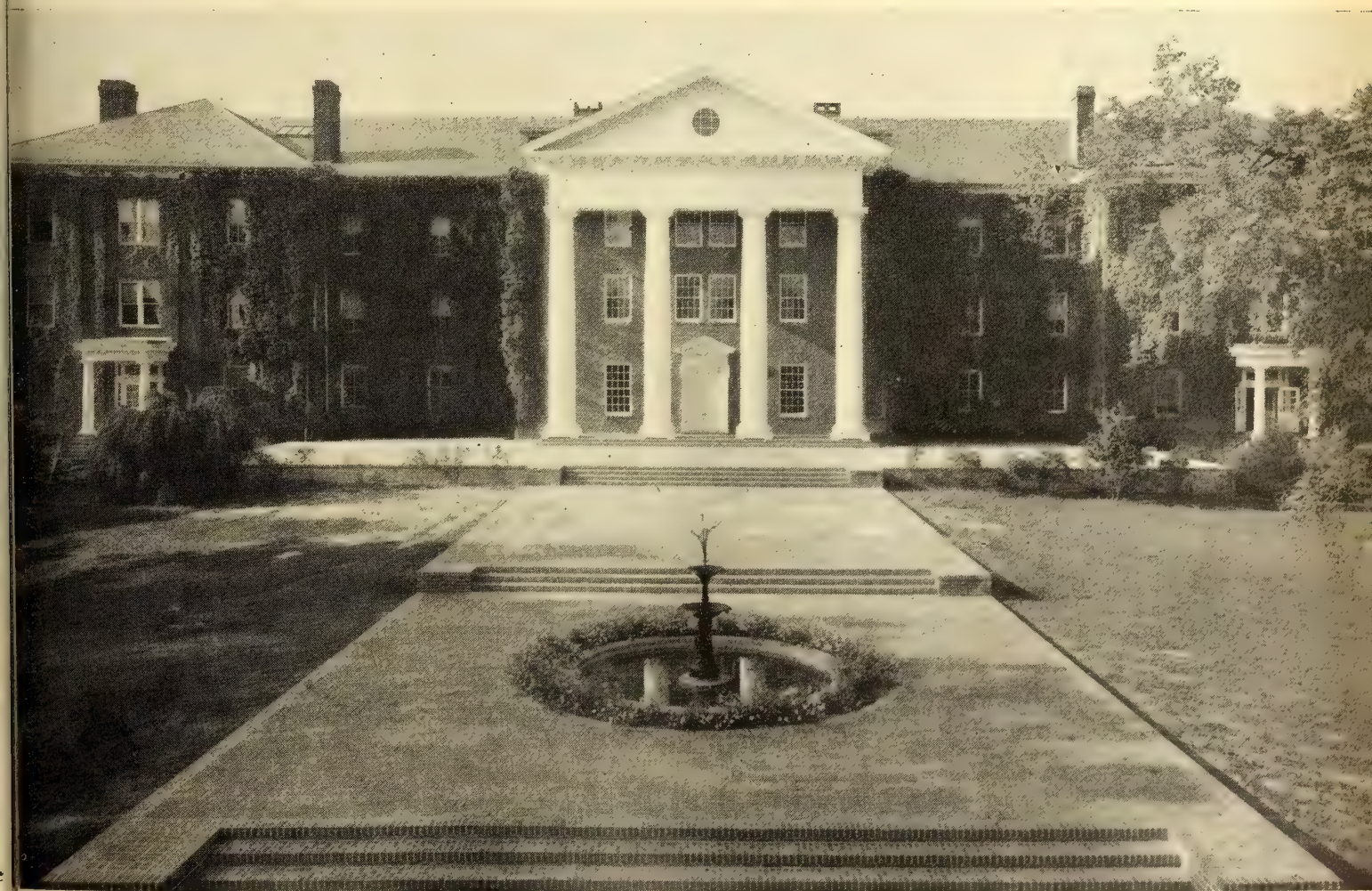


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August 9-15 (Ninth Week)

August 9 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Bishop Francis J. McConnell.
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Bishop Paul B. Kern.

August 10 Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: "The Bible," Dr. Edwin Mims.
7:00-8:00 p.m.—Waynesville Band.
8:00 p.m.—Duke Day.

August 11 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: Shakespeare," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Address, Dr. A. B. Potorf.

August 12 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: Milton and Bunyan," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Address, Dr. Claud Nelson.

August 13 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: Pope and Swift," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Address, Dr. John Q. Schisler.

August 14 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: The Romantic Poets," Dr. Edwin Mims.
8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "The Contemporary Value of Great English Classics: The Mid-Victorians," Dr. Edwin Mims.

August 15 (Sat.), 11:00 a.m.—Address, Dr. Robert MacGowan (Florida Day).
5:00 p.m.—Boat Pageant and Waynesville Band.
8:00 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.

AN INSULT TO PATRIOTISM

By Acton E. Middlebrooks, Editor Alabama Christian Advocate

Birmingham has had a "million dollar bond breakfast." A novel idea and a good one. So good that our government adopted the idea of our Magic City citizens and a nation-wide radio told the country about it. Many such breakfasts will be held over the nation.

The eyes of millions of people were looking toward Alabama and particularly toward Birmingham. The ears of millions were listening to the program of the first "Million Dollar Bond Breakfast" in the history of the nation. It was expected that the people would be inspired, not by the food, because they could neither see, taste nor smell it, but by the chief speaker of the occasion, for his words were sent into millions of homes.

A local man conceived the idea. A local committee planned the breakfast and then called upon the government at Washington for a speaker. Whom did the government send? A president of a great university? No. A leader in the great religious forces in our land? No. The feature speaker for the "Million Dollar Bond Breakfast" sent by the government of the United States was none other than the president of a distillery corporation. We shall not give his name nor that of the distillery, because we do not want to advertise him nor his whiskey.

The gentleman came despite the fact that he was informed of the vehement protests from representatives of a large number of civic organizations.

It is difficult to believe that any leader in Washington would be so stupid as to send such a representative on such an occasion. The act is a downright insult to real patriotism. But when we come to reflect upon it, we are not greatly surprised after all. Everybody knows that our government is tied up with this liquor business. This is an all-out war, they tell us, and everything must give way—everything except the liquor business. It is given a gentle pat and told to go ahead.

And now according to the Birmingham papers this distillery president "is one of the federal government's key speakers in the nation-wide drive to raise funds and has been devoting much of his time . . . to the savings campaign." He is the chairman of the United States War Bonds and Stamps Council of the liquor and wine industries in co-operation with the retail Advisory Committee of the United States Treasury. Can you beat that? Tying up patriotism with the liquor traffic!

Brethren, the time has come for the Christian forces of this nation to lay aside timidity, expediency and fear of being misunderstood, and rise up in righteous wrath, such as this country has never done before. We cannot afford to let fear or threat of intimidation stop us in doing our duty.

Here is a man, going over the nation, the president of a liquor factory, sent by our government in a "saving" campaign, sent to raise money to help save our nation. A man, representing a business that does nothing but destroy, although it goes forth under the guise of patriotism and helping to save. A business that is a wolf in sheep's clothing. A rattlesnake in the grass with rattles silenced. A saboteur of defense. An ungodly business that defeats our defense efforts in every sense of the word.

And yet our government is encouraging this thing that is undermining the security of our nation and the pariotism of our people. A great government is helping to glorify drink instead of going out to destroy it. The liquor traffic is a criminal. Webster says crime is "any aggravated offense against morality and public welfare." A criminal is "one who has committed a crime." Any business that takes advantage of the welfare and appetites of the weak, innocent and helpless and robs any person of health, hope and happiness, home and life, is a criminal, even though it wears the cloak of pretended respectability.

And to think that a great government will support this business! And that a great nation will tolerate it! Living off the weakness and blood of its citizens! We must have money, of course, to win the war. Sell bonds. Of course. But when we are told that the revenue from the liquor is the second greatest source for winning the war and that we must have this money regardless of the debauchery of men and women, and that we must say nothing against it for fear of dividing our people and undermine morale, we declare in the name of high heaven that we shall not be quiet and see our country go its way to the graveyard of the nations. There can be no genuine morale without morality.

WHAT DOES ANXIETY DO?

By Ian MacLaren

It does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow; but it empties today of its strength.

It does not make you escape the evil; it makse you unfit to cope when it comes.

It does not bless tomorrow, but it robs today. For every day has its own.

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Whom does Robert Quillen have in mind when he says: "Free people have a right to support a wind-bag and all of his relatives at public expense, but can't it be done without sending him to the Senate?

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Was it Lincoln who said in substance that those who deny freedom to others do not deserve it for themselves and under a just God cannot long retain it for themselves? If this be true the totalitarians are headed for disaster and perhaps destructiion.

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Walter Lippmann says the center of trouble about a shortage of materials is with the War Production Board. Our resources are immense but we are short of the lucid, orderly and finer command that keeps the materials flowing from the mines to the arsenals. "It is felt," says he, "in the shut downs and the slow downs. It is felt in what is undoubtedly the immense waste of precious materials by the armed forces and by civilians."

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Man is born to trouble as the sparks fly upward, declared an ancient writer. There are all kinds of troubles—troubles of the body and of the mind, troubles that we bring upon ourselves and troubles that others bring upon us, and troubles that are the fault of no human beings unless we adopt the old method and place all the blame on Adam and Eve. Are troubles wholly bad? Sometimes we think so. But troubles serve many good purposes in life. How could there be tenderness if there were no pain? How could there be sympathy and compassion if there were no hardships? How could there be hope if there were no night or doubt? It is the night that brings into view the stars of heaven. "Call upon me in the day of trouble," says God, "and I will deliver thee." Keep in mind, however, that God has many kinds of of deliverance. To take away trouble is not the only way.

If heaven is anywhere it is in the homes where love abounds; where patience makes sweet and strong the folk gathered there; where humor and understanding and kindness are never absent; and where (even though religion isn't much talked of) life is good, fellowship real, and the presence of God felt by all.

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Hitler for a long time held a monopoly on big talk about what he was going to do. Do you remember when he said in the early days of the war, "Wave after wave" of bombers would lay England low. But England refused to be laid low. Now Sir Arthur T. Harris tells how he will "scourge the third reich from end to end." Sir Arthur seems to have taken Hitler as a model for big talk. How would it do to complete the job and do the talking afterward? It is always a better plan to talk after we have completed the task in hand? Anyway Hitler is no model for anybody. Bombs will be more effective than words.

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The government has established a policy that the nation's millions of war workers should toil no more than eight hours a day and forty-eight hours a week and that all workers should have vacations to restore their energies. This is an old doctrine with a fresh application. When the war effort broke much was said about seven days a week without any regard for Sunday. All of which sounded like the ancient days of France when that nation set aside the Christian Sabbath. By the might of human energy we were going to build a war machine that would render helpless nazi might and power. But we are finding that there is a limit to human energy in our effort to set at naught the plan of God who still sits upon his throne. Of course this new policy is a recommendation and not a compulsion; yet it is highly significant. Would we not do well as individuals to hold sacred the old doctrine of one day in seven for rest? The ten commandments still are in effect.

A Dream of Four Centuries Late in Fulfillment

THE Panama Canal was a dream of four hundred years. Christopher Columbus spent months cruising back and forth along the Carribean coast of Central America seeking a way of passage to the riches of India. The following century witnessed many explorers obsessed with the same idea searching for a way of passage to the Far East. As late as 1609 Henry Hudson in the same quest sailed up the river that bears his name, and the following year attempted a more northern voyage to the Hudson Bay which was named for this doughty Englishman. All the while he was seeking for that illusive passage which had commanded the interest of seemingly all mariners to the western hemisphere.

Having become convinced that no natural passage existed attention was turned to digging a canal. The subject was discussed the greater part of these four centuries and preliminary surveys were made as early as 1532. But not until 1904 began the actual fulfillment of this dream, when the United States government began the construction of the canal that would reduce the distance from New York to San Francisco from 13,615 miles to 5,292 miles, being only a little more than one-third of the original distance. The canal was opened with elaborate ceremonies in 1914, the very year that the first world war began.

At the very time that the canal was being constructed the Wright Brothers were over at Kitty Hawk, N. C., learning to fly. And now in little more than a quarter of a century bombing planes are about to supplant battleships, and trans-Atlantic clippers have eclipsed the greyhounds of the ocean. And it is not a fanciful dream that in no distant day much shipping across the widest oceans will carried in ships that can fly.

As a result the Panama Canal is already becoming of secondary importance and no man can foresee what the end will be.

Youth Leads

THOSE pioneers who on September 20, 1620, embarked from the shores of Holland for the new world and became the first permanent settlers of New England, we erroneously call the "Pilgrim Fathers" when correctly speaking they were pilgrim youths. There was not an old man in the entire company. Of these 102 pioneers only two had reached fifty years of age. Only nine had reached forty. Miles Standish was thirty-six and John Alden had scarcely reached his majority. Forty-four were men, nineteen women, and thirty-nine boys and girls.

And this first settlement became typical in a large measure of the tides of emigration that flowed westward toward the shores of the Pacific in the occupation of this continent. They were young men and women and boys and girls. America was first occupied by comparatively young people.

Young men fought the wars of this country, and as for that matter of all other countries. They felled the forests, builded the cities and led in the establishment of government and a permanent civilization. In fact youth leads in all great new movements. The Christian religion began with a young man and a little coterie of young followers. Francis Asbury and his youthful circuit riders laid the foundations of American Methodism. And thus the story runs in all human affairs through the long history of the human race. Youth leads and age follows on, giving stability to the things that endure.

Wartime Washington and Church Attendance

EDITOR J. E. PRICE of the News, Rutherfordton, says that many of the churches of Washington, D. C., hold two services Sunday mornings in order to accommodate the crowds that go to church. The same sermon is preached by the same man. He mentions in particular Mount Vernon Place Methodist church, located at Massachusetts Avenue at Ninth street which has two services at 9 and 11 a. m. The Chinese use the building for services in the afternoon on Sundays. The young people have a Sunday night supper and get-together with good programs. A social is held each Tuesday evening in the church for the young people and men in uniform with singing and games. A prayer meeting is held one evening for the older people. The church is helping to bring cheer to many lonely people in Washington who are there to work. Many of them come from small towns and rural sections. They are trying to exist in one small room. Some of these folks are anxious for friends and wholesome amusement. The churches of Washington are trying to meet this need.

She Began the Day With the New Testament

DR. H. M. BARRIE wrote of his mother as follows: "She began the day by the fireside with the New Testament in her hands—an old volume with its loose pages beautifully refixed and its covers sewn and resewn by her, so that you would say it can never fall to pieces. Other books she read in the ordinary manner, but this one differently, her lips moving with each word as if she were reading aloud and her face very solemn. The Testament lies open on her lap long after she has ceased to read, and the expression of her face has not changed."

This is certainly a beautiful description of an old fashioned mother in an old fashioned home with the Holy Book in her lap. This was to her a book different from all other books as it really is and should be to one and all of us.

It was this book and this sort of mother that made Scotland great. And in the words of Odell Shepherd: "For these three centuries the grand harmonies of the English Bible have sounded in the ears of all true Americans, dignifying their speech, raising their thought, and shaping their conduct."

Preaching About Worms

THE old theologies in their efforts to emphasize the low estate of our sinful humanity before it has been redeemed by the saving grace of God regarded the natural man only a worm of the dust. Hence those preachers who desired to talk about this low and sinful estate of our humanity had quite a bit to say about worms. But they let no one forget that even a worm could do great things by the saving power of our salvation.

The Methodist Recorder tells about these attainments of worms in the following:

"Once, for example, a summer preacher at Grindenwald assured his congregation that 'even a worm may have an eagle's wings.' Years ago the Plymouth Brethren had a hymn that contained another little known fact about worms. 'Even worms can bend the knee' was one of its lines: and another hymn, quoted in a book of hymnology, had two lines, which made its singers say: 'I am only a miserable worm, Blowing the Gospel trumpet.'

"Another preacher whose words I have on record, preaching about Jacob's ladder, said: 'Even poor dead worms like you and me, brethren, can climb that ladder'; whilst another speaker, this time a Quaker in Baltimore, adjured his hearers with these words: 'Don't pin your faith to the sleeve of any poor worm of the dust.' If worms can have sleeves, and can bend the knee, and climb ladders, nothing in fact is beyond them."

Not Like Other Men

JESUS tells about one of these men. He was a big talker and his chief topic was about himself, his virtues and his victories. He was an expert in the use of the big "I." "I thank thee that I am not as other men are. I fast, I give tithes." Whether he talked to other people or prayed to himself, it was "I," "I," "I." We are accustomed to say he was self-righteous. But it was not so much that as old fashioned every day egotism which manifests itself in a superabundant use of the big "I."

That high churchman whom Jesus held up to the scorn of all good people everywhere was not simply a man of the first century who made periodic visits to the temple in Jerusalem. He belongs to every century and makes his abode among all peoples. In many instances he never darkens a church door or calls upon his God except in profane speech. He is the godless, profane egotist who loves to boast of himself and of his deeds, whether good or bad.

On the other hand he may be a man with many excellent qualities, but he has one terrible handicap, he is an egotist. And Jesus says that a miserable sinner who will humbly confess his faults is superior to an egotist.

A Negro With Human Sympathy and a Heap of Sense

SEVERAL years ago a negro rushed into the police station of High Point and excitedly declared: "Boss, there's a man a-lyin' out yonder on them tracks and I think I heerd a train whistle."

An officer in response to this unusual report by the colored man went to "them tracks" and found that a drunk had selected a couch that was not as soft as downy pillows for his last long sleep.

When asked why he did not help him up the negro explained that the reason he didn't lift the man off the tracks was because he just didn't want "to mess with anybody who picked out such a place to lie down."

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Martha Ann, on July 26.

Chaplain Leon Hall is now post chaplain at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Penn. He adds this note: "Give my love to all the ministers, please."

Rev. B. A. York, 65 years a Methodist preacher, son of Brantley York, will be 84 years of age August 10. His summer address is 223 6th Ave. E,, Hendersonville, N. C.—D. E. Camak.

Rev. Odell Brown, pastor of Pilot Mountain, has recently undergone two major operations but is recovering nicely. Mrs. Brown informs us that he will be in the Hugh Chatham hospital at Elkin for two more weeks. His friends who are many will learn with pleasure of his speedy recovery.

The first vacation Bible school held at Sharon has come to a close. Seventeen children were enrolled. There were only two absences during the entire session, which partly shows the splendid interest taken in the work. It was a great joy to work with this group of boys and girls.

The Vanderburg congregation of Shepherds charge invites the friends, all former members and pastors, and the editors of the North Carolina Christian Advocate to attend the formal opening of the new church August 9. Service at 11 a. m., picnic lunch at 1 o'clock and dedication services at 3 o'clock.—D. W. Wilhelm, Lay Leader; A. G. Lackey, P. C.

Mt. Vernon church in Chatham county was led in a six days' preaching mission by Rev. S. A. Maxwell of Aberdeen. There were 36 conversions as the result of six messages on "What Is the Gospel?" Sixteen of these joined the Methodist church and the others united with the Baptist and Quaker churches.

The laymen's conference meeting in Lake Junaluska July 22-26, upon motion duly seconded, unanimously voted that the conference go on record to the effect that a person who engages in the liquor business, encourages liquor drinking, or drinks alcoholic beverages, should not be a member of an official board of the Methodist Church.

The bulletin of Myers Park church, Charlotte, says: "We are sympathizing with Mrs. Blackard in the death of of her mother, Mrs. Sally Griffith, which occurred last Monday evening at 8:30 at her home in Bridgeport, Conn. Mrs. Griffith was a very charming woman. She had visited in some of our homes a number of times, and was beloved by many of our members.

Dr. Costen J. Harrell, pastor of West End Methodist church, Nashville, is scheduled to deliver three addresses at the church-wide pastors' conference and book week which will be held at Lake Junaluska, August 4-9. Dr. Harrell, widely known as an author of eight books on religious subjects, is outstanding among the church's 20,500 pastors active in the United States. He has just returned from Chicago, where he attended the meeting of the Commission on World Service and Finance of which he is a member.

Hawkins Chapel, Littleton Charge.—We were very fortunate in having our district superintendent, Rev. L. C. Larkin to preach for us the fourth Sunday evening, and having the third quarterly conference with us. We are working to have our conference claims paid by the fourth Sunday in September. The fourth quarterly conference will meet with us at Tabor. Our revival meeting will begin the second Sunday in August with all day service Sunday. Rev. E. D. Critcher of Enfield will be pulpit help. We covet your prayers that some may be saved and revived back to God. Come and be with us.—Mrs. Claude Hawkins, Reporter.

Improvements on the Montmorenci church, including painting and papering interior and painting exterior, have been completed at a cost of about $300. The Pleasant Hill church is installing an electric machine to furnish lighting for the church. A good many changes have been made in the downstairs arrangement of the parsonage at very little cost. Forty-seven dollars has been raised for the Golden Cross—the largest offering in the history of the charge. Finances in fine shape.—C. W. Bates, P. C.

Rev. James K. Matthews, missionary-pastor of the Bowen Memorial church, Bombay, India, who was due to return to the United States for furlough, has volunteered for military service in India with the American Army. He has been commissioned first lieutenant in the quartermaster corps, where his knowledge of the language, the people and the country will be of unusual value. Mrs. Matthews, who has been with him in Bombay, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. Stanley Jones.

Shiloh church mourns the passing of Mrs. Guilia Ledbetter Hemphill, wife of A. M. Hemphill, whose home going was June 21, having reached the age of 80 years. She was a sister of the late Rev. J. A. Ledbetter, former Methodist Protestant minister. For more than half a century she was one of the most faithful and devoted members of Shiloh church. The husband four children survive—Mrs. W. A. Kanoy, Charlie C., Grady R. and W. Tyson, the last two named being merchants in Julian. Funeral and burial were at Shiloh church, the pastor conducting the service. H. L. Isley.

Russian prisoners, unable to see the Scriptures in their homeland, are now eagerly reading Bibles and Gospel portions in their own language in their prison camps. Bibles were prepared in New York, sent to Geneva, Switzerland, and then forwarded into Germany and to the Russian prisoners. Other thousands of Russian Bibles were printed in Finland for use of prisoners there. Cabled information from Geneva reports the receipt from New York of 6,500 Russian Testaments, 34,500 Russian Gospels and a number of Russian Bibles and English Testaments. This is relief—relief for soul, mind, and body alike.

The adult classes of Burlington circuit are co-operating in a prayer circle for their pastor. Every Sunday, at the close of the class discussion, these classes pause for a brief prayer in behalf of the church service. Fairview gave a splendid response the other Sunday night in meeting a few minutes before the night service and a beautiful sight—seeing the classes meet in their rooms for prayer service—then reassembling in auditorium for church service. It was July 12 night service, but the largest night congregation at Fairview in a long time. When all classes of Burlington circuit respond to this appeal for prayer in behalf of their pastor and church, we will see wonderul results.

We closed a good meeting at Mocks church, Advance charge, Sunday night. Rev. A. C. Gibbs, our district superintendent, was with us for a week, and his preaching was forceful and with fervor. He endeared himself with the people at Mocks church and his visit will long be remembered. As results of the meeting I baptized and received 15 into the church Sunday morning, and also baptized five infants. There are two more candidates to be received later. Rev. G. W. Fink of Mocksville was with us at Advance church. His preaching was highly received and he proved himself worthy of the task by his forceful preaching. Rev. C. E. Ridge is to do the preaching at Elbaville church this week (August 2-9). Signs are favorable for a good report on the Advance charge again this year.—P. L. Smith.

Mrs. C. B. Way, wife of the pastor of Bald Creek charge, in the Asheville district, is in the Wesley Long Hospital, Greensboro, having undergone an opreation Wednesday, August 5. The operation was successful, and Mrs. Way is reported recovering nicely.

The Bethesda revival begins August 9 at 11 a. m. There will be a memorial and home coming service at 2 p. m. The address will be by Hon. Hugh G. Mitchell of Statesville. Mr. Mitchell is the national president of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, an outstanding attorney and a Presbyterian churchman. Services will be in the afternoon and at night through Friday, August 14. Dinner will be served in picnic style. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The laymen's conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, meeting at Lake Junaluska July 22-26, several hundred in number, and representing 17 conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, unanimously voted to petition the President and Congress of the United States to take whatever steps may be necessary for the immediate passage of Bill S-860, or some similar legislation, protecting the physical and moral welfare of our boys in camps and in military service against the growing liquor and vice conditions in congested military areas.

Miss Mary Gardner, editor of our woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, gave us some interesting conference notes in last week's edition. "Prayer and Power" should be read by everyone. Never was a time when prayer was needed more than now. News from Latin America, and a fine report from the Durham district by Miss Florine Robertson, district secretary, we enjoyed reading. She looks well after her work. We appreciate our editor and hope our pepole will co-operate with her in giving us the very best woman's page yet.—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

I would like to report that the Lillington charge has paid in full for the year all items in the budget with the exception of the pastor's salary, which will be paid as it comes due. If I am not in error, this is the fourth year in succession that the Lillington charge has been first to pay its connectional responsibilities. This has been done each year and the budget this year is 50 per cent more than it was four years ago. I would likewise report building three new Sunday school rooms at Parker's Grove church and painting the three old ones at an approximate cost of $700. During the year we have painted the Pleasant Plains church at an approximate cost, counting the labor, of $100. In Lillington we have bought new church pews, finished our doors, put in new rug, hymn board, Sunday school register, 15 new hymnals, at an approximate cost of $850. And at the present time we have in the bank $150. The pastor is in his fourth year on this charge. Hear ye, hear ye!—R. L. Crossno.

The revival meeting held in the West Jefferson Methodist church this month has been described by many as an "old time Methodist meeting"; for there was in reality a genuine revival of the spiritual life of the church. Rev. A. C. Waggoner, pastor of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church, did the preaching, and there were charter members of the church who testified that they had not heard such powerful preaching here since the church was founded. Mr. Waggoner's power and sincerity was evidenced by the tangible good he did for the church. In addition to the members he was heard by a large number of people from the other churches here. The services closed with a highly spiritual testimony meeting in which many souls were reclaimed for Christ. At the close of the meeting several requested that it be continued for another week. Mrs. Waggoner and two children accompanied Mr. Waggoner here and their visits with various people in the community did much to encourage spiritual fellowship. Sunday morning, July 25, a very successful vacation church school was closed with a church school rally day. A large number of children, large and small, took part on the program. The congregatoin voted the pastor a two weeks' vacation and made him a gift of $140 to "take a rest." He will leave Sunday, August 2, for Lake Junaluska.

HONORED MEMBER OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE DIES AT HIS HOME IN WINSTON-SALEM

Rev. Gilbert A. Stamper, for 34 years a member of the Western North Carolina conference, died at his home early Tuesday morning, August 4. Brother W. M. Smith writes that "he has been confined to his room since some time in April, and has been gradually growing weaker. He suffered much during the past few weeks and was in an unconscious state for a few days before his passing. He was very patient during his illness."



Rev. Gilbert A. Stamper

Funeral services were held in Burkhead Methodist church at 10.30 Wednesday morning. Ministers in charge were Rev. W. M. Smith, pastor of the church, Dr. C. C. Weaver, superintendent of the Winston-Salem district, and Rev. John R. Church. Interment was at Concord at 2 p. m. Wednesday.

Mr. Stamper was born in Iredell county on December 2, 1871, a son of George Washington and Sarah Alley Stamper. He joined the Western North Carolina conference in 1907 and had been an effective and popular pastor until ill health forced him to retire at the annual conference last year. At another time will appear the story of his ministerial life which was worthy of all praise.

Among pastorates served in Western North Carolina conference are Green Street Methodist church, 1922-24; Burkhead Methodist church, 1932-36; Centenary Methodist church at Greensboro, four years; and Muirs Chapel Methodist church, Greensboro, four years.

Survivors include the wife, the former Miss Rosan Weaver; four sons, Clarence and R. H. Stamper, both of Tampa, Fla.; E. H. Stamper of Greensboro, and Gilbert W. Stamper of Winston-Salem; three daughters, Mrs. H. M. Hallenbeck of West Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. William H. Smith of Flushing, L. I.; Miss Jean Stamper of Winston-Salem; seven granddaughters; two sisters, Mrs. G. A. Winecoff and Mrs. Thomas Meacham, both of Concord.

SUCCESS IN AUGUST

Rev. C. E. Murray, pastor of Spencer Memorial church, Charlotte, sent in yesterday eight new subscribers to the Advocate. That is a good record for one of the first days of August. He that regards the season will not reap, says a good book, and blessed is the man one can rely upon at any and all times. Thrice blessed is he who can point the way in August.

GROPING LAYMEN—OR GRAPPLING LAYMEN?

By Edgar T. Welch

The editorial in the January 17 Zions Herald, "Groping Laymen," speaks with sympathetic understanding. But after reading it the question that came to my mind was, "Groping Laymen—or Grappling Laymen?"

In Isaiah we read: "We grope, like a blind man along the wall, we feel our way, like sightless men; at noon we stumble, as in twilight, we live in darkness like the dead" (Moffatt). It makes a big difference whether the darkness is within or just temporarily without.

The editorial says: "There are many other indications in various parts of the country of the hunger of laymen for genuine religion and for an opportunity to help intelligently in giving it new scope and power." Such claim the promise, "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled."

While some thoughts provoked by the editorial were running through my mind, I happened to see the headline of the advertisement of a famous hotel located at the popular seaside resort where the Methodist General Conference will convene. It read, "Tell Your Troubles to a Sea Gull." Of course, there is a bit of humor here. I insist this is not sound advice for a groping layman, for a preacher who finds himself "at sea," or for a dead-locked standing committee.

For personal application let us read Isaiah 59:1-2.

The "tired business man" is popularly justified in seeking relaxation in amusements that are more or less questionable. There is challenge to Christian business men in the work and outreach of the church that will give a new zest to life. O that men migh pray, "Forgive our childish insistence on instant satisfaction; make us manly enough to choose growth rather than soothing"!

Leadership in the church of Christ calls for the sort of enthusiasm and ability that is required to carry on a successful luncheon club, conduct a hospital drive, or promote a community betterment program—together with an understanding of the spiritual implications and a recognition of the divine element.

It seems to me that the Board of Lay Activities in the Methodist Church, tied in as it is with the official board of the local church, gives larger opportunity to Methodist men to develop initiative and leadership. The women, with their Woman's Division of Christian Service, ought to be willing to give us that chance.

Quoting from the editorial: "Laymen for the most part are busy men. . . . They hardly have time to read their Bibles." That is a good place to pause, and then start all over again.

St. Paul exhorts: "Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, ... and, having done all, to stand . . . and take (with other equipment) . . . the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

In the conquest of Canaan, Moses, directing the attack on one part of the land, said, "Begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle." Unless we employ native ability, plus business training, plus forthrightness, plus spiritual insight, we cannot succeed against the strongholds that lie ahead of us.

"The mind grappling with great aims—grows," observes Bryant. And then there is that oft-quoted thought of Browning, "A man's reach should exceed his grasp, or what's heaven for?"

Groping Samson was made sport of by his enemies. In the end he grappled—but that was too late.

Jacob had proved himself a shrewd business man and he had prospered. The call came to go back to the land of his fathers, and of his inheritance. As he neared the old home he became aware that his brother Esau had an unsettled score and was preparing to collect. Jacob was ready to make a liberal peace-offering to his twin brother, but there was an inner score that needed settling, and he was groping in fear, even in the bright Syrian sun.

Night came on; he sent his family, goods, and herds on ahead. "And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. . . . And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for thou hast striven with God and with men, and hast prevailed."

Groping laymen? Yes. But we can be made into grappling laymen.

"Wrestling, I will not let thee go,
Till I thy name, thy nature know."

REV. AND MRS. J. H. McCRACKEN CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

July 28 from 4 o'clock until 6 the Rev. Jacob Holt McCracken and Mrs. McCracken received numbers of their friends at their home on Markham avenue, Durham, the occasion being their golden wedding anniversary. The whole family were present for the celebration which proved to be a gala affair for the McCrackens. Miss Sarah McCracken came down from Nashville, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. T. W. McCracken and their son, Bill, from Henderson, and as a surprise to Rev. and Mrs. McCracken their son, Dr. J. H. McCracken, Jr., Mrs. McCracken and their three young daughters, Sally, Molly and Sandy Lou, arrived from San Pedro, Calif.

Throughout the entire home a color note of gold predominated. The dining room table was covered with white lace over a cloth of gold, the centerpiece was of yellow roses flanked by tall gold candles in five branch candelabrae. During the afternoon an ice course in the shapes of gold wedding bells was served with old fashioned pound cake, yellow mints and nuts.

Guests were welcomed in the afternoon by Mrs. J. C. Dailey and Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Glass of Raleigh. The receiving line was composed of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. McCracken, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. McCracken, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. McCracken, Jr., Miss Sarah McCracken, Bill McCracken, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reynolds, Mrs. I. B. McKay, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. McCracken, Dr. W. McCracken, Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Nicks.

Mrs. S. T. Latta presided in the gift room and Mrs. C. L. Read directed into the dining room where Miss Maude McCracken, Miss Margaret Flinton and Mrs. Vernon Harrison presided. They were assisted in serving by Mrs. Harry Sheets, Miss Patsy McKay, Mrs. Hill Stanfield and the Misses Maureen and Madelyn Latta.

During the afternoon Mrs. J. A. Greenwood played violin selections, accompanied by Mrs. Robert Rankin.

Goodbyes were said to Miss Lida Bishop. During the afternoon 200 friends called.

At 7 o'clock a buffet supper was served honoring Mr. and Mrs. McCracken. Besides members of the family the following friends were present: Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Clegg, Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. M. T. Plyler, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Ormond, Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Hobbs, Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Read, Mrs. J. C. Dailey, Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Glass of Raleigh, Dr. Webb McCracken and Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. McCracken of Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheetz of Fayetteville, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Reynolds and Mr. Tom Reynolds of Asheville, Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Nicks, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Latta, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Woods, and Misses Maureen and Madelyn Latta of Hillsboro, Miss Margaret Flinton of Greensboro, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Foster of Raleigh, Dr. and Mrs. Broadus Jones of Wake Forest, and Mrs. Hill Stanfield of Roxboro.

Greensboro College At Its Best

We write with assurance. Having known something of the old college from high school and college days and having come into close fellowship with the graduates for four decades, to say nothing of the intimate relationship of these later years, we do insist that this present year finds Greensboro College at its best, both in outward appearance and inner equipment.



James G. Hanes, Chairman of the Executive and Building Committee, Greensboro College

Standing on the front terrace as shown on the front page of this issue one sees the century old Main Building, with its stately Grecian columns, as it stands on the crest of college hill dominating the entire academic plant. The campus drops away to the eastward and gently inclines to the front and the rear, as well as westward towards the Odell Memorial. The appearance of the building is most commanding from every angle.

The record of this school makes a gloomy picture. Twice the building has gone up in smoke, leaving behind ashes and broken walls. The third and last fire was both devastating and tragic. Still notwithstanding the devastations of Civil War and the serious reverses through the years cultured and consecrated women have gone out to the ends of the earth to bless mankind. How beautiful and charming through the decades have been the daughters of Greensboro College; how attractive and stately still stands the old college after a hundred eventful years!

The girls of this school generation will be most happy to return in September and find everything so attractive without and within, and the new girls will rejoice to enter such a modern and well equipped college home. The memorials to Dr. Miller, Mr. McEntire and Miss Henninger are most arresting and will afford ample opportunity for making contributions to their memory as well as cherish the noble spirits that have passed on.

The College has been rich in its output of devoted and loyal women who never allowed the darkest hour or sorest defeats to dull their enthusiasm for dear alma mater; it also is rich in devoted men and women who give of their money and best efforts to continue the work. Three of the trustees, Mr. James G. Hanes, chairman of the executive committee, Mr. James E. Lambeth, vice president of the board, and Mr. Thomas C. Hoyle, secretary of the board and of the executive committee, have rendered valuable service in making possible the noble building that crowns the crest of the campus.

Along with the contributions made to secure the present buildings on the campus more than $25,000 are in hand for the much needed library building. That is the next venture to be undertaken by noble spirits eager to forward the work of such institutions as Greensboro College—an institution rich in its devoted daughters and proud of these mothers of men.

NOTES FROM HAMLET CHURCH

Hamlet church seems to be making some progress in the kingdom work. In the past while several notable changes and innovations have been made in the general program of the church.

One significant thing is the new order for the Sunday morning program. The general worship service is held at 10 o'clock with everybody, except nursery children who are taken care of in the nursery that is kept open through this hour, worshipping together in the one morning worship service. This is followed at 11 o'clock with the church school session. This program has been highly successful for over two years. The children and parents attending worship together. Practically all who attend church school attend the worship service. Often every member present in the junior department and sometimes the intermediate department and many whole classes throughout the church school has joined in the worship service just before coming to church school.

Vacation Church School, Hamlet Methodist Church

New members have been received into the church at an average of about one and a half for each Sunday for over two years. Over half these have been on profession.

Vacation church schools are held each June with about 100 children attending.

The official board has adopted a rotation plan whereby one-fourth of the members are changed each year.

Rev. Raymond Powers held a helpful two weeks' revival the first two weeks in March this year.

A $1000 renovation and improvement fund has already been raised and the work done this year.

Plans are under way for a special service for members in military service. This is to be a recognition and flag dedication service.

Officials in the church are: Rev. Jesse H. Lanning, pastor; Allen G. Powers, chairman official board; J. P. Gibbons, vice chairman; Ben W. Pegram, Jr., secretary; Nathan Gibson, treasurer; Mrs. Kate Millikan, chairman church board of education; Albert Thompson, superintendent of church school; Mrs. S. W. Camlin, president Woman's Society of Christain Service.



Hamlet Methodist Church Vacation School

IT IS MORNING

By CHARLES O. RANSFORD

Appreciation of art is personal. Understanding is in long contemplation. Often have I seen the picture of "The Doctor" by Sir Luke Fildes, but not until I began making frequent visits to my doctor's office did I begin to see the beauty and understand the message the artist sought to inspire.

The picture of "The Doctor" was a long time in preparation. For months the artist worked in his studio, where he had the interior of a cottage erected. Fildes made few studies for this painting, although he sketched many cottages before he decided on the interior.

It was not the cottage he so much desired to paint as the people who lived within the cottage and the good doctor who came to them in their hour of need when their only child was sick unto death.

Contemplation of the humble cottage shows the sick child on a pallet placed on two chairs. Nearby sat the doctor in serious study. He had watched all night beside the sick child. He never wavered in his attentions. He did not know, he could not tell what change might take place. He only hoped what he was doing might bring relief. He had said, "If the child shall pass through the night he may live."

The mother, weary and worn by her long vigil, had bowed her head on the table in the far corner of the room in prayer. Perhaps she had fallen asleep. The strong stalwart young husband stood beside her in loving affection. His hand is on her shoulder. His face is turned toward the doctor and the sick child.

The outcome they could not foretell. They could only hope and pray. They must wait in patience. They knew not how the hours were speeding on. Faith and hope and love must prevail. For the weary watchers there comes at last the breaking of the dawn. Through the parted curtains there is the first streak of light.

Love and faith and the skilled physician had conquered. The child lived.

> Night and the curtains drawn,
> The household still,
> Fate, with appointed strength,
> Hath worked its will.

Beside ten thousand sick beds in homes and hospitals there have been similar experiences. Loving souls have waited and watched. For some, but not for all, "beautifully colored the morning rose, throwing a thousand pearly drops to wash a single rose."

In all life's toilsome ways there have come to many souls perplexing and sorrowful experiences. Like Paul in custody of a Roman guard on a ship sailing for Rome, when a storm came up at night, they cast out their anchors and "prayed for the day."

Others like the disciples of Jesus engaged in fruitless toil, yet hoping against hope, have toiled on through the night, and "have taken nothing." Yet to such souls Christ comes in the morning and directs their planning and shows the way of success.

In a great crisis, defeat and disappointment, some have lost heart and turned away from all previous planning and sought another way; others have given up in despair. After the crucifixion the disciples of Jesus in doubt and fear turned back to their old life of fishing. But they had lost their faith and courage, and they had lost their skill. All the night through "they had caught nothing."

When souls lose faith and courage everything seems to go from bad to worse. Everything they try fails and bitter disappointment follows. There are defeated souls on every highway. In every home there are lonely hearts. In times of sickness some lose hope. In times of unemployment some give up. In loss of position, property and wealth others say, "What is the use?"

To lose hope and surrender is defeat. So long as—

> Hope springs eternal in the human breast:
> Man never is, but always to be, blest.

Loving souls always hope. They know not why, but they believe that somehow well and just God's plans work out for mortals. When hope seems defeated they toil on.

> Hope, like the gleaming taper's light,
> Adorns and cheers our way;
> And still, as darker grows the night,
> Emits a brighter ray.

The world never had a darker night than when Christ was crucified on Calvary. Even God's temple was shaken and "the veil of the holy place was rent in twain from the top to the bottom."

Darkness seems now to cover the whole earth. We know not what a day may bring forth. There is something strangely mystical in the rhythmic cadence of Genesis as God's creative process moves onward. After each period in the evolution the recorder says: "And the evening and the morning were the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth day." There was nothing hurried in the process. God's purposes are never hastened: they are unfolding every hour.

For all earth's creatures there is a gradual revelation of God's ways. All is moving toward one divine event. Men can only wait for the morning. The day always breaks and the shadows always flee away.

This world never had a fairer morning than that Sabbath when Christ rose from the dead. Matthew says, "As it began to dawn came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre." Mark says, "Very early in the morning at the rising of the sun." Luke says, "Very early in the morning they came to the sepulchre." John says, "Cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark."

Instead of a sealed tomb, they found the stone rolled away, "and seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain."

The resurrection of Jesus is more than a hope and a promise of immortality. "Jesus said to Martha, I am myself resurrection and life. He who believes in me will live, even if he dies, and no one who lives and believes in me will ever die." (Moffatt).

And the angel of the Apocalypse said: "Fear not; I am the first and the last, and the living one; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive for evermore, and I have the keys of death and of hades." (Revelation).

Faith and hope and love in Christ are unconquerable. The morning of light and victory always comes to him who believes in God.

> Still, still with Thee, when purple morning breaketh,
> When the bird waketh, and the shadows flee;
> Fairer than morning, lovelier than day light,
> Dawns the sweet consciousness, I am with Thee.

A MEDITATION

By Robert M. Hardee

Out yonder in the far distant future, one day some one may venture to ask you this question: "How did the boys feel about the war, what were they thinking about, as they left their homes, their loved ones, their churches and their communities in answer to the nation's call?"

I cannot answer for the great multitude, but only as one of that vast number now being inducted into the army.

The church of my generation has taught me that war is wrong. The glory of war has gone. We are now living

in a time when we no longer make heroes out of soldiers. The truth in the saying of a great southern general that "war is hell" is coming more and more to our realization.

We are a part of a great nation. Now that our nation is at war, what are we to do? We cannot justify the evil of war, nor should we throw a cloak of self-righteousness around our shoulders and call ourselves good. We can, however, take up our crosses of sacrifices and self-denial, with a determined faith and prayer that out of this great struggle in which we are now engaged will come forth a new era of world brotherhood and peace. It is a dark cloud that hangs heavily over mankind, but behind it there is a God who loves and cares for his children, and if it takes suffering and sacrifice for us to see the gray streaks of a new day dawning, the cup is bitter, but let His will be done. His kingdom has come thus far by the willingness of His children to suffer and to sacrifice.

Our victories will come, only in so far as we are willing to place our trust in God instead of ourselves and in our own strength. May we hope that this is the lesson we have long needed to learn, that revenge and hatred always fail, they always have and always will. May we learn that forgiveness and love have, and will always, win the supreme battles of life. Evil will lose the battle, with goodness coming out victorious.

A TALKING WALKING STICK

By A. C. Gibbs

It leans rather pathetically against the corner wall of my study. I could put out my hand from where I am sitting at my desk and touch it; but that under most circumstances would be an act of profanation.

That walking stick was bequeathed to me by the nearest and dearest friend I have known. I first saw it and liked it in a casual way as it hung gracefully from the crook of a ragged Jewish vender's arm just within the Joppa Gate on David Street where the mournful Tower of the Sweet Singer of Israel looks down upon the scene in a melancholy key. But when my friend took it tenderly in his great hand (only Thomas Wolfe, the prose poet of the mountains, could have adequately described that hand), I felt that I was witnessing a marriage that only death could divorce.

Pardon me, my vision is a bit blurred as I try to read a simple inscription—on a little gold plate—"G. W. Hutchison from Jerusalem"—which being interpreted means, "I have found a friend."

It seems that I see the shadow of a stain on the head of the walking stick. Could that be the memory of that tear I saw fall upon it that March day in 1933 as we wended our way downward from the top of Mt. Olivet toward Gethsemane? Surely not. I sincerely hope not! For I had become a bit impatient if not provoked at an attitude of my dear friend which I had misjudged as sheer gullibility. (I later found that he reverenced any symbol of sacred truth). We had just visited one of those commercialized places of which the Holy Land has a plethora where the guide had pointed out to us a track in the rock which he said was "the very track our Lord made as he ascended the Mount." In speaking of this to my friend I had remarked brightly (I thought at the time), "Our Lord must have given a terrific kick as he went up." My friend was grieved, So am I, as I now come to think of it.

I followed or walked beside this talking walking stick from its native home (for it is made of olive wood from the Mount of Olives) throughout all those lands of the East and Near East now at war. When I tell it that it knows nothing of war it seems to smile a bit ruefully in voiceless reply: "No, I didn't see war; but I saw the makings. There were want, even hunger, imposed poverty, brewing restlessness, mute agony, wistful despair, hopeless filth, injustice, oppression; and altogether 'sheep having no shepherd.'"

This noble cane has had wholesome, steadying influence on my life. It says to me as I write, "Do you remember that night at Port Said?" I had come down from Cairo and the Pyramids of Giza with a raging fever caused by dust congestion no doubt. My Egyptian physician had prescribed whiskey. I had an unbroken record of total abstinence. When Hutchison saw that we were in a saloon he walked out leaving his cane on the back of my chair. The doctor ordered two whiskeys. I looked at the walking stick on the back of my chair and let the doctor drink both whiskeys. I can still say that I have never tasted a drop of whiskey in my life. Old walking stick, let us shake!

Walking stick, too, likes to talk about beautiful places we saw together which now are sadly changed or in ruin. There is the beautiful city of Kotor, the fortress town that the great Napoleon could not take because of the defense of the giant hills of Yugoslavia. She now weeps for her children along the banks of a river that leaped full grown from the womb of a rock, and cannot be consoled because of the oppression of the German sword. There may be reasons for man's inhumanity to man, but why should the tulips of Holland be sprinkled with blood?

The last time I remember seeing walking stick in the hand of my friend Hutchison—was it the left hand? His right hand was around me. He had come against his doctor's advice to be with me in the hour of my deepest sorrow. We stood there side by side looking into the dear face of Miriam for the last time. He went back home to die. Is it any wonder that David in thinking of God should say, "Thy rod and thy staff comfort me"?

Note: Since I wrote the closing paragraph of this article I have received a letter from Camp Edwards, Mass., written by my only son. Bravely he writes: "Things are happening fast here. Every indication is that the long delayed day is at hand. The day, the place, nor the time is known. Only know that soon I'll be on my way overseas to the combat zone. I am glad. I realize that the worry and strain upon you both will be greater. That I regret with all my heart; but we know together that there is a job to be done. One that must be done; and it must not be delayed longer."

Upon hearing these words, talking walking stick seemed to stir uneasily and say: "There now! You know that I was entailed by the will of your friend to your son. Maybe he can help to make a better land of the places you and I have seen together. Let us hope that your son may live to own and use me and even take me back to Jerusalem some day in a world of peace."

Then I saw that talking walking stick was praying.

I know of no manner of speaking so offensive as that of giving praise, and closing with an exception.—Steele.

Vanderburg and Troutman Churches to be Dedicated Sunday, August 9

The Vanderburg Methodist church will be formally opened on Sunday, August 9, with morning and afternoon services. Bishop Clare Purcell, District Supt. J. S. Hiatt, Rev. J. C. Reichard, a former pastor, and Rev. A. G. Lackey, pastor, will participate in the services.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt will preach at the 11 o'clock hour; at this service new members will be received.

Bishop Clare Purcell will lead in the dedication service of the new church at 3 p. m.

The congregation held the last service in the old building on the second Sunday of August, 1941, and incidentally, the new structure will be used for the first time on the second Sunday of August, 1942. This is the third building for the Vanderburg congregation, which first met on the highway one mile north of the present location. In 1914 a frame structure was built on the present site during the pastorate of Rev. C. L. McCain. The new church, built according to the plans drawn by H. N. Haines of Duke University, is a brick building. The auditorium has a seating capacity of three hundred; the educational plant has a large assembly room for the church school, eight class rooms, kitchen and dining room. The church is furnished with new pews and pulpit furniture, rugs and equipment for the educational plant. The buildings and furnishings cost approximately $14,000, $2500 of which was appropriated by the Duke Endowment. When the congregation voted to build the new church they adopted the policy of "pay as you go," and due to an unsurpassed loyalty on the part of almost 100 per cent of the congregation, this goal was attained. The construction was under the supervision of the building committee composed of the following men: Chairman, Alexander Honeycutt; secretary and treasurer, Mouzon Belk; Webb Wilhelm, Lloyd Sherrill, Neil Brawley, Harry Hethcox, and Guy Wilhelm and the pastor, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

The former pastors since 1914 are Rev. J. A. Peeler, Rev. J. C. Keever, Rev. O. C. Fortenberry, deceased, Rev. H. C. Byrum, Rev. F. H. Price, Rev. O. P. Routh, deceased, Rev. J. M. Greene, Rev. J. B. Tabor, deceased, Rev. A. C. Kennedy, Rev. G. L. Wilkinson, Rev. J. C. Reichard, Rev. K. W. Taylor, and A. G. Lackey.

Troutman Church to Be Dedicated

Troutman Methodist church will be dedicated on Sunday, August 9, at 8 p. m. The service will be conducted by Bishop Clare Purcell, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent, and Rev. J. C. Reichard, pastor. The present church building was begun and the auditorium constructed to near completion in 1929 under the ministry of Rev. John Cline. However, some plans toward building had been completed prior to this time while Rev. D. A. Oakley was pastor. The work has been continued through



BISHOP CLARE PURCELL



REV. J. S. HIATT
Statesville District Superintendent



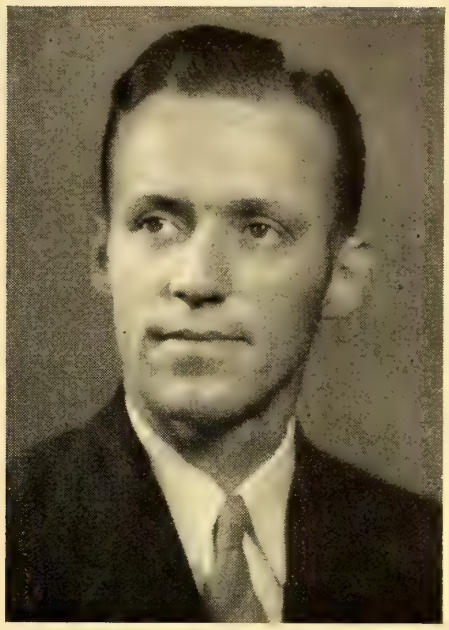
REV. A. G. LACKEY
Pastor Vanderburg Methodist Church



Vanderburg Methodist Church, Statesville District



Troutman Methodist Church, Statesvile District



REV. J. C. REICHARD, Pastor

the years and the members have heroically handled the regular payments of their huge indebtedness. Serving the church during this hard period were the following pastors who did much to help the burden become lighter: Rev. J. H. Bradley, Rev. R. E. Hunt, Rev. J. W. Combs and Rev. J. M. Varner. During the past two years the congregation has liquidated the indebtedness entirely and beautifully furnished the auditorium with new pews, carpet and pulpit furniture. This is in addition to having completed further work on the educational building, with everything now paid for and valued at approximately $35,000. All friends and former pastors are warmly invited to be present for the dedicatory service.

NOTES AND QUOTES

A modern versionist has it: "You can fuel all of the people some of the time and some of the people all of the time, but you can't fuel all of the people all of the time." —"Chats."

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An editor received the following letter: "Will you please read the enclosed poem carefully and return it to me with your candid criticism as soon as possible, as I have other irons in the fire." The editor read the poem and answered the letter as follows: "Remove the irons and insert the poem."—Watchman-Examiner.

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We get so used to dad being around that as the years roll by we get a little older and think we know it all, and dad seems to be just a friend. If only a few more young fellows would take their dad's advice we would have to send to other countries for material to fill our jails. Dad gave all that he had to bring me up in the right way. There are times when I failed him, but it is not too late to mend.

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt stated some time ago that she was going to quit traveling so much on account of transportation restrictions. Result of this resolution, says the Christian Index, showed up in her all-time low mileage for the month of May. She traveled only five thousand five hundred and twenty-five miles per day. And for the first time in Washington's memory, she spent more days (eighteen) in the city than out. If gas rationing was in any way responsible for this a multitude will exclaim, God be praised for the gas famine.

NEWS ITEMS FROM MT. OLIVET

The vacation school at Mt. Olivet Methodist church was a success this year as it usually is here. There were 113 enrolled, average attendance 80, with 50 per cent attendance records. The superintendent and teachers were all from our own congregation.

Last week our youth fellowship observed youth activity week. Rev. W. A. Kale, Rev. Auburn Smith and Prof. A. D. Kornegay taught courses. All who attended were helped and inspired by their teaching. The superintendent of our youth fellowship was in charge of the progress during the week. The program consisted of refreshments, recreation, study and worship. The attendance was good. On the last night there were 40 young people who took communion.

The College of Bishops of our church has asked that we take an offering with each communion to be applied to overseas relief, local welfare, and for the army chaplain service. On July 5 we took this offering, and without any stress laid upon the importance the people brought $40 for the Fellowship of Suffering. Last year when they were asked for $75 they gave $200.50 without persuasion.

A few days ago Mr. Kale K. Burgess asked us for $15 to put a young man in the field to work for the cause of temperance. I told the chairman of the board of stewards about it, and the next Sunday he handed me the $15 at the close of the service.

Mt. Olivet is a good church that is loyal to the program of the Methodist set-up. F. W. Kiker.

MISS ELSIE FARRINGTON WEDS HARRY CLAY CRIM

A wedding of interest in North and South Carolina, as well as in Fort Lauderdale and Miami, is that of Elsie Caroline Farrington of Thomasville, N. C., and Harry Clay Crim of Miami. The single ring ceremony took place at the Park Temple Methodist church, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., with Rev. John H. Hanger officiating.

Miss Farrington is the only daughter of the late Rev. J. A. J. Farrington and Mrs. Farrington of Thomasville. The bride attended Davenport College at Lenoir and finished her education at Salem College at Winston-Salem.

She graduated from the school of nursing at Lawrence Hospital, Winston-Salem and then took post graduate work at the Elizabeth Steele McGee Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa. After completing her course there she was for several years superintendent of the City Hospital at Altoona, Pa. For the past four years she has been practicing nursing at Miami.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Dora M. Crim of Fort Lauderdale. He is a graduate of the Normal School at Charleston, Ill., and was for some time in business in this city. He is now connected with the Moore Furniture Company in Miami.

Mothers of both the bride and bridegroom were present, as were a number of out-of-town friends.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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TOO LITTLE AND TOO LATE

The Methodist Woman for August carries brief messages from a number of officers of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, relative to the duties and responsibilities of the women of Methodism, as to the financial condition existent in our woman's missionary work. One of these we quote for the benefit of our readers:

(Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President Woman's Division of Christian Service)

"Too little and too late are words graven on the minds and hearts of many world citizens within the past few months and they have become almost a dirge as related to world tragedies.

Methodist women face the fact that receipts for the great missionary work of our Woman's Society of Christian Service have been too little during the past year; too little to even keep up the great work of our merging organizations (and think of the thousands of members which we did not have previously); too little to permit definite planning for great advances which should be made in the years ahead of us with the great challenge facing us as Christians.

But it is not too late if we at once rally our forces and meet the emergency gift for which appeal has been sent throughout the society. Spiritually and financially speaking, let us remove any suggestions of too little or too late from our giving and planning for the work of the kingdom."

DR. E. STANLEY JONES AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

The addresses of Dr. E. Stanley Jones of India and other mission fields on Saturday, July 25, closed the Methodist laymen's conference at Lake Junaluska which has been in session since July 22, and introduced a south-wide school of missions scheduled for July 27 to August 1. His theme was "What Shall We Seek First," and he used as his scriptural basis the words: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you." "The chief thing today," he said, "is to find out what should be put in first place and until we find that nothing will come out right. If we get that wrong, everything will be wrong. We Christians must ask ourselves what is the main thing. The world has not decided that question and perhaps that is the thing that has caused the confusion.

"Different systems have different answers. Japan says: Seek first the emperor. If the emperor had decided for peace the miliary party would have yielded to his will, for that is the first thing with Japan. China says, seek first the family. That is the first claim and the supreme loyalty—the center of civic and national consciousness.

"India has her answer—seek first the caste. Obey the caste rules, you get a better birth. Be loyal to the caste.

"Communism of Russia says seek first society; the individual counts for little. The fascist seek first the state; everything is under the state. Nazism says seek first the race—the superior Aryan race. Blood and soil are the supreme things.

"When we turn to America what is the thing we seek first? The dominant voice says, seek first money. The supreme thing is to acquire. The Brahmin of our civilization is wealth. Money talks.

"When we turn to Christ's answer we find none of these. He says, Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added. Are we in this world tangle because we have missed the one thing Christ put up—the kingdom—and the theme he sent his disciples to take up?

"Until we continue to seek the kingdom of God we'll continue to have the kingdom of the world. To get the key of survival men must not be pushed from behind but beckoned to a moral universe from above. Fascism and nazism base their theories of survival on the animal kingdom. where the might of the tooth and claw are the standard.

"The method of survival lies between the physical and the moral universe. We feel the pull of the higher kingdom. The animal kingdom stands for self-assertion; the kingdom of God stands for self-sacrifice; the kingdom of the animal is ruthless competition; the kingdom of God is righteous cooperation.

"The modern world needs something through which it can solve its problems. Jesus said start with the kingdom of God, seek that first."

PASTOR AND WIFE HONORED BY CONGREGATION

A pleasant social event in church circles of Asheville during the past week was the "farewell party" tendered Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., and Mrs. Sprinkle by their congregation at West Asheville Methodist church on Thursday evening of the past week.

Two hundred, and possibly more, members and visitors were present to extend their good wishes to the honorees who, during their fourteen months of service have won the love and esteem of their congregation, and it is with a feeling of regret that they give them up for another field of service, and their prayers and good wishes follow them as they leave Asheville. Dr. Sprinkle goes to Norfolk for training as a chaplain, and Mrs. Sprinkle, after a visit to relatives, will join him. The following program of entertainment was given: Violin duet, Miss Julia Owen and brother, Hubert Owen; reading, Mrs. Ray Young; two vocal selections, young people's chorus; reading, G. A. Hutchinson; vocal solo, Miss Julia Owen, Mr. O. C. Mills was master of ceremonies and introduced L. D. Brookshire, superintendent of the church school, who after a brief message expressing appreciation of Dr. and Mrs. Sprinkle by the congregation, presented Dr. Sprinkle with a gift of $25 to be used for the purchase of his military apparel. Mrs. E. D. Turbyville, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mrs. Sprinkle with a useful and complete traveling bag. The ministers of all the West Asheville churches and their wives were invited guests, as were Dr. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent of the Asheville district, and Mrs. Smathers, and Rev. L. W. Colson, chaplain at Oteen Hospital, and Mrs. Colson.

A NEW PLAN FOR MEETINGS ADOPTED

Co-operating with the movement for the saving of gas and tires the woman's missionary organizations of some of Asheville's leading churches, including the First Baptist, First Presbyterian and Central Methodist, and possibly others, have adopted a new plan for the monthly meetings of the organizations, by which one of the two meetings, formerly held each month, is eliminated and in addition opportunity is given for a day of fellowship with the members of the societies. The plan, which has proven successful so far, was observed for the first time by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Central Methodist church Monday, July 27, with approximately 150 members and visitors in attendance. The plan carried out called for meeting of the 12 circles at 11:45 in the various assembly rooms of the church, followed by luncheon at one o'clock, with the executive board as hostesses for this first meeting. At 2:30 p. m. the general meeting was held with the circle of which Mrs. Mark Brown is chairman in charge of the program, which opened with a worship service by Mrs. W. W. Hanaman, followed by vocal solo by Mrs. M. T. Tilson. A special feature of the meeting was an interesting and inspiring talk of "stewardship and self" by Mrs. John W. Inzer of the First Baptist church. After a short business session the program concluded with a vocal solo by Mrs. Dorothy Lane Feifert of Spartanburg, S. C.

CONFERENCE WOMEN AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

The following representatives of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, W. N. C. Conference, attended the mission institute at Junaluska the past week: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president; Mrs. C. N. Clark, vice president; Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., Rec. Sec.; Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary missionary education; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. D. M. Davidson, secretary literature and publications; Mrs. J. W. Harbison, secretary supplies; Mrs. T. Allen Luther, Asheville district Cor. Sec.; Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, Charlotte district Cor. Sec.; Mrs. Z. V. Moss, Salisbury district Cor. Sec.; and Miss Amy Hackney, Asheville district president.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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MINUTE PRAYER

Dear God, speak to us today in thy still, small voice of calm. Lay to rest all our confusion, and help us so to order our thinking that we may feel a new strength for serving thee. Let our times of silence not be empty, but help us to a fresh understanding of thy will for our lives. Let us find thy power, thy love, in all mankind, and in the secret places of our own soul. Amen.

ONE NEW GUILD

Last quarter one Wesleyan Service Guild was organized in Fayetteville district, for which that Guild and district should be congratulated. According to reports sent Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, Durham district has 5 Guilds, Elizabeth City 5, Fayetteville 6, New Bern 4, Raleigh 12, Rocky Mount 3, Wilmington 8. The membership of the Wesleyan Service Guilds is composed of business and professional women and the program is designed to give these women the same opportunities for service as are found in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Any Methodist church which has as many as six women eligible for membership in the Guild should have such an organization. Information concerning plans for organization and Guild work may be secured from Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson, N. C., secretary of W. S. G.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Always an interesting feature of Mrs. Hood's quarterly report is the number of life memberships presented. Last quarter in Durham district 6 honorary baby and 4 adult life memberships were given; Fayetteville, 3 honorary baby and 1 adult; New Bern, 2 honorary baby and 1 adult; Raleigh, 2 honorary baby; Rocky Mount, 8 honorary baby and 2 adult; Wilmington, 8 honorary; a total of 29 honorary baby and 8 adult life memberships. Life memberships serve to honor the recipients and the money paid for them goes through the regular channels for the missionary cause.

WE MUST BE READY

Do you know that we must be ready to re-enter Japan, Korea, Occupied China, the Philippines, Malaysia, Burma, our European fields, the minute the war is over? If we have to wait to raise money, then we shall lose months, maybe years, and our nationals who are carrying on now under pressure that we can only dimly guess would be justified in feeling that we did not really care enough to stay by them. Nobody knows what kind of work we shall be able to do in that good day that is coming, but no Christian can doubt that it will be a larger, more effective work than we have ever done. That will take money, much money. We should not have to surrender a single dollar of the appropriations written in our books for those suffering countries; what we ought to do is to increase these appropriations right now, and so to build up a really strong reserve against that day of great need and unthinkable opportunity.—From a Missionary News Letter.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

The assembling together of folk eager to learn of the status of the missionary work of church and of the opportunities of the present day and the days that lie ahead in the reconstruction of a new world order in the Christian way of life is indeed indicative of the attitude of Christians toward present world conditions. Such a spirit of eagerness and earnest endeavor was evident at Lake Junaluska on July 27-August 4 when the school of missions and the missionary conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction was held. Conference officers, officers in the local W. S. C. S., other members of the W. S. C. S., ministers district missionary secretaries of the ministers' conference and others met with leaders of authority and outstanding ability to study, make inquiries, listen and by other means gain more knowledge and new incentives for work in the missionary enterprise of the Methodist Church.

Each morning the women met at Mission Inn for class periods and seminars; the conference and district missionary secretaries of the ministers' conference met at the open air auditorium for a conference hour. Later the women joined this latter group for a general hour forum hour. The courses taught and their instructors were: Missions in Latin America, Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft and Dr. Hugh G. Stentz; The Church and Peace Education, Dr. H. B. Trimble; The Work of the W. S. C. S., Mrs. Helen B. Bourne; Missionary Work Shop, Mr. H. W. Williams. The seminars included Christian Stewardship, led by Miss Otie Bransetter; Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. M. E. Tilley; Methods in Program Building, Miss Oscie Saunders; Wesleyan Service Guild, Miss E. Jane McDonald. Leading the general forums were: Dr. Hugh G. Stentz, Dr. Y. C. Yang, Dr. A. J. Walton, Dr. H. B. Trimble, Mrs. Helen B. Bourne. On Friday afternoon, July 31, a conference hour on Woman's Work was held. Each evening a public address on some vital subject relating to the work of missions was delivered at the auditorium. The speakers for these occasions were: Bishop Edwin F. Lee, Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft, Miss Elizabeth Lee, Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Dr. Newell Booth. Conference officers registered for the missions courses from the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. were: Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Rockingham, secretary children's work; Mrs J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers, secretary C. S. C. and L. C. A.; Mrs. R. B. Hooker, Kinston, secretary supplies; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro, secretary young women and girls' work; Miss Mary Gardner, Raleigh, secretary publicity and publications; Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary; Miss Florine Robertson, Durham, district secretary; Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington, district sceretary. Others registered from the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. included: Mrs. Walter Davis, Mrs. A. D. Craig, Mrs. M. H. Shepherd, all of Wilmington; Mrs. A. B. Deans, Henderson; Mrs. John O. Evans, Raleigh; Mrs. E. G. Floyd, Fairmont; Miss Mae Burns, Rockingham; Mrs. C. V. Long, Burlington. Other women of the conference who were at Lake Junaluska during this period were present at the various sessions of the event.

Definite and pertinent items concerning the school of missions and missionary confernece will be published on this page on future dates. Watch for them.

A SURPRISING REPORT

A report from Germany to the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church is both surprising and gratifying. From a letter posted in Switzerland on January 16, 1942. are these words: "Our mission day conference was held in December and all societies were represented. The revelation of that meeting was that the disappearance of all missionary periodicals had by no means the bad effect on missionary interest which had been feared. Missionary interest is as great as ever and the giving is going up. More was received in 1941 than in 1940 or 1939. Missionary information is being passed orally through 'information' meetings."—From a message concerning our Christian friends overseas, published by the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

VICTORY GARDENS

Local societies should plant and cultivate "V" seeds for an abundant harvest in 1942. Vision: Cultivate imagination and creative thinking. Thus vision will germinate in unexpected ways. Vitality: "The difference between a rut and a grave is its depth." The best way to bury a local society is to get deeper and deeper in a rut of complacency. Variety: It is said to be "the spice of life. Any society will lose its savor if it continually does the "same old things in the same old way." Venerate: All that's good in the old way, but don't be afraid of innovations. Vanquish: Never say, "It can't be done." Be specialists in the "impossible." Vitamins: A good victory garden will yield plenty of the "protective" vitamins needed for: A, Growth; B, Zest; C. Protection against discouragement; D, Strength for new tasks; G, Overcome spiritual inertia.—The Methodist Woman.

I am always suspicious of the person who talks to me about what a "rotter" someone else is.—Supreme Council Bulletin.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH

Glib advisers on the raising of children ought to work in an orphanage for a while.

Workers at rationing desks have observed a lot of human nature during the past while.

Short changing the orphan's call will not win any war or bring any lasting peace.

The sharing of happiness portrays some of the divinity in a fellow's soul.

UP FOR AIR

This scribe has been submerged for the past fortnight under the maneuvers connected with the vacations of our youngsters. The going away of a lot of children to a lot of places brings on a lot of thought and consultation. A big majority of our children left Saturday in private conveyance. Those going by bus or train will leave tomorrow, beginning at six-thirty in the morning and extending to five-thirty in the afternoon. These children must be guided in their transferring from the Children's Home to the stations, the checking of their baggage and in getting on the right bus or train. This fellow is up for air a little bit this morning, ready to submerge again. The air is hot.

LOSS AND GAIN

Most of our family, including members of the staff of workers, will be away for the next two and three weeks. They will be away at a very important time of the year. Much of the growing stuff will ripen. A depleted staff will be here to take care of it. That will be a loss. On the other hand both the children and the workers will be in position to gain new experiences, to be in new situations and to enjoy the deliightful experience of being with admiring friends. While they are away they will have ample opportunity to remind themselves of the value and joy of living at the Children's Home. Routine not only brings on monotonous living but may bring on monotonous lives. There ought to be some high spots in the life of every child, and, for that matter, in the life of every adult.

THEY CANNED AND CANNED

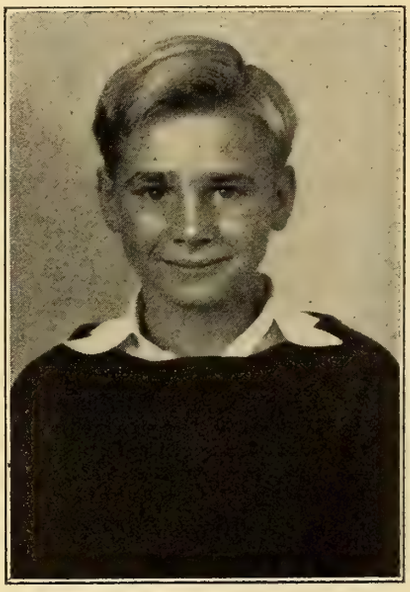
Our new canning house was a scene of activity during the past several days. The boys gathered the tomatoes and the girls prepared them for canning. The place beamed with enthusiasm as the youngsters counted the gallon tin cans that were being stored away. Many a youngster came running to state that the canning crew had canned 3,400 gallons of tomatoes, just twice the amount canned last year. The residue of the tomatoes will be sold from the field.

THE PROMISING BEAN CROP

At this writing the late beans are very promising. We do not know what the season will be or what the beetles will do, but in event the present prospect comes through Mr. Booze and the youngsters will can 3,000 gallons of beans. The beans our force cans have a remarkably fine flavor, better than any we can buy. Some 800 gallons of kraut have also been stored away.

THE JOY BELL RINGS

While our youngsters are doing their part at sustaining themselves, they cannot, by any means, nearly do it all. They must have sustaining friends. Some money must come along. Some money is coming along. The joy bell rings occasionally when a congregation has paid its apportionment in full. Those recorded as having pulled the bell cord since last report are herewith listed, the congregation first and the pastor next. Shake hands with them:



The five loaves and two fishes kind

Pisgah, Why Not circuit, pastor not known.

Calvary, High Point, Rev. O. L. Crown.

Chapel Hill, South Davidson circuit, Rev. J .C. Gentry.

Liberty, Gold Hill circuit, Rev. L. S. Furr.

Bethel, Hickory, Rev. Elzie Myers.

Mount Holly, Rev. W. O. Goode.

OVERCOMING A HANDICAP

"If we reported that a one-armed youngster led the Children's Home baseball team during this summer's season at bat with a remarkable average of .363, you"d think it was a lot of bologna, wouldn't you? But I'm here to tell you it's a fact that Tommy Boyette, who is handicapped with having only one whole arm—the right being only elbow length—is doing just that for Wilburn Clary's outfit which closed its season last week. Going to bat 28 times, he collected 11 hits and scored nine runs. He plays the outfield. When he gets a chance in the outer garden, he catches it with his left hand, puts the glove under his right arm and takes the ball out and throws it in remarkably short order. If a one-armed boy can out hit all his teammates, we wonder what he's do with two hands on the bat? Not only does he star on the diamond, but they say he's in line for a varsity guard post on this fall's football team. He's tops as a placekicker. On top of that Tommy can play a better than average game of basketball and get his share of baskets."—Bob Hampton, in Winston-Salem Journal.

THERE IS A LAD HERE

The picture this week is that of Burke Black. Burke is some boy. He is worth a million dollars sometimes and at other times we haven't been able to calculate just what he is worth. Burke never enjoys a dull moment. He is a great chap if he is leading something. Last week he received a $25 savings bond from a paper concern for having collected Lucky Star bands and tablet covers during the past school term. Burke is sponsored by the Gleaners Class of Main Street, Thomasville.

SOME MANAGEMENT, SIR!

We recently received a comparative statement of the daily per capita cost in the North Carolina child caring institutions enrolling 150 or more boys and girls, these six instiutions being Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs, Junior Order Orphans' Home at Lexington, Mills Home at Thomasville, The Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, Oxford Orphanage, and the Children's Home at Winston-Salem. Records indicate that the Children's Home during 1941 registered the lowest daily per capita cost of any of them, ours being 88.8 cents. Others were 91.6 cents, 94.8 cents, $1.04, $1.13 and $1.35.

A RIPENED EXPERIENCE

This scribe can never forget the testimony meeting of long ago. He had attended many a class meeting and many a prayer meeting where testimonies were given. Sometimes shouts of joy came up as good expressions came from well-filled souls. Many letters are received of a testimonial nature relative to the work being done at the Children's Home. Mrs. Nancy A. Eagle, Route 1, Gold Hill, gives a noteworthy testimony: "Just to let you know that I have enjoyed reading your little paper a great deal. I want a few additional copies for my friends. I know a little about children as I am the mother of fourteen of whom twelve are living. I love every one of them. They are all in the Methodist church except two. I am blessed with sixty-three grandchildren and thirty-seven great-grandchildren. I live in the old log house Joseph Eagle built over eighty years ago. I have not missed but one Sunday at Liberty church since my husband died seven years ago. I am so thankful for God's love and help and for his sustaining grace. I pray God's blessings to abide with you and your big family."

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

TUBERCULOSIS—For many years we have not had a single case of tuberculosis in our school. We feel that we have been most fortunate in this respect. I attribute this fine record largely to the fact that our children get wholesome food, good housing conditions, plenty of sunshine and fresh air, which are essential to good health.

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DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES — Two of our boys are graduates of West Point Military Academy, and one is a graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis. They are now officers in the United States Army and Navy, and I am confident that they will give a good account of themselves in defending our democratic way of life. The Orphanage is proud of these outstanding young men.

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OUR FIRST CASUALTY — News has reached us that Andrew Lee Overton, one of our former Orphanage boys, is missing. Andrew enlisted in the navy several years ago; and the last we heard from him he was somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. As far as I know, this is the first casualty that has befallen one of our Orphanage boys. We extend our sincere sympathy to his mother in the loss of her son.

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GOOD INVESTMENT — There is much being said and written about war bonds. Patriotic citizens everywhere are making sacrifices in this time of national peril. It occurs to me that war bonds can be made to serve a two-fold purpose. One to furnish the sinews of war, and the other to help orphanages.. I wish to suggest to our host of friends that they buy war bonds in the name of the Methodist Orphanage, and thus help two worthy causes at the same time.

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ANOTHER FIFTH SUNDAY—With the coming of August another fifth Sunday will soon roll around. I am happy to state that many of our church schools are observing fifth Sundays. Interesting and helpful programs will be mailed to every church school superintendent, and every pastor in the conference next week. With these programs a request is being made that all church school superintendents appoint a committee to get up the program for the fifth Sunday in this month. By appointing committees two weeks before the fifth Sunday ample time will be given for the proper observance of the Orphanage program on the fifth Sunday. It is generally known throughout the conference that Rev. Jas. H. Overton, associate pastor of Edenton Street Methodist church, has prepared these programs for fifth Sunday use in the church schools. These programs set forth interesting facts about our own Methodist Orphanage. It is sincerely hoped that every church school superintendent in the North Carolina conference will observe Orphanage Day on the fifth Sunday in this month. All free will offerings from the church schools will be credited to the charges on the Orphanage apportionment.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER

During my two years at the Methodist Orphanage I have learned to love is and cherish it. Even though I was a member of the High Point Children's Home before coming to this one, I am now proud to be here.

Since coming here I have won many friends whom I shall always remember. My two years here make me realize that one can win loyal friends in a surprisingly short time.

To Mr. Barnes, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for being such a pal and dad to me. I couldn't have asked for a better person to be a dad. I also express my appreciation to the young women of Steele Street Methodist church in Sanford for their kindness to me in sending such nice and pretty clothes semi-annually. I will always remember this kindness as I go out into the world to face life's problems. I must not forget to thank trustees of the home for making it possible for me to have such a nice place in which to live.

I want to thank everyone who has had even the smallest part in making my life such a happy one while I lived at this wonderful home.

Sallie Smith.

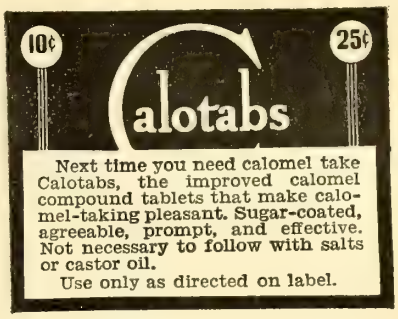
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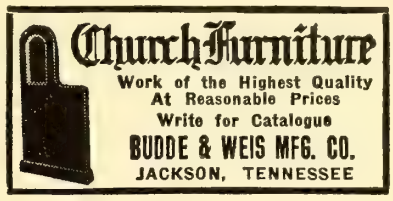
I am thinking of Bryan Capper, who stared hard and long at his father one day and then said: "Daddy, will I look like you when I'm grown up?" "Well, everybody seems to think so, son," replied Mr. Capper; and then Bryan heaved a great sigh, which was full of meaning, and said: "Well, I won't grow up for a long time, will I, daddy?" No doubt was possible of what he thought of the parental looks.

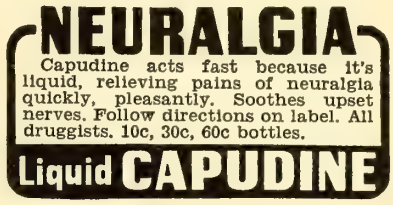
Lastly, I am thinking of the little fellow who rang up his father at the office, and, when he got a reply, said: "Who's that?" "The cleverest man in the world," said his father, who had recognized his boy's voice; and from whose face the smile faded when his son replied: "Sorry, I've got the wrong number!"—Ex.

A conceited person is one who knows little. Wisdom and knowledge make one humble. If the Lord was not conceited when he was here on earth, why should you be?—Supreme Council.

When men speak ill of thee, live so as nobody may believe them.—Plato.









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This page this week is dedicated by the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference to Greensboro College

THANKS TO MR. KING

Greensboro College's hearty thanks go to Rev. Carl E. King, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference for extending to the college the privilege of using this week this page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

This is more than a polite gesture. It is a recognition of the inter-relations between Christian education of all types—local church, home, church college. Greensboro College is grateful for the privilege of serving local churches whenever practicable and of co-operating with Mr. King and his staff as they, with zeal, steadfastness, industry, and efficiency, promote the total program of Christian Education in Western North Carolina.

The Church Press

While on the subject of co-operative relationships, a word of appreciation of the church press, particularly of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, is in order. The printed page plays a big part in a continuous, constructive cultivation of all worthy Christian endeavor. Greensboro College receives benefits inestimable. Many thanks to the Editors Plyler!

And Thanks to Preachers

As the only standard four-year college exclusively for young women owned and controlled by the Methodists of North Carolina, Greensboro College seeks always to serve the best interests of all the churches of the state. The measure of our service is conditioned largely by the extent of the confidence and co-operation accorded the college by the preachers. For this confidence and co-operation Greensboro College is profoundly grateful.

A Year of Rebuilding

The year on the Greensboro College campus has been one of rebuilding following the fall fire and of adjustments and co-operation in the interest of national defense.

A glimpse of how Main Building, looks, may be had from the picture which before the fire was characterized by the massive rotunda, now appearing on the cover page of the Advocate this week. A beautiful colonial front with three porches—one in the center and one on each end—magnificent columns, broad brick terraces attractive and appropriate for the principal building of this ancient institution, and other improvements pleasing and prophetic of even bigger and better things ahead, will greet students when they arrive on the campus on September 7 or 8.

The interior of Main has undergone improvements equally impressive as the exterior. In the center of the building, just back of the columns, is a social hall about fifty feet square, which is flanked on either side by the Lucy H. Robertson Room and the Alumnae Parlor. The social hall and the adjacent rooms have been appropriately decorated and furnished and fitted to serve the social needs of the students. A visit to these parlors is necessary if one would fully appreciate their beauty and appropriateness.

Additional steps have been taken to make Main Building as nearly fire-proof as possible. Already equipped with an automatic sprinkler system and ample fire escapes, this building now will have also steel and concrete fire stairs enclosed in solid brick towers, replacing wooden stairs heretofore in use.



"Here pass days of living and growing, days filled with contentment, industry, and mellowness."

The Spirit of G. C.

One of the 421 students at G. C. last year has written these words depicting the spirit of Greensboro College:

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New Courses Added

Students entering Greensboro College in September will have the privilege of not only the usual courses in Art, Economics, Education, English, German, History, Home Economics, Mathematics, Music, Religion, Romance Languages (French and Spanish, Science (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics), Sociology, Speech and Dramatic Art, but also Typewriting and Shorthand. Additional courses in Sociology, including one in "Social Work as a Profession," are listed in our new catalogue, making possible now a minor in this field. Our offerings in Spanish, also, are being expanded so that one may major in this subject. Other changes and enrichments are being made as needed.

Extra-curricular courses in first aid, radio communication, Red Cross work, participation in civilian defense activities, contributions to relief funds, purchase of war stamps and bonds—these suggest Greensboro College's spirit of co-operation and efforts to be intelligently helpful in these trying days.

Student Enrollment Good

Notwithstanding the fact that Greensboro College graduated in June the largest senior class in its history, making a big gap in the student body, and notwithstanding unsettled world conditions, room reservations indicate almost if not altogether as many students this fall as usual.

Memorials

The trustees of Greensboro College have authorized the designation of appropriate memorials to three faculty and staff members who died in 1941 after rendering distinguished service to the college.

1. The J. Roddey Miller Memorial Entrance

The handsome new entrance porch just completed at the eastern front of Main Building (near the class room used by Dr. J. Roddey Miller during the last months of his eleven years as head of the Department of English) has been designated as a memorial to Dr. Miller.

2. The H. Grady McEntire Memorial Entrance

The beautiful entrance porch just completed at the western front of Main Building (near the business office occupied by Mr. H. Grady McEntire for over two years as treasurer and business manager) has been set aside as a memorial to Mr. McEntire.

3. The Elba Henninger Memorial Amphitheater

The trustees have approved the plans for the construction of a large amphitheater on the slope of the hill east of Hudson Hall as a memorial to Miss Elba Henninger, who for twenty years served the college as head of the Department of Speech and Dramatic Art. Foundation work has begun on this project.

Friends and former students of Dr. Miller, Mr. McEntire, and Miss Henninger and of Greensboro College are invited to share in the cost of creating these memorials.

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FOURTH SUNDAY WORLD SERVICE OFFERINGS

(Contiuned from last week)

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Conway	$ 19.31
Elm City, Mt. Zion	4.30
Farmville	23.10
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Norlina, Jerusalem	1.00
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Zion	22.50
Northampton, Jackson	23.00
Rich Square, Woodland	1.65
Rocky Mount, Clark Street	16.00
First Church	120.90
Marvin-St. Paul, St. Paul	6.00
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	9.85
Sharon	.30
Spring Hope, Spring Hope	3.00
Stantonsburg	13.15
Tarboro	9.35
Warren, Bethlehem	10.06
Providence	14.59
Shady Grove	7.14
Warrenton, Macon	11.47
Warren Plains	5.96
Warrenton	15.50
Weldon	61.47
Whitakers	28.31
Wilson	28.48
	$597.70

Wilmington District

Bladen, Bethlehem	$ 7.99
Center	1.12
Deems Chapel	3.64
Live Oak	5.08
Windsor	7.16
Burgaw, Rocky Point	23.77
Carver's Creek, Council	3.39
Chadbourn, Chadbourn	28.58
Clinton	40.28
Elizabeth, Clarkton	8.43
Singletary	3.61
Trinity	26.07
Union	4.00
Wesley Chapel	5.53
Fairmont	57.91
Garland, Antioch	33.27
Centenary	5.56
Johnson Chapel	3.00
Hallsboro	7.04
Pembroke Parish, Fairview	4.04
First Methodist	5.49
Prospect	8.22
Hickory Grove	2.41
Sandy Plains	1.00
Roseboro, Bethel	1.90
Scott's Hill	4.00
Shalotte, Concord	5.14
Southport	25.00
St. Pauls, Barkers	20.00
Regan	4.00
St. Paul	20.25
Swansboro	7.70
Tabor City, St. Paul	15.25
Town Creek, Bethel	10.26
Zion	3.35
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue	50.00
Grace	21.00
Trinity	50.39
Wesley Memorial	14.78
	$549.61

Summary

Durham District	$ 799.05
Elizabeth City District	778.02
Fayetteville District	402.70
New Bern Ditsrict	414.70
Raleigh District	491.12
Rocky Mount District	597.70
Wilmington District	549.61
Grand Total	$4,032.90

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

We are giving below by districts the number of churches that have sent in Church School Rally Day offerings together with the total amount sent in by each district. Other churches, we are sure, have sent in offerings to Mr. Proctor since the last report we received from him, but the totals we are giving include offerings sent in by June 20. There are other churches that have observed Church School Rally Day and have not yet sent in the offering. Many churches are planning to observe the Day in the fall. It would be a fine thing if Rally Day could be combined with Promotion Day or with the first Sunday of the new church school year. Even if a complete Rally Day program cannot be given we hope as many churches as possible will send in one Sunday's offering for the support of the Christian Eduction program in the Conference.

District	Number Churches	Amount of Offerings
Durham	10	$80.24
Elizabeth City	12	71.66
Fayetteville	7	50.55
New Bern	7	43.95
Raleigh	3	13.94
Rocky Mount	6	39.77
Wilmington	9	69.46
		$369.57

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL REPORTS

Reports have been received in the Conference office that one hundred of our churches have been involved in vacation church schools. Wilmington District heads the list with twenty churches reporting vacation church schools. In the Durham District fifteen schools have been reported with seventeen churches participating. The Raleigh District reported fifteen schools, and the Rocky Mount District has reported fourteen schools. In the New Bern District thirteen churches have been reported as participating in twelve schools. From the Elizabeth City District have come twelve reports of vacation schools, and from Fayetteville District nine reports. Many additional requests for report blanks have come in, and we are expecting to receive other reports soon. If you need blanks for reporting your school, please write the conference office for them.

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12:12 AM Lv.	Edenton	Ar. 2:15 PM
1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar. 1:25 PM
2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar. 12:15 PM
3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar. 11:17 AM
4:27 PM Lv.	Wilson	Ar. 9:53 AM
4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar. 9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar. 9:08 AM
5:18 PM Lv	Zebulon	Ar. 8:55 AM
5:28 PM Lv.	Wendell	Ar. 8:45 AM
6:15 PM Ar.	Raleigh	Lv. 8:00 AM

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MY GUEST JIMMY

By Helen Gregg Green

I had a guest for a few days last week who deserves more than "honorable mention." To him belongs the most admiring, most enthusiastic praise. Jimmy is only five but already he has learned the small amenities that a perfect guest should know. His visit with me gave me pure delight.

It was the first time Jimmy had been away from home alone. Circumstances had made it necessary for him to spend a little time with friends or relatives. He decided he would like to go to "Aunt Helen's."

In due time he arrived at the rather formidable looking apartment hotel in which I live. That austere appearance didn't bother Jimmy. He merely announced, "Doesn't Aunt Helen have a big house!" and, as soon as he was conducted to his room, proceeded to unpack the neatest little suitcase I have ever seen.

Jimmy had been allowed to do his own packing. He had for some time been accustomed to taking the entire responsibility for certain small tasks. These experiences had now proved their value to him. Nothing was forgotten. The only thing that suggested a five-year-old might have done the packing was the inclusion of enough little socks to have lasted a month without laundry. His stuffed elephant, Arthur—"Arker" Jimmy still called him, as in babyhood days—came with him. "Arker" proved a well chosen partner. Jimmy was so careful to keep him from missing the monkey, Toby.

The little boy very quickly adjusted to the unusual surroundings. He didn't look or act ill at ease or unhappy during his entire visit. He fitted into every picture.

The mother of two-year-old Carol Ann invited Jimmy for luncheon. Jimmy entertained Carol and taught her a number of things about her blocks and educational toys. At home, he was used to playing with a crowd of noisy boys of various ages, but he proved to be unusually adapable and conducted himself extremely well as the guest of a gentle little girl.

Jimmy waited on himself, took his baths himself, said his prayers and dressed and undressed himself without help. He said "Good morning, Aunt Helen," or "Happy dreams, Aunt Helen," according to the time of day, with all graciousness, enjoyed his meals and slept happily and contentedly with Arthur. Most delightful of all, he kept everything he owned in one place. Those of you who have lived in apartments can appreciate this. Even Jimmy's toothbrush and tooth powder were carried every night from the bath room and placed with his other things.

When Jimmy's mother called to take him home she was in a great hurry, so the bag was packed quickly but nothing was left behind except a pleasant memory of a small boy who had been methodical, resourceful, neat and adaptable—and most charming.

I have thought those few days over, and I believe one reason Jimmy was such a delightful guest was because he had been taught what it meant to be "on his own." He had been carefully taught, too, the "duties" of a guest, and now he felt that he and he alone was responsible for his behavior. He seemed to take his position as a guest seriously. He had brought his games and books; he entertained himself. I had some necessary errands to take care of in the city. He went with me uncomplainingly; he ate in strange places in quite the matter-of-fact maner of blase young men about town.

Whenever we were to go down or up in the hotel he delighted in pressing the button for the elevator, and he always enjoyed getting the mail at the desk for "Aunt Helen." In fact, he liked doing everything that came along. He took his naps without protest. His mother admitted less perfect co-operation at home.

So may I suggest that mothers allow their small sons and daughters to make short visits now and then? Anything is extremely beneficial to children that helps them to be adequate to the situation in which they find themselves and to learn to stand on their own small feet. The ability to adjust themselves to new surroundings is an extremely valuable accomplishment.—Issued by National Kindergarten Association, New York City.

THE WOODPECKER

By Christian Hankinson

The woodpecker stopped at the June apple tree,
And hammered the tree-trunk industriously.

"Tap-tap-tap-tap" was the sentence he said,
And followed each word with a shake of the head.

"Tap-tap-tap-tap," and the little red hood
Bobbed backward and forward as fast as it could.

And then, without breathing as much as a sigh,
He placed at the crevice his sharp little eye.

Two larvae were sleeping inside on a shelf;
So he knocked off the entrance, and just helped himself.

—Our Dumb Animals.

"MIKE"

He was small and black, with a white vest and four white feet. His head and ears were rather long, eyes very bright, and his strong, deep-chested little body was "couped up like a Cadillac. Built for strength," grown folks said, but his small boy friends knew that he could "run like greased lightning."

Brother had brought him to Billy on his last visit home, and the two little boys were great friends and chums, sharing everything except their beds. Mother drew the line there.

Billy liked to play ball, and so did Mike. He was a splendid "fielder," and more fun than all the boys put together. When they failed to catch a "fly" or "grounder," Mike flew after it, seized it in his mouth and then the real fun began.

First he would lie down with the ball between his front feet, and half close his eyes, just as if he were going to take a nap, but he was watching the boys all the time, and all the muscles in his strong little body were ready for him to spring up and run as soon as the boys came near.

They would form a circle around him and try to close up gradually, so that he could not escape between them. But it was no use. He would let them get almost to him, and then dart away, right between them, and the chase was on.

Around and around, darting in and out among them, he ran with the ball in his mouth, bright eyes dancing and long ears flapping, while the boys laughing, shouting, scolding, ran after him until they all fell on the grass, tired, hot and happy. And then how they petted the panting little mischief-maker, as he came up, and laid the ball on the grass at his proud little master's feet.

"Billy, he sure is a runner," they all agree, as they rolled on the grass, resting and cooling off before starting to play another game.

Mike loved the boys and liked to play with them, because they were kind to him and did not treat him badly. When dogs are mean, somebody else has been mean first. When they are good, somebody else has been good first.—Selected.

It happened at a summer camp. One small boy asked another, "Is this the first night you ever slept in a tent?"

"I don't know—yet," was the uncertain reply.—Exchange.

Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 9

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By Rollin H. Walker

Abraham's Intercessory Prayer

Genesis 18

James Black, the great Scottish preacher, said, "My people love to have me preach from an Old Testament story, and then give the added New Testament revelation." And the reason, of course, was that in spite of their high culture they loved pictures, just as we all do.

The story of the visit of the Lord with his angels to Abraham, and Abraham's intercession for Sodom, is a beautiful moving picture. It is a very naive and childlike story, telling how the Lord and his angels ate and drank as the guests of Abraham, and if read before the typical university faculty might meet a patronizing reception from all except perchance the professors of literature who would sense its high literary art.

But while, under the guidance of later portions of the Bible, the church has outgrown certain of the story's exceedingly primitive conceptions of God, it is a serious question whether in becoming sophisticated we have not left behind important truth. In enlarging their conception of God, in view of the infinite vastness of the universe and the reign of law, men are tempted to think of him as a huge impersonal force, and hence practically to say that when it comes to care for his children he is on a lower plane than his creatures; and to say that is, of course, absurd. The very mission of Christ was to proclaim that God is tender and humanlike in his relations with men.

The errand of the Lord in visiting the old couple was to inspire in them a great hope. (Often the sign that the Lord has been with us also is that life suddenly becomes radiant with immortal hope). Then Abraham began to intercede for Sodom, the vilest city of earth. Every breeze of news that came from Sodom was loaded with a nauseating mental stench. Of course one reason why Abraham prayed for Sodom was that Lot was there, his brother's son. And that is always true of Sodom. There are some of our kind of people there. We should remember today that with all the abominations committed in the dictator states, there are many devout souls there who are praying for us. In Japan, for instance, there are not a few Christians in whom the Lord Christ dwells radiantly. So we should all intercede for Sodom lest precious human values be destroyed.

That does not mean that we should be sentimental toward Sodom, or coddle Sodom, for the love of God is often expressed by severe surgery. But it is an offense to the Most High to pray against Sodom in the spirit of vengeance.

The more Abraham interceded for Sodom the more audacious became his faith. He prayed that Sodom might be saved if only fifty righteous were there; and then progressively he "jewed" the Lord down to ten. The Most High loves to be "jewed down" after this fashion.

So Abraham went home happy. He saved Sodom. But alas! when he rose in the morning and looked toward Sodom, the whole plain smoked as a furnace. His prayer had not been answered, and Lot had apparently shared the fate of the wicked city. But he did not know that the Lord had sent his angel and brought Lot and his family out of the city. How often it happens that when our prayers are not answered in the way we pictured, we infer that they have not been answered at all!

Thus we see in this quaint, naive old story a good suggestion for today (Matthew 5:43-48). As Jesus commanded, we are all continually to pray for the modern Sodom, and to believe that prayer is far more than a mere spiritual gymnastic to work ourselves up into a good mood (Luke 17:6.) Prayer reaches out in positive effects to Sodom, and to all our fellow sinners. It is through the righteous man's prayer quite as well as by his life that he becomes the salt of the earth.

Judging from the behavior of Lot and his family after they were delivered, one wonders whether they were worth the saving. But as far as that is concerned, one might well wonder whether any of us are worth saving. It is surely a mistake when God delivers us from any Sodom to put ourselves in Class A of the saints. We should rather hear from heaven the words, Not for your sakes do I this, but for my mercy's sake have I saved you.

TRYING THEM ALL

In the annals of the Friends there is the tale of a bully who called on one of them and announced that he had come to thrash him. "Friend," said the Quaker, knocking aside his fists, "before thou proceedest to chastise me, wilt thou not take some dinner?" He accepted the invitation, and rose from the meal to fulfil his intention. "Friend," then said the Quaker, "wilt thou not take some punch?" The second invitation was accepted, and when the drink had been imbibed the man staggered across the room to get on with his thrashing; to be again halted by the offer of a pipe, after which he again began to cross the room to belabor his host.

Then the Quaker, opening the door and pulling him towards it, thus addressed him: "Friend, thou camest here not to be pacified. I gave thee a meat offering, but that did not assuage thy rage. I gave thee a drink offering, still thou wert beside thyself. I gave thee a burnt offering, neither did that suffice. I will try thee with a heave offering," and with that he flung him out of doors, and that sufficed.—The Methodist Recorder.

Knowledge is not the main thing in life, but the use of it.—Talmud.

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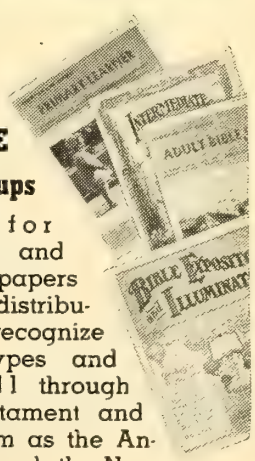


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ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Pasquotank, Eureka, 11 8
Bath, Asbury, 11 9
Roper, Pleasant Grove, 8 9
Hatteras, 8 11
Kinnakeet, Clark-Bethel, 8 12
Edenton, 11 16
Windsor, White Oak, 3 16
Williamston, 8 19
Perquimans, New Hope, 11 22
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 23
Currituck, Hebron, 3 23
Ahoskie, 8 26
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September

First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Granville, Union Chapel, 8 7
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 11 9
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell, 8 9
Dunn, Divine Street, 8 12
Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Spring Church-Garysburg, Spring Church, 11 23
Halifax, Pierce's, 4 23
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 30
Bethel, 11 30

September

Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 16
Elizabeth, Clarkton, 8 16
Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 23
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, 8 23
Garland, Ingold, 11 30
Bladen, Bethlehem, 4 30

September

Richlands, 11 6
Swansboro, Swansboro, 8 6
Tabor City, Bethel, 4—Victory Conf. 9
Whiteville, 8 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 13
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 8 13
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11 Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
THIRD ROUND

August

East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 9
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 3 9
Leicester-Bell, Bell, 8 9
Leicester-Grace, Grace, 8 12

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Waxhaw, Pleasant Grove, 11 9
Huntersville, Asbury, 3 9
Big Springs, 8 9
Duncan Memorial, 8 12
Hawthorne Lane, 11 16
Unionville, Mill Grove, 3 16
Indian Trail, Indian Trail, 8 16
Central Avenue, 8 19
Spencer Memorial, 8 21
Chadwick, 11 23
Prospect, Trinity, 3 23
Polkton, Polkton, 8 23
Weddington, Weddington, 8 26
Calvary, 11 30
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 30
Wadesboro, 8 31

September

Peachland, Fountain Hill, 10 6
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3 6
Lilesville, Lilesville, 8 6
Monroe, Central, 8 7
Dilworth, 8 11
Ansonville, Concord, 11 13
Matthews, 4 13
Brevard Street, 8 13
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

August

Centenary, 11 16
Summerfield, 8 16
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Stokesdale, 8 30

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

East End, Gastonia, 11 9
Stanley, Iron Station, night 9
Mount Holly, 11 16
Belmont, Park Street, 11 16
Cramerton, 11 23
Kings Mountain, Central 11 23
Belwood, Kadish, 11 30
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 3 30
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 30

September

Bessemer City, night 2
Concord-Elbethel, Concord, 11 6
Crouse, Antioch, 3 6
Lincolnton, First, night 6
Belmont, Main Street, night 7
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11 13
Polkville, Polkville, 3 13
Shelby, Central, night 13
Mount Holly, night 14
Cherryville, night 16
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23
Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Bakersville, Bakersville, 11 9
Elk Park, Linville, 3 9
Spruce Pine, night 9
Old Fort, 11 16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 16
Avery, Pisgah, 11 23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30 23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night 23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

September

Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 12
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Lostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Bethel-Boger, Bethel, 11 9
Mt. Mitchell, 11 16
Badin-New London, 11 23
Friendship, Bethel, 3 23
Stanfield, Love's Grove, 11 30
Salem, 3 30
Mount Pleasant, 8 30

September

Roberta, 11 6
Westford, 4 6
Midland, 8 6
China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 3 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Shepherds, Vanderburg, 11 9
Troutman, 8 9
Olin, Snow Creek, 11 16
Statesville, Boulevard, 8 16
Statesville,, Broad Street, 11 23
Ball's Creek Camp Meeting, 3 23
Maiden, 11 30
Balls Creek Ct., Center, 3 30

September

Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 9:45 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett Ch., 11 6
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 6
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 8 6
Cool Springs, Cool Springs, 11 13
Olin, Moss's Chapel, 3 13
Union-Grove-Zion, 8 13
Hickory, Westview, 8 10
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Sylva, 11 2
Webster, Wesleyanna, 3 2
Franklin, 8 2
Whittier, Olivet, 3 9
Bryson City, 8 9
Clyde, 11 16
Morning Star, 3 16
Canton, First, 8 16
Andrews, 11 23
Robbinsville, 8 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy Ct., 3 30
Shooting Creek, 8 30
Hayesville, 8 31

September

Bethel, 11 6
Junaluska, 8 6
Canton, Central, 8 9
Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 9
City Mission, 8 9
West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11 16
Kernersville Ct., 8 16
Green Street, 11 23
Marvin, 8 23
Mt. Tabor, 8 30
Centenary, 11 30

September

Kernersville Ct., 11 6
Davidson Ct., 3 6
Walnut Cove, 8 6
Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15

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Brother Green was kind, public-spirited and generous and a sincere Christian. As long as he was able he was faithful in the Lord's work. He was a member of El Bethel Methodist church, near King's Mountain.

C. D. Brown.

SNYDER—Maude Redding Snyder, daughter of the late Joseph A. and Elizabeth Ferguson Redding, was born at Millboro July 19, 1888. She was married November 22, 1908, to Gurney P. Snyder. To this union were born two children, a son, Joe, and a daughter, Hilda Mack, who with the husband survive, along with one grandson, Jack Snyder.

At an early age she became a member of Bethany church, where she retained her membership as long as she lived. She loved her church and her entire life was spent almost within the bounds of this community where she was well known and loved.

The funeral was conducted by her pastor at Bethany on the fourth Sunday afternoon in May. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

H. L. Isley, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his divine wisdom has called from us Mrs. Kizzie Knight, a much loved and ever faithful member of Aulander W. S. C. S., we adopt the following resolutions:

First, That we bow in humble submission to His will, who doeth all things well.

Second, That we cherish the memory of her Christian life and remain thankful for her example and influence in our society and community.

Third, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Fourth, That these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of our W. S. C. S. and that copies be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. J. Askew,
Miss Mary Tayloe,
Mrs. W. M. Peele.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Ann Street Methodist church, Concord, desire to pay tribute to one of our most faithful and honored members, Mrs. C. D. Sides, who passed into the everlasting kingdom of our Saviour on June 19, 1942.

Her life was completely filled with a loyal devotion to her family, her church and her community. Her gentle, womanly character, her ready smile made true friends of all she met. She lived a full life in the short span of time granted her.

Her memory will abide in the hearts of her friends throughout the years. For purity of heart, poise and personality, strength of character, and nobleness of ideals, Mrs. Sides has never had an equal, perhaps, in our city. Through her illness she was uncomplaining, ever thoughtful of others, and true to her belief that every moment of life granted to one is better spent in service for others. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well, and thank God that she was permitted to dwell with us for a little while.

Second, That we extend to the family our deepest, sincere sympathy and commend them to Him who alone can bring ease to suffering hearts in their bereavement.

Third, That her life may be an example for her fellow members in the society. That we may emulate her faith and loyal service.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the N. C. Christian Advocate, one published in the Concord Tribune, and one placed in the records of the society.

Members of W. S. C. S. of
Ann Street Methodist Church.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The membership of the W. S. C. S. of Antioch Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful and loving members, Mrs. Mary Barber, who passed from this life to the great beyond May 27, 1942.

In those few short years that Mrs. Barber has lived in this community she always attended church when it was possible. Her devotion to her church and society has been an inspiration to us. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That her life was one of loyal service. She did what she could for the missionary cause. Her beautiful Christian character, her devotion to her church and friends have been a benediction to us, and we thank God for her life.

Second, That we wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to her family. And may her God she served so faithfully comfort them as he alone can.

Third, That a copy be sent to her grief stricken family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. G. C. Coble,
President.
Miss Alta Coble,
Vice President.
Mrs. Maud Robinson,
Secretary-Treasurer.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

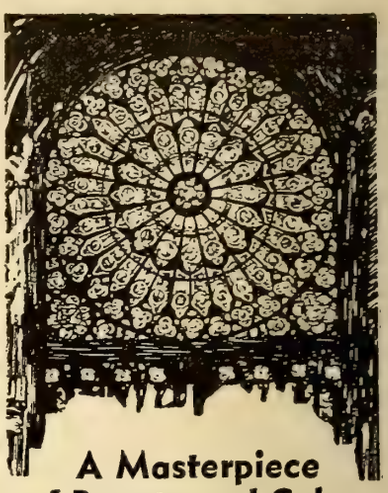
The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Central Methodist church, Asheboro, wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful and loving members, Mrs. Louella Lovett, who passed from this life April 16, 1942. We, the members of the society, do therefore resolve:

First, That her life was one of loyal service; she did what she could for the advancement of God's kingdom and the missionary cause. Her beautiful Christian character, her devotion to her church, her family and friends, have been a benediction to us, and we thank God for her life and our association with her.

Second, That we wish to express our sympathy to her family, and may the God whom she served so faithfully comfort them as he alone can.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy be sent to the family and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. John Swaim,
Mrs. S. F. Phillips,
Mrs. T. F. Bulla.



A Masterpiece of Beauty and Color

The beautiful rose window of the Cathedral of Notre Dame, a work of infinite beauty and splendor, is perhaps the masterpiece of all art glass windows. Built in the Thirteenth Century, it stands today unsurpassed in beauty and excellence of workmanship. If a world-wide search were made for a monumental material approaching the beauty of the assembled colors of the famous Rose Window, such material would be found in

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The Concrete Emotional Appeal

By WILLIAM L. STIDGER

YOU do not reach people through their heads, but through their hearts.

You can talk all day about helping the poor Italians in a certain crisis, and the public will not listen; but if you tell the individual story of "Little Sick Tony" you will find that the coffers are flooded with help. It is the concrete, emotional appeal and not the abstract intellectual appeal that gets over to the hearts of a congregation as it does to the hearts of a newspaper audience.

I have heard a staid old college professor, a philosopher, say of preachers that come to the college church: "If they would only forget that we are college professors, and would preach to our hearts—with enough good sense to keep our respect, but making their direct appeal to our hearts—I would be happier. But the minute a preacher comes to this church he feels that he must make an 'utterance,' that he must dwell in the atmosphere of the academic and the abstract. He forgets that we are human beings and that we have our heart-hungers, and our sufferings, and our loneliness, and our emotions as well as others."

The unforgetably great preachers have had this emotional appeal. They have gone through to the hearts of their hearers. The Parkers, the Beechers, the Talmages, the Moodys, the Brookses are the unforgetable preachers.

Duke Day at Lake Junaluska, August 17

Duke University Day was observed Monday, August 11, culminating with a public program in the auditorium.

Dr. Edwin Mims, noted English scholar formerly professor at Trinity College, forerunner of Duke, was the guest speaker.

Dr. A. G. Gillespie, chemist, of the Champion Fibre Company at Canton, N. C., and president of the Haywood-Jackson county Alumni Association, extended greetings from Western North Carolina.

Superintendent, Dr. W. A. Lambeth presided.

Representing the faculty were Henry R. Dwire, vice-president, who spoke for a few minutes on the subject, "Duke University and her Alumni" Charles E. Jordan, secretary of the university, who discussed briefly "Duke University in a World at War," and Mason Crum, chairman of local arrangements.

Dr. Mims, who delivered the principal address, said in part:

"Whenever I grow discouraged at the progress of the world or of educational institutions, I think of Trinity College as it was in 1894 and Duke University as it is today. It is nothing less than a miracle enacted in a few years and before our very eyes. And yet when I am too much inclined to magnify great buildings and endowments and all that we mean by the external resources of a modern university, I think of what happened at Trinity College from 1894 to 1909, and I cannot help raising questions.

"I shall never forget my disillusionment when I arrived, March 9, 1894, at Durham at 2:30 a. m., spent the rest of the night at an inferior hotel, rode the next morning to the college through streets lined with tobacco factories, saw the old main building, which was one of the ugliest ever built in America, stayed at the College Inn, where I was awakened by beer bottles that were thrown crashing through the halls when the lights went out. I found the college torn by the resignation of President Crowell and the consequent uncertainty of the future. There was a small and not very impressive faculty, a small and not very attractive student body living on a campus of black jacks and scrubby pines.

"In contrast with all this I spent six weeks this summer at Duke, living in the magnificent Gothic buildings with their towers, oriental windows and gracious courts. The notes of the organ and the chimes of the tower, the beautiful cathedral chapel were a constant suggestion of beauty and glory. I walked every morning from the west campus to the east campus, where I rejoiced in the different types of architecture, so suggestive of the colonial south. I was a member of a faculty so large that they do not know one another and taught a small part of the student body gathered from all parts of the United States. So I can understand the righteous enthusiasm of those who have told you tonight of the new and magnificant Duke.

"Much as I enjoyed my stay during the present summer, I spent most of my time recalling the Trinity College of long ago. By talking with former students and the faculty and citizens of Durham, by reading the college newspapers, and much of the official correspondence, I relived those fifteen years and realize anew what can be done with small resources, a small faculty, and a small student body. As the old familiar faces came back I felt that things happened in those years that were of great significance in the Duke of today. It was rather surprising to find that with few exceptions the entire administration of the University is composed of men who either taught in those years or were students. There is also a large proportion of the faculty who were students during the years of which I speak. I think also of the large number of prominent preachers, teachers, scholars and professional men who were there in those days.

"There was a unity in the faculty and student body, a seriousness and earnestness, even a crusading spirit. The addresses and sermons of President Kilgo frequently electrified the entire community and prepared the way for the work of members of the faculty. We knew all the students and taught them year after year.

"As I think of what went on in those years I wonder if the same sort of things are happening now. I do not look back to a golden age that never was; we had our difficulties, our differences of opinion, our handicaps from the standpoint of equipment, libraries and laboratories. But there was compensation in intellectual and spiritual values. Likewise in the new and greater Duke may there be now at Duke a voice that rings throughout the university community. May the magnificent chapel produce the same results as the old annual revival meeting in the small auditorium of the College Inn."

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

August 16-22 (Tenth Week)

August 16 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Dr. Robert MacGowan (Florida Day).
4:00-4:30 p.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Christ's Power to Re-make Life," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

August 17 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "Safety in the Storm," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Redeeming Power of His Name," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.

August 18 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "The Father's Business," Bishop Arthur J. Moore.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Who Stand at the Cross?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.

August 19 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "What Doors Do You Enter?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.
8:00 p.m.—Lecture, "Shakespeare Is Always Right," Professor Archibald Rutledge.

August 20 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Why I Believe in Christ," Professor Archibald Rutledge.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "What Are the Sins of Youth?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.

August 21 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Sermon, "Are You Really Evangelistic?" Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, Dr. George W. Truett.

August 22 (Sat.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: Rome in the Days of Paul," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:30 p.m.—Coronation of Junaluska Queen.

METHODISTS, LEND US YOUR EYES AND EARS

There is enough in this issue of the Advocate to catch the eye of every reader and remind all that we are set to the task of meeting our financial obligations and of securing a wider distribution of our Church paper. We want to make this the best year the North Carolina Christian Advocate has known in its 86 years.

Then, too, we would that the many good things said about this paper which find their way into the office might be whispered into the ears of many good Methodists who do not see their Church paper. Not a few good pastors have never come to realize the loss they have suffered by not engaging in confidential words about the church paper in the home.

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An angry subscriber, as the custom of some is, bellowed at a telephone operator, "Am I crazy, or are you?" "I am sorry, sir," replied the dear girl in her sweetest voice, "but we do not have that information."

S S S

Who, then, is free? The wise who can command his passions, who fears not want, nor death, nor chains, firmly resisting his appetites and despising the honors of the world, who relies wholly on himself, whose angular points of character have all been rounded off and polished.—Horace.

S S S

George II, King of the Greeks, in his recent visit to America, appealed for the prayers of Americans for his country. He said, "The Greeks of old made great contributions to the world. Who can estimate the worth of Paul's two letters to the Greeks of Corinth?" He appealed for prayer for the Greek nation now struggling for liberty.

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The North Carolina Christian Advocate remains at the old price of $2.00 a year, and $1.00 for six months, when the cost of paper and ink has increased 23 per cent and the cost of labor has advance in proportion to the cost of living. These facts should urge our subscribers to pay promptly and make an effective appeal to pastors to secure their quota of new subscribers.

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Bishop Francis J. McConnell speaking at Lake Junaluska said the prophet has ever had a hard time in this world because his task does not make for personal popularity. "But we must have the prophets," he declared, "and by prophet I mean the man who makes it his business to hold to high Christian ideals and to apply them to local situations. We need them, because if the ideals of Christianity are not proclaimed the church will not prosper."

The rule of Christ in the Church through his Spirit was a theme to the front with early Methodists. They made much of the witness of the Spirit and the power of the Holy Ghost sent down upon the people. With assurance said they God dwells in you and ye are the temples of God. Modern Methodism might improve just now with the spiritual emphasis.

S S S

The summer lull and vacation season is now in its last stages and the autumnal harvest time is now at hand. This applies not only to farmers but none the less to Methodist people as they hasten toward the Annual Conferences. It is even more emphatically true with this Advocate because our financial year will close September 30. Let the pastors and all subscribers keep this fact in mind and send your list of new subscribers and your renewals to this office and thereby help us to close the year in a satisfactory manner. By satisfactory manner we mean that all debts are paid for the year's operating expenses. Please help us in this hour of need.

S S S

Calvin T. Ryan, in a discriminating and interesting study of "The Child in Wordsworth's Poetry," presents the following observation that is of unusual interest. He writes as follows: "The child is sparsely mentioned in Greek literature. Homer makes one or two references to children, but always as subsidiaries to his story. Virgil speaks of one child, but only to expand his hero's greatness. In the Old Testament, children are rarely mentioned. No wonder, therefore, that Jesus spoke so frequently of the child; no wonder that his references have lived. Partly because of this attitude toward children, we have very little information about the childhood of Jesus. He was born. He confounded the lawyers and the doctors in the Temple when he was twelve—a fact strange enough to warrant recording. After that he waxed strong, and later appeared as a grown man."

Harvest Time Comes on Apace

A TRIP last week through central eastern Carolina disclosed the near approach of the autumn time. Some fields of tobacco had little left to be gathered into the barns. Early corn was ripening and fields of peas and soy beans were hastening to maturity. True, the later plantings are green and vigorous but this is not for long.

On every hand are the evidence of diligent labor and hard work. Though many of the young men and boys were called to the camps to train for the armed service, leaving the farmers without their usual supply of labor, the fields for the most part have been well tilled. Those left behind to work the farms evidently have with fine determination put in long, hard hours. How different is the attitude of these farmers in their efforts to feed the world when compared with organized labor scrambling all the while for a big advance of wages. If we are to accept reports, the many laborers who refused to work have slowed down the nation's efforts to win the war. But the poorly paid farmers have stuck to their jobs and the promise of another abundant harvest is apparent. Especially true is this in the Old North State. There has been no sit down strike in these parallels.

The well known habits of our people to work hard through the long hot summer days and then to be thankful for the harvest time still prevail. In this Bible Belt we have been reared on the doctrine that God has much to do with the yield of the field, provided man is diligent in his business, serving the Lord. So, normally much thanksgiving is due with the coming of a bountiful harvest.

Within a few more weeks the market places will be busy marts and the expectation is for prices that will make happy the hearts of the hard working yeomen of our land. Surely in it all we will not forget the Lord of the harvest.

Loitering Away Time

THE urgent hours well used count for victory. Lot lingered as Sodom burned. God said, "get up and get out, escape to the mountains." In our American phrase: "Get busy, and escape for your life."

Just now all the agencies of government are sounding the alarm to arouse the American people to put all they have into this war. Along with this warning goes the assurance of the death of their sons in the early coming carnage of the conflict.

The more urgent becomes the call for all the Christian Church to put away loitering so as to win the spiritual victories so essential in this hour. When this war ends death and desolation will cover the world. Then the spiritual leaders following Him who "came not to destroy men's lives but to save them" will continue the process of building. The best hope of the new age is a vigorous spiritual commonwealth to help in securing a permanent peace. To loiter away the time and to linger on the edge of destruction when the world is on fire gives no assurance for the future. Remember war settles nothing. This one will be no exception. See to it that we make it easy for men to see Jesus. This is the chief desire of the boys in the armies.

Surely the leaders of our Methodism in North Carolina will recognize the high hour to which we have come these months just ahead of us. Refuse to loiter away the time and to linger in the midst of the demands upon us to march forth to the spiritual conquest of the state. Make a vigorous attack on the sins of the day and exalt the Christ. This will do much to fill empty pews.

Due Process of Law

OURS is a government of law and not a government of monarchs or of dictators. We speak of our constitution as the fundamental law. Sometimes the English constitution is spoken of as "unwritten" while the American is designated as the "written"—reference being to the instrument framed at Philadelphia in 1787. Whether it be the English or the American view, the constitution is fundamental and very ancient, going back to Magna Charter.

The term "due process of law" is hoary with age, being accepted as the equivalent of the "law of the land" as used in Magna Charter. There is no broader or more fundamental safeguard in our constitutional system than the "due process" provision. Especially important does it become at this heated hour, with the reign of the dictators holding sway. The rights of life, liberty and property and all those other liberties for which we are fighting this present war find their security here. Our civil and our personal liberties are secured not only by individual assurances but by "due pro-

cess of law." This is the American way so dear to the citizens of this Republic.

We are shouting long and loud for the American way of life. Some would force this on all people in the Orient and in the Occident, including the yellow and the brown races, whether they want it or not. May it not be that we ourselves really are not as eager for the "American way" as we sometimes think? The widespread and fierce resentment over the recent call of the extraordinary session of the Supreme Court to hear the motion of the defense for the men on trial before the military court in Washington to be granted a hearing on the writ of habeas corpus puts to the test our American way.

This august tribunal of the nation has rendered its decision and the military court proceded to render its verdict in keeping with due process of law. Then the President reviewed the verdict of the regularly appointed military Court to try the eight criminals and bring them to justice. Six of these men have been executed and the other two given long prison terms because of extenuating circumstances. Certainly in dealing with these vicious characters this has been "due process of law" in the highest courts of the land. Would any hot head enthusiast say this is not better than the German way? Ours is still a government of law in this American democracy.

The Beauties of the Sunset

AS is popularly known the moisture, dust and dirt in the atmosphere of the western skies are primarily responsible for the glories of the sunsets. The scientists can tell one just how these results are effected, but many of us are so limited in our knowledge of the laws of light that their explanations fall upon deaf ears.

Hence we pass up these scientific explanations and rest content with the language of last week's issue of **Life** which says:

The dirtier the air, the lovelier the sky seems. The most vivid sunsets in the memory of living men took place in the 1880's. In 1883, the volcano of Krakatoa near Java blew up with such violence that it scattered volcanic dust over the whole globe. The dust from Krakatoa hung in the heavens for three or four years and the sunsets during that time were unbelievably magnified. All these scientific explanations, of course, are of little use to a plain man who finds that the gaudy displays simply muddle his mind and fill him with a sense of beautiful but unexpressed poetry.

Our One Guide

MANY injunctions come to us along life's way from those who conclude they have found the only essential secret of living effectively. Watch and pray; work and pray; think and pray; suffer and pray are some of the injunctions that come to us. The more urgent then does it become for us to know what is genuine prayer. Men everywhere lift up lame hands of faith in prayer. As the world rolls eastward with the coming of each new day, this prayer zone encircling the planet moves westward as men of every creed and color bow down before their deities. Thus inevitably the vast confusion of the prayers of the peoples of the whole earth continue.

Even with us here in this land of many and various creeds and forms of worship much confusion prevails to befog those who would be the real worshippers. Man ever needs a guide and helper. Some turn to the great saints and exemplars of earth for guidance. Others would learn from the teachings of Jesus about prayer, but too often these are left in confusion. Fortunately we are learning that his example in prayer has persuasive power even when his precepts leave us in confusion. With Jesus, prayer and living was one and the same. He prayed in the routine of the day and he also prayed under the provocation of the crisis.

In the great initial act of baptism, he prayed; when the crowd pressed upon him as the wonder worker, he prayed; before choosing his disciples, he spent the night in prayer; after feeding the five thousand, fearing lest he abused his power and rely on earthly means, he prayed; in the garden with its deep shadows and awful agony, he prayed; again and again as he moved towards the crisis hour of the cross Jesus prayed. So in the entire life of Jesus it doth appear that with him to live is to pray and to pray is to live. Is it strange, then, that he was so conscious of God that he could assert over and over again that "I and the Father are one"? Truly, his longings were all lost in the longing for God.

Instead of crying aloud for more faith and longing for the many satisfactions of earth would it not be well for us to pray more and thus find God in prayer? Our need above all else is God and, on the highest authority, only in prayer do we find God. Man by thinking and by searching does not find God—the direct finding of God comes in prayer, Jesus being our guide.

✣ People and Things ✣

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Rev. N. S. Ogburn as pastor of Morven charge, Charlotte District, Western North Carolina Conference.—G. T. Bond, D. S.

The plans of the lay leaders of the North Carolina conference, as announced on page 7, should mean much for the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. Ponder well these plans and aid in the same.

Colorado's coal reserve could supply the nation for 700 years, it is estimated. There are a total of more than 400,000,000,000 short tons underlying an area of some 19,000 square miles, reports The United Press.

We preached last Sunday morning at Glenwood Methodist Church, Greensboro, for Rev. E. M. Avett, the pastor, who was away on his vacation. There was in attendance a large congregation and the service seemed to be enjoyed by all.

There will be a Home-coming at Concord church on the Person charge the fifth Sunday in August, the 30th. Bishop Walter W. Peele will be present and preach at the morning hour. The friends and visitors are cordially invited to attend this Home-coming, hear Bishop Peele preach and enjoy the fellowship of the day.—J. H. Shore.

Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, North Carolina State Health Officer, in clamping down on those charging extra for paper cups states that "Such practice puts a penalty on sanitation and it tends to tear down what it has taken a quarter of a century to build up. Hence, it is a menace to public health which we do not propose to condone, besides being an injustice to the purchasing public."

John J. Massey, father of Mrs. J. E. Garlington, died early Saturday morning at his home near the Virginia line north of Weldon. Through the years he has been one of the most loyal and devoted members of Spring Church on the Spring Church-Garysburg charge. Rev. J. E. Garlington is serving as pastor on this charge. May the God of all comfort and mercy be gracious unto each member of this bereaved family.—L. C. Larkin, D. S.

The Pastor's Conference and the Leadership School at Junaluska are full of vitamins. I was exposed to it all last week, I don't know when it will "take." Delightful fellowship, uplifting thought, rare climate (someone said the climate was most impressive—everywhere you go you have to "climb-it.") I'm enjoying the vacation and I guess the congregations are enjoying the visiting ministers.—E. M. Avett.

To mobilize a million Methodists for spiritual service, to reclaim a million inactive church members and to secure the same number of new members exclusive of church letter transfers, are three of the goals set for the general Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist Church in the next two years, according to the report of Dr. Guy H. Black, of Nashville, associate secretary of the Commission which met at Clifton Springs, N. Y., July 28-30.

The function of the Committee for Overseas Relief is primarily to raise and distribute money. During the first year, 1940-41, we received $572,098.97, of which $400,000 came from the Compassion Day Fund, and $125,806.92 from the General Conference appeal which initiated our work. In the second year, which ended May 31, 1942, we received $180,022.07, of which $60,469.34 came as a final payment from the Compassion Day Fund, and $19,030.96 from the Fellowship of Suffering and Service gifts.

Rev. L. B. Pattishall was taken sick while holding a service at McKendree Church three weeks ago. He became over-heated while leading the service. He has been confined to his bed since that time. His many friends in the conference, I am sure, will remember him in their devotions and will wish for him an early recovery from this illness.—L. C. Larkin, D. S.

Knox Chapel Methodist Church, Elmwood Charge, will hold an all-day Home-coming Service on Sunday, August 24th. Church School Rally Day program at 10:00 a. m., preaching by pastor. Rev. H. E. Jones at 11:00 a. m. Dinner in grove at noon. A musical program with Home-coming features in afternoon. Service again at 8:30 p. m., Sunday night and each night of week as revival continues. All former pastors and friends and members are cordially invited to attend.—Mrs. J. C. Umberger.

A Civil War veteran, who will be 98 years old in September, often walks four miles to his work at the Goodwill Industries in Buffalo, N. Y., and thinks nothing of it. His name is James A. Willie and he says, "That's nothing. It's invigorating. Keeps you from getting stiff. Why do people growl and grumble?" He once hiked five miles to his job and back at night—before the days of street cars, so the tire shortage doesn't concern him very much. Says Mr. Willis, "Today's prices aren't high if you can remember those of Civil War days or Chicago after the big fire."

Upon invitation of the executive council, the president or other representative of each federation or association of racial groups including Negro, Oriental and other foreign-born nationality groups, will be invited into membership in the Church Federation of Los Angeles. In explaining the action, Executive Secretary E. C. Farnham said: "In a world torn by war, the church is under a great obligation to demonstrate the possibility of a fellowship characteristic of one great family. It is late, but not too late. We can yet make a contribution in this regard which can be redemptive in a sorry world."

A fund of $50,000 (Chinese) is being raised in West China for the erection of a memorial chapel in the Methodist Memorial church, Chungking, to the late Rev. William Albert McCurdy, when the church is reconstructed after the war. This twice-bombed institutional church was in itself a monument to 25 years of missionary service by Mr. McCurdy who died last December. The edifice had served the social and recreational needs as well as the religious life of thousands of people before it was bombed in 1939 and again in 1940 in Japanese raids. Chinese alumni of Northwestern University (Evanston, Ill.), which was also Mr. McCurdy's alma mater, are leading in the plans for this post-war memorial chapel.

No food or supplies have been lost or seized in the child-feeding program in unoccupied France, according to recent reports reaching the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. Since the fall of France, Methodists have been co-operating with the American Quakers in feeding babies and small children in schools in eleven of the most needy areas in Southern France, with the hearty co-operation of local authorities and Marshall Petain's government. It has been a year of deepened suffering; less food, shabbier clothing, almost no heat, less transportation, increasing ill health, and hardships of all kinds. The infant death rate is now nearly twice what it was before the war. Tuberculosis is increasing, marriages are fewer, the number of births is greatly reduced, and the mortality of old and sub-normal people has reached extraordinary proportions.

The printing of sugar rationing books, consumer application blanks and instruction forms for America's sugar rationing program involved the used of about fifteen tons of ink.—American Ink Maker.

Rev. Hoyt Wood, pastor of West Jefferson Methodist Church, was in the Advocate office Wednesday on his vacation travels. His Church gave him $140 and two weeks vacation. He spent one week at Junaluska and was on his way to Gibsonville to visit Mrs. Wood's family. Mrs. Wood was with her husband.

"The annual Home-coming at Cold Springs Church, Mt. Pleasant charge, will be held August 30th. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., preaching at 11:00 o'clock. This message will be delivered by Rev. B. W. Lefler, of Greensboro. Brother Lefler is a son of the congregation. Lunch will be served on the grounds. The afternoon program will be given over to the county singing convention. All former pastors and friends of the congregation are cordially invited to attend these services."—S. R. McEachern.

The Save the Children Federation has received an appeal for used church pews. In Clay county, Kentucky, an abandoned chapel has been taken over by a newly organized interdenominational group and a community church is being established. A gift of pews that will seat from 250 to 500 worshippers will be greatly appreciated. The cost of freighting the pews will be taken care of by the recipients and arrangements will be made through the Federation. Write the Save the Children Federation, One Madison Avenue, New York City.

Advices reaching the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church from private sources in occupied China indicate that Japanese authorities are reorganizing the Christian church in the Chinese provinces under their control as they have reorganized them in Japan. All Protestant denominations are being welded into one united church with headquarters in Peking; Chinese leaders govern the church with Japanese pastors as advisers; relations are severed with English and American churches; churches must become self-supporting; a Japanese councillor must be present at each church service and church meeting. It is reported also that there has been a great decline in attendance.

Bishop W. Y. Chen, noted Chinese Christian leader recently elected to the episcopacy by the Methodist Church in China, is in the process of organizing a National Christian Council for "free" or "unoccupied" China. This will include practically all Protestant churches and missions in West China. Bishop Chen was formerly secretary of the National Christian Council of China with headquarters at Shanghai, but it has not been possible for that body to function in Japanese-controlled territory. Dr. Robert E. Brown, missionary in Chengtu, where he is organizing a medical center and hospital for research work by the four medical colleges of that city, is to be medical secretary for the new Council, welding into a unit the work carried on by 268 mission hospitals and 500 American doctors and nurses before the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war.

LARGE M. S. B. H. ASSOCIATION MEETS AT STEDMAN

On Sunday, August 23rd, at 2:30 war time, the sixth annual session of the MacMillan-Sessoms-Bullock-Horne Association will be held in the Methodist Church in Stedman.

Hersey Averitte will be the principle speaker of the occasion. A program under the direction of Miss Lena S. Holmes, Mrs. R. S. Autry, Mrs. Thomas Yarbrough and James White, Sr., will be presented. Geo. N. McCall of Stedman will preside. Fifteen volumes of our family genealogy will be on exhibit at the meeting for your inspection, enjoyment, and use. Games of Cousins and consanguinity charts are still available for those families not already possessing copies of each.

You are asked to bring a picnic basket as the meeting will reach its climax of reunion at a picnic supper.

Everyone connected with the four families is urged to be present. Visitors are always welcome.

PLANS OF N. C. CONFERENCE LAYMEN FOR FIFTH SUNDAY IN AUGUST

(1) W. J. Smith, conference lay leader, has appointed as chairman of Committee on Orphanage Work B. G. Childs and Dr. Childs has organized a special effort of speeches by laymen in as many Sunday schools and churches as can be reached on the fifth Sunday in August.

(2) Plan of organization is simple: the district superintendent and district lay leader are to act as co-chairmen in each district, appointing other ministers and laymen—associate lay leaders, men's Bible class leaders, etc.—to assist them.

(3) Volunteer "minute-men" speakers will be secured to present the work and worth of the Orphanage to Sunday school assemblies and class groups, church congregations, etc. More than 50 such speakers have already been secured, including Hon. Josephus Daniels, Dr. R. L. Flowers, etc.

(4) Group-riding for several speakers to go together is being planned, thus saving large expense as well as gasoline and tires. It is not expected that speakers go long distances from home; some will speak in their own churches although "an exchange of pulpits" is thought desirable.

(5) Any and all laymen willing to volunteer are asked to communicate at once with district chairmen or Dr. B. G. Childs, Durham. Pastors who can invite a guest speaker are requested to do likewise.

(6) All collections for the day will be credited against the Orphanage assessments made at the last annual conference. Churches who have already paid out will be permitted to take a free-will offering; the need is obvious on account of the rising costs of living.

ALCOHOL BRUTALIZES CONSUMERS

When the advocates of the ABC stores (ABC stands for Alcohol Brutalizes Consumers) without notice to the people secured the virtual repeal of State prohibition, first for a dozen and then for a score of counties, they declared that it was a measure that would promote temperance, destroy moonshining and bootleggers, fill the county exchequers and lessen drinking.

Instead, what do we find? The sale of intoxicants by these liquor joints has doubled in the past year. Last month —June—the total sale of the stuff that makes drunkards had increased from June, 1941 of $614,915.91 to the big sum in June, 1942 of $1,258,393.75.

As a temperance measure the ABC is proved a failure. It has increased drinking and drunkenness. As a producer of revenue it succeeds because people drink more but taxes have not been reduced in proportion to the increase in revenue from a source that increases the drink evil.

The financial success of these stores—Alcohol Brutalizes Consumers—has been attained by the increase of a habit that degrades. No good citizen who wishes an increase in temperance and modesty can fail to be shamed by the results of a policy that has turned back the cause of temperance.

This would be regrettable in ordinary times. It is deplorable in that it tends to increase consumption of intoxicants by placing temptation in the way of men in uniform.—Editorial in News and Observer.

WHY THIS PANIC?

Our forefathers existed without sugar until the thirteenth century; coal fires were unknown until the fourteenth; buttered bread came along in the fifteenth; they did without potatoes or tobacco until the sixteenth; coffee, tea or soap until the seventeenth; puddings until the eighteenth; gas and electricity until the nineteenth; canned food until the twentieth. If our sturdy forebears who blazed the way for the luxuries of life managed in many instances, to get along without even the bare necessities, surely we can deny ourselves the non-essentials so as to contribute to the defense of our beloved democracy.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF STONEWALL JACKSON TRAINING SCHOOL

Prior to the final decision of the trustees, there were three meetings held. The applicants for the position numbered eleven—each having splendid credentials—a fact that made it quite difficult to select the right man. There were eleven applications submitted, but by the process of cancellation, two were left in the race. When the final vote of the nine trustees present was cast, Samuel Glenn Hawfield was given the honored position of superintendent of the Stonewall Jackson Training School, the first unit of constructive social service work for the underprivileged boys in North Carolina.

Superintendent Hawfield was born in Union county, April 21, 1891. He graduated with honors from Duke University in 1915 with the degree of bachelor of arts. In 1922, he attended summer school at Columbia University, and after taking additional post-graduate work at the University of North Carolina, he was awarded a master's degree in education by that institution. He needs no introduction to the people of this community, because of his long service in the county as superintendent of the county schools, from 1927 to 1938. He has been honored with several offices in the North Carolina Education Association, and was its president in 1940-41.

While living in Concord, Mr. Hawfield was an active leader in Central Methodist Church, serving as superintendent of the Sunday school and teacher of the men's Bible class. A prominent Rotarian, he served as secretary-treasurer of the Concord Rotary Club, and was its president for one year. He was also deeply interested with Boy Scout work in all its phases.

The new superintendent will take up the work as soon as necessary adjustments can be made prior to moving his family from Raleigh.

We extend to Superintendent Hawfield a most cordial welcome, and wish for him a successful administration.

—The Uplift.

NEWS FROM BALLS CREEK CIRCUIT

I am sending a line or two for the paper. I feel that I owe it to the people of this Circuit for no people have been more loyal and cooperative than these people have been and are.

Last night at the check-up meeting at Broad Street Church, Statesville the Balls Creek charge checked up ahead on its finances.

We have had good revivals on the work this year. So far 37 members have been received into the church. Vacation Bible Schools have been conducted for each of the six churches with a total running 32 ahead of that of last year. The offering for the Golden Cross was nearly double that of last year. The Rally Day offering will be $25.00 this year against nothing last year. $100.00 more will be paid on salary than was paid last year. Some repair work has been done on the parsonage. It has been covered and some painting and papering done within. No charge has a more faithful Charge Lay Leader than this charge has in the person of Mr. R. I. Love. He stands by his pastor, and takes his work to heart.

Well, as I sit here and type these few lines I can see the smoke rising and hear the hammers driving nails out in the grove. What is going on? People are cleaning out and repairing their tents for the Balls Creek Camp Meeting which is to begin the third Sunday in August, and continue for a week, closing on the fourth Sunday. All former pastors and their families are invited to be with us for the Camp Meeting. Rev. W. A. Rollins of Hickory, and Rev. H. F. Duncan of Elkin are to be the preachers for the meeting. No District has a Superintendent who is more interested in his preachers than Brother J. S. Hiatt. He makes it his business to visit the homes of his preachers and know the family of each preacher. He comes in and sits down and asks if there is anything that he can do to make it more comfortable or convenient for the preachers family. No wonder things on the Statesville District is going so well. I have never been happier in my work.

I just got back from a service at Rock Springs Camp Meeting. Rev. Harold Robinson of First Church Winston-Salem is doing the preaching. Brother Robinson is doing some real preaching.—R. L. Forbis.

GASTONIA DISTRICT NEWS

At a recent meeting of the ministers of the Gastonia District it was decided that a district-wide program of visitation evangelism be launched during the month of September. The entire month of August is to be used as a period of preparation for the campaign. This special effort in the field of personal evangelism is being undertaken at this time because of a feeling that it is the most fruitful method of approach, and is a good follow up of the meetings that have been held during the summer months.

A committee of ministers that include D. M. Nifong, J. C. Grose, Robert Stamey, E. W. Needham, J. G. Winkler and the writer, met with the District Superintendent, E. M. Jones, and discussed a suggestive plan for the campaign of personal evangelism. This plan was submitted to the pastors of the district for approval. Many of the details are as yet to be worked out, but a rough draft of our plans, subject to revision to meet local conditions include:

1. A community survey.
   a. To be completed by first week in September.
   b. From this survey set up list of persons to be reached.
2. Hold county-wide meetings to organize district.
   a. Youth to be organized under leadership of the district director of the young people.
   b. Adults and young adults to be organized through classes in the church school under leadership of the district of adult work.
   c. County wide meetings of the pastor each week throughout the campaign.
3. Organize in each church as many leaders as possible and train them for definite evangelistic work.
4. Use month of September for visiting assigned persons.
   a. Meet at church for prayer and consultation each evening before going out to visit.
   b. Visit in pairs where practicable.
5. Use Wednesday and Sunday nights for public evangelistic services.
6. Get every member possible to agree to attend church and church school throughout month of September.
7. Encourage every member to read the Gospel of John, and pray daily for success in the evangelistic efforts.
8. Set up as a minimum goal of 5% increase in church membership.

By conferences this district will have completed five new parsonages, located at Fallston, Ebenezer, Rhyne Heights, Crouse, and Lowesville.

Five more churches in the district are ready for dedication, making a total of seventeen in the past three years. Plans are under way to have Bishop Purcell dedicate all five of these in one day. Such a plan if carried out ought to put Bishop Purcell out in front in the number of churches dedicated in one day.

Jesse G. Wilkinson
District Reporter.

BIG DOINGS AT NORTH WILKESBORO

Rev. A. C. (Jinks) Waggoner, pastor of North Wilkesboro, is being so well treated by his people that he cannot trust himself to exercise a due restraint in declaring the generosity of his congregation. Hence he has asked us to edit his letter and not to allow him to say too much. After a strict military censure we let the public have the following:

We are enjoying our pastorate at North Wilkesboro very much. Have a wonderfully nice comfortable parsonage and I have never served a people who are more thoughtful and considerate of a minister. They are forever doing something for us. I have had two suits, a hat, two pairs of shoes, several shirts, ton of coal, three hams and numerous other articles of food given to us. Not to mention several boxes of hose and personal checks. Then to top it all off the church folks gave me a vacation and paid my expenses. I spent one week (the last) at Union in New York City taking a course in "mental hygiene." Then this week we are spending at Horton's Camp, one and a half miles from Boone.

I presume you now imply we like it at North Wilkesboro and are grateful for the good folk there whom we love—and have every reason to believe they love us.

Louisburg College Steadily Advances

Louisburg College is among the oldest junior colleges under the control of the Methodist Church, having been chartered in 1787. It has been successively a male academy, a co-educational institution, a female academy, and since 1932, a co-educational school again.

During the past few years, the faculty of Louisburg College has been enlarged, and requirements for instructors raised, so that today the faculty is the best prepared in the long history of the college.

of Christian living is developed by regular chapel exercises and other religious services on the campus.

A self-help labor scholarship is offered to every student at Louisburg. By means of this scholarship, a student may earn one-fifth of his college expenses, or $60, and the value of the work toward development of industry and ability for concentration is large. The work assignments are made so as not to conflict with the class work, or the study time of the student; and such a large



Louisburg College Campus and Buildings

Louisburg is accredited by the University of North Carolina, the North Carolina College Conference, the State Department of Education, and is a member of the American Association of Junior Colleges. Work is now under way so that Louisburg College may meet the requirements of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

In the Liberal Arts division of the college, pre-professional courses are offered in science, liberal arts, commercial science, (one or two years), engineering, home economics, teachers' courses, pharmacy, medical technology, and medical-secretarial work. These courses are offered in the unrivaled atmosphere of a Christian junior college which is an agency for the development of character and spiritual leadership.

Due to the smaller enrollment, the Junior College offers students a closer relationship with the faculty than is possible at larger schools. A counseling plan is an integral part of the college program. At registration each student is assigned to an advisor, who is also a faculty member. This contact gives the student an opportunity to discuss his scholastic, vocational, personal, and spiritual problems.

Louisburg College is under the control of the North Carolina Methodist Conference and offers all the advantages of a Christian environment to students. An appreciation of the importance of the place of the church and

variety of types of work is offered that often a young person may obtain experience in the line of work in which he is planning to enter.

The department of Physical Education is a major part of campus life. Louisburg is a member of the North Carolina Junior College Conference, and participates in intercollegiate competition in basketball, baseball, and tennis. In addition, an extensive inter-mural program of athletics is carried on for both boys and girls, and every student is thus given an opportunity to participate in the sports program of the school.

Louisburg College is accredited for the enlistment of college students in the Class V-1 program of the Naval and Army Reserve.

CONFERENCE CHANGES

Bishop Purcell has authorized the following changes in appointments in the Asheville District:

Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. and Rev. A. Frank Phibbs have been released from their pastorates at West Asheville and Leicester-Grace, respectively, to become Chaplains in the Armed forces.

Rev. T. A. Groce, retired, will supply West Asheville, and Rev. C. Vernon Hall, Local Deacon, will supply the Leicester-Grace Charge till Conference. Rev. Vance Newlan Allen, Local Preacher, becomes Associate Pastor, Supply, on the Pisgah Charge on account of the illness of Rev. C. M. White, the pastor.—M. T. Smathers, D. S.

A Great Minister in a Small Parish—Richard Baxter

By DR. J. M. ORMOND

A Christian minister in any century or in any country who by his recognized ability and his effective labors is able to lift his parish into world-wide fame deserves to be honored and has something important to say to all ministers who desire to extend the kingdom of God on earth. Richard Baxter and Kidderminster are as inseparably linked together as are Fletcher and Madeley. Dean Stanley, in his address at the unveiling of the statue of Baxter in 1875, is reported to have said: "Baxter without Kidderminster would have been but half of him; and Kidderminster without Baxter would have had nothing but its carpets." Baxter's niche in England's seventeenth century hall of fame is secure though he is not as widely known as some of his contemporaries. This country minister, theologian, nonconformist, controversialist, and prolific writer was born at Rowton, Shropshire, England, November 12, 1615, one year before the death of William Shakespeare. Along with other types of outstanding literature such plays as Hamlet, Macbeth, King Lear, and Tempest, coming fresh from the publishers and producers, helped to invigorate the literary atmosphere of Baxter's childhood. Isaac Walton was twenty-two and John Milton was seven years old when Baxter was born. John Bunyan was born thirteen years after Baxter, John Dryden sixteen, John Locke seventeen, William Penn twenty-nine, Daniel Defoe forty-six, and Isaac Watts fifty-nine. These are only a few of the great names on the honor roll of Baxter's day.

In writing a complete story of Baxter's life and labors much space would have to be given to the part he played in the important controversies toward the middle of the seventeenth century. In Frederick J. Powicke's biography of Baxter the author says his controversies are not a mirror of Baxter at his best, but neither do they reveal much to his discredit, and they need to be known if we wish to form a fair idea of his character and a just estimate of his principles. He never took a controversy into his pulpit nor into the press unless he believed it to be of fundamental importance. Powicke thinks Baxter was attracted by the controversial arena; that he delighted in the skillful use of its weapons, which came so easily to him. One of the main issues which stirred him to argument—Baptism—he said was forced upon him by Rev. John Tombes. Of this experience Baxter writes: "If there be one in the town that will spit in every man's face that he meets, or will fall upon them and beat them, or will set the town on fire, must I bear with this man with peace? Must I let him alone to do all the mischief he can, and say, I suffer him for peace?"

The second controversy, on Antinomianism, involved as he thought the very life of religion. The third, on Quakerism, concerned the truth or falsehood of historic Christianity. The fourth, on the Papacy, had to do with issues which seemed to threaten the life or death to the state as well as to the church. The fifth, on Prelacy and Saparatism, touched him to the quick because of its intimate connection with the unity and peace of the church.

Baxter was a prolific writer. It has been said that he wrote more books than any other nonconformist of his day. Tipple says: "The total number of his separate publications is given as 168 or thereabouts, nearly 60 of which were issued during his Kidderminster pastorate." It is said that Coleridge reviewed Baxter's writings to get his religious opinions and said they were among the most remarkable writings in religious literature. The New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia's testimony is that he was one of the most voluminous of English authors, and one of the best. Three of his books which appear to be most highly valued were written while pastor of Kidderminster. They are: Saint's Everlasting Rest, Call to the Unconverted, and The Reformed Pastor. Philip Doddridge thought The Reformed Pastor a most extraordinary performance and should be read by every young minister before he takes a people under his care.

In addition to his published writings he carried on a wide correspondence with ministers who sought his counsel for their numerous and and varied problems. One of his biographers seems to have had access to this correspondence and reports that he was careful to help his fellow ministers especially those who were in the small parishes and whose problems were often rather commonplace.

Although this minister of many-sided ability took part in the religious and political discussions, and often paid a high price of persecution and even imprisonment for his positive positions, his basic, most constructive work was his pastorate at Kidderminster. One authority states that there are numerous points of likeness between Baxter, Bunyan, and Wesley. They alike preached mightily, and alike wrote books that have permanent elements of value. If Wesley was the greatest preacher, and Bunyan the greatest writer, Baxter was the greatest pastor.

With a brief interruption when he was forced to retire from his pastoral relations on account of the civil war—Baxter siding with Parliament whereas his parishioners took the part of the King—he lived at Kidderminster twenty years. His own estimate of the value of long pastorates is reflected in the following statement: "It much furtherest my success that I stayed still in this one place, for he that removeth oft from place to place, may sow some good seed in many places; but is not like to see much fruit in any. It was a great advantage to me to have almost all the religious people of the place, of my own instruction and informing; and that they were not formed into erroneous and factious principles before, and that I stayed to see them grown up to some confirmedness and maturity."

This rural minister took his preaching, as well as all other responsibilities, seriously. It has been said that the Kidderminster sermons rank with the best productions of the Puritan divines. Doddridge is reported to have

said that Baxter was one of the greatest orators England had produced. The story is told that Charles II could listen to Baxter two hours when kings usually were not interested in long sermons. His style is described as "simple, direct, and without ornamentation, intense in utterance and powerful in appeal." One statement from Baxter's writings hints at his own view of preaching: "Of all preaching in the world, that speaks not stark lies, I hate that preaching which tendeth to make the hearers laugh, or to move their minds with tickling levity, and affect them, as stage-players use to do, instead of affecting them with a holy reverence for the name of God."

If the records are reliable he was a true parish priest who lived with his people in whatever condition he found them. He had genuine shepherd attitude towards them. He must have been one of the greatest pastoral evangelists of his time, perhaps of any time. His parish program is rather well outlined in his own writings. He was completely occupied in worth while service to a people who must have had great need of Christian guidance. His weekly schedule can only be hinted at here. It included two sermons each Sunday with occasional ones added now and then; conferences on Thursday when the people came to his home for personal help with their spiritual and material problems; meeting with young people for prayer and instruction; similar meetings with children; two days each week he and his assistant took fourteen families between them for private catechising and conference—an hour with each family; "practised physic," because doctors were not available, without compensation, and hence getting multitudes of calls.

Reference has already been made to writings done while at Kidderminster—some sixty books in twenty years. One of his biographers says if Baxter had done nothing else in this country parish except to write The Reformed Pastor, his fame would be sure. He goes on to say further that he could not have written it had he done less than make over the English village by his successful pastoral service. Is it less than tragic that by the Act of Uniformity passed in 1662 Baxter and some 2,000 other clergymen were driven from their churches? He left Kidderminster and his weeping people to spend the rest of his life in "loathsome jails," or hiding places where he continued to write his convictions which for their extent have been referred to as unparalleled in the history of English theological literature. Though forced out of the State, like many other Christian ministers of that and subsequent centuries, he dared not surrender his "clerical integrity."

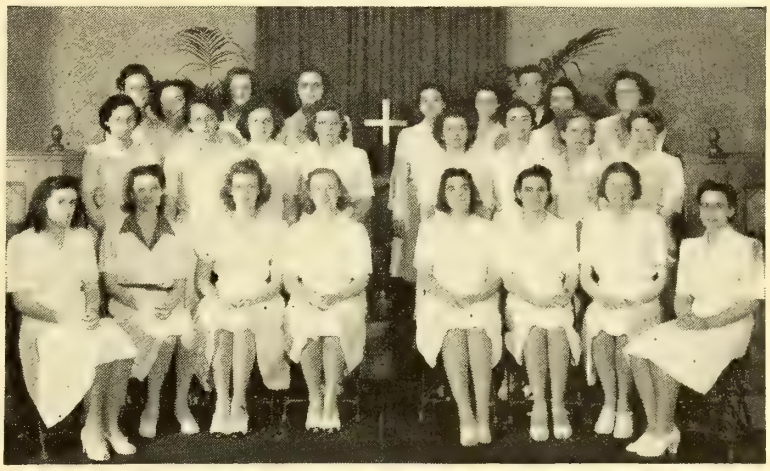
Tipple closes his account of this country minister's life and work with a citation from a poem of Baxter which reveals his passionate love for the people of Kiddeminster where he had served during the best years of his life.

> But among all, none did so much abound
> With fruitful mercies as that barren ground,
> Where I did make my best and longest stay,
> And bore the heat and burden of the day;
> Mercies grew thicker there than summer flowers;
> They over-numbered my days and hours.
> There was my dearest flock and special charge,
> Our hearts in mutual love Thou didst enlarge:
> 'Twas there that mercy did my labors bless
> With the most great and wonderful success.

COMMISSION OF 25 MISSIONARIES AND DEACONESSES

Against the colorful background of New York's Church of All Nations, twenty-five newly appointed missionaries and deaconesses of the Methodist Church were commissioned for service overseas and in the United States by the Board of Missions and Church Extension on June 17. The Belgian Congo, Liberia, Cuba, China and Argentine are some of the fields to which they will sail within the next few months.

Those going to foreign fields under the Board of Missions and Church Extension are Miss Doris E. Cary of Wilmore, Ky., who goes to the Belgian Congo, Africa, as a nurse; Miss Muriel David of Atlanta, Ga., to Argentine in education work; Miss Evelyn de Vries of Salem, Oregon,



Deaconesses and Missionaries Commissioned for Overseas Service

educational work in Southern Rhodesia, Africa; Miss Pearl Willis Jones of Arlington, Va., medical service in China; Miss Jane Smith of Conway, Ark., to Cuba for school work; Rev. and Mrs. Maurice E. Persons of Independence, Oregon, to educational work in the College of West Africa, Liberia; Miss Susan Mitchell of Godfrey, Ill., to Liberia for educational service; Mrs. C. W. Chappell of Moss Point, Miss., to join her husband in evangelistic and school service in the Belgian Congo.

Commissioned as deaconesses for service in the United States were Miss Ruth Marie Baker of Auburn, Ind., Miss Ethel Mary Bechtold of Lancaster, Pa., Miss Anna M. De Ponceau of Brockway, Pa., Miss Irene C. Pritchard of Parnell, Missouri, Miss Rubye E. Russell of Woodland, Ga., Miss Dorothy Strong of Sac City, Iowa, Miss Frances A. Taylor of Hemet, Calif., Miss Louise Weeks of Norman, Oklahoma.

MADAME KAI-SHEK SENDS CABLE TO GEORGIA LADY

Mrs. Stewart Colley, prominent Coweta county woman of Grantville, recently received a cablegram from Madame Chiang Kai-shek, Chinese Nationalist leader, in which the one-tima Wesleyan student expressed gratification for dedication of her portrait of her at Wesleyan College a month ago. Delayed because of communication, the cable, which came from Chungking, capital of General Chiang, accepted the honor as a tribute not to Madame Chiang herself, but to the women of China.

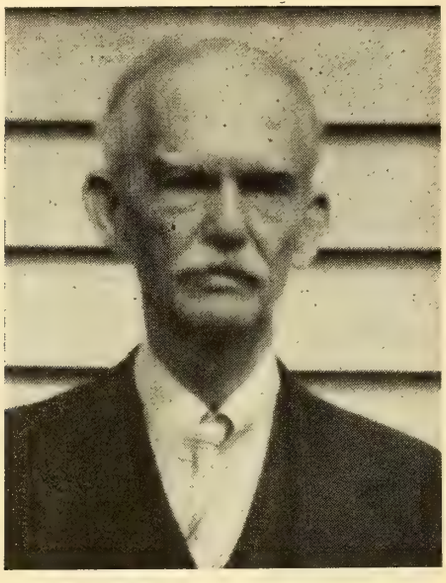
It said: "Honor being paid by Wesleyan in dedication of my portrait is high one, but I prefer looking upon it as a tribute indirectly paid to women of China. They deserve it because of endless sacrifices made in the national cause. They have received and will merit universal praise for their contribution to maintenance of morale, help given to wounded and families of recruits and refugees. However long war lasts, determination of women of China to do utmost for cause of allied national will never slacken."—Mayling Soong Chiang, Madame Chiang Kai-shek.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

JONATHAN MOURNS THE PASSING OF A BELOVED MINISTER

Rev. E. K. Whidden, son of Bennett and Emily Durance Whidden, was born February 5, 1868, near Fort Meade, Polk County, Florida.

From 1885 to 1890 he attended Florida Conference College, Leesburg, Florida. Known as Southern College, Lakeland, Florida.

On December 31, 1890 he married Stella E. Norton. Mr. Whidden joined the Methodist Annual Conference, January, 1891. Ordained Deacon, 1893, and ordained Elder, 1895. In 1895 and 1896 he served Maitland Circuit, Inverness Circuit, and Green Cove Springs, Fla.; 1896-97 Webster, Fla., 1897-1904 he served Mt. Dora and Eustis Charges



Rev. E. K. Whidden

after which he was engaged in Mission work in Tampa, Fla., and Chicago, Ill. About 1905 he did evangelistic work in the Spring Lake and Townsend House committees. His health was not sufficient to continue in this type of work so he rested four or five years. During this time he preached when able.

During the next few years he was pastor at Fruitland Park, Lake Como and Dania, Fla. Due to ill health he was transferred to the New Mexico Conference where he preached for three years serving Lovington and San Jon, New Mexico.

In 1922 the Bishop transferred him to the Western North Carolina Conference where he served Emma Charge near Asheville and later Jonathan Charge near Waynesville, N. C. There he was superannuated about 1926.

Later he went to Penney Farms, Fla. He was elected teacher of the Men's Bible Class the four years he spent there. He returned to Delwood, N. C., making his home near his son and daughter.

It was his pleasure, yearly to attend the old Townsend House Home-coming in Florida, where he usually preached.

His health permitted his attending Church and Sunday School on the last Sunday before his death. He often preached and taught the Word until he was called Home July 16, 1942.

He is survived by his wife Stella Norton Whidden, two daughters, Mrs. L. M. Owen of Waynesville, Rt. 2; Mrs. D. R. Morrison, Montgomery, Ala. One son Wilbur Whidden of Delwood, N. C. Nine grand children, six great-grand children, five brothers, seven sisters, and a host of other relatives and friends mourn his death.

Funeral services were held at Shady Grove Methodist Church on the Jonathan Charge at 3:00 o'clock, July 17th. The Rev. G. M. Carver, pastor, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, District Superintendent and Rev. W. M. Robbins a close friend of the deseased officiated.

Brother Whidden was a scholar of the Bible. He fought the forces of evil that God hates and stood for the things which God loves. Few questioned his beliefs. His firm stand against those things which are evil and for the things which are righteous made it easier for men to follow him in God's work.

He not only contributed a Christian home, but taught and desired that others would have the same. We shall greatly miss him in the ranks of our itinerant brotherhood on earth, but with confidence we believe we shall joyfully labor together in God's triumphant church above.—George M. Carver.

FOOD SHIPS SAIL FOR GREECE

Mass starvation in the small European democracies is as unnecessary as it is hideously wrong. This is conclusively proved by the departure from Montreal for Greece of three ships laden with 15,000 tons of grain and fifty tons of medical supplies. Announced by the Greek War Relief Association in New York, this shipment is to be the first monthly grain consignment to Greece. Three more vessels are leaving the latter part of the month and two others in September. The eight Swedish ships which are to be employed in this mission of mercy to a nation where starvation is a dreadful and pervasive present reality were chartered by the Swedish Red Cross. The distribution of the supplies in Greece is to be handled by the International Red Cross with Swedish assistance. Safe conduct through the disputed waters of the Atlantic and the Mediterranean has been granted by all the belligerent countries. If the arrangement under which this beginning has been made is adhered to by both sides, as there is every prospect that it will be, literally millions of innocent lives will be saved. The Christian Century, which has from the first insisted that the policy of starving your friends to bring harm to your enemies is indefensible morality and demonic politics, is delighted to see this rift of mercy in the curtain of cruelty which enshrouds the little nations of Europe. What is to prevent this rift from widening until ships carrying food and medicine will regularly reach the other starving peoples of democratic Europe? If food can be distributed in Greece without giving military advantage to the Axis, it can also be made available in the other countries.—Christian Century.

JERUSALEM'S UNIQUE AIR RAID SHELTER

By Harold J. Sheptone

No city possesses such a unique air raid shelter as Jerusalem. It is declared to be hundred per cent bomb-proof. It is nothing less than a vast underground cavern beneath the city, known as Solomon's Quarries, from the belief that it was here that he obtained his stone for the building of the temple. The quarry was accidentally discovered in 1852 by an Englishman, Mr. Barclay. Until then, its existence was unknown.

Mr. Barclay was out with his dog, when it suddenly dashed off, giving chase to some bird or animal. It disappeared behind some bushes near the old walls of the city by the Damascus Gate, and then began to bark as if in distress.

Hastening to the spot, Mr. Barclay found that the dog had fallen down a crevice. The animal was quickly rescued and, on examining the crevice, it was found that it led into a vast cavern extending a distance of several hundred feet. A minute examination of the chamber followed, which proved it to be a great quarry.

THE GOSPEL OF FASCISM

By William C. Kernan

America is not fighting Germany, or even Nazi Germany. America is fighting fascism—an idea about life and how it ought to be lived which has found its most complete fulfillment in Nazi Germany under Adolf Hitler. But the idea has been present in the world a long time. It is essentially the idea of inequality, the denial of the Christian principle of brotherhood, the negation of the American principle of equal rights. It is the idea that some people are inferior by birth to others and without the essential rights of which the Declaration of Independence speaks; the idea that some are destined to live for the forceful exploitation of weaker men by whatever means they may find at their disposal. That idea has been in the ideal a long time. Hitler organized it and now intends to make it universally regnant.

We can defeat Nazi Germany, but that will not be the same thing as defeating fascism which is an idea about human relations based upon the supremacy of a race claiming the right to dominate "inferior" peoples by force.

In the month of July, 1942, the crucial year of the war against fascism, a politician stood up in America and said, "There is need of a league to maintain white supremacy." White supremacy—how will it be implemented except by white men's forceful dominance over colored men? White supremacy—how will it be maintained except by the studied denial to colored men of those opportunities for growth and development by which alone a people can prove its worth? White supremacy—a fascist idea, the idea which Hitler has made the keystone of his Nazi system. To destroy this fascist idea thousands of American youths have already died, and millions more are prepared to die. This is a bitter and ironical situation. It can become the cause of disillusionment which is something worse than bitterness. It is bitterness without hope.

Christians can recall the American people to their duty and high destiny by the simple expedient of proclaiming the gospel truth that the only superior men on this earth are those who love most and serve their neighbors best. They are the men of whom Christ spoke, "Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister —whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant." We Christians of America know this. Let us say so, even though we suffer for saying so. But let us not add a greater tragedy to the already tragic state of this world—that of permitting this generation to pass away without a strong witness of Christians to Christ and his gospel of peace and brotherhood which is the only real alternative to fascism that there is.

CORRECT POSITIONS OF FLAGS IN CHURCHES

The Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, without attempting to prescribe regulations, offers the following advice to the churches:

If a flag or banner representing the loyalty of the church to its Head is used along with the flag of the nation in the sanctuary, the symbol of loyalty to God should have the place of highest honor.

According to tradition, ancient and modern, the place of highest honor is to the right, on the floor level of the congregation, to the right of the congregation; in the chancel on any level above that of the floor of the congregation, to the right of the clergyman as he faces the congregation.

The Christian symbol used by the U. S. Navy and flown above the flag of the nation during the period of divine worship is a triangular pennant of white with a blue Latin cross in the center. The Christian chaplains' flag as prescribed by the U. S. Army is a blue rectangle with a white Latin cross. The form most generally regarded as the Christian flag for display in churches is a white rectangle with a blue rectangular field in the upper corner at the mast side which contains a red Latin cross. This flag is recognized, however, only by general usage and not by official action of any ecclesiastical body. Various other designs employing the cross are in use by some churches. The Protestant Episcopal Church, for example, has adopted a flag for use, as desired, in the churches of that communion.

YOUNG ACTORS OF MAIN AND LINDSAY STREET CHURCHES, REIDSVILLE

The Young people shown here are acting out a gripping scene from the play, "Ba Thane," which has been given four performances recently. The play, depicting the drama and problems in the life of a missionary in Burma, was produced by the Reidsville Methodist Youth Fellowship, comprising young people from Main Street and Lindsay Street Churches. It was directed by Miss Amy Holland, Director of Christian Education of the Main Street Church, and Mrs. Abe Womack. The first performance was given at the Main Street Church on June 18 for the Rockingham Methodist Youth Sub-district, the second by special request for the public at the Lindsay Street Church on July 19, the third by invitation for the Greensboro Methodist Youth Sub-district at West Market Street Church, Greensboro, and the fourth for the benefit of Navy Relief at the Reidsville High School Auditorium on July 26. The performers are, left to right: Leon Moore, Jess Moore, Jr., Bill Claybrook, Susan Ann Womack, Minta Wallace McCollum, Gene Watt Stokes and Floyd Seay, Jr.



A Scene from the Play "Ba Thane," Given at Reidsville

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER SUGGESTIONS FOR AUGUST

The following prayer suggestions for August come from the Woman"s Division of Christian Service:

Foreign: Let us pray for our missionaries who have had to leave their work in war-torn lands.

Home: Sunny Acres, Lewisville, North Carolina.

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Two years ago The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook made a joint offer at a rate below the cost of production in order to introduce the periodicals to the Methodist Church. The offer has served its purpose and must be discontinued to avoid further losses.

It is well known that there have been increases in the cost of every item used in the production of magazines. This has forced many outstanding periodicals to revise their rates. Our readers will readily understand why their missionary journals must take similar action. The Methodist Woman and World Outlook appeal for, and are certain they will rceeive, the continued loyalty and support of their readers. Address of The Methodist Woman, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, O.; World Outlook, 150 Fifth Ave., New York. Orders for combination may be sent to either address.—From August issue of The Methodist Woman.

EXPERIENCE OF METHODIST MISSIONARY

By W. W. Reid, from New York

Rev. Joseph Paul Bartak, who is superintendent of the Methodist Church in Prague, Czechoslovakia (now the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia under Germany) and Methodism's outstanding leader in that country, arrived in America several weeks ago on the diplomatic ship Drottingholm. He was one of more than 900 American prisoners and refugees from the Axis nations exchanged under diplomatic arrangements between the warring groups. Although born in old Bohemia, Dr. Bartak has long been an American citizen and a missionary of the Methodist Church to his native land. As an enemy alien he was arrested by the German Gestapo when war with the United States was declared. He was thrown into prison in Prague and later, as an internee was transferred to Germany and kept a prisoner in a feudal castle and its grounds near the Austrian border, until he was exchanged under the articles of war. During his months of internment Dr. Bartak served as chaplain to the prisoners, conducting daily services and helping in many ways to keep up their morale. Before he left the internees presented him a "diploma"—hand drawn by an artist prisoner, and signed by most of the prisoners—Americans, Britishers and men elsewhere around the world. Dr. Bartak says he is more proud of this "diploma" of good will than any he has ever received. Dr. Bartak was able to bring with him from Czechoslovakia an "old Bible" which happens to be a very valuable early Czech Bible printed in 1488. "It is older than America," he says, and is believed to be the only copy of this Bible, and the oldest Czech Bible in existence.

A CALL TO PRAYER

" 'Mid all the traffic of the ways,
Turmoils without, within,
Make in my heart a quiet place,
And come and dwell within."

The most valuable thing that war teaches us is to pray. There must rise to God from the bottom of our souls the prayer that he will grant us the power of the Spirit. This will be our salvation, for prayer has a secret force which the modern man no longer knows, a purifying and strengthening force, a force of inspiration and light which is capable of producing miracles. Prayer is at once a rebirth of faith and the living proof of the existance of God. In prayer the soul is open to salvation, and the living action of this salvation enters into it. Men have begun to pray again; but their prayer will lead to salvation, the freedom from war, from all war, and to the renewal of life after the storm, only if it is in conformity with those things which are good in the sight of God. (From an article by a Russian professor of theology in Yugoslavia.)

In the spirit of the challenge in the needs of the world, and in the spirit of the challenge of our need of God, let us as members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service:

(1) Proclaim a day of prayer and retreat during September for the need of the deepening of our spiritual life and the lives of the women of our W. S. C. S.

(2) Observe the suggestive subject of prayer and retreat outlined in the August issue of The Methodist Woman, page 12, or study the needs of your women and prepare an outline in accord with these needs.

Even as we face world facts that startle and frighten us, we see rising a strong faith and hope in the future. The Christian church with its 650 million members is a force strong enough to do anything it sets itself to do. When the law cannot do God's spirit in the soul of man can do. Nothing is impossible for those who, united in the power of the spirit "seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." Dare we realize in our own church and community that power against the problems of racial injustice, economic selfishness, class hatred and practice peace and good will? We not only dare, we must!—From August issue of The Methodist Woman.

THE BIBLE IN THE ARMY

With President Roosevelt commending the reading of the Bible to those in the armed forces, the U. S. Army has begun to distribute 1,250,000 pocket sized Testaments. In a foreword in the Testaments the Chief Executive of our country says: "Throughout the centuries men of many faiths and diverse origins have found in the Sacred Book words of wisdom, counsel and inspiration. It is a fountain of strength and now, as always, an aid in attaining the highest aspirations of the human soul." Inscribed in gold on the front cover are the words, "Army of the United States." The Testament will be presented to every man in the army who wants one, according to the War Department. — From Religious News, Charlotte Observer.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS CLOSES

After a ten day session, the Methodist school of missions and missionary conference held at Lake Junaluska closed at noon Tuesday, August 2, after registering approval of the type of program conducted, emphasizing missionary content and opportunity rather than methods. The closing program was featured by a summation of the conference program by the following leaders: Dr. C. K. Vliet, Dr. W. F. Quillian, Dr. H. W. Williams and Mrs. Helen B. Bourne. These meetings were most successful, attended by a large number of interested Methodists who came from many different states. Following the school of missions and missionary conference was the church-wide pastors' conference, which opened Tuesday evening, August 2, with Bishop Francis J. McConnell, delivering the keynote address, in the first of a series of four addresses with other prominent pulpit speakers.

QUEEN OF JUNALUSKA

An event looked forward to each year at Lake Junaluska, especially by the young people who are there, is the election and coronation of the Queen of Junaluska, who is elected to that honor by the vote of the residents of the summer Methodist Assembly. On Tuesday of last week Miss Louise Holcomb of Atlanta, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Walt Holcomb and granddaughter of the late Sam Jones, well known evangelist, was chosen as Queen, with 400 votes being cast, which was 100 in excess of those cast in 1942.

The runner up in the election was Miss Mary Barber, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Barber of Kernersvile. The coronation ceremony is set for August 22. The retiring Queen of Junaluska is Miss Caroline Ashley, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Irby Hudson of Nashville, Tenn.

If you are not afraid to face the music you may one day lead the band.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THIS IS OUR PURPOSE

"The heart of the Bible is the Sermon on the Mount; the heart of the Sermon on the Mount is The Lord's Prayer and the heart of the Lord's Prayer is 'Thy Kingdom Come on Earth.' This is our purpose as we work in the great Missionary Enterprise of the church."—Dr. W. F. Quillian, Secretary Field Work, Joint Division of Education and Cultivation, Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church.

A NEED AND A TASK

It was with a sense of need that they came, these women of the Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S. who gathered at Lake Junaluska for the School of Missions and Missionary Conference on July 27-August 4. A need to see themselves outside of themselves; to see the W. S. C. S. in the church as a task and to learn ways in which they may carry out this task. This purpose was particularly true of those approximately 60 women who participated in the class sessions, committee and commission meetings of the course on the work of the W. S. C. S. taught by Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Secretary Education and Cultivation Woman's Division of Christian Service. The purpose of the course was to give a deeper insight of the W. S. C. S. as a total task; that each officer may see and understand her function as related to the other lines of work of the Society; to realize the universality of it and to make it so appealing that others will desire to become a part of it. Each phase of the purpose of the W. S. C. S. as stated in the Revised Guide, was discussed and evaluated; each line of work was interpreted and related to the total program of the Society; the purpose of the W. S. C. S. as it is related to the purpose and plans of the Woman's Division and to the entire church was made more perceptive and vital and the work of the W. D. C. S. in home and foreign fields was revealed. That incentive for a larger service instilled in the hearts of those attending the class sessions was manifested on the last morning of the school in heart serching and revealing testimonies by many of the members of the class, climaxed by a very meaningful worship experience, led by Mrs. D. L. Fouts of Jonesboro, N. C., and others. Truly no woman who, during those days, came under the influence of the vast knowledge and great enthusiasm as imparted by Mrs. Bourne could refrain from a new sense of high privilege and responsibility of the work in her local church and conference. Other courses offered at the school of missions included: Missions in Latin America; The Church and Peace Education and Missionary Work Shop. Seminars were conducted on Christian Stewardship; Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities; Methods in Program Building and Wesleyan Service Guild. General Forum and platform addresses also contributed much to the pleasure and profit of the school and conference. Various items concerning the event will be published on this page during the next several weeks.

"LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE—"

A most interesting and pleasing guest of the School of Missions and Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska was in the person of Miss Me-Tsung Kaung of China. Miss Kaung, daughter of Bishop Kaung, who led Generalissimo Chaing Kai-Shek to Christ when the former was Pastor of Young Allen Memorial Church, is a student at Mount Holyoke College. In a brief address Miss Kaung spoke upon the subject, "Let Your Light So Shine." She described the illumined cross on the hill at Lake Junaluska as "radiant in the encircling gloom "It is not true," said she, "that Christianity is dead in China. In no other era has Christ been so glorified in China as today. Moore Memorial Church in Shanghai has been for a long time a place of refuge for the refugees, where the sick and wounded are ministered to. At no other time has Christian fellowship in China meant so much. The Japanese Soldiers have invaded the homes of the Chinese, but Christian faith has taken fortress in the hearts of the Chinese people. The Church in China is severed from the church in America. Our hearts are filled with forboding, but we have news from China that the work of Christ is still going on; how the Christians are sharing with the Americans there and how they are giving themselves to bind up wounds of those who inflicted them." Miss Kaung referred to a recent enlightening and inspiring letter received from her father, a copy of which she graciously shared with your editor, and which will be published on this page next week.

NEW PUBLICATIONS PRICES

Since The Methodist Woman came into existance in Septmber, 1940, Mrs. George W. Keene, Publications Manager of the Woman's Division of Christian Service and her co-workers, The Conference and Local Secretaries of Literature and Publications, have promoted the circulation of both The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. As an introductory joint offer these two publications have been sent to subscribers at the nominal sum of 50 cents per year for The Methodist Woman, $1.00 per year for World Outlook and $1.25 for both. Those who have taken advantage of this bargain price have no doubt realized that this was an introductory offer and will, therefore, immediately understand the necessity for an advance in price. The Methodist Woman will continue to be sent for 50 cents per year. However, beginning with September 1, World Outlook subscriptions will be advanced to $1.25 per year. Joint subscriptions will be $1.50. We cannot afford to retrench in number of subscriptions to these two indespensible tools of information and inspiration. Remember the slogan: "Every Officer of Every Society a Subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook," and the goal: one-third increase in subscriptions in 1942.

MISS TITTSWORTH AT CAMP

Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, N. C. Conference Workers at The Methodist Student Center at East Carolina Teachers' College, Greenville is now at Camp Adventure, where she is acting as Head Counselor. Camp Adventure is located just outside the Assembly Grounds at Lake Junaluska. It was with extreme pleasure that Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Mrs. R. B. Hooker and your editor motored to Camp Adventure on August 2nd, while attending the School of Missions and Missionary Conference where they were accompanied by Miss Tittsworth on a tour of the camp. Miss Tittsworth is making a notable record of achievement in this new field of service, both in her popularity and the effectiveness of her work. She will return to her duties at The Student Center in September.

TOO LITTLE AND TOO LATE

"Too little and too late." These are words graven on the minds and hearts of many world citizens within the past few months and they have become almost a dirge as related to world tragedies. Methodist women face the fact that receipts for the great missionary work of our W. S. C. S. have been too little during the past year; too little to even keep up the great work of our merging organizations (and think of the thousands of members which we did not have previously); too little to permit definite planning for great advances which should be made in the years ahead of us, with the great challenge facing us as Christians. But it is NOT too late if we at once rally our forces and meet the emergency gift for which appeal has been sent throughout the Society. Spiritually and financially speaking, let us remove any suggestions of too little or too late from our giving and planning for the work of the Kingdom.—Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President W. D. C. S. in The Methodist Woman.

Editor's note: Reference to the emergency gift of 25 cents or more per member which is to be given in September was made on this page in a recent issue. N. C. Conference women will cheerfully respond to this urgent need when the call comes.

FAITH

By Virginia Scott Miner

We children turned to mother
For her approving nod,
As sure understanding
As when mother turned to God.

—The Christain Advocate.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH

Blessed are the discontented for they shall bring things to pass.

Blessed are the lovers of children for they do bring joy to a weary land.

Blessed are they who never grow weary in well doing for they shall increase happiness throughout the land.

Blessed are they who can see both sides of a question for they do seem never to become lopsided.

THE FAITHFUL FEW

The children are away on vacation, all of them except about fifty who are needed here to milk the cows, gather the vegetables and run the place. To be sure, there are a few who are so small as to prevent their going places. Those youngsters who are left here are working and playing some. They are having ample opportunity to go to the picture shows, to have picnics and to feel that they can do quite a number of things "on their man and on their lady."

FAITH AND WORKS

We had to have some faith in our friends and in our children in order to turn so many of the children loose in the country. We had to believe that they were going to a good place, that they would behave well and that they would come back benefited. We had to believe that those who went away on buses and trains knew how to ride, get off when they got there, get their baggage and, in short, keep heads up. Messages being received from day to day indicate that in every instance every child arrived in good shape. Some of them missed busses because the first ones were crowded and some of them had to wait in stations for a while. But they had the experience of making such adjustments as are necessary to know how to get along. We trust that the coming back process will be as successful as the one connected with their going away.

ODDS AND ENDS

In a group of youngsters as large as ours there are usually found some freaks, some who just can't quite fall in line with a program. They want to be different. Sometimes we think they want to be contrary. At any rate, they want to assert themselves in a way that's out of line with the general trend. Teen-age Robert decided that he must go somewhere even though he had nowhere to go. So he packed his suit-case and off he went, to where we know not. Probably he will come back a bit wiser. Big Henry just couldn't make arrangements with anybody. He must go anyhow. So he went—to a good place, to be sure, but he went on his Henry. Cecil just had to go somewhere so he got a job at a road-house where they sell beer and lots of things. We went after Cecil and now Cecil is gathering tomatoes, glad that somebody came after him. There are a few odds and ends in our family but the great majority are consistent well-doers. How challenging they are.

IT RAINS RIGHT

The weather man has been good to us this year. He snoozed a while in the early spring and left us to get along as best we could but when he did wake up he has stayed on his job. The showers of blessings have come, most of them at the right time. The stuff has grown. The harvest ought to be good. The boys and girls have cooperated with the weather man in saving what the rain and the sunshine have caused to grow.



Where There's a Will There's a Way

THE JOY BELL RINGS

What would we do without some joy bell ringing? If the old bell didn't peal forth some glad tidings of great joy we would be living in a very drab situation. The joy bell rings when the money comes in. It rings when any congregation pays in full its quota. It ought to ring over such a good happening. Those congregations and pastors pulling the cord during the past week are herewith listed with our grateful thanks:

First Church, Lexington, Rev. J. W. Hoyle.

West End, Gastonia, Rev. J. C. Grose.

Salem, Reidsville circuit, Rev. Byron Shankle.

Maple Springs, Winston-Salem, Rev. J. J. Holmes.

Matton's Grove and Wesley Chapel, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. C. B. Ross.

A ROLLING WORKER

The picture this week is that of Buren Blackwelder, one of our June high school graduates. Following his graduation Buren went to Charlotte and in a few days secured work with the Western Union Telegraph Company. The Charlotte office being a central distributing office for news throughout a wide area, Buren's job was to take messages from one wire over to another one. This required quick movements. So he secured a pair of roller skates and around over the floor he rolls carrying messages with dispatch. Being quite a mover, he has been privileged to work overtime, earning time and a half for such added opportunity. Buren blew in yesterday and proudly proclaimed that he had saved a hundred dollars during the summer which he expects to come in handy as he enrolls this fall as a freshman at High Point College.

THE AUGUST CALL

August brings a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. This will be the last fifth Sunday in the present conference year. It will offer the last opportunity for our church school people to give a fine offering to our boys and girls and to materially receive credit on their congregation's supplementary apportionment for the Children's Home for the current year. The August call is very important. It comes towards the close of the summer's lean financial gleanings. It will be well to begin to make plans for a good August roll-call. Those who don't come to the sessions of the school might be asked to make a double contribution. There are lots of ways to get results. Let the August way be a good way.

IN EVERY LAND AND CLIME

For many years this scribe has joined in with the singing "From Greenland's icy mountains to India's coral strand." When singing that song it seems to have a different meaning. Our boys are scattered throughout the land. They seem to be everywhere. They are in the East Indies, in the Hawaiian Islands, in Alaska, Iceland and in Ireland and on the high seas. Letters coming back tell of their desire to do their best for their country. The Children's Home boy family is in the fight. They will do their best. Those of us here at home cannot afford to do any less.

NO ROOM FOR COMPLAINERS

Whatever may be wrong with our country or whatever hardship may come to us through rationing regulations, our philosophy of life is to look for the best and positively refuse to complain about the worst. The boys write back that they have got a job to do and they want to get it done as soon as possible. They seem to be trusting in God and keeping their powder dry. With such a spirit on their part there is no room around here for anybody to complain. We are throwing dissatisfaction out the window and are trying to keep in mental sight of those who are in position to do much more than those of us who are left behind. These are stirring times! These are challenging times! Let us be up and doing!

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FILLING SILOS — Last week we began filling our two large silos with ensilage. Each silo holds one hundred and thirty-five tons. Our ensilage corn is decidedly the best that we have ever grown. The two hundred and seventy tons of ensilage will come in nicely during the fall, winter and early spring months for our cows. An abundance of ensilage is greatly needed for dairy cows when the cows are taken off the pastures.

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ANOTHER FIFTH SUNDAY — The fifth Sunday in this month will soon roll around. I sincerely trust that every Church School Superintendent will observe Orphanage Day on the fifth Sunday. Programs have been sent to all Church School Superintendents with the request that they use the program, which will stimulate greater interest in our three hundred children. Our Baptist friends observe one Sunday in each month as Orphanage Day for the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. I feel sure that our Methodist Church Schools will be glad to use each fifth Sunday in the year to promote the interest and welfare of our own beloved Methodist Orphanage.

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BACK HOME AGAIN—The seventy-five children who went to the Durham District the last of last week for their summer vacation returned home and reported a delightful visit with friends. Many complimentary expressions have come to the Orphanage from friends who entertained our children in their homes. They reported that the children's conduct was beautiful in every way. Our youngsters say they had the time of their lives, and I want the friends throughout the Durham District to know how much I appreciate their kindness in giving our children two weeks vacation. I feel confident that these friends will have a bigger place in their hearts for our Home than ever before.

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AWAY ON VACATIONS—By the time this week's Advocate reaches its readers more than two hundred of our children will be off on their vacations visiting relatives, Societies of Christian Service and Church Schools. For the last few weeks they have been excited over going off on their summer vacations. Mingling with friends and loved one does our children a world of good, and this little break from their daily routine refreshes and invigorates them. Some will return to the Orphanage a little homesick, after having had such lovely visits, but as a rule they get over this homesickness in a few days after their return. Most of the children come back to the Orphanage with a keener appreciation of the lovely Home that has been provided for them by the North Carolina Conference.

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LETTER OF APPRECIATION

For the past eleven years the Methodist Orphanage has been my home; during those years I have received the best of care and training.

To Mr. Barnes, his staff of cottage matrons and teachers, I want to say that your training are appreciated. Through your efforts I am better prepared to face the tasks of life.

For several years the Ladies' Aid Society of Hay Street Methodist Church of Fayetteville, has sent me twice each year a supply of clothes.

To Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Parker of Lumberton, I wish to express publicly my gratitude for the many acts of kindness they have shown me. I shall never forget their kindness.

In the years to come I shall cherish the ideals of this Christian home and boost it wherever I may be.

Grady Long.

THINGS YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW

It's hard to believe, isn't it—that the Pacific end of the Panama Canal is father east than the Atlantic end?

That Venice, Italy, and Montreal, Canada, are in about the same latitude?

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That Texas is as large as 212 Rhode Islands?

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BREVARD COLLEGE

This page is dedicated by the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference this week to Brevard College, Brevard, N. C.

BREVARD COLLEGE LOOKS AHEAD

Brevard College will open its winter semester Monday, September 21, with prospects bright for a good enrollment. Applications at this time indicate considerable interest on the part of young people and their parents all over North Carolina and in other states also. Although many young men are



Home Economics

going into the armed forces and others are being drawn into defense industries, a great many parents and their sons are thinking of the preparation which is needed not only for participation in the activities of the war period, but more particularly in the period following the war. Brevard College is one of the institutions which has been designated as a training center for young men. Men who have finished high school and are of suitable age may enlist in the navy, army, or marines and be permitted to stay in Brevard College until their graduation.

Aviation

One feature of the Brevard program which has attracted the attention of young men is the Civilian Pilot Training program which has been in operation at Brevard College for the past two years. Under the direction of Mr. G. W. Campbell, a member of the faculty, and the Meyer Flying Service of Hendersonville, more than fifty pilots have been trained, and now the program has been accelerated to meet the needs of the present situation. Two groups are in training at the present time, and other groups will be enrolled in September and October.



Science

Brevard College is not a war-minded institution, but it is seeking to do its part in the total program of the nation. Members of the faculty expect to put major emphasis on preparation for winning the peace, and courses in history, sociology, and economics are being reconstructed so that our graduates may go into active life with a better understanding of current problems and of their responsibilities for the reshaping of civilization.

A Continuous Program

Brevard College was opened in September, 1934. At the end of the first regular year, decision was made to operate the college on a continuous basis so that maximum results could be obtained for its students and for the college also. When the national emergency arose and a call was made for the colleges to accelerate their programs, Brevard was thoroughly ready for new national plan of operation. Students may now enter at the beginning of any one of the three semesters which comprise the entire calendar year. Four regular semesters are required for graduation from the junior college. A sizable freshman class entered in June with the expectation of remaining in college continuously until their graduation in September, 1943. The college expects to specialize in this method of operation and adapt its entire program of instruction and self-help in such a way as to provide maximum opportunities for hundreds of young people who wish to take advantage of the accelerated program.

Young People in 1942

There is a new emphasis on training in the sciences and practical programs which stem from instruction in subjects like chemistry, physics, home economics, and mechanical drawing. This statement applies with almost equal force to both young men and young women. Accordingly, Brevard's courses in the natural sciences are assuming fresh significance, and students in large numbers are electing such courses. Young men who are expecting to enter some phase of engineering are expressing interest in physics, chemistry, and mechanical drawing.

On account of the large number of young men who are being drawn into the war, many industries are calling for trained young women to take their places. Recent young women graduates of Brevard College are already in some large industries, and the college has calls for more than it can supply. Our young women are interested in physics, chemistry, and mechanical drawing and instruction in these subjects gives them access to positions in industry. Young women who prepare themselves with biology and home economics as a background are equally in



Engineering

demand. It has been well known for years that these subjects provide the very best training for the home-maker, but now the same kind of training opens new avenues in various industries. One new development in the Brevard program is a practice house for young women who specialize in home economics.

Thorough Training in Liberal Arts

Brevard College never expects to lessen its interest in the liberal arts. The record of Brevard College in preparing young people for junior class standing in the best liberal arts institutions in the South is well known. Our graduates have transferred to more than forty different colleges and universities, and if their records in

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Aviation

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METHODIST YOUTH CARAVAN

The first Methodist Youth Caravan to work in the North Carolina conference has now completed its work and returned to its several homes. This Caravan was trained in the Lake Junaluska Training Camp. It was one of the 29 Caravans sent out by the Board of Education of the Methodist Church from this point. It was composed of two boys, two girls, and an adult counselor. These young people were Betty Street of Savannah, Georgia, chairman of the Commission on Worship, a student at Georgia State College for Women; Betty Kellet of Fountain Inn, South Carolina, chairman of the Commission on Recreation, a teacher in the public schools; James Allen Knight of St. George, South Carolina, chairman of the Commission on World Friendship, a student in the Duke Divinity School; Byron Cravens of Marianna, Arkansas, chairman of the Commission on Community Service, a student at the Duke Divinity School; and Hazel Copeland of George, North Carolina, the adult counselor, a teacher in the North Carolina public schools.

This Caravan worked in the Hawthorne Lane and Myers Park Methodist Churches in Charlotte, Trinity Methodist Church in Kannapolis, Methodist Church in Rockingham, West Durham Methodist Church in Durham, Hayes-Barton Church in Raleigh, Trinity and Duke Memorial Churches in Durham, and Front Street Church in Burlington. They arrived in each church on Saturday afternoon and left the following Saturday. A planning session with each local council was held on Saturday evening of the arrival of the Caravan. Sunday school classes, participation in the morning worship services, evening forum, and the evening worship service, under the direction of the Caravan, were the duties that they assumed each Sunday. Each day of the week an intermediate class which included a worship, study, recreation and project period was conducted by the various members of the Caravan. Each afternoon for two hours the various commissions gave practical application to their studies in a period called workshop. At this time the young people visited social agencies in the community, did personal visitation, learned to direct folk games, planned worship services, and build worship sanctuaries or decorated worship centers. Each evening the Caravan program for seniors and young people and adults included a class period, worship period, forum and recreation period. The close of the evening was always in the form of short worship experience that was the natural outgrowth of group singing.

It was the purpose of this Caravan as it went into the local church to help re-vitalize the youth program rather than to put on a week's entertainment. The Caravan attempted in all its work to give inspiration to the local group to do finer work in their youth organization. Many young people became conscious of various community needs during this period and also became interested in aleviating those conditions. The Caravan also attempted to show in their own lives that Christianity offers the finest and most joyful way of life.

The Caravan believe that its finest work this summer has been the work done with individuals. It hopes that all groups in which it has worked have found it easier to make their programs more effective and that adult groups have been led to realize the urgent necessity of their co-operation and leadership. Each Caravaner is thoroughly aware that the finest results of the summer are in his own life; the clearer vision, the inspiration of new contact, and the challenge of living the Christian life.



Left to right (seated): Betty Kellet, Hazel Copeland, Betty Street. (Standing): James Allen Knight, Byron Cravens.

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Children's Storyland



BUDDY VISITS THE BABY CHICKS

By Edith Brandis

Buddy Sandusky lives with his father and mother near a chicken hatchery. One day his mother took him to see it. While they were there Buddy watched Mr. Smith fill the upper room of the big incubator with beautiful brown eggs.

On the way home he said, "Mother, an incubator is a little house with an upstairs room and a downstairs room. The upstairs room keeps the eggs warm like an old hen until they hatch. Please, what is the downstairs room for?"

His mother said, "Buddy, when the chickens come out of their shells, Mr. Smith will let you see them for yourself."

"How soon will they come out?"

"It takes three weeks for baby chicks to hatch. Would you like to keep count of the days?"

"Oh, yes, mother!"

When they reached home his mother took a big sheet of paper and drew squares on it with a black crayola. Every day Buddy took a crayola and made a big cross in a square. Then he went up to the hatchery and watched Mr. Smith work. Once Buddy saw him turn the eggs over. Another day he saw him sprinkle the eggs with a little warm water.

The days went by. When Buddy had 19 squares filled with crosses, he asked, "Will the chickens hatch tomorrow?"

"No," said mother, "the day after tomorrow. I will go with you to see them."

When they went to the hatchery his mother walked but Buddy ran all the way. He could hardly wait another minute to see the little baby chicks hatch.

Mr. Smith put Buddy on a stool and said, "Watch that brown egg there. Soon it will give a little jerk!"

Buddy sat as still as a mouse and watched. The egg jerked. A little broken spot appeared in the shell. Another little jerk. Another broken spot. Soon Buddy realized that he was seeing something pick a row of little holes right straight around the middle of the shell.

Buddy was so excited he could not talk. He could only make little sounds of delight. He whispered to himself, "It is the little chicken—all finished—trying to get out."

When the row of holes was done the chick began to push. It heaved and it pushed and the shell began to break. Buddy almost forgot to breathe.

The little chick heaved and pushed many times. The eggshell broke in two. The chicken struggled. The two halves of the eggshell fell away. He was out.

The chicken was not pretty and fluffy. He was wet and ugly. He rested a minute or two. Then his neck began to straighten. His legs began to stretch out. He stood up on two wobbly feet. He held up his head. He staggered toward the light at the front of the upper room.

He slid down through a slit into the lower room. He was the first chick to get out of his shell.

Buddy watched him get dry and fluffy. He saw what bright eyes he had. He saw his beautiful Rhode Island Red color. He saw him stand up and walk around.

Other chickens came dropping down into the warm little room.

Buddy said, "Mother, I have seen a baby chick break out of his shell. I have seen him drop down into the lower room. And now I know what the lower room is for. It is where baby chickens get warm and dry and fluffy. It is where they walk around and take their exercise."

"You are right, Buddy."

"Mother, I think it is wonderful to see baby chickens hatch."

"So do I, Buddy."

So they went home.—Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, N. Y. City.

THE HOME

By Rosamond Livingstone McNaught

No matter what of change the years may bring,
Let this remain, the family's gathering-place,
Where voices join to talk and laugh and sing,
And happy face looks into happy face;
Where tender memories may store the mind,
To bloom again in future dreaming hours,
As when, between book-pages, one may find
Forgotten sprays of treasured azure flowers.

Home for the weary! More than sheltering walls
And place for body's food and rest and ease;
A benedicite of spirit falls
With intermingling human pleasantries:
Let this remain, among all changing things,
Home, where the weary spirit folds its wings.

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MAKING INVISIBLE INK

What does invisible ink make you think of? Code messages to your best friends, secret club meeting annuoncements, party games to make up, "mysterious" party invitations? There are a host of things you can think of to do with invisible ink. Perhaps you already have thought of several uses of it. If so, here are three easy ways of writing messages that will be invisible when the ink has dried, but which your friends will be able to read as soon as you tell them the secret of making the writing show.

The first is ordinary cow's milk! Simply dip a clean pen point into a saucer of milk and write the message in milk the same as you would write it with colored ink. When dry, the milk will be invisible.

The second ink is lemon juice; the third is baking soda dissolved in water. Both may be applied the same way milk ink is used.

Now, for the secret of making the messages legible after the ink has dried and become invisible. For messages written in milk or lemon juice, simply hold the seemingly blank sheet of paper over a flame—taking care not to scorch or ignite the paper. Brown writing will appear! For messages written in baking soda, you must obtain a solution of phenolphthalein in alcohol from your druggist. (An ample supply will cost only a few cents). This solution must be sprayed over the paper with an old perfume atomizer or similar spraying device. When this is done, brilliant red writing will appear on the paper like magic.—Juniors.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Small Phil, who had a chest cold, was being very properly doctored before going to bed. His mother put her ear to his chest and listened for a minute. After being very quiet, he asked: "Am I running?"—Indianapolis News.

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A young couple with a seven-year-old son moved from the city to the country. On the boy's first day at school the teacher asked him who made all the beautiful flowers and trees.

"I don't know," he answered. "I just moved here."

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Little Bertie, aged six, was taking a motor trip to South Africa with his parents. When they crossed the Vaal river he looked around and showed he was not well pleased.

"Don't you like the 'Transvaal'?" his mother asked.

"It's all right," said Bertie, "but on my geography map it's red."—Montreal Star.

Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 16

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By Rollin H. Walker

Isaac Practices Peace

Genesis 26

The story of Isaac does not fit in very well with the spirit of a warring world. He was not good at slapping back. He had the greatest provocation, but when Abimelech grew jealous of him, and the people envied his great prosperity and asked him to move on, he meekly moved. And in the new pastures his servants dug again the wells which his father Abraham had made and which the Philistines had filled with earth.

By the way, that filling up of the wells which the fathers have dug should not be an old story. Many scholars of this past generation have been possessed with a perfect passion for filling up wells of inspiration that have refreshed our fathers. The application of the methods of modern historical criticism to the Bible was inevitable, and when properly pursued has strengthened rather than weakened our faith. But how many volumes purporting to be scientific studies of the Bible have made the Book simply an old well filled with dirt and stones! One of the tasks of modern scholars is to re-dig the wells from which men like Martin Luther and John Wesley drew the water of life. Which does not for a moment mean that we must phrase ourselves exactly as our fathers did, or ignore any facts which historical investigation has brought to light. We may use a modern pump, instead of a windlass and bucket, but we must open up the old wells. To fail to do so is a sin against humanity.

In the new land into which Isaac was pushed by the envy of the Philistines, he found a well of springing water, but the Philistines strove for that, just as the Americans strove for the Indian reservations as soon as oil was found on these lands to which the Red men had been exiled. So Isaac patiently moved on, and digged another well, and the Philistines strove for that. So on he moved.

What an old sheep Isaac was! He had no spirit. But we are told that the Lord appeared to him and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father; fear not, I am with thee and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.

Then again Isaac's servants digged other wells. Isaac might be called the well digger, and one might envy that name, for truly it is a sign of greatness to be able to go beneath the surface and get living water out of any dry place on which you are camping. One has known teachers like that, who could bring a well of living water out of the driest subject.

And now comes a surprise. This meek, inoffensive creature that could be pushed off the earth has a visit from Abimelech who desires to make a covenant with him. What is the use of making a covenant with such a man as Isaac, seeing all you need to do is to kick him and he moves on? But there was something impressive about Isaac. As he has not used up his resources in scrapping, he has become greater and greater, and there is a disturbing loyalty among his numerous servants. God seems to be with him; and wonder of wonders, Abimelech is actually afraid of him.

So Isaac calls these men in, and makes them a feast, and in the early light of the morning they swear a solemn oath of amity, and depart in peace. Isaiah's experience is the fulfillment of the words of Jesus who promises that the meek shall inherit the earth, or in other words, enter into power and influence among men. It also shows that the man who goes the second mile and turns the other cheek, if his act springs not from cowardice but from strength of character and love for mankind, will not in the long run be trampled on, but the power of Almighty God will reinforce him.

One sees that truth verified among his friends. It is not the loud-mouthed, blustering folk who seem always spoiling for a scrap, who come ultimately into power, but the quiet and self-controlled people who never talk back, the shrewd and sensible folk who have about them that calm commandingness that comes from a sense of God. But did you notice, the writer is too artistic to tack this moral onto his story? He leaves that for us lesson writers who do not possess his artistic genius.

THE TWO CLOCKS

Traversing one night a city street, I was startled by a sharp clanging above my head. On looking up, I found myself directly beneath the tower wherein a huge clock was striking the midnight hour. I took my watch from my pocket, and lo, the slender overlaying hands were pointing exactly to the hour of twelve.

It scarcely seemed possible that that tiny piece of mechanism in my hand could keep time with the huge machinery that filled a whole room of the tower; but the proof was before me, and as I gazed at the two pairs of hands of such diverse proportions, I understood as never before that the most insignificant human being needed only to be clean, in running order, and divinely regulated to keep time with Divinity itself—to be perfect even as the Father is perfect.—The Christian Advocate.

The order of obligation for a preacher is first to the Gospel, second to his Church, third to the great Church, and then to the public.—Forsyth.

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September

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Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
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Graham, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 16
Eno, 7:30 17
Carrboro, Orange, 11 20
Orange, Union Grove, 3 20
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October

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South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September

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Grifton, 8 27

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Ayden, 11 11
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Hookerton, 7:30 16
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Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Garner, Ebenezer, 8 14
Henderson, First Church, 11 16
Oxford Ct., Bethel, 3 16
Millbrook, Wake Forest, 8 19

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Spring Church-Garysburg, Spring Church, 11 23
Halifax, Pierce's, 4 23
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 30
Bethel, 11 30

September

Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Grace, 11 16
Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 23

September

Richlands, 11 6
Swansboro, Swansboro, 8 6
Tabor City, Bethel, 4—Victory Conf. 9
Whiteville, 8 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 13
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 8 13
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

August

Bald Creek, Deyton Bend, 10:30 23
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Red Hill, 3 23
Burnsville, Burnsville, 8 23
Hendersonville, Hendersonville, 8 25
Tryon, 8 26
Saluda, 8 27
East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 8 28
Wolf Mountain, 11 30
Rosman, 3 30
Etowah, English Chapel, 8 30
Fletcher, 8 31

September

Asbury Memorial, 8 1
Biltmore, 8 2
Oakley, 8 3
West Asheville, 8 4
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 3 6
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 6
Haywood Street, 8 7
Hillside Merrimon, 8 8
Weaverville Station, 8 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 11 13
Leicester-Grace, Brick Church, 3 13
Leicester-Bell, Bell Church, 8 13
Acton, Asbury, 8 14
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 8 15
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 16
French Broad Avenue, 8 17
Swannanoa, Azalea, 8 18
Barnadrsville, Barnardsville, 3 20
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 8 20
Central, 8 21
Ivy, Laurel, 3:30 21
Mars Hill, Marshall, 8 22
Mills River, Mills River, 8 23
Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Hawthorne Lane, 11 16
Unionville, Mill Grove, 3 16
Indian Trail, Indian Trail, 8 16
Central Avenue, 8 19
Spencer Memorial, 8 21
Chadwick, 11 23
Prospect, Trinity, 3 23
Polkton, Polkton, 8 23
Weddington, Weddington, 8 26
Calvary, 11 30
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 30
Wadesboro, 8 31

September

Peachland, Fountain Hill, 10 6
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3 6
Lilesville, Lilesville, 8 6
Monroe, Central, 8 7
Dilworth, 8 11
Ansonville, Concord, 11 13
Matthews, 4 13
Brevard Street, 8 13
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND—IN PART

August

Centenary, 11 16
Summerfield, 8 16
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Stokesdale, 8 30

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Mount Holly, 11 16
Belmont, Park Street, 11 16
Cramerton, 11 23
Kings Mountain, Central 11 23
Belwood, Kadish, 11 30
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 3 30
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 30

September

Bessemer City, night 2
Concord-Elbethel, Concord, 11 6
Crouse, Antioch, 3 6
Lincolnton, First, night 6
Belmont, Main Street, night 7
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11 13
Polkville, Polkville, 3 13
Shelby, Central, night 13
Mount Holly, night 14
Cherryville, night 16
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23

Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Archdale, 7:30 26
Denton Central, P. G., 7:30 27
Denton First, D., 7:30 30

September

Lebanon, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 5
Liberty Ct., R., 2 6
Randleman-Union—Union, 7:30 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randleman-G. C., Bethany, 2 13
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7:30 13
Ward Street, 7:30 16
Why Not, F. S., 7:30 18
Seagrove, S., 7:30 19
Greer's, 11 20
Linwood, Tyro, 2 20
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 20
Oak View, 7:30 23
First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT

C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Old Fort, 11 16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 16
Avery, Pisgah, 11 23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30 23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night 23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

September

Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 12
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Bostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion, First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Mt. Mitchell, 11 16
Badin-New London, 11 23
Friendship, Bethel, 3 23
Stanfield, Love's Grove, 11 30
Salem, 3 30
Mount Pleasant, 8 30

September

Roberta, 11 6
Westford, 4 6
Midland, 8 6
China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 8 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Olin, Snow Creek, 11 16
Statesville, Boulevard, 8 16
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 23
Ball's Creek Camp Meeting, 3 23
Maiden, 11 30
Balls Creek Ct., Center, 3 30

September

Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 9:45 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett Ch., 11 6
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 6
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 8 6
Cool Springs, Cool Springs, 11 13
Olin, Moss's Chapel, 3 13
Union-Grove-Zion, 8 13
Hickory, Westview, 8 10
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Clyde, 11 16
Morning Star, 3 16
Canton, First, 8 16
Andrews, 11 23
Robbinsville, 8 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy Ct., 3 30
Shooting Creek, 8 30
Hayesville, 8 31

September

Bethel, 11 6
Junaluska, 8 6
Canton, Central, 8 9
Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11 16
Kernersville Ct., 8 16
Green Street, 11 23
Marvin, 8 23
Mt. Tabor, 8 30
Centenary, 11 30

September

Kernersville Ct., 11 6
Davidson Ct., 3 6
Walnut Cove, 8 6
Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

BREVARD COLLEGE

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Brevard College were acceptable, they have been able to have junior class standing in such institutions as Duke, Emory, Wofford, Greensboro, High Point, Davidson, Wake Forest, and in such state universities as North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Missouri, Washington, and Minnesota.

Christian Education Paramount

As a church-related college and more particularly as an institution of the Methodist Church, Brevard's greatest interest is the development of strong Christian character in both young men and young women. Our basic theory has been and is that instruction in the Bible, as well as thorough instruction in all subjects, and a wholesome program of social and religious activities, will promote sound Christian character. The college is extremely fortunate in having the services of Miss Mabel Cherry, who is well known and loved by Methodists in this territory, as head of its department of Religious Education. Miss Cherry not only teaches courses in Bible, but she directs the campus program in religious activities and seeks to relate the college program to the local church program. Emphasis is placed not only on the development of strong Christian character but also on participation of students in the established program of the Christian church. An effort is being made to acquaint students with the various denominational programs and develop in them an appreciation of and love for the Church and its organized activities. A constant effort is being made to prepare the students of Brevard College for acceptable service in their local churches when they return to their home communities or find employment in new communities.

The president and faculty of the college are also cognizant of the opportunity to prepare young men and young women for active Christian service. The college takes pride in its young men who have now actively entered the Christian ministry. Graduates of the college are holding good pastorates in at least three different conferences, and many more will be entering conferences within the next several months. During the year just closed, ten of Brevard's graduates were enrolled in the Duke Divinity School. Young women interested in active Christian service have transferred to Scarritt, Greensboro, and Duke. Some of these young women are now holding positions as directors of religious education in local churches, and others are acceptably filling positions as wives of Methodist ministers.

For Each Pastor to Secure His Advocate Quota in His Charge is Most Urgent

Last year the loyal Methodists of the two Conferences met in a fine way our call for $1,346 special taxes. This year the $1,546 tax fund goes into the budget and becomes a part of the quota fixed by the Conferences.

The quota ordered by the two Conferences is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty members of a church or a charge. This quota ordered by the Conferences for this year are to provide the budget of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

So Our First Concern is New Subscribers for the Quotas in Each Charge

SEVERAL REASONS WHY WE SHOULD ACT NOW

1. **The high price of tobacco and cotten and other farm products means financial prosperity for more than the farmers.**
2. **More copies of the church paper should go into the homes of our people. Now is a favorable time for action.**
3. **The 23 per cent advance in cost of paper and other material, and the $1,546 for taxes means much more money to keep going.**

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The Pulpit Not A Forum

By JOSEPH FORT NEWTON

IS IT THE purpose of preaching, as some hold today, to discuss in the pulpit the problems of the pew? As a point of contact, yes; though, as often as otherwise, it digs up more snakes than it kills. What if the preacher makes his pulpit a forum and wins the debate, as he may easily do, since no one may reply to his arguments; of what use is it unless he has a deeper vision to lead the way where logic does not go? Of course he must aid his people in their difficulties, as God gives him light, but how can he do it most fruitfully? By arguing with them, or by sharing with them a clearer insight by which all are lifted to a level where our questions are either answered, or shown to be foolish? How strange it is to forget that in the life of the spirit there are no arguments; only discernments.

What is the secret of a real sermon, not a mere homily but the voice of a man who has won his way through the serenity, vision, and beauty? Nobody knows. It is a mystery past finding out, save by those who have a heart for high adventure and do not turn back. The wind of God blows; its sound is heard but its source is secret. It is not in rich learning, or skill of training, or quickness of psychological perception, or splendor of oratory, useful as such gifts may be. No; manifestly the secret lies farther back and deeper down, where no analysis can penetrate—in the soul of the preacher, spirit-born and love illumined, his lips touched by a living coal from an unseen Altar. He is a man like the rest, but different; he hears "another Drummer," as Thoreau used to say of himself, not knowing how deep his words went. St. Paul put it in one sentence, telling all that words may report of things for which words were never made: "Not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father."

Imprisonment of Gandhi is Most Deplorable

Th Atlantic Charter breathes the spirit of democracy and independence, as well as free access to raw materials, to all peoples. In every declaration the spokesmen of this country have solemnly declared that in war they are actuated by the principles of the prevention of Nazi totalitarianism and the extension of self-government to all people who long for that inherent right.

There is no doubt that the utterances of the President the Secretary of State, Vice President Wallace and Undersecretary of State Welles for an end of imperial rule represent the convictions of all Americans except the few who wish privilege for themselves at home and therefore have sympathy for the colonial policy abroad.

The Americans fighting and dying in Solomon Islands and on the seven seas are not putting their life in jeopardy to continue the empire of Britain or the Netherlands or any other European country long exploiting weaker peoples. These people—in India, in Africa and in all other parts of the world now governed from abroad—have as much right to order their own way of life as have the people of Britain and the United States. If, when this war is won, independence to all does not follow it will sow the seed for future wars. People will die rather than be subjected to rule imposed from abroad.

The United States fell under the spell of imperialism at the time of the Spanish-American War, when "we took Panama and let the Senate talk," when we bought the Filipinos at so much a head after Dewey had won the battle of Manila, made Puerto Rico a virtual crown colony, held strings over Cuba, and used marines to collect debts and insure profits in weak countries south of us.

Then came the Good Neighbor era with recognition of the right of every nation to manage its own affairs—the self-determination Wilson preached—and the sincere carrying out of the policy. It was strengthened by the act of Congress, agreeable to the Filipinos, that in August, 1946, the Philippines should fully possess their independence. When the present war broke in the Far East President Roosevelt assured the Filipinos again that their country would achieve complete independence.

That was the hour when Churchill should have made a like assurance to the people of India. The failure to do so is responsible for the most deplorable situation that has developed since Pearl Harbor. The half way measures suggested, without assurance of independence from the King, the Parliament and the Prime Minister, did not satisfy the people of India who have long had independence as their heart's desire. The imprisonment of Gandhi, the killing of his secretary, the wholesale arrests of members of the All-India Congress party and the use of soldiers to put down the people whose only crime is that they wish to be independent, is regarded by them as giving the lie to the professions of devotion to democracy and independence. It is not necessary to agree with all that Gandhi and his followers have done to condemn Britain's failure to prevent this catastrophe.

When the World War was on, India believed that after victory they would achieve independence. They were sorely disappointed. Ever since they have been yearning to possess their inherent right as they have been ruled by British officials and kept in subjection by British troops. Is it any wonder that they are not now trusting the promises with strings attached made without assurances by the King, the Parliament and the Prime Minister? Is it too much to hope that the British rulers even belatedly will follow the same course as to India which President Roosevelt long ago pursued with reference to the Philippines?

Every American who believes in democracy and deplores the blow given to it by its best friend in Europe in the Indian arrests of men for "the henious crime of wishing to be free" ought to read a forthright article written by E. B. Sherman, which appeared in a recent issue of the Springfield (Mass.) Republican and is reprinted elsewhere on this page. It opens the door of his mind and lets one see its spirit through the years and the influences which have shaped his thinking. It is as original and convincing as it is sound in its conclusion.—Editorial in News and Observer.

DR. CLARENCE POE MAKES URGENT APPEAL TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

In Monday morning's News and Observer of this week Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, raises the question, Will History Repeat Itself in India? He begins by quoting a telegram he sent President Roosevelt last week. These are his words:

Years ago I traveled in India and have ever since taken a keen interest in that country, which partly explains the following telegram sent last week to President Roosevelt:

"I most earnestly urge your aid in insuring British acceptance of plan for making India an ally of United Nations by granting it immediate freedom. It will be a most dangerous blow to future American morale if our soldiers and citizens should come to feel that the present war has been prolonged for years by a too stubborn British imperialism . . . and I myself witnessed in India enough of the arrogance of British officialdom to understand the present attitude of Indian leaders."

No one admires more than I the indomitable stubbornness of the British people which has stood as unchanging as the Rock of Gibraltar through every day of storm or sunshine since Dunkirk. I do insist, however, that the same British stubbornness in their relations with other nations has often brought them disaster . . . and, what is more, may now bring prolonged disaster to America as Britain's ally, unless we demand that Britain seize the fast fleeting opportunity to work out a compromise before a misguided stubbornness makes a free gift of India to Japan.

1. In 1776-1781 the time came when England was willing to make concessions to America—but it was even then a case of "to little and too late"—and America was lost to the British commonwealth.

2. Ireland 30 years ago could almost surely have been saved to the British commonwealth, but again stubbornness delayed and delayed making concessions, until what might conceivably have been a loyal ally became in effect an embittered enemy.

3. France in 1940 in its eleventh hour of doom Winston Churchill went' with offers of a "Franco-British empire' which just a little earlier might have been approved, but "too little and too late" lost France to our side.

Will history repeat itself today and tomorrow in India? I fear it will—unless we in America whose interests are as gravely imperilled as Britain's—speak so imperatively as to save both Britain and us from another world tragedy of "too little and too late." Clarence Poe.

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The U. S. Office of Censorship, according to what appears to be trustworthy reports, employs a staff of more than 16,000. Its budget for the first year is $27,500,000. That is a lot of money to pay and secure no more satisfactory results. One day they deny what was reported the day before. This jumbled news eminating from Washington results in constant confusion. Such inefficiency is too bad, too bad!

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Time has given to the American people the following clever story: City Councilman Harry Davenport of Pompto Lakes, N. J., got a letter from the local American Legion Post: "You are invited to be one of the speakers at our Memorial Day meeting. The program will include a talk by the Mayor, recitation of Lincoln's Gettysburg speech by a high school pupil, your talk and then the firing squad."

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Liquor stores in 25 counties in North Carolina sold in July $1,437,710 worth of liquor. This is one-fourth of the counties. The wets who know all about liquor, legal and illegal, say the counties without stores use as much liquor as do the ABC counties. This means $5,640,840 were spent in the 100 counties of the state in July. At this rate $67,780,080 would be spent in a year. In the face of these statistics of the liquor men we sit still and do nothing about it.

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Allyn P. Robinson, writing in appreciation of the church in camp communities, says southern hospitality is no myth: "Recently I saw a new definition of a soldier displayed on a church bulletin board: 'A soldier is one of our boys away from home.' That's the way the churches feel about it and they are doing a really magnificent job in trying to create an atmosphere of home in our new camp communities. They deserve a vote of thanks and all the help that can be mustered."

What gets my wonder is how the American people could buy more Bibles than any other book and yet sell Japan enough scrap iron and cylinder oil and gas to wage a terrifying and inhumane war when every one of those Bibles are crammed with suggestions against giving razors to babies, sleeping with mad dogs, or expecting leopards to change their spots. When we begin to buy Bibles for what they contain, we may learn not to sell pistols to gangsters!—Arthur D. Gore.

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Early autumn is the logical time to extend the circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, because there is a general quickening of church work in all its departments. Furthermore the winter season is just ahead when intelligent people desire good reading matter. It used to be thought that a pastor had to give his whole time for two months before conference in getting his financial reports in order. But this is no longer true because most charges pay up as they go and there is little to do in the days that used to be called the "final tug." In view of such things why not put on a campaign for new subscribers and thereby get ready for the new year?

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Speaking before a missionary conference at Lake Junaluska, Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University, painted a most optimistic picture of the future of Christian missions in China. The opportunity is great, for this is "the moment of a thousand years." "It is a time when we can plant the banner of Christ in the very heart of China and spread Christianity on the mountain peak of her culture and civilization. Christ for China and China for Christ are both possible." Dr. Yang's analysis of Asia was quite interesting. He said that India symbolizes religion, philosophy, and metaphysics; Japan stood for militarism and imperialism. China's emphasis is that of liberal humanism, rational pacifism, and social stability.

Protestant Leaders of This Country Issue a Statement to Fellow-Christians

A BIG majority of the nationally known Protestant leaders and many men and women of equal ability, though not so widely known, have issued to their fellow-Christians a statement on the moral and spiritual issues at stake in the outcome of the present war. It is an impressive list of names, but the content of the statement is equally impressive, and for that reason we quote a paragraph or two.

These leaders declare:

"We desire peace. But submission to the arrogant pretensions of a 'master race,' to the enslavement of nations, to the destruction of civil liberties, to the regimentation of conscience and to the suppression of the free Christian witness lead, not to peace, but to paganism, to hatred and to war. Victory for the Axis powers would bring moral and spiritual disaster for their own people no less than for those of the conquered nations."

While renouncing hatred and vengeance for the peoples of the Axis nations, the Protestant leaders emphasized that they sought the destruction of totalitarian forces and "as Christians wholeheartedly assume our share of the price which must be paid in effort, sacrifice and suffering to save mankind."

We must make ready now for the fateful period that will follow the war, the statement warned. "Now is the time to examine the ends for which we are striving and to lay afresh the foundation of the future for which we pray.

"We must prepare for the sacrifices necessary to make industrial production the servant of the common good.

"We must prepare to renounce the prejudice of color, class and race, both within our own nation and toward other nations.

"We must make ready to assume our responsibility as a nation for the ordered life of a community of nations. National pride and self-sufficiency must no longer be allowed to triumph over our Christian belief in such a world community.

"We must not fail in our duty to bring out of the present agony a happier and juster world than man as yet has known."

To achieve these ends the statement concluded, the military victory of the United Nations is indispensable.

Forward, the Whole Line!

ON the rolls of the two conferences are listed 876 Methodist preachers. This includes district superintendents, pastors, retired ministers, supplies and men appointed to other fields of work. However, one and all of these are able after a fashion to exert an influence for the promotion of Methodism in North Carolint. Certainly more than 600 of these men are pastors charged with the fine responsibilities of spiritual leadership in the churches of our two conferences. At some time or other all of these men have urged the ancient injunction, "speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward." Why not now each of these become glorious leaders of the 350,000 Methodists in the state in this opportune hour?

Unless the appointed leaders actually lead in a most heroic fashion we will blunder into the meetings of the annual conferences with much truly essential work left undone. Moreover, the dull, languid men and women with a predisposition to loiter away the time will fail to respond to the urgent demands of these weeks if the pastors as valiant leaders of the people do not set about their tasks with earnest determination to win. However, rich, red blooded men of spiritual vision will be able to lead on to glorious victory in the face of apparent defeat.

Some men already have broken away from the dull lag of the summer days and their people are on the march forward to every good work. Others have not got fully awake—all set to go. No; nor will they until the frost is on the pumpkin and the corn is in the crib. Then, all they can say will be, "the harvest is past and the summer is ended." Certainly 600 Methodist pastors, truly alert and fully determined to lead in a great way, would stir our Methodism from the mountains to the sea and make the joyful echoes of glorious conquest sound far across the South Carolina and Virginia borders. Instead, some will be content to let the days go by while others are shouting happy over glorious conquests.

The Good Old Days for Which Men Absurdly Sigh

IN the negro play "Green Pastures" that enjoyed a long and popular run a few years ago in New York City, Gabriel says to God, "It must be hard to be God in a time like this," and God answers, "Yes, it is very difficult to be God." If to be God is difficult what can we expect of man? There are men, not a few, who find every age difficult and many of them sigh for a return of the good old days, "the golden age" of the past, when if things were not just as they should have been, they were infinitely better than the present troublesome times. It is said cuneiform tablets more than 5000 years old recorded the "good old days" that had been.

But longing for a day that never has been because the dream of a "golden age" is only

the vain imagining of men, is not the prescription for the making of a better world.

Isaiah sets us a better example and offers a better prescription. In the year that the great king, Uzziah, died things looked dark for Israel because the king was dead. It was at this very time that Isaiah went into the temple and saw God, high and lifted up and his glory filling the temple and heard the seraphim crying, "Holy, holy, holy, the whole earth is full of his glory." Isaiah learned that a vision of God was better than lamentations for the days that were dead. Can we get the lesson?

The Country People

PERHAPS we have all heard of the Negro exhorter who was unduly eager to exercise his gifts in the city when his pastor insisted that he exhort in the country. The reply of the young man who was partial to urban centers ran like this: "I was not called to 'zort in the country."

There are not a few gospel ministers who seem to think the call to preach is limited to city congregations, when all they have and are came out of the country. And this is in the face of the fact that two-thirds of the Protestant churches of the United States are found in the open country, villages, and rural towns. Furthermore, the city church is constantly dependent upon the rural families for an inflowing life stream, because the city destroys life while the rural area produces it.

In many countries where the Christian church is seeking to establish itself, the population is fundamentally rural. This is especially true of China, India, Africa, and Russia. Christian missions is largely a rural task.

These facts should lead all preachers and city laymen who are wedded to urban life and urban problems to sit up and take notice.

It is well to remind ourselves of these fundamental facts because much of the leadership of the church—those responsible for ecclesiastical policy and administration—have been drawn into the currents of urban life. They are more accustomed to city streets than to country lanes. Likewise it is true that a major share of missionary activity around the world has centered in the cities in schools, colleges, hospitals—except that the majority of the Younger Churches have been established in the villages and country towns. Wise planning demands that the nurture of the homes representing our rural churches be given a priority in the years ahead.

Spiritual Pioneers Today

IN America we have made much of the heroic pioneers in the struggles for a continent and also in the effort to spread scriptural holiness in these lands. It is a wonderful story of strong, heroic men in an age that sorely tried both the bodies and the souls of men. All across the land from the Atlantic seaboard to the Pacific shores the heroic record remains. What a marvelous story has been told by the historians! But most of the sufferings endured in hunger and bloody conflict remain a tale untold. Never in the records of the race will this find a place in its fullness.

Now we are assured that no more frontiers remain to enlist the daring of the men who with rifle and axe and saddle bags drove back the wild beasts and the wilder men, felled the forests and tilled the fields and won the scattered pioneers to God and a better life. This is true, but there are other frontiers as challenging and in a way far more difficult for the pioneers of today. We are in a global war with the avowed determination to make a new world order among the races of men. To subdue a continent and open it up to the pioneer men and women eager for a better chance in life for themselves and for their own children. With the cheering outlook of a youthful race this was child's play compared with this present daring in dealing with nations and races hoary with age and "locked in the grooves of circumstance." Modern mechanical warfare may be able to exhaust the resources of the peoples and lay waste the lands in bloody slaughter, but this will not build a new world.

Our only hope is to cling close to Him who came not to destroy men's lives but to save them in the process of making a new heaven and a new earth. Not the destructive but the constructive wins. And this must be wrought out primarily in the realm of the spiritual rather than of the material. The Christ and not Mars is the hope of the world. The Saviour of men is building his church among the nations. So our chief concern is to witness to the spiritual power of his presence in making men over for the new order.

Spiritual pioneers possessed of the daring and the invincible zeal of the men with rifle, axe and saddle bags on the frontiers of America are essential to win in these last times with a world at war. Spiritual pioneers will be able to cross the new frontiers that confront the race of men striving to make secure the peace of the world.

People and Things

"God made two great lights," says the Cumberland Presbyterian, "and some people act as if they thought they are one of them."

Let every one interested in Greensboro College give attention to the request of Miss Mary Brock on page 8 of this issue of the Advocate.

"How about you and your son, sir? General Dougles MacArthur and his little son say their prayers together every night."—E. V. Durling.

Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Early and son, Virgil, recently spent two and a half weeks at Lake Junaluska and other nearby places of interest. They returned to Yanceyville last Friday.

Keep a lookout for Rev. Hoyt H. Woods' report next week. From West Jefferson will come an Advocate campaign report next week that will make our readers sit up and take notice. It will be one of those big August reports.

If Major Wallace Wade's backs, such as John Kimbrough of Texas A. & M. and Jap Davis of Duke will put the ball over the goal line, Tony Ruffa (true toe) will put it between the goal posts for the extra point.

Friends wishing to get in touch with John Carper may use the following address: Chaplain John H. Carper, 0-436263 1st Ba. 13th Armd. Regt. A.P.O. No. 25, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Advocate reader friends of Dr. R. Kirby Farrington, son of the late Rev. J. A. J. Farrington and Mrs. Farrington, is showing encouraging signs of improvement following a heart attack last Wednesday night.—Lee T. Tuttle.

Church, most basic: "I have been led to the conclusion that the church is the most basic of all our institutions and more than any other holds the key to national unity and national welfare."—Lowell Thomas.

Mrs. C. B. Way, wife of Rev. C. B. Way, pastor of Bald Creek circuit, left Wesley Long hospital last week and is returning home this week to Bald Creek. Mrs. Way's mail should hereafter be sent to Bald Creek, N. C. Mrs. Way is slowly recovering from her operation.

Under recent arrangement by First Methodist church we are now living in a recently vacated parsonage. So our new address is 118 N. Westmoreland Ave., Tucson, Arizona. Advocate will please take note and our friends generally. —J. A. Dailey.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt of Statesville, superintendent of the Statesville district, Western North Carolina conference, at the Mocksville picnic, where Governor Broughton was one of the speakers, delivered a memorial address, paying tribute to the late Jacob Hanes of Mocksville, an outstanding citizen who had been an able supporter of the annual Masonic picnic for many years. Mr. Hiatt recounted the unselfish work that Mr. Hanes did for the underprivileged boys and girls of the state.

According to the China Medical Association, Christian mission hospitals, supported from America and from Europe, have 70 per cent of the beds available for the care of the civilian population of China. During the more than four years of war between China and Japan, these hospitals and their Chinese and white doctors and nurses have cared for the great majority of bomb victims and sick refugees among the non-military millions, as well as caring for many thousands of soldiers who require major surgery and X-ray treatments not available to them elsewhere in China.

Bishop Purcell has approved the appointment of Rev. D. L. Stubbs supply pastor of Park Street, Belmont, for the remainder of the year. Mr. Stubbs has done an excellent work on some charges in the Gastonia district this summer under the Duke foundation. He will take over the work at Park Street next Sunday, August 23.—E. M. Jones.

Chaplain Harry S. Williams, former pastor of the Hillside-Merrimon Methodist church, Asheville, has been assigned to the 38th Infantry, 2nd division, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He is now on an eight weeks' maneuver with his division in Louisiana. Mrs. Williams is staying at Many, La. Chaplain Williams reported for duty on July 18 at Fort McClellan, Ala.—Asheville Citizen.

Historic Balls Creek camp meeting begins Sunday for its 80th odd annual meeting. Despite world conditions today, the camp meeting is expected to draw many rural families and city dwellers for a week of religious worship and fellowship. A majority of the tents are being filled, some having been occupied this week. During the latter part of next week the crowds will increase and on Sunday, the "big day" of the annual meeting, thousands of persons will attend.

My Yankee associates here are having a hard time teaching me how to talk. They insist that "you all" is not in the benediction of the church nor in what they call the "dictionry." They want me to say "tock" when I mean "talk." They want me to refer to "Conkred" when I mean "Concord." They notice that I do not say "Noo York." They say students are "tot" instead of "taught." They have "thots" instead of "thoughts." They bite their words like a hound dog eating yellow jackets. They ride their Rs unmercifully. They say "see' when they have nothing to look at. My two boys are out here with me, but I dare one of them to come in and say, "Mutherr the hucksterr is at the doorrr." Yours for plain English and the South.—Ed Earnhardt.

J. Francis Drum died August 12 at his home near Catawba, age 87. He was a retired farmer, son of Thomas Drum, who died in Newton in 1920. Brother Drum had been in declining health for some months. His wife, who was Miss Loftin, died some years ago. He leaves one son, C. H. Drum. Catawba, and three sisters, Misses Era, Lulu and Anthea Drum of the home, and several grandchildren. Also a brother, J. W. Drum, Charlotte, and four sisters. His twin brothers, Rev. Geo. P. and Thomas Drum, died about three years ago. Brother Drum had been a faithful member of Catawba Methodist church for many years. His pastor, Rev. W. Q. Grigg, conducted the funeral at Catawba.—A. C. S.

"Evangelism is a year-round program, and not something to be done during one season of the year," says Miss Cora Lee Glenn, a rural-industrial worker in Bassett, Va. In the work of her large parish she endeavors to carry out this maxim. "Workers in rural areas have many opportunities for service, both material and spiritual," according to Miss Glenn. "The privacy of homes not so close together make it easier to discuss the deeper problems of the spirit without interruptions often encountered in large cities. Along a country road one may stop and have a short talk. Often over a wire fence, as people lean on hoes and plows, one may lead the way into a discussion of things eternal. Friends picked up along the road offer an opportunity to a Christian worker. Walks along mountain trails with young people give a special privilege to a rural Christian worker."

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

The fourth quarterly conference of Boulevard church, Statesville, will feature the evening service at 8 o'clock with Rev. J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent, presiding. At this service the church will celebrate the liquidation of an old debt on the parsonage with the burning of the notes. The young people of the church will meet at 7 o'clock.

This puts Central church, Asheboro, over the top in the Advocate campaign. We had a fine day yesterday. At the 11 o'clock service the church was crowded to hear Rev. J. F. Minnis, a missionary to India. At the evening service Dr. P. E. Lindley of High Point College began a series of five lectures on the book of Romans. The attendance was fine at this service.—J. W. Braxton.

Rev. W. L. Harkey, pastor of South Lenoir Methodist church, Lenoir, has recently undergone an operation for appendicitis at Elkin hospital. He is improving nicely now at his home, which the people are glad to hear. Rev. E. Myers is filling his place during his sickness. Rev. Mr. Harkey has done splendid work, and the church is progressing spiritually and financially.—Mary Frances Underhour.

The revival will start at Moriah Methodist church Sunday, August 23. Home coming will also be observed. Sunday school at 10 o'clock and preaching at 11. There will be a picnic lunch served on the grounds. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University divinity school will speak at the afternoon service. Rev. J. E. Rice of Duke University is to be pulpit help through the following week.—Mrs. J. W. Sharpe.

A recent Gallop Poll shows that 73 per cent of our voters favor United States membership in some form of united organization which corresponds roughly to the League of Nations which was formed just after the last war. It is hoped that the attempt to form such an organization may be kept out of party politics. It is well known that partisanship had much to do with defeating our entrance into the League of Nations.

The statistical report of the Southern Baptist Convention shows that there are now 25,603 churches with a total membership of 5,238,132. The net gain for the past year was 138,805. There are 22,747 ordained ministers. The number of Sunday schools reported in 1941 was 24,629, a net gain of 407. Within the past ten years Southern Baptists have had a total of 3,625 net gain in the number of their Sunday schools. The number of training unions has increased to 54,957. Total gifts to all purposes amounted to $44,857,607.—Watchman-Examiner.

"The worthy enlistment of Southern Baptists in practical co-operation with the work of the local churches, and in caring for Christ's cause, both at home and abroad, is vitally dependent upon the information and inspiration given weekly by our Baptist papers. It is a tragedy for any Baptist family to fail to receive and regularly read the Baptist state paper."—George B. Truett. He is the man who declares that the weekly visits of the Biblical Recorder into his father's little mountain home made him a Baptist preacher.

A very successful vacation church school of ten days came to a close August 14 at the Ward Street Methodist church, High Point, Rev. J. E. McSwain, pastor, with Miss Esther Riddle of East Rockingham as director. There were enrolled 100 pupils besides teachers, with an average attendance of 84. The following teachers assisted: Beginners' department, Mrs. Paul Hinkle and Miss Josepha Armentrout; primary, Messrs. N. R. Davis, W. S. Graham and Jim Randall; junior, Misses Josephine Pope and Esther Riddle; intermediate, Mrs. Horace Stephens. The school closed on Friday, August 14, with a picnic for the chilren. A program was given at the evening service, where 54 perfect attendance certificates were awarded. During the activity periods one group made two quilt tops, which will be turned over to the W. S. C. S. for completion and donated to a needy cause. Many other useful things were made. Standard literature was used for the study. The school was sponsored by the W. S. C. S. and the church school.—Mrs. W. S. Hasty.

JUNALUSKA ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

ASSEMBLY AUDITORIUM, LAKE JUNALUSKA NORTH CAROLINA

August 23-30 (Eleventh Week)

August 23 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "John Wesley, Itinerant," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 24 (Mon.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: The Universal Indictment," Bishop Paul .B Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "The Cure for Sorrow," Bishop Charles C. Selecman. (Continued on page twelve)

August 25 (Tue.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: Life's Grandest Event," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "How to Handle Life," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 26 (Wed.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: The Victory of the Spirit," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Concert: Chinese Music, Prof. Bliss Wiant.

August 27 (Thu.), 10:30 a.m.—Lecture, "Book of Romans: The Christian Way of Life," Bishop Paul B. Kern.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Permanent Elements in Religion," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 28 (Fri.), 10:30 a.m.—Junaluska Choir.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Apostles or Fishermen," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.

August 29 (Sat.), 8:30 p.m.—Moving Picture, "Whistling in the Dark," and M. G. M. Cartoon, "Prospecting Bear."

August 30 (Sun.), 9:45 a.m.—Church School in Assembly Auditorium and Education Building (Shackford Hall).
11:00 a.m.—Sermon, "Eternal Goodness," Bishop Charles C. Selecman.
8:00 p.m.—Sermon, "Christ's Grip on a Man," Bishop Charles C. Seleman.

McGIRT'S FINE ENTERPRISE

Brother W. A. McGirt, the devoted lay leader of the Wilmington district, makes a most urgent and discriminating appeal to the Methodists of his district to close well the year's work. These items are of equal application to the whole state, so we pass them on:

"These three items that call for immediate attention are: The Methodist Orphanage collection (the 5th Sunday in August), N. C. Christian Advocate quotas, and the Golden Cross. Please make definite plans for a special collection for the orphanage Sunday, August 30, and give every member an opportunity to contribute to this very worthy and needy cause. All collections for the day may be credited against the orphanage assessments made at the last annual conference. (For further details see article on page 7, August 13 issue of the Advocate).

"We are also urged to secure our quotas of new subscriptions to the N. C. Christian Advcoate. This is one of the best religious papers in the state, and the only medium we have for keeping our members informed. We hope that every charge will organize at once and make a supreme effort to reach their quota without further delay.

"The Golden Cross carries a strong appeal and has been successfully presented, year after year, by many of our leading ministers from their pulpits. It can be presented NOW with greater success than if delayed until the end of this conference year.

"You know the above constitute three important items in our church program and deserve immediate and special attention. With this much accomplished, we can turn our attention to other important work. No 'ceiling' on religion and no 'rationing' of religious activities—only the GO AHEAD signal faces us."

CHAPLAIN T. G. VICKERS WRITES INTERESTINGLY OF INDIA AND HIS WORK THERE

India, viewed from North Carolina is one place, and at close range it is quite another. One tends to idealize at great distances, and then at close quarters in the face of realities to see how far off the track he was. The great questions being brought to burning heat in this vast land are not to be understood in a moment nor settled in any flights of oratory before comfortable audiences. Impressions received in a brief sojourn tend to silence the observer to "watchful waiting" for further light. Perhaps by the time this war is over some small basis for conclusions will have been found.

But the intent of this note was to express the delight felt upon receipt of three copies of the N. C. Christian Advocate forwarded from a former address in our comfortable home land to this station. For the time it took to read them from cover to cover I was back in a North Carolina Conference parsonage. I think it would have occasioned no surprise if in the midst of that sitting a familiar voice had called me to come to supper! All three copies were April numbers, but they were as fresh to me in this late July as though they had been the latest issues. I hope the plan requested to be put in effect in a letter written home soon after my arrival here has been carried out and I shall have the pleasure of seeing the Advocate regularly. Except for two letters from home and these three issues of the conference organ I have had no news whatever from North Carolina since sailing in early April.

My territory is three times larger than the entire area formerly covered by the M. E. Church, South, in the United States. Our chaplains are about the busiest men among the American forces in this part of the world, and a wonderful piece of work they are beginning to do, though it is a case of "making brick without straw" so far as the usual equipment goes. A colonel commanding a unit, in a recent letter, says to his chaplain, "Throughout the . . . . ocean voyage, at camp in . . . . and during our stay in India his work has been an inspiration to officers and men of this command. In addition to his regular duties as pastor of the members of the unit he has undertaken many other duties of his own free will which has resulted in increased morale and satisfaction, especially to the enlisted men of the unit." The policy which forms the heart and soul of the chaplain's work among us is, first, that the chaplain is primarily and preeminently, above everything else, the man of God among his military flock, and second, he is here to serve. In the midst of war he is a man of peace. Who can calculate the value of his devoted service?

But thanks for a couple of hours of the mental and spiritual atmosphere of home as I read the issues of the Advocate mentioned. May Uncle Sam's mails keep them coming!

T. G. Vickers.

A MARRIAGE OF INTEREST

An event of interest to their friends in Western North Carolina Conference was the marriage Saturday evening, August 1st, of Miss Rebecca Gentry and Lt. John C. Carter, Jr., at the Hayesville Methodist Church in Hayesville, N. C.

The church was beautifully decorated, tall candles were set in clusters of mountain laurel in each window—the laurel being used also at the altar rail. Branched candelabra framed the altar, together with floor baskets of pink and white gladioli.

A program of nuptial music was given by Miss Wynelle Hardy of Asheville, N. C., and Miss Myrt Padgett of Hayesville sang "Because" preceding the ceremony which was performed by the pastor, Rev. A. J. Clemmer, Jr.

The young sisters of the bride and groom, Miss Jo Gentry and Miss Nancy Carter, were the ribbon bearers and entered together, wearing pink and blue organdy, trimmed in contrasting velvet bows.

Miss Ruby McCall, Charlotte, N. C., was maid of honor. She wore navy blue sheer with white accessories, her corsage being pink roses.

The bride entered with her father, Rev. J. C. Gentry, who gave her in marriage. She was very lovely in tailored white crepe with white and navy accessories and a shoulder corsage of orchids and swansonia.

The bride's mother, Mrs. J. C. Gentry, wore navy blue lace with a corsage of gardenias.

The grandmother of the groom, Mrs. B. L. Knapp of Atlanta, wore beige lace with a corsage of pink roses and stephanotis.

The groom's mother, Mrs. John C. Carter, wore dusty rose crepe with gardenias.

The ushers were Mr. O. L. Anderson, Mr. Harry Joiner and Mr. Jack Bristol. Mr. Richard Carter served as his brother's best man.

The lovely and talented bride is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Gentry of Denton, N. C. Her family have been prominent in religious and educational circles in North Carolina for many years. She obtained her education at Greensboro College, Greensboro, N. C.

The groom is well known in Columbus where he went through the graded schools and was called into the service from the University of Tennessee. His father, Lt. Col. John C. Carter, was, until the first of the year, post inspector at Fort Benning. He is now on foreign service.

After an informal reception at the summer home of the groom's parents, Lt. and Mrs. Carter left for a brief honeymoon in the Smoky Mountains, after which they will be at home in their apartment at Fort Knox, Kentucky, where Lt. Carter is stationed.

RESOLUTION ON TEMPERANCE

The General Board of Lay Activities of the Methodist Church and the Council of Conference Lay Leaders record their conviction that everything possible should be done to counteract the wave of intemperance which is sweeping over our country and the efforts of liquor forces to induce more drinking on the part of men, women and youth. We urge that Methodist laymen everywhere unite their efforts in expressions:

1. Supporting the Shephard Senate Bill No. 860, opposing the sale of alcoholic liquors to armed men in our service, in our training camps, by army and navy canteens.
2. Opposing the concentration of the organized liquor forces of the nation in the selling of liquor to men in communities near training camps, and urging upon Congress the early passing of legislation that will effect control of these forms of interference with the efficient development of America's armed forces and the achievement of final victory.
3. Protesting the issuance of tires for beverage alcohol use as a non-essential industry.
4. Urging upon the officials of our government in the interest of national safety and economic welfare, drastic curtailment of the increasing manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.

Unanimously approved, July 10, 1942,
Chicago, Illinois.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Material for a history of Greensboro College is now being collected by a friend of the institution. Any information that would be of value in writing this history sent to Miss Mary C. Brock, secretary of the Alumnae Association, by the alumnae, former students and other friends of the college about the following items will be greatly appreciated.

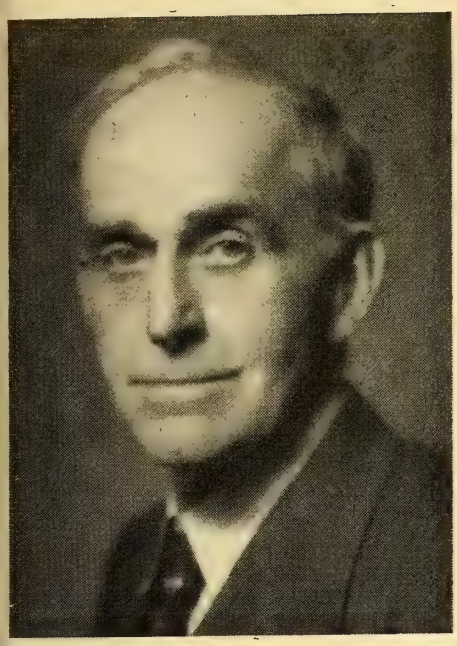
I. The place and significance of Greensboro College as a pioneer in the field of higher education for women in the nation.

II. Information, featuring the life of the college, regarding (a) the presidents; (b) members of the faculty; (c) students; (d) and any others related to the college.

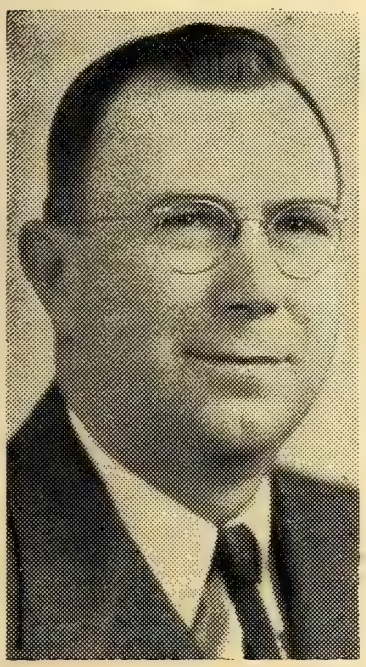
III. Miscellaneous information featuring humorous reminiscences and examples of college loyalty.

IV. Some of the information requested may be obtained from old letters, periodicals, incidents handed down orally, and pictures.

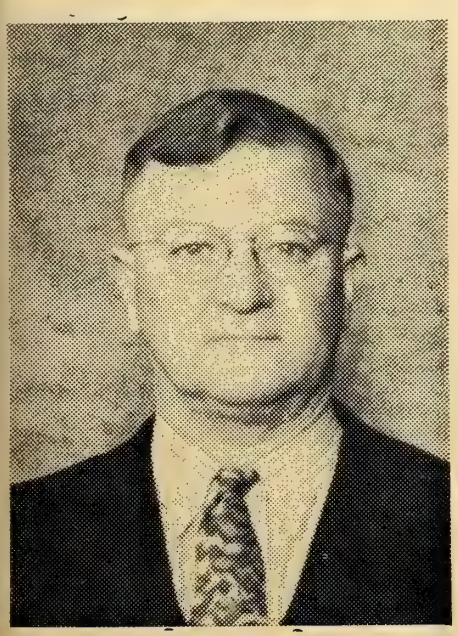
We are anxious to obtain all important facts connected with Greensboro Coollege (once known as Greensborough Female College) in order that its history may be preserved in accurate form. Please send any available information to Miss Mary C. Brock, Alumnae Secretary, Greensboro College, Greensboro, N. C.



Dr. A. W. Plyler



Rev. C. O. Kennerly



Rev. C. M. McKinney, Pastor



New Oakdale Methodist Church, Jamestown, to be Formally Opened Sunday

Oakdale Methodist church of the Jamestown-Oakdale charge is to be formally opened next Sunday morning, August 23. Rev. C. M. McKinney, the pastor of the church, will be in charge of the services. There will be special music by the church choir. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. A. W. Plyler, editor of North Carolina Christian Advocate. A new piano, the gift of Mrs. W. G. Ragsdale, Jr., of Jamestown, will be used for the first time in the Sunday morning services.

Dinner will be served on the church grounds, following the morning services, and at 2 o'clock Rev. C. O. Kennerly, a former pastor, now pastor at Welcome, will deliver the home coming sermon. All former pastors and members and friends of the church are cordially invited to the home coming services as well as the opening exercises at 11 o'clock.

Revival services will begin Sunday evening at 7:30. Mrs. C. L. Steidley of High Point will assist the pastor in these services. In connection with these revival services a vacation Bible school will be held during the week.

The New Church

The new church which has been erected within the last five months is a remarkably attractive building, more beautiful within than in external appearances, even if the accompanying picture proves that it justly merits the admiration of the people who built it. The church cost $12,000, there are twelve church school rooms, and an auditorium that seats 225. There are memorial windows in the auditorium, the seats and pulpit furniture were made by the Hickory Desk Company and the building is heated by a steam plant that cost $2100. In the basement is an assembly and supper room.

J. O. Conner of High Point, and a member of Main Street church, was the contractor who built the church.

This church already has the pastor's salary paid for the year and owes only $30 which is for world service. This church seems to be ready for the annual conference.

MR. AND MRS. H. A. DUNHAM CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Dunham, prominent in the social, religious and civic life of Asheville and of the state, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 17. The occasion was marked with a dinner given for relatives and friends at their home, 99 Merrimon avenue. A cake, bearing the inscription, "Fifty Happy Years," was cut by Mrs. Dunham.

Attending the dinner were the following: Dr. Julia E. Foster and Miss Maude O. Dunham, sisters of Mr. Dunham; Miss Kate B. Haven, sister of Mrs. Dunham; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Griffith, nephew and niece of Mrs. Dunham; Mrs. Charles F. Miller, Jr., niece of Mrs. Dunham, and Mrs. Corrie E. Pratt, a friend of the Dunhams.

The home was decorated with roses, dahlias, zinnias and other flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunham have made their home in Asheville since February 19, 1896. Mr. Dunham went into the music business on the following March 10, a business which developed into Dunham's Music House.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Dunham are members of the Haywood Street Methodist church and both have been active in church work in Asheville.

The Peculiar Value of Religion in War Time

By DANIEL L. MARSH

[Sermon preached at a service held in the Memorial Church at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., August 2]

True religion is always true religion, even as poetry is always poetry and music always music and friendship always friendship. But though poetry is always poetry, it manifests itself differently under different circumstances. Music is always music, but make a various appeal. Friendship is always friendship, yet it will manifest itself in various ways as needs may arise. So religion is always religion, but we will find that it possesses peculiar values for the stressful period in which we are living if we will only take the time to discover them.

It is a theorem of geometry that through any three points not in a straight line a circle can be drawn. A circle is a sign of completeness. Through three points not in a straight line I venture to draw the circle of religion's peculiar value to our day and generation. I am, of course, speaking of the Christian religion—essential, vital, and intelligent Christian religion.

1. Religion, thus understood, clarifies the ideals of the nation and the issues of the war. Unprejudiced students of history know that this has been true in every one of our wars from the beginning of our national existence. The clearest thinking on the subject of liberty in the days preceding and during the American Revolutionary War was done by preachers. The principles—and in some instances the actual language—of the Declaration of Independence were clearly proclaimed by New England preachers a score of years before Thomas Jefferson wrote the immortal symbol of our national life. The great leaders of the Revolution, such as John and Samuel Adams, James Otis and others, repeatedly acknowledged their intellectual debt to the preachers. The same thing was true in the Civil War. It was the thunder of pulpit oratory against the wickedness of slavery that first awakened the nation's conscience on that vital subject.

The great documents of American democracy bear witness to the fact that their authors undoubtedly accepted the Biblical dictum that "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."

The ideals of the Kingdom of God as proclaimed by Jesus sharpen the issues of this present war. Those ideals are the significance and sacred worth of human personality, the essential equality of individual human rights, and the doctrine of brotherhood as interpreted by the Golden Rule. In the light of these principles, Naziism stands revealed as naked evil. Today we see more clearly than for a long time past the truthfulness of Benjamin Franklin's words that "man will ultimately be governed by God or by tyrants."

2. Religion helps the individual to be true to his personal ideals. This is vitally important for the soldier and the sailor and the air cadet away from home. Each one has been brought up with certain guiding principles of moral behavior. Each one has felt at some time the guiding force of the white ideals of pure youth. One of the unmitigated curses of war is its tendency to develop fatalism. A philosophy of fatalism makes easy the scrapping of moral ideals. Therefore everything that a soldier or a sailor or an air cadet can use to keep himself clean and straight is worth while. Some are held to their ideals by the faith their mothers have in them. Some are kept clean for the future by the holy memory of wife or sweetheart. These are good, but the strongest safeguard against moral delinquencies is an honest, living faith in God, a present conviction of Hagar's impression: "Thou, God, seest me." Nothing furnishes quite so good a center and force of moral authority as religion.

3. Religion helps to keep the balance both personally and nationally. The individual and the nation are both in dreadful peril of emotional instability, of mental panic, of hysteria that leads to wild and dangerous excesses.

True religion gives the inspiration for a safe and sane and wholesome philosophy of life. It furnishes faith for the future, faith in the overruling providence of a good God.

In James Hilton's "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," the author presents a scene where bombs were bursting outside his hero's schoolroom and the Dark Rider was rapping at the door, and Mr. Chips reassuringly declared: "We will carry on. These things that have mattered for thousands of years are not going to be snuffed out because some merchant of death in his laboratory invents a new kind of mischief." Religion helps us to hold things together when there is danger of their flying to bits.

Religion helps both the nation and its citizens to cultivate serenity in the midst of calamity, and poise in the presence of petty and pugnacious emotionalism. Having built our foundation of life philosophy upon a solid rock, we know that it will not fall though the storms of ghastly cataclysm or political intrigue beat all about it. We lift our eyes to the far horizons. We see the long course of history to which each one's single life and this vast world belong. We trust Him who encompasses all centuries and all places in His mind and purpose.—Zion's Herald.

ROUND UP THE PARASITES!

With commendable zeal, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been rounding up spies, fifth-columnists, saboteurs, and Nazi sympathizers in order to protect the nation from enemies at work within the country. But has this effort to curb foes on the part of the government been given a wide enough scope? Are we thoroughly protecting the nation from all its dangerous enemies? Have we not concentrated on just one class—the underground group working in the pay of the nations with which we are at war?

We have learned many things since World War I, among them that war is waged not only by soldiers, sailors, and airmen under arms but also by the workers in mills, the toilers in factories, and in fact by every civilian however prosaic his task may seem to be. We have not yet quite learned another very important lesson; namely, that it is not only the spies operating in

our midst who interfere with the winning of a war, but also all persons who in any way waste materials, break down morale by precept or example, or participate in those antisocial activities which sap the strength of the nation.

Think for a moment of three of these deadly enemies now at work in all parts of the country. They are daily undermining morale, weakening our fighting forces. Look at drink, gambling, and prostitution. Why should the liquor business consume, in a worse than useless waste, material needed for the prosecution of the war? Why should the men in the armed forces be undermined by legalized poison, unfitted for their dangerous and exacting tasks? The liquor business is a parasite not only stealing away the strength of the fighting forces but unfitting for their tasks thousands of workers who should be busy building airplanes and manufacturing arms and munitions. By what right is the parasite of drink tolerated?

A New England minister told the other day of the automobiles and taxicabs from Boston streaming through his town bound for the dog-racing tracks. Said he, "It burns me up as they drive past me consuming gasoline and wearing out tires while I, in order to help the government, am riding a bicycle." Which is more important for American morale, gambling at the dog races, or visiting the sick, praying with the dying, comforting the bereaved, and burying the dead?

We are hearing how fast women are trailing the soldiers as they come and go from their camps. Prostitution is a rampant evil these days, according to reports. Why is it allowed to go on? Does it contribute toward the winning of the war, or does it undermine men physically, intellectually, and morally?

The government calls upon all good citizens to conserve every resource for the winning of the war, to avoid all waste. Sugar is rationed; gasoline is rationed; tires are rationed. During recent weeks we have been besought through the press, over the radio, in public address, to scour our homes for rubber "to help Uncle Sam win this war." Even the children have been asked to contribute their rubber toys. Amounts of rubber as small as rubber bands apparently are needed. There has been loyal cooperation in all these and many other sacrifices. But why should the parasites of society be allowed such amazing freedom to destroy what devoted citizens are doing their best to conserve—manpower, material and morale?

It is high time that the makers of drunkards, the gamblers, and the prostitutes were rounded up and made to "fish or cut bait." Everyone else is helping; why should they be permitted to hinder the war effort?

There is a cloud the size of a man's hand over the horizon, but it is daily growing bigger and bigger. Public indignation is beginning to gather, and there will soon be a storm unless something is done about these three evils now flourishing in our midst like green bay trees. There is no room for them. Americans at home and abroad are fighting for their lives and their freedom. They do not propose to be frustrated by the selfish proponents of unlimited personal license to do evil in this present crisis.—Zion's Herald.

According to Napoleon: "The difficult is something you do at once, the impossible takes a little longer."

SOME SEVENTY MILLIONS

The most democratic country in Europe is the Netherlands, and in Wilhelmina it has a queen who is honored and beloved. It was Holland that gave to the new world the first example of religious freedom when it was not enjoyed by the people of France and Britain. It was the Dutch who set the example of public education which has become the cornerstone of our republic. In all generations it has given refuge to the persecuted. Our debt of obligation to that country opened the door to Queen Wilhelmina. In her address to Congress last week, which was admirable, there was one extract which shows that, like members of other royal families, she looks for a return of the status of colonies when the war is over. She said:

I stand here as the spokesman of my country, not only of those nine million of my compatriots in Europe, but also of some 70 millions in Asia and in the Western Hemisphere whom I know to be as one with me in the spirit.

This clearly shows that this queen thinks that she will still reign over the 70 millions in Dutch colonies and that these 70 millions will be subject to the nine millions in Europe. She does not conceive that the 70 millions "in Asia and the Western Hemisphere" have as much right to govern themselves as the nine milliions in Holland, or that when the war is over they, like the Filipinos, will look forward to self-government with no strings to countries in Europe or America. This will be true of India and all other countries heretofore governed from abroad. These people do not wish government **handed down,** even if it is good. They feel they have a right to govern themselves, and they are right in that belief. And independence of every nation alone will make a peaceful world. Neither the United States nor Britain nor Holland has the right to impose government on any other country.—Editorial in News and Observer.

DEATH

Zella Ward Tippy

I waked once more.
For years I've watched the morn
Break through the thinning night;—
And then arose to do the homely chores
Of daily life.

Last night I dreamed a dream.
I thought my name was called; and gossamer forms
Of light and tint and sheen
Upon me smiled.

And three I knew; but even as they neared,
I saw dear faces that I'd lost for years.
Their eyes held peace—deep set with mystery.
There was exalted joy in outstretched hands,
The while the chorus chanted, "Come."

So now I've waked, but I am all alone
Save for a Presence that I do not see.
The pain is gone:—that old familiar sting—
And I look down upon a form
So still and white, the wonder grows,
That ever I have lived within.

I must pass on: I move on thought
That's not my own: So swift and sure and light.
I pause—look down. Is that the church
Where Sunday last I sang the hymns
And questioned immortality?

The sun glints through the room
Where those I love still rest in sleep.
They'll wake to find me gone.
Will they be sure until they follow me
I'm with them yet—and going onward too?

THE NEW TRINITY CHURCH AT ALEXANDRIA LINKED UP WITH GEORGE WASHINGTON

The trowel with which George Washington laid the cornerstone of the Capitol 149 years ago was used August 7, 1942, to lay the cornerstone of the new Trinity church in Alexandria, Va.

The trowel in the interim has also been employed in cornerstone laying ceremonies for the Smithsonian Institution in 1846, the Washington Monument two years later, the Washington National Memorial in 1923, and the Archives Building several years ago.

The ceremonies were under the direction of the Alexandria-Washington Masonic Lodge No. 22, and featured an address by Rev. A. P. Williams, superintendent of the Alexandria district of the Methodist Church.

Rev. J. H. Blakemore, Jr., is pastor of the new church, the predecessor of which was built originally in 1792 and replaced in 1803.

The new building now in progress will be Trinity's third house of worship and is being built from the materials including hand-pressed brick, from the old church on Washington street, where the church was located for 138 years.

Trinity's history goes back to 1763 and the first Methodist preacher in America, Robert Strawbridge, whose daughter was married to William Watters, America's first native-born regular Methodist preacher and pastor of Trinity for three years.

In 1774 a Methodist society of 12 members was organized under the leadership of John Littlejohn, an 18-year-old boy. Alexandria went through a phenomenal growth between 1790 and 1800, being then a part of the District, and Trinity expanded with it. In 1803 a new church on Washington street was built under the pastorate of Mr. Watters.

Since the Civil War, however, Trinity has suffered, being identified as the "Northern Methodist Church" in a town of rich Southern heritage. By 1940 it was so weak that either closing or merging was considered necessary. However, the church was relocated by authority of the District committee on building and locations in one of the most attractive communities in Alexandria where only 13 per cent of the territory is now aligned with any local church.

While the new building is under construction services are held in a temporary building at the rear of the property.

SMALL STONES ALSO SERVE

While piling stones behind our new fence, I was reminded of a story that David Grayson tells in his inspiring book, "The Countryman's Year":

Yesterday, I was talking with an old country philosopher I know. He was laying a stone wall and commented on the indispensability of small stones to keep the large ones in place—to make the wall solid.

"And I was thinkin'," said he, "of the need of small men, like me, to keep the big ones in place. They can't leave a man of us out."

"That's what they sometimes forget," said I.

"Yes, sir, they forget—but it ain't fer long. Their walls fall down."

In America today, we need the small stones as well as the big stones to build up our wall of defense. Without the little man, the big plant must close down. Without the united efforts of the little men, the big cause may be lost. No matter how small we are, if we do our part we can help hold up the wall.—Silver Lining.

BROYHILL - BANGLE

Miss Willie Christine Broyhill of Lenoir, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Calloway Broyhill, became the bride of Rev. F. Dowd Bangle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Bangle, at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, August 16, in First Presbyterian church, Lenoir, with Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick of Marion officiating, using the ring ceremony.

A program of nuptial music was rendered by Mrs. Robert Newman, Jr., organist, Miss Alleene Broyhill, cousin of the bride, soloist, and Mack Patton of Morganton, soloist.

Ushers were James W. McKenzie, Jr., of Rockingham, cousin of the groom, Paul H. Broyhill of Lenoir, cousin of the bride, Edward Overstreet of Charlotte, and Edward McGimsey of Morganton.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Clyde Bowman of Robinsville, former classmate of the bride at W. C. T. C., and Miss Catherine L. Bangle of Charlotte, sister of the bridegroom.

Patricia Broyhill of Lenoir and Sara Jo Hensley of Morganton were children attendants.

Rev. Fletcher Nelson, pastor of First Methodist church of Morganton, was best man.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, William C. Broyhill.

They left for a bridal trip to the mountains of western North Carolina. They will reside on Patton street, Morganton.

Mrs. Bangle is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Broyhill of Robinsville and Lenoir. She is a graduate of Robinsville high school and of Western Carolina Teachers College in 1940 with a bachelor of science degree. She majored in education, with special work in music. She was active in the Schubert Glee Club and the Halcyon chorus, being pianist for both groups, and served for two years as president of MacDowell Music Club, a club for piano pupils. She is active in Y. W. C. A. and religious work. Since graduation she has been a member of the faculty of the Chesterfield grammar school in Morganton. She is a member of the Woman's Club of Morganton and is pianist and choir director of Mount Pleasant Methodist church in Morganton.

The bridegroom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Bangle of Charlotte. He received his education in the city schools of Charlotte, graduating from Central high school in 1931. He attended Duke University, graduating with the bachelor of arts degree in 1935. He was president of the Columbia Literary Society, and vice president of the Duke Y. M. C. A., founder of the annual observance of Duke Dads' Day, and a member of Delta Phi Alpha. He rereceived his bachelor of divinity degree from the divinity school of Yale in 1938.

Rev. Mr. Bangle spent a year in research in education in the graduate school of Yale University, and received his master of arts degree in the department of education in 1942. He was boys' work secretary of the Charlotte Y. M. C. A. for several years, and became pastor of Asbury Chapel Methodist church in Huntersville in July, 1941; he received an appointment to the Morganton Methodist circuit.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Bangle of Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. James W. McKenzie of Rockingham, Misses Jeanne and Grace McKenzie of Rockingham, Harry L. Shinn of Charlotte, Mrs. Sam Atwell of Salisbury, Miss Helen Ghormley of Robbinsville, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Edmonds of Bristol, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cowan, Jr., of Salisbury, Rev. Linwood J. Stevenson of Tappahanock, Va., and Mrs. C. S. Kirkpatrick of Marion.

SURPRISE FOR COLONEL WATTERSON

Itinerant printers were continually drifting in and out of the Louisville Courier-Journal office during the heyday of its great editor, Col. Henry Watterson. Readers might applaud his broadside on the state of the nation, but only the struggling typesetter knew what confusion they caused when they were presented to him in longhand. The fact is, "Marse Henry's" handwriting was hardly any more legible than Horace Greeley's.

On a certain day one of his longer editorials was given to a new arrival in the composing room. It was up to the Colonel's usual forensic style and somewhere in it the phrase "from Alpha to Omega" occurred. "Marse Henry" could hardly believe his eyes when the editorial came out in cold type. The familiar phrase had been recast: "from Alton to Omaha."—Christian Science Monitor.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

2*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
2*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.
2*M. R. Gardner, Aulander.
*T. J. Whitehead, North Gates.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.
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New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
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*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.

Wilmington District

*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.
*M. W. Warren, Garland.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.

Charlotte District

*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

9*Hoyt H. Wood, W. Jefferson.
*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.

Greensboro District

*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.
*E. M. Avett, Glenwood.

High Point District

2*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
*J. W. Braxton, Asheboro.
*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*C. H. Hill, Liberty Ct.
*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.

Statesville District

4*H. G. Allen, Broad Street.
*J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr., Highlands.
*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

4*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.

Winston-Salem District

4*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
2*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.

Raleigh District

R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
P. O. Lee, Clayton.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.

Wilmington District

C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
C. T. Rogers, Wallace-Rose Hill.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.
W .J. Freeman, Bladen.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.
C. W. Bates, Candler.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
P. T. Dixon, Morven.
C. E. Murray, Spencer Memorial.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
G. W. Clay, Fallston.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.
G. C. Graham, Jonesville.

High Point District

T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.
M. W. Edwards, Mill Spring.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.
J. C. Reichard, Troutman.
J. Max Brandon, Sr., Grace-Rhodhiss.
Reid Wall, Granite Falls.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.

MUSIC AND WORSHIP

It seems God's plan that music should have a part in the worship service. David, the sweet singer fo Israel, was counted a blessing of God. When Christ was born, angels sang. Heaven is described as a place of music. Again and again music has declared the inner movings of the spirits of men from Paul and Silas through the royal army of martyrs and on to Christ's present-day followers. Man's highest emotional expression is found when he is worshipping God: it is by music that this emotional expression is best formed; while it is being effectively rendered, hearts are strangely warmed; a Christ-like spirit is formed and sharpened; and the will softens and yields to the will of God.

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APPEAL TO SECRETARIES OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

PLEASE—All secretaries of Literature and Publications, note the following announcement:

"After September first there will be an advance in the price of our magazine, The World Outlook. The price will be $1.25 per year. The combination price of The Methodist Woman and The World Outlok will be $1.50 pear year. All subscriptions submitted before September 1st will be accepted at the old combinations price of $1.25.

Secretaries of Literature please get busy and send in a large number of new subscriptions before September 1, 1942.—Mrs. D. M. Davidson, Conf. Sec. Literature and Publications.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

My dear Friends: I have good news for you. Since writing you in regard to raising our share of the "Emergency Fund," I have learned from the New York office that life memberships can be applied on the "Emergency Fund."

I feel sure that many of our Societies will want to honor some of their members by making them life members. This is a wonderful opportunity to help the Woman's Division of Christian Service meet a real need and at the same time honor some of our members who have done faithful and efficient work for years. You will find on page 35 of "The Revised Guide" a list of all life memberships. Please see that your Society sends in its quota of twenty-five cents per member with your third quarter's report. If any member fails to pay her part we are asked to make up this deficit from our local fund. You have been so loyal and fine, I know you will not fail in this emergency. I am counting on you. Yours with gratitude, Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

PASSING OF PFEIFFER COLLEGE STUDENT

It is with deep regret we have heard of the death of Miss Mary Elizabeth Williamson, of Asheville, who passed away on Friday, August 7th, in an Asheville hospital following a short illness. Miss Williamson had been a student at Pfeiffer College for the term 1941-1942, having been awarded a study grant by our Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service in 1941, following the completion of her school work at Lee Edwards High School in Asheville. She had had a most successful and happy year at the college and was making all her plans to return for the term of 1942-1943, looking forward to another year at the institution. Her funeral was conducted at Oakley Methodist Church, of which she was a member, by her pastor, Rev. E. O. Peeler, and her body was taken to Dyersburg, Tenn., for interment. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. S. C. Wright; step-father, S. C. Wright; an only sister, Miss Eugenia Williamson; and a half-brother, James Wright. We extend to her loved ones our deepest sympathy in their sorrow.

NEW ORGANIZATION AT ELK PARK, MARION DISTRICT

Mrs. F. W. Hughes writes us of the organization of a new Woman's Society of Christian Service on the Marion District at Elk Park, N. C. Mrs. Hughes says: "A group of women, members of the various churches of Elk Park, met at the Elk Park Methodist Church Thursday evening, August 6th, at 8 o'clock and organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service. Rev. J. N. Snow, pastor of the Elk Park Methodist Church, presided and assisted in the organization of the Society. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. A. Vance; vice-president, Mrs. Roy A. Harmon; recording secretary, Mrs. M. Bagby; corresponding secretary, Mrs. F. W. Hughes; treasurer, Mrs. P. H. Sieman; secretary Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Roy A. Harmon; secretary Student Work, Mrs. Nage Winters; secretary Missionary Education and Service, Miss Rosalie Dearmin; secretary Christian Social Relations, Mrs. J. N. Snow; secretary of Literature and Supplies, Mrs. Mary Lou Norman. Twelve members were enrolled. We wish for this new organization the greatest success and an increased enrollment of members. Address of all officers: Elk Park, N. C.

PROMINENT SPEAKERS IN ASHEVILLE CHURCHES

Because of its proximity to the three religious assemblies in the western part of North Carolina—Ridgecrest, Montreat and Lake Junaluska, Asheville has been highly favored during the past six weeks by the presence of outstanding speakers from these three assemblies. Among these speakers whose visits have been highly appreciated are: Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs, of Birmingham, Ala.; Bishop Paul B. Kern, of Nashville, Tenn.; Bishop Edwin F. Lee, former missionary to Singapore; Bishop C. C. Selecman, of Oklahoma City; Dr. Elmer Clark, of New York, editor World Outlook, and secretary Board of Missions and Church Extension, Methodist Church; Dr. W. F. Quillian, of New York, secretary Division of Education and Cultivation, Board of Missions and Church Extension; Hon. Josephus Daniels, of Raleigh, former ambassador to Mexico, and secretary of the Navy; Dr. J. H. Humphrey, medical missionary, Southern Baptist Convention, Chen Chow, China; Dr. Dan Caldwell, Atlanta, Ga., director Defense Service Council, Presbyterian Church of United States; Dr. R. Z. Tyler, Miami, Fla., District Superintendent, Miami District; Dr. S. C. Mitchell, Richmond, Va., Professor of History in University of Richmond; Dr. Charles R. Erdman, Princeton, N. J., Professor, Princeton Theological Seminary and former Moderator of the General Assembly, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.; and Dr. Max Reich, of Chicago, who delivered the opening address of the Hebrew Christian Alliance of America which was in session in Central Church, during the week of August 2-7.

SUNNY ACRES

"Our Roving Reporter" in the August issue of The World Outlook has an article of exceptional interest on the origin of Sunny Acres near Lewisville, N. C. This writer tells how this beautiful country place—known as Sunny Acres Farm—grew out of the anxiety of a woman for underprivileged children in the summer time, one who felt that the city's streets were not the proper place for children to play and who felt that they needed the country. This thought that came to Miss Anna Ogburn, of Winston-Salem, would not let her rest so she went to Nyack, New York, to the Christian Herald Camp to find how summer camps were run, and Sunny Acres is the result. A building large enough to accommodate forty children was built and through the social agencies of Winston-Salem children, who otherwise would have had no chance to go to the country, were invited to Sunny Acres for two weeks at a time. That beginning has grown beyond a summer camp and Sunny Acres is now the meeting place of various organizations during each year: "In summer the farm echoes with the shouts of children," but in the spring, fall and winter Sunny Acres is used for various group meetings such as Pastors' Institutes, young people's gatherings, executive meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of W. N. C. Conference (an annual event for years, always an occasion of interest and inspiration), and programs of the rural churches. Today Miss Ogburn leases Sunny Acres to the church, and installed at the home is Miss Hyda Heard, a director of activities and who, with Miss Ogburn, is making it a home which holds a warm place in the hearts of many in the Western North Carolina Conference. It is interesting to know that at the completion of Sunny Acres the building was dedicated to Christian service, at the request of Miss Ogburn, with Dr. C. C. Weaver, at that time her pastor, as the officiating minister, in a most impressive service, with a number of friends present to enjoy the service. Quoting the closing paragraph of "Our Roving Reporter's article: "The anxiety of a woman for the children in a city's hot streets, has brought into existence a work that has reached out, not only into a community, but into the whole state. A visit to this wonderful place—so restful, so beautiful and with such an air of reverence and sanctity, is sufficient for everyone to feel that Miss Ogburn's selection of the name "Sunny Acres" is most fitting. Long may Sunny Acres live and may each year bring added success to her achievements.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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OUR TASK

"Our task is not merely the work of the Woman's Division but the task of the whole church. Our task is to lift the purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service into the purpose of the church and align them for achievement. The Woman's Division of Christian Service does not exist for a Society but for the purpose of the church in building the Kingdom of God. We want to be effective members of the church and do our full quota of the work of the church. There is a need for all to do what we are doing plus a great deal more that we can do."—Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, at Lake Junaluska.

CONCERNING READING CIRCLES

"There are unexplored possibilities in reading circles as far as members of the W. S. C. S. are concerned," stated Miss Oscie Saunders on a seminar at Lake Junaluska during the School of Missions and Missionary Conference. Not only approved reading circle books may be used in this project, but also supplementary material for mission study classes. Any Society which promotes a reading circle among its members has every reason to expect more interest in Mission Study classes. Members who are unable to attend Mission Study classes will likewise be benefited by the reading circle project. To one Society interested folk donate one dollar each with which to purchase books. The names of those participating in the reading circle are placed in the back of each book and each woman who reads a book passes it on to the one whose name appears below hers. In this Society with a membership of approximately 200, at least 20 women are participating in the reading circle. Is this not a worthy example to follow? Let's have many such examples in the N. C. Conference."

NEWS FROM BISHOP KAUNG

Last week on this page we told of the delightful presence of Miss Me Tsung Kaung at the School of Missions and Missionary Conference. Miss Kaung, a student at Mount Holyoke College, is the daughter of Bishop Kaung, of China, the man who led Chiang Kai-Shek to Christ. Among many interesting experiences which Miss Kaung shared with those who were privileged to meet her was a letter which she has recently received from her father. Miss Kaung graciously consented to allow us to share a copy of this letter with the readers of our N. C. Conference Woman's Page. We are hopeful that each of these readers will catch something of the spirit of the man who wrote the letter and will sense a new realization of what Christian missions means. Bishop Kaung writes: "We are working toward the goal of self-supporting, self-propagating and self-governing. It is not going to be easy, but this is a golden opportunity to start. My hands have been and are full of the church problems arising from the new situation. I am grateful to God for giving me the privilege of sharing in a small way His burden of the Cross. Despite the knotty problems I have been able to go through the path of great difficulties by His Grace. More and more do I realize His Presence and His Power as I come in contact with church affairs. It is a privilege, a wonderful one, to be working for the church of the Lord." People coming into West China who have seen Bishop Kaung have said of him: "He is simply wonderful; he is fearless and has won the respect of all. He is such a wonderful spiritual leader and unusual executive. The church in China has taken on his support. Who knows what that is going to mean to the Christian church!"

EVERY PRECAUTION TAKEN

Dr. W. G. Cram, Executive Secretary, Joint Division of Education and Cultivation Board of Missions and Church Extension, told a large assemblage gathered at Lake Junaluska for the School of Missions and Missionary Conference, that every precaution has been observed in preserving the work of our missionaries. Those missionaries who have returned from fields of service in the war-torn areas have been placed in other fields of service, thereby being held in reserve for the time when they may return to their original work. Open doors in many other fields have resulted from war conditions in the Orient and elsewhere. The World Service Commission has decided that a council of 15 members shall survey the fields, work out details and make a report to the World Service Commission in September. The Commission will meet in Chicago this month for the purpose of deciding upon a plan for a special offering to be taken on a later date.

MISS BROOKS TO MOVE

Three years ago North Carolina Conference secured for the first time the services of a rural deaconess in the person of Miss Ruth Brooks. During these three years Miss Brooks has been stationed on the Person Circuit in the Durham District. She has rendered invaluable service in varied types of helpful activities—visiting in homes, organization work, building up Sunday schools and Bible classes, conducting vacation church schools, teaching, attending meetings and assisting those rural folk in every way possible. Rev. F. B. Peele, pastor of Person Circuit, and Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Durham District Superintendent, the Conference Rural Commission and the folk whom she served are profuse in their praise of her untiring efforts and effective work. Recently several urgent calls for a rural deaconess in various parts of the Conference have come and it is a matter of deep concern and regret that response to all of these calls cannot be given. However, because of the immediate urgency of the need on Goldsboro Circuit, Miss Brooks will begin her new work there on September 1. This urgent need on Goldsboro Circuit was created by the fact that Daniels Chapel has been forced to be removed to Adamsville, a suburb of Goldsboro, in order to make way for the new army camp in the area where it was formerly located. Adamsville is experiencing a rapid growth and, therefore, the services of Miss Brooks there for the next year will be most helpful. Rev. Willis Stevens is pastor of Goldsboro Circuit. We are wishing for Miss Brooks continued success and happiness in her work as rural deaconess and shall be eagerly anticipating having news of her activities on Goldsboro Circuit.

SYMPATHY TO MRS. HOLT

While on a recent return trip from California Mrs. S. S. Holt, Conference recording secretary, received news of the death of her brother, James H. Thomas. Mr. Thomas, a resident of Jacksonville, Fla., passed away on August 2. Mr. and Mrs. Holt were visiting in Denver, Colo., when the telegram was received. They had journeyed to California to visit their son, Ensign Sidney Holt, of the naval air force. Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Holt in her sorrow.

MRS. HOOD RECOVERING

For several weeks Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Conference secretary, has been suffering the ill effects of an ulcer on her right eye. Recently her left eye has also become infected. However, it is encouraging to note that Mrs. Hood, though yet unable to use her eyes, is improving. We are hopeful that very soon she shall be able again to take up all her normal activities.

GRATITUDE VS. AN OFFERING

In an address during the Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska recently, Dr. Newell Booth, a missionary to Africa, told an appealing story of an African chieftain who expressed his gratitude for Christian missions. Said Dr. Booth: "One day an African chieftain came to visit me, bringing with him three or four of his wives, all of whom were carrying baskets of food as a gift. There is a custom in Africa that when one receives a gift he must give one in return. When I turned to get a gift the chieftain said, 'No, this is an offering. We have come to hear more of the Jesus.'

"All over Africa," said Dr. Booth, there are folk like that, eager to hear the Gospel of Christ."

I am to see that the world is better because of me and find my reward in the act.—Emerson.

He who directs not youth controls not age.—French.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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HOW COME AND WHY

It will be remembered that the Methodists of the Western North Carolina conference were a bit slow at getting at the matter of establishing an orphanage. Our people had seen the Masons work successfully at the orphanage business for quite a long while. They had seen the Baptists, the Episcopalians, the Presbyterians, the Odd Fellows, the Pythians and the Eastern North Carolina Methodists successfully promote the institutional care of fatherless boys and girls for quite a while before they got at the good business. Our people were not doubting Thomases but were hesitant, this being an easier position to take since a Western North Carolina Conference Methodist was superintendent of Oxford Orphanage and was lending his aid at providing for some of the orphan load in our area. But an irresistable force cannot continually be held back, and eventually the Children's Home was launched, the purpose of which was to do a Christ-like business and to give Christ-like people joy in the doing of it.

CONTINUAL EVALUATION

Once started our Methodist people, led by well-to-do altruistic individuals, have come a long way in providing an institution for orphan and indigent children. Our plant is second to none in our area, our staff is good and our purpose is clear. The work done by such a set up is constantly under evaluation. It is not our purpose to shut our eyes in the glory of our undertaking to the mistakes we make, the defects in our procedure and the disappointments in some of our output. We are continually mindful of the importance of keeping faith with our living constituency and our departed donors. We must also keep faith with the boys and girls who implicitly look to us for guidance and who in overwhelming numbers are a credit to themselves and to all those who had a part in their upbringing.

METHOD OF FINANCING

While we work and while we evaluate our work we are continually reminding our friends of their part in the raising of a big family of enterurising boys and girls. Our friends' greatest help comes through their giving. At first the plan was to finance the Children's Home through the Sunday schools. This proved inadequate and a ten per cent apportionment was placed on each pastoral charge, this to be over and above the Sunday school giving. After thirty years of this successful operation, thanks to the bountiful income from endowment investments, the supplementary apportionment has come into being, meaning that each pastoral charge now has the challenge of giving an amount equal to from twelve to twenty-five per cent of what it pays its pastor in charge. All congregational giving, fifth Sundays, specials and apportionments, are to be included in this method, this change being made necessary because of decreased endowment income and increased enrollment of children. So the method of our Methodist people's giving is clearly defined.

THE LAST LAP

The conference year is coming to a close, Only two months are left before the assembling of our Methodist people for giving an account of the year's work and for receiving their marching orders for another year's work. The annual confernece is a great event in the operation of our church affairs. While much progress has been made in all the year round

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A CHILDREN'S HOME
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IS COMING
ARE YOU READY
FOR THIS
GIVING DAY?

giving, there still remains a feeling on the part of many of our people that much can be left undone until just before the conference year comes to a close. This time is approaching. We are on the last lap of the conference year's running. Some $30,000 must be collected during this time for the Children's Home in order to secure what is necessary to run our business on a balanced basis.

CONFERENCE IS COMING

There is something exhilarating in the coming of the annual conference. So many will be gathering who will be flushed with victory. Many deeds of great accomplishment will be recorded. The halleluiah time will be on the calendar. Not the least interest in the coming of the annual conference is the assignment of pastors for the ensuing year. Having been raised in a Methodist parsonage, this scribe was brought up an annual conference guessing on appointments. It was my father's favorite indoor sport. If this scribe could get with a half dozen Methodist ministers he now knows he could get a their tonsils removed. But still there would be interesting to say the least. The annual conference is coming. That's no guess.

TWO AILING BOYS

Some two months ago two little boys from away over in the high mountains came to live with us. Not having a better home, they lived in a county home. The boys came with smiles on their faces and "boogers" on their heads. It was soon noticed that they were ailing boys and the process of body building was started. Eventually they were in position to have their tnosils removed. But still there was something wrong. The worms are being removed from their stomachs, bad habits removed from their sleeping and the two little boys with mountain smiles and buoyant temperaments will soon be starting to school after having spent the entire summer in bed.

TELLTALE LETTERS

Every year there comes within our minds a hesitancy at facing the risks, the work and the hazards of the wholesale vacationing of our children. From an administrative viewpoint, children's vacations are not desirable. But from a child nature and child nurture viewpoint they are essential to a buoyant life. The letters coming to us on each day's mail give information of happy times, lovely times and beneficial times. The children will soon be returning and we will share with them their joyful experiences, their exaggerated ideas of self-importance and their homesicknesses. Through the sympathetic sharing of comradeship we will be enabled to lead them on into the approaching fall's program of living.

STAFF ADJUSTMENTS

Like other big business enterprises, we are having to face up to staff adjustments. The call of our country has taken four of our young men employees. The teaching profession has also called upon us for help and the wear and tear on willing workers has carried several of our choicest leaders to the hospital. As is true of every summer, but a great deal more so this summer, we are having to make a number of staff adjustments. Regardless of whatever strikes us, it is our policy to see that the work of raising children must proceed with as little handicap as possible.

JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Only a little over a week from the time these lines appear in print will stand between us and the opening of our elementary school, conducted here on our Home grounds. The children will be trooping up the way to our seat of learning, situated on the highest portion of our campus. Since the eighth grade, that new section in the twelve grade set up, does not have a free state text-book allowance, some $500 will have to be invested in books for these boys and girls, all these books being new. With the books must come other supplies, expensive though they be, necessary for the learning process. School days are just around the corner. We would not forget their value because of our concern about their expense.

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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WINGS—One of our former Orphanage sons finished his course in aviation recently and received his wings. Hearty congratulations to Benton Paul. While a member of our Orphanage family he was an outstanding ing athlete and a good student. Benton left a fine record behind him in every respect. He will give a good account of himself in the service of his country, and we are proud of his achievement.

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COMPLIMENTARY EXPRESSIONS—Many letters have come to me of a complimentary nature, with reference to the visits of our 75 children in the Durham district. Quite a goodly number have requested that they may have the pleasure and privilege of entertaining the same children in their homes next summer. I am sure that the friends who entertained the children will have a higher appreciation of the Methodist Orphanage than ever before.

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LONESOME—Since more than 200 of our children are away on vacations things are very quiet and lonesome at the Orphanage. For weeks the children have been excited over their vacations and I am sure they will enjoy their outing. There are some disadvantages of course, but the advantages offset the disadvantages. The impression that the children make on the public is highly complimentary to the Orphanage. A few days after the children return school will open and things will become normal again at the Orphanage.

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WORK WELL DONE—For the past four or five weeks our farm boys have worked early and late getting everything in readiness to go on their vacation. Laying by crops and filling two large silos, which hold 270 tons of ensilage, was a big undertaking. Our boys met the challenge successfully, and when the time came for them to leave on their vacation there was nothing left undone. The weather was extremely hot, but they worked like Trojans. I do not think I have ever seen a happier group of children than ours were the morning they left to spend two weeks on their vacation. Only a small group is left behind, but they had their vacation of two weeks just before the large group took theirs.

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MEANINGFUL—It would be difficult to over estimate the value of the proper observance of Orphanage day in the church schools on fifth Sundays. People are never very much interested in any undertaking about which they know but little. By keeping the needs and opportunities of the Methodist Orphanage constantly on the minds and hearts of our people, they will become interested in giving our girls and boys a better chance in life. One secret of the success of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage and the Presbyterian Orphanage at Barium Springs is due to the fact that these orphanages have the right of way in their Sunday schools once every month. People like to support a cause about which they are informed. I am persuaded to believe that our Methodist people love and appreciate our Orphanage as much as the Baptists and Presbyterians love and appreciate theirs. Here's hoping that every church school in the conference will put on the Orphanage program next Sunday week and send us their free will offerings. Please remember that every dollar given by the church schools on the fifth Sundays is credited on the Orphanage apportionment.

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WORTH READING

There comes a time in the life of every boy and girl a strange feeling—a feeling that seems wonderful, yet strange, and queer. That feeling must be like that of a person about to go on a journey. Not that I am saddened with the thought of leaving to make room for others but my life here flashes through my mind. As it does I think again of the good times here at the Methodist Orphanage. I appreciate now more than ever the things that I have been taught, not only from books but from activities provided for us.

I cannot express my thanks to every one who has made my life here happy, but I am glad to say in this space that these seven years have been well spent. I wish to thank especially the ladies of the missionary society in Morehead City for kindness toward me.

As I come now to the second turning point in my life I am overjoyed with thoughts of adventures that I may take. My ambition is to achieve wonderful things. I know I have my life to live, and my life will ever be guided by the teachings and advice received at the Methodist Orphanage.

Henry Jones.

YOU ARE RICH

You are richer today than you were yesterday—if you have laughed often, given something, forgiven even more, made a new friend today, or made stepping stones of stumbling blocks; if you have thought more in terms of "thyself" than "myself," or if you have managed to be cheerful even if you were weary. You are richer tonight than you were this morning—if you have taken time to trace the handiwork of God in the commonplace things of life, or if you have learned to count out things which really do not count, or if you have been a little blinder to the faults of friend or foe.

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This page is dedicated by the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference this week to High Point College, High Point, N. C.

Student Prospects

Present indications are that the enrollment will not be greatly cut despite the emergency situation. It seems now that there will be as many girls enrolled as last year. And the preregistration of boys is holding up quite well. High Point College enrolled 521 students last year, the highest number since the college opened, and we are greatly encouraged as to the coming term.

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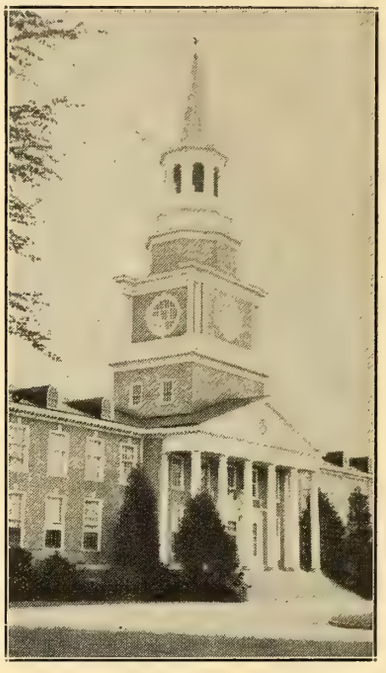
The government has approved the college for pre-induction training for the armed forces by allotment of quotas for young men in each of the four classes. Young men may enlist in the Reserve Corps of the Army, Navy (V.1, V-7) Marines, and Army Air Corps. They may stay in college to complete their courses by qualifying examinations at the close of each year. They are on the road for officers' commissions. The armed forces need college trained men to become officers. This is a great opportunity for young men who are in earnest about a college education and who wish to prepare themselves to serve their country.

Special Courses to Fit Young Men for Service

Nine courses outlined to cover two years study have been set up in order that the college may be of real service to the young men who may be called into service when twenty years old. They are not intended to be terminal courses. A young man may finish his college work and secure his degree either in a continuous course or by returning to college at a later date. These courses are:

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3. Ordinance Department.
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8. Signal Corps.
9. Pre-Engineering Department.

While these courses are intended to help in particular young men who may be called out of college into the service it is to be remembered that they are basic courses toward the Bachelor's Degree.



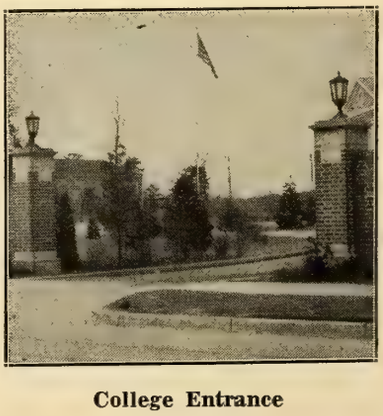
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Pre-Medical Training

High Point College, though only in its nineteenth session, has made an enviable record for its preparation given pre-medical students. This is a matter of record in the release of the American Medical Association. This record is an evidence of sound instruction and careful guidance for our students planning to become doctors. This fine work is steadily continuing.

Chemical Engineering

Last year between forty and fifty young men were enrolled in Chemical Engineering. Six were graduated last year and all were under contract in the spring. This is recognized as a stiff course, 145 semester hours required for graduation, but it is ably directed and fine trainees are graduated each year.



College Entrance

Business Administration

The college offers a four year course in Business Administration. Also a two year course in business and a one year course in commerce. A large percentage of the student body registers for work in this department. The graduates and those receiving certificates are in demand above our ability to supply.

Teacher Training

About one half of our graduates enter the teaching profession. High school, grammar and elementary grade certificates are earned at graduation by those who follow the prescribed courses. The supply of teachers is far less than the requests that come to us from all over the state.

Our Contribution to the Church

Last year there were 25 young men in training for the ministry; 29 children of ministers; 4 orphan children from our Winston orphanage; 11 from the former Methodist Protestant orphanage; and 3 from other orphanages. In tuition concessions alone these young people were given $5,673. And we are glad to make this contribution to the church from this church-related college.

C. P. T. Trainees

High Point College has been approved for and allotted a certain number in aviation, under the Civil Aeronautics Authority, for the past two years and for this summer and will continue for the coming year. Each eight weeks a new group of trainees are on hand. Some of these graduates are serving Uncle Sam on far distant fronts.

High Point College continues its regular program but also adds such work as enables it to offer an added contribution to meet the needs, arising out of the present emergency, that face our young people. Physical education will be required of all students to help build strong bodies and safeguard health. And every effort will be made to set forth ideals and beget motives for the building of character and the Christian life.

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NATIONAL CONVOCATION OF METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Plans are going forward for the first National Convocation of the Methodist Youth Fellowship at Oxford, Ohio, September 1-5. Outstanding platform leaders have been secured in the persons of Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Dean W. J. Faulkner, Bishop Paul B. Kern, Dr. Walter Van Kirk, Dr. Albert Outler, Dr. James Chubb, Rev. Harold Case, and others. In addition to these some outstanding resource leaders have been secured to lead the various commissions that will have a prominent place in the convocation program. Among the commission areas are "The Message of the Church Today," "The Disciplines of Christian Living," "Choosing a Vocation in These Times," "Power from Personal Devotions," "Resources from the Christian Faith for Wartime," "Our Ministry to Men in Service," "Youth Service Projects in the Church," and "The Youth Program of the Church."

Approximately 1500 young people and youth leaders will be in attendance upon the Convocation. The quota for the North Carolina conference is 18 delegates. A number of young people have expressed an interest in the Convocation and have secured information and registration blanks. Any others interested may secure blanks by writing to R. W. Bradshaw, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C. The total cost of the delegate at Miami will be $13. The other cost will be that of transportation and incidental expenses.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK SEPT. 27 - OCT. 4

"Christian Education Week is crucially important to the church's program. It is the time for studying the needs and the resources, a time for evaluating methods and organization and for strengthening and improving them. Jesus, the founder of the Christian religion, used teaching methods to lead men to a knowledge of God and to an understanding of the way of life. If we follow in his footsteps we shall make thoughtful and prayerful preparation for the work in which we are co-laborers with God.

Purposes of Christian Education Week

"The board of education and the church workers should decide on some very definite purposes, some improvements to be made, some new work to be initiated, some forward steps. Each church will decide on these in the light of its own needs. There should be enough to challenge the church school workers and pupils but not too many to be accomplished.

"The special emphasis suggested for the observance this year seems peculiarly appropriate in light of our world situation—'Education for Wider Fellowship.' This ought to be one step in preparing for the just and durable peace which we hope will come in the not too distant future. It is hoped that every church will list one or more that will include methods of education for wider fellowship.

"The following purposes or objectives are appropriate for this special emphasis:

1. To develop a greater sense of fellowship within the membership of The Methodist Church; to develop appreciation for Methodists of other sections of the United States.

2. To cultivate a more co-operative spirit among the denominations leading to plans for the United Christian Education Advance.

3. To develop evangelistic concern for unchurched persons in the community; to encourage plans for bringing such persons within the fellowship of the church.

4. To cultivate a sense of brotherhood for all mankind including persons of all races.

5. To lift up the importance of Christian education as a means of achieving Christian unity and world brotherhood.

Planning for Christian Education Week

"Each church should work out its own plans for using Christian Education Week. The plans should be made well in advance. This will mean that committees should be appointed not later than August.

"The persons assigned responsibility for planning and guiding the observance of Christian Education Week should be persons who have been active in the church school and in the community, persons who are deeply interested in Christian education. They must believe in the value of Christian Education Week if they are to enlist the interest and the support of others. The following committees are suggested:

1. A committee to discover needs and to recommend improvements.

2. A committee on publicity.

3. A committee on interdenominational co-operation.

4. A committee on programs and activities.

These committees should bring back preliminary reports to the church board of education by the first of September.

METHODIST YOUTH FUND TREASURER

At its meetng in Louisburg in June the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship elected Miss Elizabeth Myers to serve as treasurer of the Methodist Youth Fund. It was felt that the person serving as office secreatry of the conference staff would be the best person to handle this fund since the address would be a permanent one and there would not be the necessity for a change of address each time there was a change in the officer. Miss Myers' address is Box 647 College Station, Durham, N. C. That portion of the Methodist Youth Fund that has formerly been sent to Miss Joyce Griffin should hereafter be sent to Miss Myers.

THE FRIENDLY MAN AND THE FARMER

When I looked in at the door of the big farm kitchen I was told that the farmer was somewhere "at top side of the land." So I went in search of him.

I met him a few minutes later, and together we skirted a field of wheat. As we tramped along, now on a narrow strip of turf, now on the soil, clouds of dust rose up about our feet.

"Theland's dry," I remarked.

He nodded. "Very," said he.

"It's a wonder anything will grow in soil as dry as this," I said.

Again he nodded. "It's wonderful that anything grows at all," 'he replied. "Everything's wonderful in Nature."

I waited, for my old farmer friend is something of a philosopher, and I like to hear him talk.

"Plants are all wonderful," he continued presently. "They've wonderful reserves. Come a dry spell, and they keep on longer than you'd think. Come wet weather, they take a lot of drowning!"

It was my turn to nod.

"Pity more folks isn"t like 'em," was the odd comment. "There's too many folks today that can't stand extremes of anything! A bit of bad luck, half a pec kof trouble, loss or bereavement, and over they go—bowled out middle wicket. And likewise a bit of good fortune, a step up in the world—and they can't stand it."

He paused again, this veteran of storm and sunshine.

"I reckon," he concluded, "that it's only them as is rooted and grounded in the love of God that can stand firm whichever way fortune's wind happens to blow."—Methodist Recorder.

A THOUSAND SUCCESSFUL MEN

Some one has made a survey of a thousand successful men to learn how they got their start in life. These men are not mere money-makers, but have made the world better by their achievements in science, architecture, engineering, education, art, etc. It is interesting to note the beginnings of their life work.

Three hundred started as farmers' sons, two hundred started as messenger boys, two hundred were newsboys, one hundred were printers' apprentices, one hundred were manufacturers' apprentices, fifty began at the bottom of railroad work. Fifty—only fifty—had wealthy parents to give them a start. A lazy boy did not discover the telephone, learn to control steam nor invent the steam boiler, did not learn how to harness the falls of Niagara.

The men who have accomplished most in the world have been men who worked hard and long before they achieved success.—The Boy's Friend.

Children's Storyland



GOLDENROD

Have you heard, my children, of the olden times when fairies dwelt upon this earth? You need not ask grandma about it, because it was long before she was born—or even her mother. So grandmother may not know about the fairies.

If you had been alive in those days on the seashore, where you gather pretty shells, you might have met a sea-fairy with golden hair, dressed in sea-green garments, and wearing a necklace of pink coral. If you had gone into the woods to gather nuts or berries, perhaps you would have seen a woodland fairy with dazzling black eyes and bright colored robe, playing with squirrels or riding on the back of a rabbit. In the meadows where you gather flowers, instead of butterflies, you would have seen guaze-winged fairies flitting among the flowers.

Of all the fairies the most beautiful was the fairy queen. She dwelt in a great white palace, and for miles around flowers, fruits and berries were all hers. All the animals waited upon her. Bees brought her honey, squirrels brought her nuts, fireflies lighted her grounds at night and birds were her messengers.

The fairy queen was as good as she was beautiful and she loved all her subjects. Wishing to give them all a good time, and to make each fairy a present, she decided to give a grand ball. She called her messengers, the birds, and told them to carry invitations to all parts of her kingdom. Seagulls were sent to call sea-fairies from their coral homes beneath the waves, Robins were to summon fairies that dwelt in the flowery meadows, Eagles bore the tidings to fairies on the snow-capped mountains, and Blue-Jays shouted the news to fairies in the woods.

Great preparations were made in the palace. It was autumn—all the fruits were ripe, the flowers were at their brightest, the air was cool and sparkling. All the gayest flowers in the kingdom were gathered to decorate the palace. Clusters of grapes were piled upon golden dishes. Red and yellow apples vied with the flowers in beauty.

When at last the evening came, fairy lamps were lighted over the palace. There was a great hush—the sea-fairies came in their delicate sea-green gowns, pearls twined in their hair; the woodland fairies came dressed in cardinal flowers; the mountain fairies wore icicles for jewels.

There were merry feasting and dancing as beautiful as the sunbeams dancing on the water. It was very late when the fairy queen called her guests together and said: "My good fairies, for many years you have served me as faithful subjects. Before you leave my home I wish to present each of you with a gift, a token of love. I have a magic rod for each fairy. When you are in trouble hold fast to this rod, and no harm will befall you. Now it is late, and I have bidden the fireflies to light you home. Beware of our old enemies, the gnomes."

When the queen had thus spoken, she presented to each fairy a tiny rod. The end of the rod was of gold so fine and feathery that no goldsmith could make it. The delighted fairies thanked their queen and departed.

The gnomes were an ugly race of dwarfs who dwelt in caves away from the sunlight. They heard of the fairy queen's ball and were jealous because they were not invited. The fairies were not far from the palace on their way home when these wicked gnomes, who were lying in wait, chased them. If the fairies had held fast to their magic rods as the queen bade them all would have been well. But in their fright they dropped their dainty treasures, leaving them scattered over hill and valley and forest. The fairies reached home safely but for many days they mourned the loss of their precious rods.

Now, we no longer have any fairies, steam whistles, noisy machines, trains and cars have frightened them away. But when the ripe apples hang on the trees, when the grape vines are laden with purple clusters, when red berries look like rows of rubies on the bushes, and little white astors are scattered in the woods like drifts of fleecy snow—then you will see the fair goldenrods.

—Selected.

SWINGING

Grace Noll Crowell

I like to swing in our big rope swing
That hangs from a limb on our cottonwood tree.

When I go up high the funniest thing
Always seems to happen to me:
My back gets tingly and my toes
Tuck in tight and tingle, too;
It makes me laugh and my breathing goes
Gaspy and funny, and oh, the view
Over the world is the loveliest thing!
When up and up and up I fly
I can see so far from our big rope swing—

I can see the earth, I can see the sky,
I feel like the wind, I feel like a bird,
I feel like a little wild honey bee . . .
I wish I had one beautiful word
To tell what swinging does to me.

A MYSTERY

A butterfly came out of our cocoon today. When we found the cocoon last fall, Mother said:

"Something wonderful is happening in this caterpillar's house. We may see a beautiful butterfly come out in the spring."

We took the cocoon and put it in a box. We have been watching it almost every day this spring.

Today a brown and yellow butterfly slowly crawled out of one end. It was all wet and sticky and its wings were drooping.

We put the box in the sunlight for a while. Then we took it outdoors and put the butterfly on a branch of a bush. It kept opening and closing its wings as they dried in the sun. Suddenly it spread them wide and flew away.

"How can a caterpillar change into a butterfly?" I asked as we watched it go.

"I don't know," Mother answered softly.

"Doesn't anybody know?" I asked.

"God knows, for He planned it that way," Mother said. "No one but God could have thought of sending beauty into the world like that."—Story World.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Teacher: "Sammy, you know that you mustn't laugh in the schoolroom."

Sammy: "I know, ma'am. I was only smiling and the smile burst."

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The teacher had asked the pupils to write a short composition on the subject, "Water." One boy wrote: "Water is a white wet liquid which turns black when you wash in it."

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When a small boy presented himself for membership in a church he was asked by the pastor how he was coming into the church and the little boy answered, "I came in by bus."

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The teacher was testing the knowledge of a kindergarten class. Clasping a half dollar on the desk, she said sharply: "What is that?"

Instantly a voice from the back row replied: "Tails."

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A little boy from Canada who had never seen a Negro was riding in Virginia with his uncle when he spied a colored woman.

"Uncle, why does that woman blacken her face?"

"She doesn't; that's her natural color."

"Is she black like that all over?"

"Yes," uncle replied.

The boy looked up beamingly at his uncle. "Gee, uncle, you know everything, don't you?"

Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 23

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By Rollin H. Walker

Jacob's Vision of God

Genesis 27, 28

When we read the story of how Jacob by deceit stole away Esau's blessing, we are puzzled to know why he should deserve to see the vision of the ladder reaching up to heaven. And the answer is, that of course he did not deserve to see it. None of us deserve any of our heavenly visions. But while Jacob did not deserve the vision, he was in great trouble, fleeing from home to escape the dagger of his envious twin brother. And God is merciful to all fools and sinners who feel their need of him (Psalm 51.17).

It was not on an inner spring mattress that the tourist homes advertise that Jacob slept that night; but visions are not confined to people who sleep on soft beds. The stratified rocks ascending in a kind of stairway at Bethel might have suggested the vision of the ladder. The top reached to heaven, but it was set up on the earth. That is what your true philosopher must see. He must realize that the foundations of his heavenly hopes are firm based on the facts of a man's mundane existence. **And more and more men are seeing that the implications of our every day experience point to an unseen world and a heavenly power directing all things.**

Blessed is the young man to whom God can reveal himself by saying, I am the God of thy father and thy grandfather. Alas! there are some youths that, if you were to tell them that God was the God of their father and their grandfather, would be impelled to say, Well, then, he can't be much of a God. But Abraham and Isaac called up in the young man's mind an impression of the character of God that, although quite inadequate, pointed in the right direction.

How reassuring was the revelation to Jacob! The land on which he had been sleeping as a homeless refugee was to be his, and his descendants would spread abroad in every direction and be a blessing to all mankind. (Perhaps a similar promise is being whispered into the ears of some forlorn refugees today.) And I will be with thee, said the Lord, whithersoever thou goest. These words make us think of the promise of Jesus, Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

One of the great needs of youth in these days when they seem to have so little to say about the direction of their lives, is a sense of a divine commission. May Heaven grant that many of our soldier boys sleeping on hard beds in field and in camp may receive this same assurance that God has a gracious plan for them, a plan that all the powers of hell will not be able to thwart (Revelation 3:7, 8).

When Jacob awoke he exclaimed, Surely God is in this place and I knew it not. Many a man has suddenly realized the touch of angel wings in his office, or workshop, and bowed his head in awe and worship, and many a woman has suddenly known that God was in her kitchen. The sacredness of the commonplace, that is what we most need to realize. Would that God might baptize men everywhere in factory, mart and farm, with a sense of awe and wonder, and make them all exclaim with Jacob, This is none other than the house of God, this is the gate of heaven! Is it too much to ask that at times the angels of God may even be seen coming along the assembly lines? Jesus said, Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. And that promise is fulfilled in every grim situation that a man is called upon to face.

Jacob is often criticised for making a bargain with God, and saying if God would prosper him and bring him back home in safety he would surely give him a tenth. And his attitude was not ideal, but how much better it was than the attitude of many people who have been deeply stirred by a revelation from God and have done nothing about it! **Jacob at once determined to do something practical.** The vision had not only stirred his emotions. It had made him resolve to consecrate whatever he might gain of earthly goods to God. And Frances Willard once said that the deepest and most searching test of a man's religion is what he does with his pocketbook.

OUR SOURCE OF GUIDANCE AND BALANCE

Madame Chiang Kai-shek has said: "Life is really simple, and yet how confused we make it. In old Chinese art, there is just one outstanding object, perhaps a flower, on a scroll. Everything else in the picture is subordinated to that one beautiful thing. An integrated life is like that. What is that one flower? As I feel it now, it is the will of God. But to know His will, and to do it, calls for absolute sincerity and honesty. My firm conviction is that one's greatest weapon is the simple, unassailable weapon of sincerity and truth. It is nothing just to be good. One must have moral conviction, wisdom, and the energy to accomplish.

"I used to pray that God would do this or that. Now I pray only that God will make His will known to me. God speaks to me in prayer. When one prays he goes to a source of strength greater than his own. I wait to feel His leading and His guidance means certainty. Prayer is our source of guidance and balance. God is able to enlighten the understanding. I seek guidance, and when I am sure, I go ahead, leaving the result to Him."

—Selected.

The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he would not be found out.—Lord Macauley.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Glen Raven-Haw River, Holt's, 11 6
Front Street, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 7:30 8
Branson, 7:30 9
Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 11 (dedication) 13
Graham, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 16
Eno, 7:30 17
Carrboro, Orange, 11 20
Orange, Union Grove, 3 20
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 20
Lakewood, 7:30 21
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 23
Calvary, 7:30 24
West Burlington, 11 27
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Davis Street, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 29
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 30
Long Memorial, 7:30 30

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 11
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3 11
Person, Concord, 10:30 17
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Alamance, Bethel, 2 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Perquimans, New Hope, 11 22
Kitty Hawk, Duck, 11 23
Currituck, Hebron, 3 23
Ahoskie, 8 26
Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September

First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Oriental, 11 23
Ocracoke, 8 25
Pamlico-Vandemere, 11 30
Vanceboro, 8 30

September

Newport-Harlow, 11 6
Beaufort, 7 6
Atlantic, 11 13
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 4 13
Seven Springs-Pine Forest, 11 20
LaGrange, 8 20
Jones-Shady Grove, 11 27
Grifton, 8 27

October

Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7..:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Spring Church-Garysburg, Spring Church, 11 23
Halifax, Pierce's, 4 23
Robersonville, Stokes, 11 30
Bethel, 11 30

September

Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November

Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Wilmington, Fifth Ave., 11 23

September

Richlands, 11 6
Swansboro, Swansboro, 8 6
Tabor City, Bethel, 4—Victory Conf. 9
Whiteville, 8 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 13
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 8 13
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

August

Bald Creek, Deyton Bend, 10:30 23
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Red Hill, 3 23
Burnsville, Burnsville, 8 23
Hendersonville, Hendersonville, 8 25
Tryon, 8 26
Saluda, 8 27
East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 8 28
Wolf Mountain, 11 30
Rosman, 3 30
Etowah, English Chapel, 8 30
Fletcher, 8 31

September

Asbury Memorial, 8 1
Biltmore, 8 2
Oakley, 8 3
West Asheville, 8 4
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 3 6
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 6
Haywood Street, 8 7
Hillside Merrimon, 8 8
Weaverville Station, 8 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 11 13
Leicester-Grace, Brick Church, 3 13
Leicester-Bell, Bell Church, 8 13
Acton, Asbury, 8 14
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 8 15
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 16
French Broad Avenue, 8 17
Swannanoa, Azalea, 8 18
Barnadrsville, Barnardsville, 3 20
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 8 20
Central, 8 21
Ivy, Laurel, 3:30 21
Mars Hill, Marshall, 8 22
Mills River, Mills River, 8 23
Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

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FOURTH ROUND

August

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Chadwick, 11 23
Prospect, Trinity, 3 23
Polkton, Polkton, 8 23
Weddington, Weddington, 8 26
Calvary, 11 30
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 30
Wadesboro, 8 31

September

Peachland, Fountain Hill, 10 6
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3 6
Lilesville, Lilesville, 8 6
Monroe, Central, 8 7
Dilworth, 8 11
Ansonville, Concord, 11 13
Matthews, 4 13
Brevard Street, 8 13
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Ararat, 11 23
Dobson, night 23
Warrensville, 11 30
Laurel Springs, 3 30
Jefferson, night 30

September

Boone, 11 6
Watauga, 3 6
Green Valley, night 6
Creston, 11 13
Todd, 3 13
Sparta, night 13
Cooleemee, 11 20
Davie, 3 20
Mocksville, night 20
Yadkinville, 11 27
Advance, 3 27
Farmington, night 27

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

To know what we know, and what we do not know, is knowledge.—Confucius.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Pleasant Garden, Bethlehem, 11 23
Tabernacle, 3 23
Saint Pauls, 8 23
Proximity, 11 30
Oak Ridge, 5 30
Stokesdale, 8 30
Lee's Chapel, 8 31

September
Madison, 11 6
Flat Rock, 3 6
Bessemer, 8 6
Grace, 8 7
Calvary, 8 8
Glenwood, 8 9
Mitchell's Grove, 11 and 8 13
Burnett's Chapel, 3 13
West Market, 8 14
College Place, 8 16
Mt. Pleasant, 11 20
Bethel-Battle Ground, 3 20
Moriah, 8 20
Centenary, 8 23
Reidsville, Main Street, 11 27
Ruffin, 3 27
Draper, 8 27
Newlyn Street, 8 28
Mt. Pleasant, 8 29
Carraway Memorial, 8 30

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Cramerton, 11 23
Kings Mountain, Central 11 23
Belwood, Kadish, 11 30
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 3 30
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 30

September
Bessemer City, night 2
Concord-Elbethel, Concord, 11 6
Crouse, Antioch, 3 6
Lincolnton, First, night 6
Belmont, Main Street, night 7
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11 13
Polkville, Polkville, 3 13
Shelby, Central, night 13
Mount Holly, night 14
Cherryville, night 16
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23
Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October
Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Archdale, 7:30 26
Denton Central, P. G., 7:30 27
Denton First, D., 7:30 30

September
Lebanon, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 5
Liberty Ct., R., 2 6
Randleman-Union—Union, 7:30 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randleman-G. C., Bethany, 2 13
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7:30 13
Ward Street, 7:30 16
Why Not, F. S., 7:30 18
Seagrove, S., 7:30 19
Greer's, 11 20
Linwood, Tyro, 2 20
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 20
Oak View, 7:30 23
First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October
Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Old Fort, 11 16
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 16
Avery, Pisgah, 11 23
Linville Falls, Altamont, 2:30 23
Old Fort Circuit, Ebenezer, night 23
Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

September
Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 12
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordtoo, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Lostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Mt. Mitchell, 11 16
Badin-New London, 11 23
Friendship, Bethel, 3 23
Stanfield, Love's Grove, 11 30
Salem, 3 30
Mount Pleasant, 8 30

September
Roberta, 11 6
Westford, 4 6
Midland, 8 6
China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 3 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October
Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Olin, Snow Creek, 11 16
Statesville, Boulevard, 8 16
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 23
Ball's Creek Camp Meeting, 3 23
Maiden, 11 30
Balls Creek Ct., Center, 3 30

September
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 9:45 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett Ch., 11 6
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 6
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 8 6
Cool Springs, Cool Springs, 11 13
Olin, Moss's Chapel, 3 13
Union-Grove-Zion, 8 13
Hickory, Westview, 8 10
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
Clyde, 11 16
Morning Star, 3 16
Canton, First, 8 16
Andrews, 11 23
Robbinsville, 8 23
Murphy, 11 30
Murphy Ct., 3 30
Shooting Creek, 8 30
Hayesville, 8 31

September
Bethel, 11 6
Junaluska, 8 6
Canton, Central, 8 9
Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October
Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4
Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August
West Forsyth, Pleasant Hill, 11 16
Kernersville Ct., 8 16
Green Street, 11 23
Marvin, 8 23
Mt. Tabor, 8 30
Centenary, 11 30

September
Kernersville Ct., 11 6
Davidson Ct., 3 6
Walnut Cove, 8 6
Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October
Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

OUR FIRST DUTY

We have an overwhelming number of applications for the admission of children, many of whose applications should be placed elsewhere. Our first duty is to the fatherless boys and girls who come within the influence of our Methodist constituency. Over and above such intake, we accept our share of those who have no claim elsewhere. Since our area has so many orphanages of various denominations and fraternities it seems unnesessary for us to accept the responsibility belonging to others. We sincerely trust that we can keep alive to our first duty, that of providing for the fatherless and motherless boys and girls who have a right to look to our Methodist people for a chance.

A farmer was losing his patience and temper trying to drive two mules into a field when the local preacher came by and said:

"You shouldn't speak like that to dumb animals."

To which the farmer replied: "You are just the man I want to see."

"And why?" asked the preacher.

"Tell me, how did Noah get these into the ark?"

Your Advocate Quota Most Urgent Just Now!

Last year the loyal Methodists of the two Conferences met in a fine way our call for $1,346 special taxes. This year the $1,546 tax fund goes into the budget and becomes a part of the quota fixed by the Conferences.

The quota ordered by the two Conferences is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty members of a church or a charge. This quota ordered by the Conferences for this year are to provide the budget of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

So Our First Concern is New Subscribers for the Quotas in Each Charge

SEVERAL REASONS WHY WE SHOULD ACT NOW

1. **The high price of tobacco and cotton and other farm products means financial prosperity for more than the farmers.**
2. **More copies of the church paper should go into the homes of our people. Now is a favorable time for action.**
3. **The 23 per cent advance in cost of paper and other material, and the $1,546 for taxes means much more money to keep going.**

ONE THOUSAND NEW NAMES SHOULD BE SECURED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30

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Memorial Statue in Washington, D. C., to Bishop Francis Asbury, the Great Circuit Rider of American Methodism

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Fall Campaign for New Advocate Subscribers Off to a Good Start

This is an opportune time for a great campaign to extend the circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate

We report those who have secured new subscribers this week

HOYT WOOD, West Jefferson
MILTON HARBIN, Fines Creek
J. H. TROLINGER, Coleridge
J. D. WILLIAMS, Welch Memorial, High Point
W. L. LOY, Bailey
E. M. GRAHAM, Bethel-Boger
J. W. MOORE, Central, Mooresville
H. L. POWELL, Mooresville Circuit
W. J. FREEMAN, Bladen

MANY OTHERS ARE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW NEXT WEEK

SEVERAL REASONS WHY WE SHOULD ACT NOW

1. **Most people are at work in good paying jobs. The farmers for once have more money than they know how to spend. They cannot spend it for gas, or rubber or automobiles—and what else is there to spend money for? Why not spend a little of this money for the Advocate and provide some good reading matter for this fall and winter and at the same time become more intelligent members of the Methodist Church?**
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It is reported that a man cannot escape the draft by marrying a widow with four or five children because it is the sort of courage that Uncle Sam desires in his armed forces. In this the old man with striped trousers and chin whiskers shows his superior wisdom.

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If you have a sacred memory of days when life was new and your heart was pure, guard well that precious treasure, and if you have a gleam of romance upon which your home was built, be sure to cherish that gift of your youth lest you hasten to the "sear and yellow leaf."

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God is not a big policeman with a club in his mighty hand to be used in an effort to make men and women behave themselves. He is not even a major general to command an army that can put to flight the armies of mighty nations. But he is a father, our father, who is doing what he can to make his children loving and obedient. Here is our heavenly father's point of failure, but do not put the blame on him. Put it where it belongs. His wicked children must bear the blame.

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The alert editor of the Charlotte Observer gives his attention to many things, both great and small. Just recently he has addressed himself to Gandhi's dress and diet. This learned editor would have him don more conventional dress and add to his diet of goat's milk and dates. We assume that this Scotchman would have Gandhi wear kilts and eat oatmeal. Anyhow, listen to the Charlotte editor: "What to do with Gandhi is a problem for the British government to solve, but the suggestion comes to mind that if he were sent to the dentist to have his few remaining teeth pulled, given a larger handkerchief to wear and compelled to eat three square meals a week, this might do a little something toward turning him into a rational human being."

This news note from Charlottesville, Va., should give us pause: "A group of 50 high ranking officers is winding up an intensive course of study in military government to prepare them to go into foreign lands with the armed forces of the United States to set up and direct local regional and even national governments in accepted territory." What would our founding fathers of American democracy think of this? Is the army getting ready to set up an imperialism when we are fighting for the freedoms of a democracy?

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Charles A. Britton, Jr., who has been circulation manager of the Christian Advocate in Chicago, returns to Georgia to enter the pastorate of a church in Macon. For a number of years we have known this genial young man and for that reason copy what one of the bright young men in the Chicago office wrote, as follows: "Mr. Britton this month hangs up his circulation fiddle and bow, lays down his promotional shovel and hoe, and, with no more worries from subscribers who raise 'old Ned,' he'll be gone where all good Georgians go—back to Georgia."

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We note a sort of irresponsible rumor afloat that most of the pastoral appointments are to be frozen at the approaching annual conference. We are at a loss to know what this implies. But we do know that pastoral charges not a few are frozen when certain pastors arrive and the freeze continues as long as they remain on the job. Some people talk about the church being dead. At the same time other pastors go to their churches and summer sets in at once. Everybody takes on new life. The frozen weather becomes a thing of the past. The pulpit warms up. The choir and the board of stewards show signs of new life. There is promise of a fruitful year. We should be talking of this sort of a church rather than about a frozen church.

"Scientific Accuracy and Alertness"

A NOTABLE advocate of the predominant place of the air force in winning this present war insists that victory will come in the air. He is not a theorist but one who piloted planes in the other war, and he has given his life to flying and to the building up of our present air force. He makes out a good case for air power. In fact, he insists that this war will be determined by scientific accuracy and alertness of the men behind the mechanized forces. Do not these elements count in every line of life in the modern world?

Even in the undertakings for moral and spiritual conquests the method employed and the alertness of the individuals engaged in the enterprise are potential factors. But the wide difference between the victories won in war and victories won by the church for moral and spiritual conquests is fundamental. War efforts belong chiefly to the realms of the material and of human resources. Careful training and heroic daring are ever to the front with the warrior. Church enterprises and spiritual conquests, however, belong to the world and the spiritual universe. So human alertness and scientific knowledge in the church belong to efforts largely in the moral and the spiritual realm rather than to the material as in war. Man and God are united in the conquest for moral and spiritual welfare while scientific accuracy and alert men are united in the conquest of arms. These have their little day and cease to be. But man and God in the moral and spiritual redemption of the race belong to the ages.

What Determines Land Values?

PEOPLE determine values. Why is an acre of ground in England of more value than an acre in the heart of Africa? The different sort of people is the answer. Why the difference in America today from the time that savage tribes roamed this continent? Our answer is not found in more and better land or a greater variety of climate. The American Indian had all these. But other inhabitants have wrought the change. What would New York City with its skyscrapers and fabulous wealth be if no man or woman should ever be allowed to enter within its borders? Like Babylon, once "Babylon the Great," but now a desolation, this great metropolis would become a "flag stop" for even local trains. Personality is power. People determine all human values. The character of the folks measure the value of your holdings.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth Re-elected Head of Lake Junaluska Assembly

AT an all day meeting August 22 of the Lake Junaluska Assembly trustees, amid other business transacted, Dr. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Central church, Asheville, was re-elected president and general superintendent of the Assembly. The trustees also expressed their appreciation of his administration during the past fiscal year.

The superintendent's report to the board indicated that the attendance this year was only one-third below normal, and that there has been a better sustained interest in the program than ever before.

"The season has exceeded expectations, both in attendance and finances," said Bishop Clare Purcell, chairman of the board. "While we can not see a year ahead, we are confidently expecting to have another great season here next year."

The executive committee, under the chairmanship of Bishop Paul B. Kern, was instructed to meet in December to plan the program for the 1943 season.

A Hearthstone Becomes the Cornerstone

DOWN through the unwritten history of a pioneer community of this country comes the story of the erection of a new church for that primitive neighborhood. And among these plain people was an old lady who brought the hearthstone from her cabin home and offered it as the best gift that she could make to the new church. And the building committee placed it as the cornerstone of that "church of the wildwood."

This may be a true story, or it may be little more than a parable, but the truth contained therein is the same. The hearthstone of the home is the cornerstone of the church. This has been and is true in every generation and in all places. You cannot make a prosperous and abiding church out of people who dwell in hotels and boarding houses. They may be just as good as can be found anywhere, but there is lacking that permanency of residence which

guarantees the perpetuity of a Christian church. Every American city contains object lessons that prove the accuracy of the observation. This is more emphatically true of Protestant churches than of Roman Catholic churches because the strength of this world-wide organization can reach across those communities where people fail to dwell in permanent residences.

The Use That Jesus made of Trifling Things

JESUS put great stress upon the little things of life. Things that to other people seemed trivial became of great importance to the Divine Teacher. He had a scale of values all his own. Do you remember the cup of cold water? Who could refuse a cup of water to a thirsty beggar? But such a gift, or the widow's mite, among the rich man's gifts, loomed large in the estimate of Jesus. He, too, kept his eye on the fallen sparrow, and the lilies that bloomed by the wayside in Palestine, and used them in a most effective way when teaching moral and spiritual truths.

Should not these observations incline us to put a greater emphasis upon the so-called trifling things of life, because the greater share of our happiness depends upon these?

We have all heard of the author who after years of toil had completed his stupendous task and entered into the joys of his labors. But this joy, said he, was not half so great as the footsteps of some little children whom he had taught to love him. Among the many things that Jesus taught men there were few of greater practical value than the right use of trifling things.

North Carolina and Tobacco

NORTH CAROLINA, if not the leading tobacco state, stands near the top in growing and manufacturing the weed. The tobacco farmers this year are getting more money out of the crop than they have received for many years. This spells financial prosperity for a class that frequently experience "rough sledding."

It should, therefore, be a financially easy year for the country churches. And let us hope that this financial prosperity will not disturb the piety of North Carolina church people. Let them see to it that Zion prospers both financially and spiritually amid these trying war days.

Watch, Lest I Find You Sleeping

ON the Alert. This is the widely heralded phrase on land and sea and in the air. The armed forces cannot win over the enemy unless every one keeps on the alert. To many this is a modern and up-to-date order for men under arms. Really this is an old order from high authority. "Watch, lest coming suddenly I find you sleeping." Not long after this these same followers failed to be on the alert as he found them sleeping and was constrained to say, "What, could you not watch with me for one hour!" Armies must keep on the alert to win. So must the spiritual forces to win in a conquest far greater than any of earth. Armies hope to win over the enemy amid ruin, desolation and death; the church of God expects to rebuild on the ruins of war, to restore the ancient desolations and to win over sin, death and hell. Surely every leader clerical and lay, in the church of God should "be on the alert." Loiter not, sleep not, sin not.

Every soldier in his country's uniform becomes a living example to ministers of the gospel and lay workers in the church to give the same devotion and willingness to make sacrifices in the work of the church as these soldiers are making for their country.

No Place Like Home

MID pleasures and palaces though we may roam,
Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home."

Mark that final word "home"; it is not synonymous with the word "house." There is a world of difference between a home and a house. "Pleasures and palaces" are really better than a mere house, whether little or big, plain or palatial. Victor Hugo points out these differences:

"A house is built of bricks and stone,
Of tiles and posts and piers,
But a home is built of loving deeds
That stand a thousand years."

And loving deeds imply the presence of loving hearts, which are the dwelling place of the Eternal. For God is love and the author and finisher "of loving deeds that stand a thousand years." Not houses but homes guarantee happiness and build the bulwark of the nation both high and strong. The true measure of any people is the quality of their homes.

People and Things

Rev. and Mrs. James E. Rink, Thrift-Moore's charge, Paw Creek, announce the birth of their daughter, Virginia Delphine, July 27, 1942.

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Dr.C. M. Pickens as pastor of the newly organized St. John's Methodist church of Oakhurst, Charlotte district, Western North Carolina conference.—G. T. Bond, D. S.

Bishop Clare Purcell has authorized the appointment of Dr. J. M. Ormond as pastor of Lakewood church, Durham, to succeed Rev. W. K. Barrs. Mr. Barrs is entering the chaplaincy of the U. S. Army, and will report to the chaplains' school at Harvard University on September 4.—A. J. Hobbs.

The annual home coming of Shiloh Methodist church on the Statesville circuit will be observed on Sunday, August 30. Church school at 10 o'clock; 11 o'clock service followed by dinner on the grounds. In the afternoon there will be special singing. Everyone is invited.—Lena Murdock.

Edward Jeffries Rees, D.D., is pastor of the Belmont Methodist church, Roanoke, Va., having transferred out of the Baltimore conference and back to the great Virginia conference, the year after unification was consummated. Dr. Rees is one of Methodism's most gifted speakers.

Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University preached in West Market Street church, Greensboro, at 11 o'clock last Sunday morning. He filled the pulpit in the absence of the pastor who was away on his vacation. Reports are that he preached a great sermon, which is not news to all who know Dr. Rowe.

A short wave broadcast from Chungking, West China, has brought word from Mrs. Douglas Sargent, daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Ralph A. Ward, has arrived in Chungking with her husband. They had been married in the Union of South Africa some weeks ago. The message also stated that Bishop Ward—serving in Japanese-occupied China—is residing in the Y. M. C. A. Hotel in Shanghai.

A Greensboro man the other day visiting in a nearby town overheard a negro undertaker discussing his monthly sales tax return with the state man. "I didn't do any business last month," the dusky mortician said, "but I've got some good prospects for this month." When these sales tax collectors are in need of comfort we commend them to this negro undertaker whose future promises death and prosperity.

Dr. Hubert Sydenstricker, for five years superintendent of Roanoke district, Virginia conference, passed away on July 30. He had an attack of hemorrhage of the brain. He was a delegate to Uniting and General conferences; had many friends in North Carolina. Bishop Peele conducted the funeral services. A committee of Roanoke ministers with Dr. J. Manning Potts of Galloe Memorial church, as chairman, will carry on the work of the district until conference in October.

A preview of the 55 spring conferences, 1942, that have been received and checked, up to August 15, combines encouragement, a cause for real heart study, and a definite challenge to more intensive work. The fruit by which the church is to be judged largely is the number of new members won for the kingdom, those received from preparatory membership and on confession of faith. Twenty-three of these conferences reported increases over 1941 of from 7 to 6,516 for a total of 18,841, while 24 reported decreases of from 10 to 1,026 for a total of 6,228, or a net increase over 1941 of 10,613.

An Ohio physician proposes this query. Our church has 1,000 families. At the lowest estimate the average income is $1,000 a year which makes a total income of $1,000,000. The tithe of that is $100,000. Our budget is $12,000 per year. What becomes of the $88,000?

Acting President and Mrs. Gilbert R. Dale, missionaries heading the College of West Africa, Monrovia, Liberia, arrived in New York with their two sons recently. They cross the Atlantic in an American transport and without incident. They are on regular furlough which will be spent largely in graduate studies at the University of Missouri, after which they expect to return to Liberia.

Olin Blair Ader is now in Arizona to dry out a case of arthritis—asking leave of absence a year from Wofford. So we old folks are alone and lonely. By the way, I just read Nietzsche's Zarathustra, and one sentence he repeats is "O lonesomeness! my country lonesomeness!" I'd like to write a review of that strange, poetic, philosophic, powerful book, if I could write one worth publishing.—O. P. Ader.

The John Wesley Park camp meeting of High Point will begin Thursday night of the 27th at 8 p. m. It is interdenominational. The workers this year are: Dr. John R. Church, Rev. Joseph Crouse, song leader, Mrs. Joseph Crouse, pianist, and others. Board and room can be had at $6 to $7 per week. There is free tent and trailer space. It is located one block off the Greensboro-High Point Airport road near the old C. C. C. camp.

Home coming will be observed at Speights Chapel the fifth Sunday, August 30, with service at 11:30 a. m., followed with picnic lunch on the grounds. Speights Chapel is an old Methodist Protestant church which was reopened last year after being out of use for about 12 years. It is now a mission point on the Whitakers charge. All former pastors, members and friends of the church are cordially invited for this occasion.—A. M. Williams.

Bishop Adna Wright Leonard of Washington, D. C., chairman of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, will report to American Protestantism on Sunday, August 30, in a kind of "mass meeting of the air," the current situation with reference to the spiritual needs of men in the service and the way in which the religious bodies through the chaplaincy are meeting those needs. Speaking over Columbia Broadcasting System's "Church of the Air" at 10 a. m. E.W.T.

The Oak Forest church of the North Forest charge of Morganton will hold home coming day on Sunday, August 30. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. with a basket dinner on the grounds. There will be both special music and inspiring messages at the services. All former pastors, members and friends of Oak Forest are cordially invited to be present on this occasion. We are looking forward to a great day of fellowship and inspiration.—R. C. Nimon, P. C.

Balls Creek camp meeting came to close Sunday night after thousands of people had visited the camp ground and arbor during the preceding week. Attendance was cut about 20 per cent due to rubber and gasoline rationing. The approximately three hundred tents on the grounds were filled with county people who were to remain the entire week, but other visitors were held back due to transportation difficulties during the first days of the meeting. The top crowd visited the grounds Sunday to spend a day in visiting each other and to attend services in the arbor which will seat 2,000 persons.—The Landmark.

Nell, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Rees of Roanoke, Va., who has been on the Caravan in Florida, has just returned and will occupy her dad's pulpit next Sunday morning. Her last engagement was First church, West Palm Beach. Nell will be in Duke next month.

An old Scotch woman said to her pastor, "That was a grand sermon you preached last Sabbath at the Kirk!" Seeking to test her sincerity he asked, "And what was the text?" "Ah meenister!" she replied, "I dinna ken the text or the words. But I came home and took the false bottom out o' my peck measure."—Southern Churchman.

Just closed a very successful revival at the Roberta church, near Concord, with Rev. J. L. Ingram of Epworth, Concord, doing the preaching. Eleven were received on profession of faith and one by letter. We are now in the midst of a building improvement program. The church has been painted on the outside; the paint was donated by the Roberta Manufacturing Co. The auditorium and class rooms are being papered and painted this week. All finances are paid to date and the money for improvement is in the hands of the treasurer.—W. E. Rufty.

We have just closed our revival meetings on the Shelby circuit and received 21 into the church. Several more will be received next Sunday. Rev. J. Sam Gibbs, pastor of Lafayette Street Methodist church, did the preaching for us at Sulphur Springs and Sharon churches. Brother Gibbs is a great preacher and has a passion for the lost that few men have in this modern age. The kind of gospel that he preaches will redeem the world if men will only believe it and accept it. We are entering whole-heartedly into the campaign of personal evangelism that the Gastonia district is putting on during the month of September.—R. M. Hauss.

A strange weapon is being used against Hitler in Occupied France. It is the prophecy of a blind girl which is being illegally circulated through the nation. The prediction says that a ruthless conqueror shall come from the banks of the Danube and the victims of his wrath shall be numberless. For a season he shall win victories on land and sea. His winged warriors shall seize the stars and fling them on the cities and they shall be consumed. Then the women of his own country shall arise and his people shall no longer trust him. Then the enemies of Germany will invade and destroy that country. This weird prophecy was written more than 1,300 years ago. The Gestapo snoopers are scouring the country to destroy every copy. It has created panic among the nazi troops. Many people have been arrested for having copies. The original is in the British Museum. It is called "La Vision de Sainte Odile."—The United Presbyterian.

DAVIS-MOORE WEDDING IN ATLANTA

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Davis to John Wilbur Moore of Atlanta and Washington, D. C., was quietly solemnized at 4 o'clock July 29, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Stanley C. Davis on Peachtree Hills Avenue, Atlanta.

The wedding was formerly scheduled for Saturday, August 1, but plans were changed on account of a bereavement in the bride's family. Only the immediate members of the two families witnessed the ceremony which was conducted by the father of the groom, Rev. John W. Moore, pastor of Central Methodist church, Mooresville, and Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hill Baptist church, Atlanta.

The bride is the only child of Mrs. Stanley C. Davis and the late Mr. Davis. She was graduated in the class of 1940 from Agnes-Scott, later taking a secretarial course.

The bridegroom is the only son of Rev. and Mrs. John W. Moore of Mooresville; is an alumnus of Duke University, and has made his home in Washington and New York since his graduation in 1927. Mr. Moore is at present regional director of the Atlanta Area of National Defense having to do with special field projects.

The bridal couple left immediately after the ceremony for a two weeks' stay in the mountains of western North Carolina. Upon their return they will be at home at 40 Peachtree Hills Avenue, Atlanta.

Mr. Moore is awaiting orders from the U. S. Navy to report for duty.

A YOUNG PASTOR WHO DARED TO ATTEMPT BIG THINGS

Several weeks ago Rev. Hoyt H. Wood, the young and capable pastor of the West Jefferson Methodist church, decided to interest his people in the North Carolina Christian Advocate and put the church paper in all the homes of his congregation. Most people say this is an impossible task, but we note that whenever a pastor sets himself to the task he succeeds and without great effort. Here follows the story of the West Jefferson charge, as told by the pastor himself:



Rev. Hoyt H. Wood

"We did it! We have the Advocate going into all the Methodist homes in my parish who are actively affiliated with the church. Some of the subscriptions are for six months only. However, I feel that this will give our Methodists an opportunity to become acquainted with their church paper."

And with the foregoing statement this pastor sends us a check for $63, and in the report of the churches Hoyt Wood and the West Jefferson charge will have 15 stars —that is his quota fifteen times over. In this respect he leads all churches in North Carolina.

Hoyt Wood is a graduate of High Point College and of the divinity school of Duke University. This is his third year in the W. N. C. conference and also three years at West Jefferson where he expects to remain next year. He does not rely on his college and university degrees for success, but wins by daring to undertake big jobs that ought to be done.

Who will follow in his train? How many young preachers in North Carolina will put their churches on the scroll of renown?

PLEASANT GROVE CAMP MEETING

Pleasant Grove camp meeting, near Climax, began the fourth Sunday in August as it has been meeting each year as far back as the oldest inhabitant can remember. As the custom is the presiding elder, now district superintendent of the Greensboro district, preached Sunday at 11 o'clock. This year the program was varied a bit when Dr. L. B. Hayes, the superintendent, preached also at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in addition to his duties at 11 a. m. Rev. T. F. Higgins, pastor of the church, preached Sunday evening, and the preacher for the week has been Rev. W. A. Rollins, pastor of First church, Hickory.

PIONEER CIRCUIT RIDERS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

By Samuel J. Fickel

In Washington, D. C., there is a memorial statue of the circuit rider, that unique preacher on horseback of the early days of the 18th century. Historians agree that he made a major contribution to the establishment of the moral, spiritual and economic standards of living which have made America great.

Astride his horse with saddlebags and Bible he pushed out through trackless forests and uncharted prairies to the remotest cabins of the pioneers with his message of a social gospel. Marauding Indians, tangled underbrush of the trail, swollen streams, annoyed him but could not stop him. Nor could the reputed "bad man" of a settlement with an unsavory reputation for breaking up religious meetings intimidate him. Among these early tinerants there was more than one Peter Cartright.

He battled the prevailing evils of the settlements as fearlessly as he met the hostile Indians and other hazards of the trail. He looked upon liquor and drunkenness as the source of most of the evils which plagued the pioneer settlements and he was the uncompromising foe of both.

More than a century ago the last of these pioneer circuit riders dismounted from his tired and faithful horse, hung up his saddlebags and finis was presumably written to one of the most colorful and romantic chapters of American history.

Circuit riding in 1942 seems incredible, as fantastic and outmoded as the Overland Pony Express of the early West . Nevertheless after this lapse of more than a hundred years the pioneer circuit rider is more than a tradition. His statue in Washington has become both a symbol and a parable, for again he is abroad in the land with the sole purpose of combating his ancient adversary, the liquor traffic.

Horse Sense But No Rider

He is back again, but without his horse! He is crusading in an automobile, often in identical regions where once his illustrious predecessors campaigned in the saddle. No preacher on horseback ever set forth into the wilderness of his day "to battle the devil and establish righteousness" with a firmer conviction of the inherent truth of his cause or a more unconquerable determination to "fight the good fight," than does his 20th century successor as he ventures into what he considers the social wilderness of his day.

CHARACTER MOLDING

We once heard a teacher of wide experience in his profession say that the cry, far and near, was to teach character; and he further stated in substance that the subject was a hard one, as well as confusing. This remark from a man who had always walked the straight and narrow highway, was shocking, because in his dealings with his fellow men, loyalty to church and state reflected at all times the elements that make a noble soul. Such lives are unwritten volumes that leave their imprint upon the young, on down to the end of time.

All sermons on right living do not come from the pulpits of our churches, but we read as we run, learning impressive lessons by co-mingling with all classes. If character is molded effectively in the schools or in the homes, the lessons taught by teachers or parents must be practiced. The finest and most encouraging lessons are those absorbed from living models of truth, refinement and Christian culture.—Uplift.

MISS MARY RUTH KINGSOLVER IS BRIDE OF BENJAMIN DIXON GADDY AT HICKORY

Miss Mary Ruth Kingsolver of Hickory and Benjamin Dixon Gaddy of Wilmington, Del., were married at the First Baptist church at Hickory Tuesday, August 18, at 4:30 o'clock. Rev. Richard K. Redwine, the bride's pastor, officiated, using the Baptist ring ceremony.

The vows were spoken before a background of palms and ferns interspersed with candelabra holding white tapers and with floor baskets of white gladioli and Oregon ferns.

A program of nuptial music was presented by Mrs. Vena Little Goode, organist, and Mrs. Lee P. Frans, soloist.

The ushers were Joe Hardin, Vernon Lackey, Jr., and Walker Lyerly, Jr., all of Hickory, and Winston Montgomery of Durham. Mr. Gaddy has as his best man Pendleton Gaines of Lexington, Va. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Miss Ernestine Kingsolver of Knoxville, Tenn., and Hickory was her sister's maid of honor and only attendant.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Kingsolver of Hickory. She was graduated from Hickory high school and attended Lenoir Rhyne College.

Mr. Gaddy, son of Mrs. B. D. Gaddy of Durham and the late Mr. Gaddy, attended Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Va., and was graduated in 1939 from the University of North Carolina, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. He is now employed by the du Pont Company, Nylon division, at Wilmington, Del., where he and his bride will make their home, following a wedding trip in the western part of the state.

DURHAM DISTRICT IS ORPHANAGE CONSCIOUS

The Durham district is Orphanage conscious. The big hearted Methodists opened their homes to 75 children from the Orphanage for a two weeks' vacation. The pastors and people were enthusiastic in their requests for children to be assigned to their homes. About 25 requests had to go empty because we lacked the children. But for the 75 who came the vacation was a high light in their experience, and a higher light in the experience of their hosts. Everything I have heard from the many hosts in regard to the children was an expression of reverent respect and admiration for the children, and highest appreciation for the excellent work being done by Mr. Barnes and his staff of efficient workers.

On the afternoon of August 18 the superintendent of the Durham district, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, Dr. G. B. Childs, Mr. Bryan, superintendent of Trinity church school, Rev. M. C. Dunn, and T. B. Hough met in the office of Dr. B. G. Childs and arranged a schedule by which a layman will speak in every charge of the Durham district the fifth Sunday in August. We are making that Orphanage Day, and these heroic laymen are definitely sold on the value of the work being done at the Orphanage, and they welcome the opportunity to boost its worth in every charge on August 30.

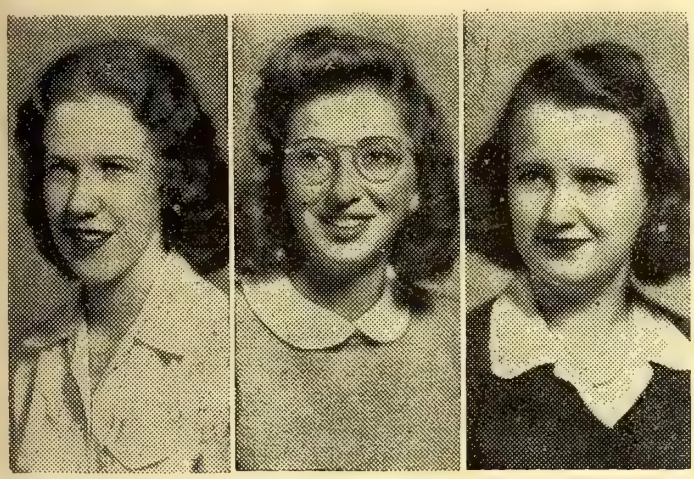
T. B. Hugh.

THE "WHO'S WHO" DEPARTMENT OF A CHURCH BULLETIN

The First Methodist church of Hendersonville had so many highlights on its program Sunday, August 16, that it resorted to a "Who's Who" department in its church bulletin for the day to introduce the talent. It included the morning prelude, "Holiday in the Heather," of which Mrs. Reuben B. Robertson of Flat Rock is author; Mrs. J. B. Maheffey, violin soloist, known to the music world as Myrtle Van de Vord; Miss Elizabeth Blair of Hendersonville, at the piano with Miss Kate Dotson at the organ in the evening prelude, "Sweet Hour of Prayer"; Dr. Arthuro Di Philippi, head of voice department of the University of Miami, Miami, Fla.; and Prof. M. B. Camak, superintendent of schools, Ware Shoals, S. C., reputed over the state for his lectures and popular poems. He is a brother of Dr. D. E. Camak, pastor of the Hendersonville church.

HIGHEST PROFICIENCY SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS, GREENSBORO COLLEGE

For attaining the highest proficiency in their respective classes last year, three Greensboro College students, Misses Betty Prosser, Greensboro; Trudy Enzer, Eger, Czecho-Slovakia, present resident of Vineland, N. J.; and Evelyn Worsham, Reidsville, have been awarded tuition scholarships for the coming session.



Betty Prosser, '43 Trudy Enzer, '44 Evelyn Worsham, '45

Miss Prosser, rising senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Prosser, 210 S. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, who was graduated from Eleanor McMain High School, New Orleans, La., for the second consecutive year has won the highest proficiency scholarship in her class. Miss Prosser has been outstanding in a number of college activities. She is a member of the Irving Society and of the G. C. Daughters. Last year she was council representative for the Town Students' organization and class representative for the Athletic Association. As a sophomore she was president of the junior honor society and during the coming year she will serve as president of the Greensboro College Honor Society. Her mother is president of the Greensboro College Alumnae Association.

Miss Enzer, rising junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Enzer of West Park Avenue, Vineland, N. J., a native of Eger, Czecho-Slovakia, was graduated from the James Madison high school in Brooklyn, N. Y. Miss Enzer is particularly interested in science, especially biology, and in creative writing. During the coming year she will serve as assistant editor of The Collegian, student newspaper, and librarian of the International Relations Club.

Miss Worsham, rising sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Worsham of Reidsville, graduate of the Reidsville high school with the highest average ever made in that high school through the year of her graduation, is continuing her excellent record in her college work. She was awarded the Leroy Lee Smith memorial scholarship last commencement for the most outstanding work done in freshman English. During the coming year she will serve as a student counselor, a member of the freshman cabinet of the Y. W. C. A. and secretary of her class.

Honorable mention for high scholastic standing in the rising senior class went to Misses Doris Fowlkes, Danville, Va., in second place, and Albertine Lefler, Norwood, in third place. In the rising junior class Miss Betsy Backer, Southern Pines, was named in second place, and Miss Dorothy Evans, Lexington, in third. Rising sophomore in second place was Miss Beverly Heitman, Greensboro, and Miss Helen Patterson, Mooresville, in third place.

STONY POINT METHODIST CHURCH

A very successful revival meeting came to a close Sunday night, August 15, with a beautiful and impressive communion service. The lighted cross and candles were used with a background decoration of ivy and potted plants.

Rev. Lindsay F. Strader, the pastor, preached excellent sermons. Big crowds and much interest was shown by renewals of faith and Christian fellowship. The congregation, including members of church and friends of the community, gave him a gift of $53 in appreciation of his service and Christian leadership.

We were indeed fortunate to have Miss Anna Keever as pianist, who contributed her time and talent so faithfully the entire week. The co-operative spirit of the different denominations of the town contributed much to the success of the meeting. Every member of the board of stewards, with the exception of one who was sick, was present at the first service.

There were 18 added to the church, 15 on profession of faith and three by letter. Committee.

A DELIGHTFUL DAY AT OAKDALE

Last Sunday was a red letter day for the Oakdale congregation, it being the formal opening of their beautiful new church. From early morning till evening the breezes dispelled the accustomed heat of the fourth Sunday in August and everybody appeared to be in fine humor.

Abundant and beautiful flowers artistically arranged in the chancel of the church added greatly to the beauty of this new auditorium with its attractive memorial windows. The congregation filled the house and overflowed to adjoining rooms.

Rev. C. M. McKinney, the pastor, had charge of all the services during the day and performed his duties admirably. Prof. E .D. Idol, the new superintendent of the Jamestown school and a Methodist leader who will be a great addition to the working forces of Jamestown Methodism, presented Rev. A. W. Plyler, the preacher at the 11 o'clock hour.

Following the morning services dinner was served under the oaks in the church yard, and at 2 o'clock Rev. C. O. Kennerly, pastor of the church at Welcome and a former pastor of the Jamestown-Oakdale charge, delivered the home coming sermon. His sermon was eminently appropriate and the people greatly enjoyed the sermon of their former pastor who was very popular during his four years' stay at Jamestown. Rev. C. M. McKinney in presenting him said that he had heard only words of praise when the people spoke of their former pastor.

Sunday was a great day at Oakdale and we expect them to have a very fine revival meeting this week with Mrs. C. L. Steidley assisting the pastor in this important work.

E. C. NASH, METHODIST LAYMAN OF KANSAS, BECOMES PROMOTION MANAGER OF CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

Appointment of E. C. Nash, Methodist layman of Topeka, Kansas, as promotion manager of The Christian Advocate has been announced by B. A. Whitmore and Fred D. Stone, publishing agents.

Charles A. Britton, Jr., has resigned from the position to become pastor of Liberty Methodist church in Macon, Ga., September 1. He had left the managing editorship of The Wesleyan Christian Advocate, published in Macon, in 1940, to assist in launching the new national Methodist weekly.

In announcing the change the publishing agents stated that Mr. Britton "was particularly well suited in experience, ability, and temperament for the extremely difficult task of bringing our church papers together and establishing a trained business and circulation staff.

"He leaves with the sincere regrets on the part of those who have been associated with him for his going and with profound good wishes for his success as he enters the active ministry and becomes a member of the South Georgia conference.

"Mr. Nash has been assistant to the general manager of the Capper publications for a number of years. His experience in the field of periodical publication eminently fits him to carry on the work for The Christian Advocate so ably begun by Mr. Britton."

The Devotion of a Plain Man

By JOHN A. HUTTON

Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.—John 11:16.

We call Thomas "the doubter," and there we do his memory a real injustice. And this in two respects. For one thing, it is always unfair and even cruel to give a man a name. There is no human soul so monotonous and poor that you can label it is one thing and no more. Certainly that was Christ's view of the human soul. Christ never took a man at the valuation which his friends put upon him. Christ never took a man even at his own valuation. It was Christ's way to hold that every man had a life of his own, deeper and capable of more beautiful achievements than his neighbors suspected. And it was equally Christ's way to hold that a man had within him the capacity, and indeed the hunger, for a more beautiful life than he himself suspected.

But, apart from the general injustice done to Thomas by giving him a name, there is a definite injustice in giving him this particular name. When we say of a man in our day that he is a "doubter," we indicate a type of man to which there is little correspondence in what we know of Thomas. Indeed, in our own day, the kind of man whom we try to describe by calling a doubter is usually a man who in matters of faith is in no doubt at all. For the most part, he is one who has made up his mind quite definitely "that it is not so." He has adopted a view of the universe which precludes the very possibility of those things with which faith deals. He takes the line not so much that certain things are not true; but rather that they cannot be true. And any evidence that they are true is already discredited, because such evidence itself moves amongst ideas and prejudices which have for him no more substance than the conclusion which they are intended to sustain.

A doubter, in our modern speech, is one, therefore, who suspects any corroboration of the religious view as naturally as a believer welcomes such corroboration.

Now, that is a description which cannot be made to suit the case of Thomas.

In my own view, Thomas was a plain man, not easily moved, unenthusiastic for the most part, fair. He was probably one who did not talk easily about matters on which he might all the time be feeling deeply. And so, he was one of those who give the impression of slowness and caution to more light-headed and enthusiastic people.

It is a type which has without doubt the defects of its qualities; but it has great qualities, and Jesus, we may be sure, perceived them, and for the sake of them, and of what He could make of them, attached Thomas to His allegiance and took pains to bring him back.

Certainly this is the impression which Thomas makes upon me in those few, but most significant, references to him which occur in John's Gospel.

You remember how, as Jesus was speaking, in what turned out to be His last long talk with His disciples, Thomas interrupted Him. Jesus, as we know, was preparing His disciples for His death, so that when it happened it should not have a too disastrous influence upon them. He therefore would not call His death, death. He spoke of it as a "going away." His dying was only a "going away" to some other place, and to this other place the disciples would one day follow Him. It was at that point that Thomas intervened; and it is the interruption of a plain man—one who feels that he is being taken out of his depths on a wave of new ideas. "But," said Thomas, "we do not know whither thou goest, and how can we know the way?" I say that is a plain man's objection. It looks sound; and yet it is not at all sound. It is not at all sound to say—I mean with regard to immaterial things, things of the Spirit, such things even as human affection—that we do not take the road until we know the end of our journey. The glorious thing about our life is just this, that we do take the road, though we do not know for sure, except by faith, by what strange defiles, and over what moor and fen and crag and torrent, the way leads by which we go, or whether there is an all-compensating inn lit up to welcome us at the close of the day, or on what scenes our eyes shall open in the morning.

And that was in substance the answer which Jesus made to Thomas's difficulty. "We know not the end," said Thomas, "and how can we know the way?" "Ye know the way," said Jesus; and, unless this world is rooted in cynicism and nonsense, the way is itself the pledge of the destination.

Nevertheless, the difficulty which Thomas confessed is the difficulty which every plain man feels about any speculative treatment of life, such as faith is.

Then you remember how, after the death of Jesus, and when the rumor began to be whispered that Jesus had in a mysterious but most real way returned to life, Thomas expressed himself with extraordinary vehemence. "Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe." It is as though He had said, "Do not speak to me any more of those things. Do not reopen that wound." It is the cry of a simple man, who gives his heart once for all, and who, having given his heart, supposes that he has been betrayed.

But Jesus, who knew what was in man, knew that a strong soul is never nearer to giving way than at such a moment of passionate refusal; that such violence is the last effort to keep back a wave of all-conquering tenderness. Next day, therefore, Jesus came into the upper room, where now—observe the fairness of Thomas, ready to put himself in the way of being convinced — was Thomas also with the others. And Jesus, naming him, said, "Thomas;" and it was enough. Thomas had not known himself. He thought he was a rationalist, and found he was a man. He thought he could fumble amongst the proofs that in loving Christ he had not been making a fool of himself, only to find that at the voice of Jesus a great softness came over him, and he was

ready to love Jesus though all the world should count him a fool.

It is this Thomas whom I see in another incident recorded in this Gospel. Here also I see the fidelity of a plain and downright man. Not one who sees everything in the region of faith and ideas; but one who sees what he sees, and acknowledges that he sees it, and that thereupon there is nothing remaining for him in this world except to be faithful to what he sees.

Jesus had asked His disciples to go back with Him into Judea. He had just learned that Lazarus was ill. Now, it would appear that our Lord had received a cruel treatment in this very district to which He was proposing to return. The disciples, therefore, remonstrated: "Master, the men of that place were but now seeking to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?" And Jesus answered in effect: "My time is short, I must go." Whereupon He set out, "back to the stones." And at first He went alone. The disciples hung back. It was at that moment that Thomas spoke out, and speaking for himself, set them all free from their miserable fears.

"Let us also go," said Thomas, this Thomas the doubter, not Peter the enthusiast, not James and John, the sons of thunder, but Thomas, this plain, unspeculative, difficult, decent, heavy man—"Let us also go, that we may die with him."

That is our calling. We are asked to be faithful, to yield ourselves freely and gladly to those appeals which we feel, not with our minds only and not with our hearts only, but with our whole being, to be binding upon us. There is much of every life which is tame, customary, when we do well enough if we simply keep going. But now and then there comes a moment of unusual significance. Our heart warms, our conscience protests, something at the depth of our soul quivers or sends a wave of blood to our cheek: and we know that this is no mean impulse. We know that it is an impulse which we must honor or stand ashamed before ourselves forever.

Well, we live in a world in which we must never hope to see all things clearly in their relations to one another, and to God, and to our destiny. But light now and then does break upon the soul, and light with such a quality that we know it came from God. Let us up and act upon these moments, and there and then commit our souls beyond themselves.

Such was this moment which Thomas had the sensitiveness to perceive. He could have told you nothing as to the source and authority of the impulse which took hold of him. There was nothing mystical or strained in the appeal which came to him. It was simple, obvious, inexorable: like every really vital and morally cleansing appeal. There was Jesus setting out to help someone; setting out to encounter the risk of pain and death; and setting out alone. And Thomas said, "So long as there is breath in our bodies, he must not go alone!"

To such souls—if, in later days, when the sorrows of the heart are apt to be multiplied, their vision should be darkened, and life take on a haggard and senseless aspect, —to such souls, this same Jesus, remembering their days of moral fidelity, will come again and pierce the gloom and heaviness of their soul with an old word, an old memory, or the repetition in a well-remembered tone of their own name; and it will be with them as it was with Thomas when Jesus appeared and said, "Thomas;" and Thomas said, "My Lord and my God;" and the bitterness of death was past.

CIGARETTE HABIT AND HANDICAP

By Olin P. Ader

A new Negro pastor rose and said, "Liquor drinkin' in dis chuch got to stop!" "Amen, brudder!" said big sister on front seat, "An' dis cyard playin' gamblin' got to stop!" "Amen! dat's Gawd's true gospel," said sister. "n' dis snuff-dippin, 'backer shawin', cigret smokin's got to stop, too," said new pastor. Big black sister on front seat turned round and said, "Now, dat nigger done stop preachin' and gone to meddlin' in udder folks' business!"

Some see it as black sister saw it. But some see it with clearer vision, free from the cloud of smoke. How do you see it? Will you face a few facts concerning the cigarette habit and its handicaps?

1. It is a thoughtless habit, foolish, indicating that the smoker is ignorant of the injurious effects; or lacks sincerity to face the facts; or lacks self-control to do what he knows.

2. It is a useless habit, serving no good purpose. It pays nobody. Does it pay the seller? "Oh, it gives work to millions of men," says one. So does war, crime, and liquor. Surely you will not try to justify war, crime, liquor, or tobacco on such a specious plea.

3. It is an unclean habit, befouling breath, clothes, room and air. "Get out of the room with your smoke!" said a dying woman, gasping for breath.

A college man and missionary said, "I do not go to college banquets, because so many smoke, and I choke and grow sick in the sticky, stuffy air." A big business man working for the government had a sign, "No Smoking." He had head trouble, and smoke aggravated his malady. The odor of a garbage can, or of an African are natural and excusable, but the odor of a smoking man should not be.

4. It is an expensive habit. "If I had the money I've burned up smoking, I could buy the best house in town," said a mill smoker without a home. "The workers in three mills in this town spend $40,000 a year on coca-cola and cigarettes," said a doctor. The boy who breathes mill dust all day and nicotine smoke at night grows pale and sickly, of course.

Smokers are a chief fire hazard in America. They fire hotels, hospitals, dairy barns, forest fires houses, beds, and often burn up themselves. This vice increases our insurance rate immensely, and adds to our social burden. The most destructive fire that burns on earth today is that fire at the end of millions of cigarettes; it burns up billions of dollars annually, with no insurance to cover the total loss. That incendiary fire burns homes, education of children, sick benefits, and old age security. A beggar with a cigarette, helping burn a billion dollars, asked me to help him keep the fire burning. Did I?

The grandson of a rich man in a big city had wasted about all, but was hanging on to a bit of a penny business. I visited him. "Have a smoke," he said kindly. "No, thank you," I said. "Guess I smoke too much," said he. "How much?" I asked. "Two packs a day." I counted up the cost —$109.50 a year it was. His business than was in bad shape; soon bankrupt, and soon he went to the asylum.

5. The smoking habit is health-destroying, doing injury to throat, lungs, heart, nerves, blood streams. Gene Tunney tells us the athlete who hopes to win does not smoke—dares not. Doctors made a test on 5,000 expectant mothers who smoked; not one of them could nurse her baby; nicotine poison was found in the blood. A babe so fed would soon be a nervous wreck, insane, or dead.

6. It is a disobedient habit, formed by a boy who disobeys mother, father, and God, when he defiles the temple of God. Cigarette advertisements boast of this brand as being "kind to the throat," "has less tar and resin," "less nicotine," "is milder"; and such boasting betrays a blind tiger behind them.

We entered the wonderful Supreme Court building in Washington, and saw on shining white walls the sign, "No Smoking." "Why that legend?" I asked a friend. "Oh, smoke would soon tarnish the white walls and turn them dingy, ruin them." Wise men protect that palace from destruction by smoke; but who is going to protect the more precious walls of the living palace you call your body?

The government has long ago seen fit to levy a heavy tax upon tobacco and liquor, hoping thereby to discourage their use and diminish the evil they will do. Will you pay the tax plus the sin tax? In a tobacco county in western North Carolina I saw many boys smoking. "How many boys smoke?" I asked. "Ninety per cent," they answered. Then we got these facts: "We get 10 cents a pound for cigarette type of tobacco. The government gets $1 revenue for a pound when manufactured; the factories who make it up, wholesalers and retailers get $1.38 for their work; and when the boys buy it back in cigarettes they pay $2.48 for the pound of tobacco they sold for 10 cents." No wonder that county went into bankruptcy.

7. It is a slavish habit, leading its victim into miserable slavery. "A man bound by the liquor habit is bound by bands of straw, but a man bound by dope is bound by bands of steel," doctors tell us. "I can quit liquor; I have," said Dr. Maxwell, "but I cannot quit tobacco; it holds me fast."

"I DIE AT DAWN"

The Dutch of Holland have for generations been lovers of liberty and their country has been a place of refuge for the oppressed and outcast. Even the German Kaiser when no longer allowed to remain among the people he had ruled found a place to abide in Holland until he died of old age. But Hitler and his slaughterers of innocent men, women and children overran Holland as he did the rest of Europe, laid waste city and contryside and enslaved all who escaped immediate death, and has continued to slaughter that people by the hundreds and thousands.

Last Sunday's News and Observer contains the following story that no doubt has been duplicated many, many times, not only in Holland but wherever Hitler can practice his atrocities:

"A letter written on February 27 by a Dutch lad, just before he and three companions were shot by the Germans for escaping from Holland and attempting to join the Dutch forces in England, has been accurately described as 'The Epic of This War.'

"The letter, as reprinted by The Reader's Digest from 'This Week' section of The New York Herald-Tribune, follows in full:

"Dear Father: It is difficult for me to write this letter to you, but I have to tell you that the military court has pronounced a very heavy sentence upon us.

Read this letter alone, and then tell mother carefully.

When I wrote you before on the 14th of February we already knew that we had been condemned to death. But I could not find the courage to write you this because I didn't want you to go through the same time of tension. An appeal for mercy, sent in our behalf to Paris, was denied, although we thought we stood a good chance because our case was not after all a crime.

I do not say a time of fear, for fortunately it hasn't been that. I have been able to pray much, and have the firm conviction that I may look forward to a death in Christ.

In a little while at 5 o'clock it is going to happen and that is not so terrible. It is, after all, only one moment, and then I shall be with God—no more terrible miseries and the sadness of this earth. Is that, after all, such a dreadful transition?

On the contrary, it is beautiful to be in God's strength. God has told us that he will not forsake us if only we pray to him for support. I feel so strongly my nearness to God I am fully prepared to die. I hope that will be a consolatoin to you.

I know quiite well that it is horrible. We are still so young. But God knows that our cause was a just one. I think it is much worse for you than for me because I know that I have confessed all my sins to him and have become very quiet. Therefore do not mourn, but trust in God and pray for strength.

Mother, dear mother, let me embrace you. Forgive me any wrong I may have done. Do not cry, darling. Be courageous. You still have children left—unlike Mrs. L. I know that I will see you all again. One last tender kiss from your son Kees.

Father, forgive me too. Be strong in your belief which I know you have like your mother. Do not mourn, but thank God that we may have the certainty of his grace. Do not say: 'Because you are gone peace can be no joy for us any more,' because after all, I gave my life for my country, as so many are doing at this time. Give me a firm handshake. God's will be done.

Jan, Ben, El and Fien—greetings to you all. Be strong and pray to God for fortitude. Believe in him and he will make everything come right. Be good to father and mother. Many kisses from your brother Kees. Greet my little brothers and sisters; maybe they won't understand it so well yet, but teach them, too, to believe.

Greet everybody for the four of us. My sincere thanks for all they ever did for me.

We are courageous. Be the same. They can only take our bodies. Our souls are in God's hands. That should be sufficient consolation.

I am going—until we meet again in a reunion which will be so much happier. May God bless you all.

Have no hate. I die without hatred. God rules everything. Kees."

BETHEL-BOGER CHARGE

Bethel-Boger charge is making good and steady progress along all lines. Successful revival meetings have been held at both churches, resulting in a great spiritual uplift in both congregations. The pastor held the Boger meeting, and the attendance was the best in years. The Bethel revival was ushered in by all day services Sunday, August 9. Dr. C. N. Clark, our very efficient and beloved district superintendent, brought the message at 11 o'clock, which was followed by an old-fashioned picnic dinner. At 2 o'clock the fourth quarterly conference was held. The reports showed progress in all departments of church work. At 3 o'clock Dr. E. H. Nease, pastor of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church, Charlotte, was the guest speaker, who spoke on the "Challenge to the Church." It was a great day of fellowship among the large crowd who attended.

At 8 o'clock Sunday night Dr. C. C. Benton, pastor of Central Avenue Methodist church, Charlotte, preached an evangelistic message. The meetings were continuous throughout the following week through Friday, with two services being held daily. The interest increased from the first service, and all agree that this is the best revival Bethel church has had in years. On Sunday morning following the close of the meeting the pastor received nine members on profession of faith and baptized six children. Dr. Benton is a great pulpit speaker, and the messages he brought were soul stirring indeed.

The pastor and his wife are very grateful for the poundings received at the parsonage during the meeting, and for the many kindnesses shown during the recent illness of the pastor. We are happy to say that we are back to normal again, and last Sunday preached to the largest congregation we have had in Bethel church in months.

Bethel-Boger charge will go over the top this conference year with all claims paid in full, and with both churches in the best spiritual condition they have enjoyed in years.

Edward M. Graham, Pastor.

TWO WONDERFUL YEARS IN MOUNT HOLLY

Much of it seems like a beautiful dream, so easy and delightful has it all been from the minister's standpoint. Surely no congregation in so short a time has accomplished so much. Do you ask what has been done? Here is our answer in part:

On the material side: A basement was dug under the parsonage and immediately a heating plant was installed and paid for. This all happened within six weeks after we moved here two years ago. So two delightful winters have already been spent in this fine old parsonage. Later the parsonage was redecorated, including the building of the finest kitchen cabinets ever seen anywhere, and the installation of a new hot point electric stove in the place of the old electric of the same name.

The next move was to raise the money with which to buy new roofing for the educational plant. This was done and installed last year. But the big task was not undertaken until January of this year, when an amount of money was raised larger than the annual budget with which to change the auditorium by extending it far enough to furnish space sufficient for the choir and console, and back of that the pipe organ chamber which amply houses our fine new pipe organ. All of this made necessary the changes of stairways, walls, doors, etc., back in the educational plant. The climax of all this was the purchase of our splendid new pipe organ which has been installed and paid for. The opening Sunday, August 2, was perhaps the most eventful occasion this church has had in its history. Mount Holly Methodist church was on the map before these great happenings, but the church with its increased salary has been permanently lifted up among the great appointments in the smaller cities in the conference. What? What are you thinking? No, no, my dear bishop and brethren, no move is being contemplated on the part of either the congregation or the pastor this year. Finally, may I say that if I were bishop I should keep all preachers at their present places, if possible (the exceptions being only those brothers who have been kept on districts the full time under the law), for this is no time to be moving ministers, when the world is on fire—and our sons under fire on a hundred battlefields. Watson O. Goode.

SERVICE FLAG DEDICATION IN SKYLAND METHODIST CHURCH

An interesting service took place in Skyland Methodist church, Skyland, Sunday evening, August 22, at eight o'clock, when a service flag was dedicated in honor of the men in service from the church and Sunday school.

Skyland Troop No. 33, Boy Scouts of America, under the able leadership of Scoutmaster John W. Smith, conducted the service in a most impressive manner. The program was opened by the congregation singing "America, the Beautiful," after which the flag dedication was read responsively. This was followed by one minute of silent prayer.

After the prayer a list of the men in service was read in the order of their enlistment:

Sgt. Charles E. Gregory, who entered the service three years ago. (Sgt. Gregory is home on leave and attended the service).

Private F. C. Joe L. Vandiver.

Private F. C. John S. Vandiver.

Corp. Marcus E. Edwards.

Private George W. Morgan.

Jack M. Bowles.

As the reading of the names was completed the house lights were dimmed and a spotlight was played upon the service flag by the Boy Scouts.

The dedication service was completed with the singing of "America."

Following the dedication service the scouts gave a short program depicting their work and activities. During this part of the program Second Class Scout Jack Banks was presented with a pin which gave him membership in the Order of the Arrow. This was a honor bestowed upon him by the Daniel Boone Council because of meritorious activity while attending the summer session of scout camp.

A candle ceremony in connection with the scout laws and oath was also conducted by the boys. Second Class Scout Banks was accompanist for the singing during the evening.

Skyland Troop No. 33, Boy Scouts of America, was officially organized last February 15, and since that time has been steadily growing and distinguishing itself in many ways as the boys take active part in the community life and scout activities.

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

Chrysostom had it read to him once each week.

Melanchthon copied it twice with his own hand, in order to become better acquainted with it.

Luther called it the chief book of the New Testament, and the perfect gospel.

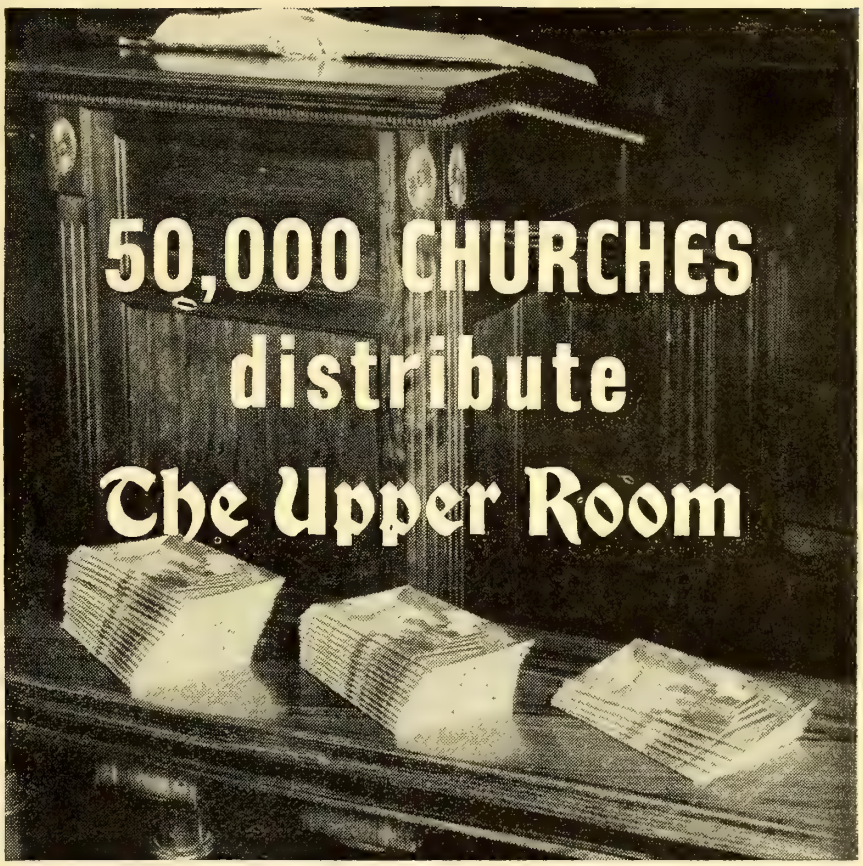
Coleridge regarded it as the profoundest book in existence.

Sir William Ramsey referred to it as the philosophy of history.

Godet spoke of it as the cathedral of Christian faith.

Dr. David Bacon said that the faith of Christendom in its best periods has been more indebted to this epistle than to any other portion of the Living Oracles.

Dr. W. H. Griffith Thomas asserted that a thorough study of Romans is a theological education in itself.—Free Methodist.



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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Every morning lean thine arm awhile
Upon the window sill of heaven
And gaze upon thy Lord;
Then, with the vision in thy heart,
Turn strong to meet the day.

—The Upper Room, July 16, 1942.

COMMISSION OF EVANGELISM

At the June meeting of the executive committee of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, the findings of the Assembly Committee on Evangelism were considered. Conscious of the need for deepening the spiritual life of the Methodist women, and feeling that every Methodist woman should be faced with the challenge of deepening her own spiritual life, the Woman's Division of Christian Service made the following recommendation: (1) That a spiritual life meeting or retreat be planned by every Woman's Society of Christian Service some time in the fall, preferably in September. (2) That a spiritual life meeting or retreat be planned by each of our home mission institutions and units of the World Federation of Methodist Women. (3) That the local societies use the suggestive plans for the meeting or retreat, as outlined in The Methodist Woman for August and September. A series of interpretative articles on phases of the findings will appear in the following issues of the magazine: (a) Colonies of the Kingdom, August issue; (b) Personal Commitment, September issue; (c) Discipline of Life-Stewardship, September issue; (d) Friendship Over Lines, September issue.

It is interesting to note that the first of these interpretative articles, Colonies of the Kingdom, was written by Miss Mabel K. Howell of the Scarritt College faculty, and is found in the August issue. We would urge a careful reading of this article that we may familiarize ourselves with this "great adventure" and be ready to do our part in responding to this call.

QUOTATIONS FROM JURISDICTION PRESIDENTS ON EMERGENCY FUND

"Now is the time to strengthen the bulwarks of our Christian faith in the hearts and minds of the youth of America. Now is the time to increase, not decrease our giving to send the gospel of our Christ to hungry hearts all over the world. Now is the time by earnest prayer and sacrificial gifts to uphold and support all Christian institutions."—Mrs. B. W. Meeks, Northeastern Jurisdiction.

"In this year, 1942, when so much Christianity holds dear is threatened by enemies from without and within, there is every reason why the Woman's Society of Christian Service should show its loyalty to Christ by increased sharing of material wealth."—Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Southeastern Jurisdiction.

"A crisis facts the Woman's Society of Christian Service! The proposed plan of an emergency gift represents the best thinking and is merely a part of the endeavor to meet the crisis in our missionary work. Action—quick action is needed! Let us gather together our Emergency Gifts and join the great march on to victory!"—Mrs. Margaret D. Bowen, Central Jurisdiction.

"We dare not fail—not in a time of added pressure from forces of evil. Christian work becomes a priority. Your society, your district, your conference may have met its financial responsibility last year, you may have pledged for 1942 more than you paid in 1941—but somewhere along the line missionary giving has fallen off. This is a call for an 'emergency gift.' Those who have walked the mile will start out on the second."—Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., South Central Jurisliction.

THE EMERGENCY FUND

Several times during the past few weeks the attention of the members of our Woman's Societies of Christian Service in our conference has been called to the Emergency Fund, the establishment of which has been made necessary because of the deficit of $384,474 which the Woman's Division faces because of decreased giving. Appeals have come to us from both division and conference officers asking that we do our part in raising this money so needed to meet the obligations of our woman's work.

September is Emergency Gift month in the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Methodist women are being called upon to "give of their gifts that the one enterprise that can best share the redeeming mercy of Christ's spirit may be reinforced and undergirded." To meet these emergencies a twenty-five cent gift from every Methodist woman and larger gifts from those who can give more is essential. Our division officers are asking every Methodist woman to share in the responsibility of placing this matter on the heart of each member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

In a letter dated August 15 from our conference president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, she makes the following suggestion: "Since September is the charter month of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, let us ask our women to celebrate our second birthday by giving their offering to the Emergency Fund as a birthday offering to meet the great need of our work. Since the summer vacations I think it would be a lovely thing to have a birthday party, and am sure it would be a great help in raising an offering for this needed fund."

According to the report of our conference corresponding secretary, given at our annual meeting at High Point in the spring of this year, we have 24,460 members in the 666 organizations of our Western North Carolina conference, and a gift from each of those members would be most helpful in raising the Emergency Fund. Mrs. Weaver also suggests that each Woman's Society of Christian Service should have a chairman of Emergency Fund and see that every member is given an opportunity to make a contribution, and appeal to the women who can give more than 25 cents to do so. Let us rally to this call and help to prevent the cut in any of our work. This is a day of new opportunities and let us do our part in meeting them. Surely this is not the time to sound retreat!

"Is this the time to halt when all around horizons lift, new destinies confront, stern duties wait our nation, never wont to play the laggard when God's will was found? No, rather strengthen the stakes and lengthen the cords. Great things attempt for him, great things expect."

A MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY YOUNG WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' WORK

The old year is ending and what we have written in our young people's work is written and cannot be changed. But we do have a new year before us and we hope we shall write a better chapter this year!

Our year in the young people's work ends with the last of August. Now is the time for new pladges to be made and new organizations to be begun. If you do not have the Methodist Youth Fellowship in our church, start the new year right by getting this organized at once and then the way will be clear for forming an interest group with the girls. You know this is a requirement of the efficiency aim and must be started soon, for the year for the Woman's Society of Christian Service closes with the end of December.

On the back of The Methodist Woman you will find materials listed for our work and I shall be so happy to help you in any way I can. Even if you do not need any help, please let us hear about your work so we can pass helpeful ideas on to other groups.

You will not forget your work for the supply department. Our special institutions are Pfeiffer College and the Allen Home, but you may send supplies to any of the institutions that our conference assists. Do this early in this new year so it will not be overlooked.

Mrs. Eugene A. Lamb, Sec.

SEPTEMBER MEETING WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

"Facing This Hour in Communion Meditation" is a special cervice which has been worked out for the Wesleyan Service Guild, and its use is recommended for the September meeting when the members are coming together again with a renewed interest and enthusiasm. This service which is based on the commuion service of the assembly, with quotations from Mrs. Bragg's address, will start the fall program on a high spiritual level. Mimeographed copies of this service may be obtained from the Guild office—sample copies free—in quantities, 25 for 15c, 50 for 25c, and 100 for 45c.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER FOR OUR TIMES

Our gracious heavenly Father, we pray thy blessings upon the Christian forces in the world that are standing for truth in these critical days; and also for those who do not know the name of Christ. Reveal thyself to the world and cause peace to come. We pray for our enemies that they may know the will of God and that thou wilt give a just and enduring peace to the world.—Dr. W. G. Cram.

NEWS FROM MISS STEGAR

Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, is sharing with us an interesting letter from Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial deaconess at East Laurinburg, a portion of which reads: "The days of the spring and summer have been full ones. Our vacation church school in June was most worth while with an enrollment of 154. We really had more children than our little village church could accommodate. So we had to hold some of our classes out of doors. The children thoroughly enjoyed the school and think gained much from it. Since then we have been busy trying to get the community building (the one used by WPA) in a condition to be used for some of our work. Mr. Jones gave us the unbleached sheeting from which we made curtains for the windows. We have bought two inexpensive linoleum rugs, some chairs, tables, etc., and with our piano the place is beginning to have a little 'atmosphere.' One of the things that I am really happy about is the fact that since we have had the piano I have a nice group of children taking piano lessons with a splendid teacher, Mrs. Meacham, wife of the pastor of the village church. Some of the children have real talent and are thrilled beyond words over having this privilege of studying music. Truly the Rocky Mount district made a real contribution to this work in the gift of the piano."

MRS. CUTCHIN SPEAKS

It is our conviction that in addition to the items concerning the school of missions and missionary conference which your editor has written and will write for this page a series of messages from the other N. C. conference officers who were present will be informational and inspirational. It is our purpose to publish such a series during the next few weeks. The first to be received is from Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A. Mrs. Cutchin writes: " 'I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help.' Surely the psalmist had some mountain sanctuary to which he might retire and renew his mind and spirit when sorely tried and discouraged. Such a retreat for Methodists of the Southeastern Jurisdiction is at Lake Junaluska. There we may go apart from the busy world that is torn by war and fraught with fears, to the quiet still of a mirrowed lake, calm and placid deep among the hills. There we learn at the feet of great teachers; there we have fellowship with those of kindred minds; there we gain strength and courage to march forward in obedience to our King's command. As we descend into the valleys of life to live and work among men who are our brothers, the quiet calm of the lake and the stern majesty of the mountains mingled with the thoughts and ideals of great minds give rest to our spirits and faith to our hearts. What could do more to deepen our convictions and inspire us to greater service for Him than the privilege of the school of missions at Lake Junaluska, to which our N. C. conference W. S. C. S. sent eight of its members? As we worked and lived together those days, knowing each other better, and knowing Him intimately, we now turn to our tasks with renewed vigor and determination that our N. C. conference may be richer because of the experience which was ours."

TWO INTERESTING MEETINGS

On Saturday afternoon, August 1, Mrs. C. W. Turpin, secretary of literature and publications, Southeastern Jurisdiction, was hostess to the conference secretaries of that department who were attending the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska. Mrs. Turpin is head of the secular press of the Methodist Church and in that capacity spends each summer at Lake Junaluska. The meeting was held in her office. Many interesting and profitable points were emphasized during the informal discussions, among which were: problems and methods of securing quarterly reports from local societies; the fact that renewals are not to be counted as new subscribers; plans for reporting the work of this department at annual conference; the importance of newspaper publicity, etc. At the conclusion of a discussion of literature for army camps, the group decided that, as a result of their experiences and observations, World Outlook is much appreciated and enjoyed by the men in service and is, therefore, the better literature to send them. Mrs. Turpin presented each woman present with a souvenir booklet, each of which were autographed. At the conclusion of the two hour discussion iced drinks were served by Mrs. Turpin. Present in addition to the hostess were: Mrs. Luther Luton, Tennessee conference, Mrs. Rembert A. Green, North Georgia conference; Mrs. H. E. Hamrick, Mississippi conference; Mrs. C. W. White, Florida conference; Mrs. A. M. Doggett, Upper South Carolina conference; Mrs. Ray W. Harmon, Louisville conference; Mrs. Edgar Underwood, North Alabama conference; Mrs. Welborne Summers, South Carolina conference; Mrs. D. M. Davidson, W. N. C. conference, and Miss Mary Gardner, N. C. conference. Two days prior another meeting of this group was held in the literature room at Mission Inn, at which time Mrs. Turpin, Mrs. George Keene, publication manager Woman's Division of Christian Service, and Miss Juanita Brown, assistant editor of World Outlook and other literature publications, spoke. Much valuable information was gained at this meeting.

JUNALUSKA GUILD

Twenty charter members were the nucleus for a Wesleyan Service Guild which was organized at Lake Junaluska during the summer season. This is an informal organization designed primarily to promote a seminar in connection with the school of missions. The seminar met each morning during the school and was led by Miss E. Jane McDonald and Mrs. I. J. Ayers, members of the national committee of the WSG, and Miss Dodd from the national office.

WHAT HAVE WE DONE WITH THEM?

"What have we done with the new members who have come into the W. S. C. S.?" asked Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of education and cultivation, Woman's Division of Christian Service, during a conference hour at Lake Junaluska on July 31. "We feel," continued she, "that we have something to give them. Have we given it? We have failed to give them the information, the vision and the missionary spirit which would result in more cheerful and generous giving. We have to be patient and challenging with the women who haven't had the vision that we have, in order that they may see the vision of sacrificial giving for the cause of missions. Because a total feeling of unity has not been felt in all groups that places a greater responsibility upon those groups who do have the complete feeling of unity in interpreting the spirit of unity. We of the southern area of the church should give to those others something of the spirit of unity. We know and love and pray and are unafraid. We know we have something. What are we doing to give it to the person who does not have it?"

LESSONS IN GIVING FROM CHINA

Miss Jane D. Jones of the Missouri conference, missionary to China, told a group of folk at Lake Junaluska that last year the women of China sent $400 to Africa: Said she: "$300 before the Shanghai disaster; $400 after the Shanghai disaster. When the united organization was effected in Shanghai it was decided that 5 per cent of all money raised should be used for war relief. When the annual conference met in April there was more than $100 surplus in the treasury. This was used for war relief." Sacrificial giving to missions on the part of a war stricken people!

There is no wisdom, save in truth. —Goethe.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE SUN IS SHINING

This has been one of those Monday mornings when things seemed to be breaking adversely. One matter could not be cleared until another was bumped into. Matters of discipline, consultation with staff workers and advice to youngsters rolled into one another in such fashion as to make a hectic morning. But there has come a lull and a fellow has had time to go out and look at the sun shine down on a lot of beautiful green lawns. The birds are singing. A Methodist minister has brought in a little girl and she seemed to be so happy to come to live at the Children's Home. Another brought in a little boy and he thought the Children's Home was the prettiest place he ever saw. The sun is shining.

THE CHILDREN ARE BACK

The children are back from their vacations and are chirping with enthusiasm about the experiences they had. They vie with one another as to who can tell the biggest tales of joy. In overwhelming numbers they exclaim that about the best thing connected with vacations is that of being enabled to come back to the good old Children's Home. Of course there have been a few annoying circumstances. Not every youngster kept faith with us. The vacation time serves to test the qualities of a youngster better than the usual routine of living.

THEY ATE AND ATE

Yesterday the fine fellows of the senior Wesley class of Centenary Methodist church, Winston-Salem, presented our family with their thirty-second annual watermelon feast. Mr. J. W. Yokeley, whose farm seems to produce the finest watermelons in this section of the country, turned loose 120 of the largest and finest watermelons we have seen this year. When our children had turned themselves loose upon the melons there was still a goodly number uncut. The watermelon feast was a decided success, attested to by not only our children but a good number of visitors, Dr. Charles C. Weaver, Rev. H. Grady Hardin and R. E. Carmichael, the veteran newspaper columnist, being among the number.

THE BOYS ARE PICKING

The truck farm boys are picking beans today to beat the band. Mr. Paul Booze, our truck farmer, states that he thinks his quad will pick a hundred bushels today. The beans are fine and the boys are in shape to get them off the vines in a good way. This is the bean picking time.

THE GIRLS ARE STRINGING

We are having bean parties all over the campus. In the cottages where the smaller children stay the home mother and a number of the youngsters are taking care of the stringing and snapping of several bushels of beans. The larger girls are up at the cannery where the biggest bean party is being held. Bean parties are so popular as to make it a bit difficult to carry on our usual routine of necessary operations.

THE FARM BOYS ARE HUSTLING

This is the last full farm week of the summer for our big boys. They have a lot to do. Mr. Angell, our head farmer, states that they expect to get in all the soy bean hay, finish the plowing of the unturned sod and fill three 100-ton silos. When these jobs have been finished the boys can more readily turn to their football practice.

THE DAIRY CREW IS WORKING

We not only have a fine herd of cattle but we have a good lot of dependable boys who tend to them. Mr. Shaver, commonly called "Dad" by the boys, he having been raised at the Children's Home and having through the years proven a stabilizing influence among the dairy crew boys, takes great pride in his herd. Not only is every cow named but every cow's output is carefully checked. We have had a bountiful supply of milk throughout the past year and evidence is to the effect that we are in good shape for the coming year.

THE FIRST FOOTBALL PRACTICE

At the close of today's work schedule the boys will begin their first football practice. Each afternoon's practice this week will be short but timely. Next week the boys will work hard and fast until one o'clock when they will come in for the mid day meal, following which they will take a couple of hours' rest and then give themselves to hard football practice. We have learned that our boys will contribute better effort in two-thirds of a day during the football practice season than to work along during the entire day with football practice coming as small anti-climax at the close of the day's operation. Football is our greatest morale builder. Its coming is timely and will open up the realization that the boys have anticipated as they worked hard and long during the hot summer days. The picture this week is that of last year's football team. Thirteen in last year's squad will not be in this year's squad. But another thirteen will drop in to take their places. In fact, there will be well over a hundred boys playing football on our various teams this fall.

WHAT ABOUT NEXT SUNDAY?

We don't want our friends to forget that next Sunday is a fifth Sunday, a Children's Home Sunday. Liberal contributions on this fifth Sunday will help our family most decidedly and can help complete the Children's Home quota on the various charges very materially. This will be the last fifth Sunday in the present conference year. The best our friends can do will be greatly appreciated.

THE JOY BELL RINGS

Since last report the old joy bell has pealed forth some more good tidings. Its tones are not only pleasing to our ears but are comforting to our financial anxiety. Those congregations having paid their apportionment in full are herewith listed with their pastors. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

Dilworth, Charlotte, Rev. H. P. Powell.

Boger City, Rev. H. E. Stimson.

Midway, Greensboro, Rev. G. E. S. Miller.

New Bethel, Harmony circuit, Rev. R. V. Martin.

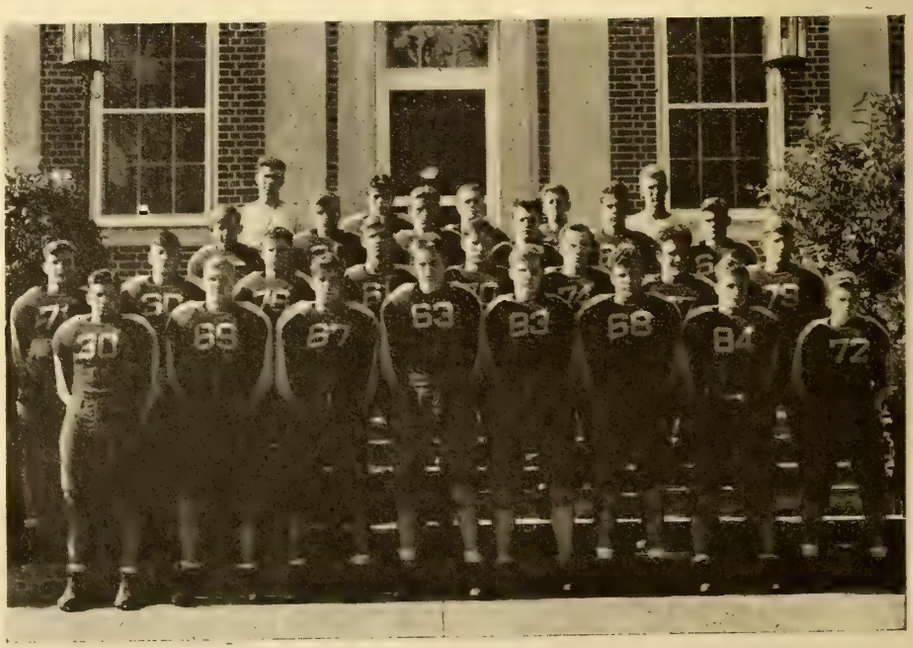
South Davidson circuit, Rev. J. C. Gentry.

Lawndale, Fallston circuit, Rev. George W. Clay.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

One of our leading Methodist ministers writes as follows: "What shall I

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These boys did it last year and they will do it again

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

AN INSPIRATION — One afternoon last week I took a bus to go down town on official business. I sat by one of the most prominent business men in Raleigh. Going to and from his business, this friend passes the Orphanage every day in the week. He remarked that seeing our campus and children was an inspiration to him, and that he thought orphanage work was Christ-like. He made many complimentary remarks about the character of the work that is being done at the Methodist Orphanage. We appreciate very much these complimentary remarks by this Christian gentleman.

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ALL SET—The Methodist Orphanage is confidently expecting every church school in the conference to observe Orphanage Day the coming fifth Sunday. It is very encouraging to know that an increasing number of our church schools are getting enthusiastically behind the fifth Sunday observance. This is a prophecy of better days for our beloved Methodist Orphanage. I want to thank all the church school superintendents for putting on the Orphanage program this coming Sunday. It warms my heart to realize that the Orphanage can count on church people to promote the interest of our three hundred children. All money received from fifth Sunday offerings will be credited on Orphanage apportionment.

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COUPONS — Occasionally friends write inquiring if we are still receiving coupons for the battleship linoleum to go on our large dining hall floor. All such inquiries are answered in the affirmative. We are patiently waiting until we get a sufficient number of coupons with which to purchase the battleship linoleum. I should like to urge our many friends to bestir themselves and make it possible to get the battleship linoleum at an early date. If all societies of Christian Service in the conference will co-operate in this undertaking it will be an easy matter to secure the linoleum. I want to thank all the societies of Christian Service and friends who have sent coupons during the last year or more.

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LAY ACTIVITIES—The Conference Board of Lay Activities, under the leadership of Brother J. W. Smith, has for one of its objectives the promotion our Methodist Orphanage. On this coming Sunday there will be a large number of outstanding laymen who will address men's Bible classes and Sunday schools in the interest of our work. The district superintendents are heartily co-operating with the chairman of the Conference Board of Lay Activities in focusing the attention of the Sunday schools of the conference on the needs and opportunities of our children. Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University and a member of the Board of Lay Activities is giving himself without reservation in stimulating and focusing the attention of our people on the needs of our home. I am deeply grateful for the loyal and generous support that the Conference Board of Lay Activities is manifesting in this Christ-like service in promoting our Methodist Orphanage.

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Dear Friends:

I have greatly enjoyed the eleven years at the Methodist Orphanage. When I came here I was placed in the baby cottage where I had a happy time with my little friends. I began my school career here. My teachers were good to me and I enjoyed school very much.

I have met some of the best friends I have ever known; up here we have many brothers and sisters. To the Roxboro Methodist church, which has sent me nice clothes semi-annually, I owe my deepest appreciation.

It takes a lot of work to operate a big farm, and I am glad I was taught to do many kinds of work; this experience will help me in the future.

To Mr. Barnes, who seems as my father because I have been here ever since I was six years old, I owe my deepest appreciation. He is the best pal a boy could wish for.

Ours is a good school, and I am glad to say that I am a graduate of the Methodist Orphanage high school.

Jack Bostian.

POSSIBILITIES

Longfellow could take a worthless sheet of paper, write a poem on it, and make it worth $6,000—that is genius.

Rockefeller can sign his name to a piece of paper and make it worth millions—that is capital.

Uncle Sam can take gold, stamp an eagle on it, and make it worth $20—that is money.

A mechanic can take material worth $5 and make an article worth $50—that is skill.

An artist can take a fifty-cent piece of canvas, paint a picture on it and make it worth $1,000,000—that is art.

God can take a worthless sinful life, wash it in the blood of Christ, put his Spirit in it, and make it a blessing to humanity—that is salvation.

AMERICA MUST TAKE THE LEAD

When the war is ended, America must take the lead in rebuilding this broken and shattered world. No other nation will be equal to the spiritual and financial task. The church must be ready for that day. Nothing is more essential in this preparation at home and abroad than to continue constructive, helpful missionary service in every place of need in this day of world suffering. The long demands increased missionary giving and cultivation—Bishop W. W. Peele.

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PFEIFFER JUNIOR COLLEGE

Dr. W. S. Sharpe, President **MISENHEIMER, N. C.** Fall Term opens Sept. 14, 1942

This page is dedicated by the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference this week to Pfeiffer College, Misenheimer, N. C.

Pfeiffer Junior College is a co-educational school located at Misenheimer, N. C., sponsored by the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The physical plant, including seven modern brick buildings extending along the highway between Albemarle and Salisbury, is one of the most beautiful and best equipped of its kind in the south. All the buildings are new, having been erected since 1935 through donations from Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City, whose gifts have supported the college program and made it possible for Dr. W. S. Sharp, president of the school, to admit students at amazingly low rates and to turn no one away because of lack of funds.

Students live in four large dormitories, all recently built and equipped with comfortable living rooms and matrons' suites, furnished in maple and walls of knotty white pine. Rowe and Merner Halls for girls, located at the center of the campus, are graced with large white columns. The boys are housed in Cline and Washington Halls. Another mammoth building program is now under way. A boys' dormitory, a chapel building, and a vocational building. A new terminal course in industrial arts will be added to the growing curriculum, which includes courses in mathematics, science, commerce, English literature and composition, Bible, hygiene, French and Spanish, music, dramatics, the social sciences, psychology, etc. The industrial arts course will include such practical trades as plumbing, woodwork, electric welding, sheet metal work, ceremics, and auto mechanics. There is a large farm for the support of the school and for the benefit of agriculture students.

Extra-curricular activities include Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., choral groups, debating clubs, French society, R. W. D. society, athletic teams, the Order of the Sun-dial, W. A. A., Queen Esther Society, and a variety of others. Movies, parties, and other entertainment is offered.



Dr. W. S. Sharpe, President

The enrollment for the past few years has been two hundred or more.

The students are typical average American youth.

The fall term will open September 14. In the summer of 1943 Pfeiffer will operate a twelve week summer term in keeping with the request of the national government for an accelerated educational program.

The college is deeply indebted to Rev. Carl King for this opportunity to put this announcement before the readers of the Advocate.

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As a Christian institution, Pfeiffer Junior College emphasizes the maintenance of religious morals and sanctions. The courses offered in religion, the chapel services, the Y. W. C. A., the Y. M. C. A., the Youth Forum, and the Christian philosophy of life which dominates the whole campus program and procedure, help to develop Christian character.

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Plan No. 4—Students may pay less than $166 and work more than fourteen hours per week by making special arrangements with the president of the college.

Plan No. 5—A few students may be allowed to attend college half day and work for the college half day, thus taking three years to do two years of academic work.

All students must pay cash for books and supplies. No student will be exempt from the college work program.



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THINGS TO DO

As we approach the beginning of a new church school year and the end of another conference year, there are several matters of importance that every church will want to have under consideration in connection with its program. We would like to call attention to a few of these in our Advocate page this week.

Election and Installation of Officers

Now is the time for each local church board of education to be engaged in one of its most important duties—the selection of the best leaders available for the church school. Even in cases in which all officers and teachers will serve for another year it will be well for the board to dignify these positions by an official election of these persons to their respective places of responsibility. Then there should be an impressive installation service in the midst of a regular church service to give a good start to these workers in their new year's work.

List of Church School Officials

During the first week in September blanks will be sent to each pastor on which to fill out the list of leaders in each church school. Three blanks will be sent—one to be kept in the pastor's file, two to be given to the district superintendent. It is very important that this be done as soon after the election of officers as possible, so that the district superintendent and the conference board of education office may have a mailing list of these officials.

Promotion and Rally Day

With the beginning of the new church school year each church school will want to have fitting promotion exercises and a proper emphasis on the new year of work. Some church schools have indicated to us that they plan to have their church school rally day in connection with their promotion day. We trust that many other schools will plan to do this. Programs for church school rally day are still available for those who may want them. They may be secured by writing to the conference office. Even if the regular rally day program is not used, promotion day will be a good time to stress the program of Christian education before the entire congregation and to give the congregation an opportunity to make an offering for this program in the North Carolina conference. It is our hope that the number of churches contributing to this cause this year will be the largest we have ever had.

Christian Education Week

Many churches will want to give more than a one-day emphasis to the new church school year. Christian Education Week (September 27-October 4) offers a good opportunity for a week of emphasis to this phase of the church's program. We know of no better way to create a new enthusiasm for the work of the church school than to have a whole-hearted observance of Christian Education Week.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jurisdictional Officer

His friends in the North Carolina conference will be happy to learn of the recognition that has come to Harris Proctor in his election to the position of Publicity Superintendent of the Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Harris served in that office in the North Carolina Methodist Youth Fellowship during the past year and rendered a fine service. At Louisburg in June he was elected to the presidency of the conference Youth Fellowship. We are sure Harris will do a good job in both of the high offices he will hold among Methodist youth during the coming year.

"Our" Vice Presidents

It is a rather happy coincidence that the new vice president of the Western North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship and the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship are boys raised in two of the fine orphanages of our state. William Crews of the Children's Home in Winston-Salem will serve the young people of Methodism in the western part of the state and Joe Roark of the Oxford Orphanage will serve those in the east. Our hearty congratulations are extended to these fine young men on the well deserved honors that have come to them and also to the two fine "homes" that have prepared these boys for positions of leadership!

NEW LITERATURE FOR JUNIOR AND NURSERY DEPARTMENTS

Large church schools that are using the Closely Graded Lessons will be interested in knowing that the Junior Closely Graded Lessons have been rewritten and will be ready for distribution with the beginning of the new church school year, October, 1942.

It is quite possible that there is no other age-group area in our church schools where there was more need of new materials than in the junior department. All of the materials are attractively written, but the pupil's text book is especially interesting, containing many pictures, songs, maps and other information which is appealing to the junior child.

Course IV for the nine-year-old child is entitled "In Wisdom and in Stature." Course V for the ten-year-old child is called "The Way of Good Will" and Course VI for the eleven-year-old child is entitled "Our Father's Business."

Teachers of junior children who are using the Closely Graded Lessons will welcome these new materials for their freshness and appeal to growing boys and girls.

A new Junior Superintendent's Manual is being written and will be off the press around the first of August.

Workers with the nursery children in our church schools will be glad to learn that a new nursery course is being prepared and will be available for the new church school year, October, 1942.

The teacher's book is entitled "Religious Nature in Nursery Class and Home." This book is prepared for the use of teachers in nursery classes in the church school or for mothers in the home. It includes stories, songs, games and activities for three-year-old pupils.

Instead of the leaflet form which has been used in the past, the pupil's material will appear in four booklets of 48 pages each, under the titles: "My Book for Fall," "My Book for Winter," "My Book for Spring," and "My Book for Summer."

In each booklet will be found large size photographs representing child interests and activities. On the page facing the picture there is an accompanying story.

These materials for the nursery child represent the best that can be found in the files of nursery teaching for the home and the church school.

THE SERMON

He met me at the station, genial as ever, though he stoops slightly, and I think his hair is whiter. But the face is still young, still aglow with a light within.

"We'll have to walk," he said. "No car, of course, and there won't be a bus for an hour."

"I like walking," said I.

He nodded, smiling. "So do I—when I must."

Then he paused, consulted his watch, and remarked: "We can go round by Henley Street, I think. It's farther, but it won't take much longer."

"My feet are in your hands," said I, "metaphorically speaking, anyhow. But the sooner we sit down to tea, the happier I'll be."

"I dare say." My host was still smiling. "But there's time for a sermon."

I was not enthusiastic.

"You remember Henley Street?" he asked.

"Yes," said I. "I was bombed there one night I was here last year, wasn't it? Ghastly business. We went to see it in the dawn—ruin everywhere, terrible."

To Henley Street we went that quiet summer evening; and when we came to the spot which might almost say a transfiguration. Rubble, plaster, broken beams, bricks, glass, furniture, all had gone. It had been slum property, anyway.

But on this summer evening I found an open space, a green lawn, children playing, and glowing beds of fragrant wallflower.

"The sermon," mumured my host.

And I understood the parable—how the worst can be changed to the best by men of vision.—The Methodist Recorder.

Children's Storyland



LITTLE MICHAEL AND THE TWO SHIPWRECKED CATS

By Frances Margaret Fox

Here is a true story which has long been a favorite with French and English children. It is about a sailor boy and two cats.

Away back in the year 1867 a young lad whose name was Michael fared forth from Satin Servan to seek his fortune as a sailor boy. He became an apprentice on a merchant ship whose captain was kind and good. As Michael was kind and good himself, and always ready to do his duty cheerfully, the captain and the crew became fond of him. They would have risked their own lives to save the boy from harm.

All went well until the last voyage of Michael's first ship. That time the ship sailed away from a port in France for Lisbon, in Portugal. We do not know what cargo she carried, except that it was a heavy one.

The very first night at sea there came a dense fog, and in the fog their ship was struck by another. It was so badly damaged there was no hope for it. A passing English ship rescued the captain and his crew. When the fog lifted the shipwrecked captain saw his ship, still afloat, far off on the horizon. Suddenly he exclaimed:

"Where's Michael, the apprentice?"

No one had seen Michael. The captain counted his crew. Every man was there except the boy. By this time the ship had disappeared from sight. The men were sure that she had gone down and that little Michael was dead. The captain's heart was sad and heavy as he gazed over the wide ocean where he had last seen his ship. He was deeply distressed by the loss of his ship, and doubtless he now wondered how he could face Michael's mother with the news that her boy was drowned.

But Michael was not dead. As the old story goes: "At the moment of the collision the little apprentice, Michael, was busy with the rigging at the forepart of the ship. When his task was done he went aft, and saw that the English ship was carrying away the crew. The boy called, shouted, but his feeble voice was lost in the rush and roar of the waves. Michael was alone on a ship into which the water was pouring fore and aft. At first he wept but soon he recovered himself, ran to the pump, lighted a lantern, rang the ship's bell, and all night long strove and fought against destruction. Day dawned. The little fellow discovered a sail, far, very far off. He hoisted a flag of distress, but the sail carried out of sight, and Michael returned to the pump. Toward noon a second ship became visible on the horizon. But like the other it passed on, and the wreck was not discovered."

It is no wonder that poor little Michael lost hope. No wonder he believed that further work at the pump was useless, and that his time had come to die.

Just then, when all seemed lost, and he had decided to give up pumping and thus end his miseries sooner, the ship's two cats came to Michael and began rubbing themselves against his legs. They were so glad to find him, they purred, and purred, and purred. And he was so glad to see them that he did not have enough words to tell them about it. So Michael talked to the cats and the cats talked to Michael, and the ship was no longer a place of utter desolation. The cats petted Michael and Michael petted the cats, and then it seemed as if they must be saved. Michael must work at the pump and never give up, so long as the cats stood by to cheer him on. He shared his food with them, pork and biscuit, and the three friends enjoyed their dinner.

Then Michael again turned to his work at the pump and the signals. When night once more shut out the sea and sky, the cats cuddled close to the shipwrecked sailor boy, and he was thankful for their company.

Three days Michael and the two cats worked and kept watch for sails. Until the food was gone, Michael shared with the cats.

By that time the ship was so nearly filled with water that any minute night be the last. When Michael could no longer work at the pump, he gathered the warm, furry, comforting cats in his arms and sought the only high and dry spot in the last sinking ship.

And the old story now takes a cheerful turn in these happy words: "At last an American brig came in sight and Michael was 'made out' upon the prow of the vessel, and now on the point of going down. He was taken on board the brig, but he would not quit the merchantman without his cats."

Now it may be that Michael and his cats visited our own Salem, or Bristol, or New London, because it was such a long time before he saw his home or mother again. Anyway, whether he visited our side of the Atlantic or not, Michael's story ends with these words:

"Three months afterwards he landed at the port of Saint Servan, carrying his two cats in his arms in triumph, amid the acclamations of the crowd."—The Congregationalist.

GRATITUDE

By Gladys Lloyd

I thank you, God,
For meat and bread,
For daddy's roof
Above my head;
I thank you for
My mother, who
Has brought me up
In love for you;
For Sunday school,
And all things good—
My heart is full
Of gratitude.

—Story Time.

INTERESTING EYES

By Lester Banks

Mothers frequently tell their children, "Your eyes are bigger than your stomach," when they foresee that the young persons are taking more than they can eat. In the case of the single-celled amoeba the eyes are as big as the stomach, for it is just about all stomach, and all sensitvie to light. On the other hand, the jellyfish has only a rudimentary response to light in what has been termed an "eye-spot."

The eyes of an octopus are much like a person's, and so is the normal fish eyes in its mechanical perfection. In forms of life lower than the turtle the eyes lack color.

The eyes of a starfish are on its arms, those of a snail on the ends of its horns. The wasp and the bee have three eyes, in a triangle on top of the head. The eagle's eyes are pear-shaped.

Snakes have a glassy stare because their eyes are covered by a transparent cap that cannot be moved, though the eyeball within the "window" is movable. One of the eyes most sensitive to motion is that of the rabbit.

In addition to the triangle of eyes, bees and wasps have two compound eyes on the side of the head. A spider has eight eyes and a caterpillar six, set near its jaws.

The bird's eye is most marvelously adapted to changeable conditions; birds see at long range or short distances equally well, and no creature has quicker sight. The eyes of fish, too, are so made that they can see through either water or air. I have heard it said that a fish is blind when taken from its natural element, but that is a mistake. The retina of the fish eye is saucer-shaped; that of animal and bird like a cup.—Our Dumb Animals.

Teacher: "If your mother is shopping and finds she has left her purse at home, she may ask the clerk to send the parcel C.O.D. What do these initials mean?"

Bright Boy: "Call on daddy!"

Sunday School Lesson

AUGUST 30

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By Rollin H. Walker

Jacob Seeks God's Help

Genesis 31-33

As one contemplates that great fresco on the walls of the cathedral of history, the story of the angel wrestling with Jacob, he fears lest any attempt to explain it will lessen its impressiveness. There is always danger of spoiling a story by tacking on a moral. And yet of course the writer expected us to draw a lesson. Are we to take the story literally or spiritually? If it were a modern book we would say, Spiritually; but being an ancient Hebrew story we say, Both spiritually and literally. Jacob limped after the wrestling match.

The angry Esau is coming to meet him with four hundred fierce nomads. By the prodigal gift that he has sent before him Jacob has done all he can to appease his brother. He does not deem prayer something that relieves a man from shrewd, foresighted effort, but after he has sent forward the gift he gives himself to prayer.

And now comes the angel in the darkness to wrestle with him through the long night. With what is he wrestling? To answer that question we had best look within ourselves. The angel of God wrestles with our fears, our unbelief, our selfishness, our unforgiving spirit, our stupidity, and our laziness.

The Bible represents God as always taking the initiative. Jacob was not wrestling with the angel, but the angel with Jacob. Says Paul, We are to lay hold on that for which we have been laid hold on by Christ (Philippians 3:12; Acts 26:14). The good God is all the time exercising infinite ingenuity to develop our characters.

But I seem to hear a chorus of protesting voices: If God is doing his best to save us why does he not arrest the mad course of things in the world? One does not give a glib and easy answer to such a question. Life is full of inexplicable mysteries. But all parents know that it takes the strongest will power to hold off their hands at a time when they see their young people determined to make a mistake, but realize that nothing will bring them to their senses except to be allowed to go on and make that mistake and reap the consequences. God is concerned with the development of character, not with the enforcement of prison discipline.

When the angel saw that he did not prevail with Jacob he reached forth his hand and touched his thigh. And then Jacob was too helpless to wrestle any more. (Many of us submitted to God's ways only after he laid us low physically). Then the angel said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. Here was the crisis. Jacob was at the end of himself. Should he give up, or hold on? The darkest hour is followed by a dawn if only we hold one.

Sometimes we are wrestling with the Scripture, seeking a blessing from the Word of God, but no light comes. The Bible says, Let me go, for the chapter endeth. But like Jacob we must say, I will not let thee go except thou bless me. And then soon the chapter finishes like an electric sign, and we have received strength and guidance for the day.

The angel said to Jacob, What is thy name? And he acknowledged that he was Jacob the supplanter. Then the angel changed his name and his nature. Thou hast striven with God and with men, said he, and hast prevailed. In his struggles with his grasping father-in-law he had been trained in that school of hard knocks whose colors are black and blue; and now, by the grace of God, he is victor in a great spiritual struggle wherein his carnal nature is subdued.

When Jacob was changed he said to the angel, Tell me thy name. But the angel answered, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? as though he should have known it without asking (John 14:9). But the angel answered Jacob's question with a deed. He blessed him there. The nature of God will never be fully fathomed, but we can be sure of this, that one of his names is the All Merciful who always blesses those who have learned to pray and not to faint (Luke 18).

The sun rose on Jacob as he passed over Penuel that morning, and the biblical writer suggests that it was a symbol of a still more glorious sunrise in his spiritual life.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Glen Raven-Haw River, Holt's, 11 6
Front Street, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 7:30 8
Branson, 7:30 9
Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 11 (dedication) 13
Graham, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 16
Eno, 7:30 17
Carrboro, Orange, 11 20
Orange, Union Grove, 3 20
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 20
Lakewood, 7:30 21
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 23
Calvary, 7:30 24
West Burlington, 11 27
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Davis Street, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 29
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 30
Long Memorial, 7:30 30

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

August

Columbia, Wesley's Chapel, 11 29
Moyock, Memorial, 11 30
South Camden, Perkins, 3 30

September

First Church, 8 2
Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Person Street, 11 30
Johnson Memorial, 8 30

September

Caledonia, 11 6
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 8 6
Roberdel, St. Paul, 11 13
Hemp, 11 20
Hemp Circuit, 3 20
Sanford, 8 20
Red Springs, 11 27
Parkton, Cotton, 8 27

October

Rowland, 11 4
Maxton, 4 4
Gibson, 7:30 4
Hamlet, 11 5
Laurinburg, 7:30 5
Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Pamlico-Vandemere, 11 30
Vanceboro, 8 30

September

Newport-Harlow, 11 6
Beaufort, 7 6
Atlantic, 11 13
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 4 13
Seven Springs-Pine Forest, 11 20
LaGrange, 8 20
Jones-Shady Grove, 11 27
Grifton, 8 27

October

Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Smithfield, 11 6
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 6
Stem, 8 8
Clayton, 8 9
Raleigh, Person Street, 8 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 13
Princeton, Princeton, 8 13
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 8 15
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 16
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 20
Franklinton, 8 20

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Robersonville, Stokes, 11 30
Bethel, 11 30

September

Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November

Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Richlands, 11 6
Swansboro, Swansboro, 8 6
Tabor City, Bethel, 4—Victory Conf. 9
Whiteville, 8 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 13
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 8 13
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

August

Saluda, 8 27
East Flat Rock, Moore's Grove, 8 28
Wolf Mountain, 11 30
Rosman, 3 30
Etowah, English Chapel, 8 30
Fletcher, 8 31

September

Asbury Memorial, 8 1
Biltmore, 8 2
Oakley, 8 3
West Asheville, 8 4
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 3 6
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 6
Haywood Street, 8 7
Hillside Merrimon, 8 8
Weaverville Station, 8 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 11 13
Leicester-Grace, Brick Church, 3 13
Leicester-Bell, Bell Church, 8 13
Acton, Asbury, 8 14
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 8 15
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 16
French Broad Avenue, 8 17
Swannanoa, Azalea, 8 18
Barnadrsville, Barnardsville, 3 20
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 8 20
Central, 8 21
Ivy, Laurel, 3:30 21
Mars Hill, Marshall, 8 22
Mills River, Mills River, 8 23
Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Calvary, 11 30
Thrift-Moores, Thrift, 8 30
Wadesboro, 8 31

September

Peachland, Fountain Hill, 10 6
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3 6
Lilesville, Lilesville, 8 6
Monroe, Central, 8 7
Dilworth, 8 11
Ansonville, Concord, 11 13
Matthews, 4 13
Brevard Street, 8 13
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Warrensville, 11 30
Laurel Springs, 3 30
Jefferson, night 30

September

Boone, 11 6
Watauga, 3 6

Green Valley, night 6
Creston, 11 13
Todd, 3 13
Sparta, night 13
Cooleemee, 11 20
Davie, 3 20
Mocksville, night 20
Yadkinville, 11 27
Advance, 3 27
Farmington, night 27

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Proximity, 11 30
Oak Ridge, 5 30
Stokesdale, 8 30
Lee's Chapel, 8 31

September

Madison, 11 6
Flat Rock, 3 6
Bessemer, 8 6
Grace, 8 7
Calvary, 8 8
Glenwood, 8 9
Mitchell's Grove, 11 and 8 13
Burnett's Chapel, 3 13
West Market, 8 14
College Place, 8 16
Mt. Pleasant, 11 20
Bethel-Battle Ground, 3 20
Moriah, 8 20
Centenary, 8 23
Reidsville, Main Street, 11 27
Ruffin, 3 27
Draper, 8 27
Newlyn Street, 8 28
Mt. Pleasant, 8 29
Carraway Memorial, 8 30

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Belwood, Kadish, 11 30
Shelby Ct., Sulphur Springs, 3 30
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 30

September

Bessemer City, night 2
Concord-Elbethel, Concord, 11 6
Crouse, Antioch, 3 6
Lincolnton, First, night 6
Belmont, Main Street, night 7
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11 13
Polkville, Polkville, 3 13
Shelby, Central, night 13
Mount Holly, night 14
Cherryville, night 16
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23
Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Denton Central, P. G., 7:30 27
Denton First, D., 7:30 30

September

Lebanon, 7:30 2
Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 5
Liberty Ct., R., 2 6
Randleman-Union—Union, 7:30 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randleman-G. C., Bethany, 2 13
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7:30 13
Ward Street, 7:30 16
Why Not, F. S., 7:30 18
Seagrove, S., 7:30 19
Greer's, 11 20
Linwood, Tyro, 2 20
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 20
Oak View, 7:30 23
First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT

C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs, 11 30
Valdese, Burkes, 2:30 30
Cross Mills, West Marion, night 30

September

Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 12
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Bostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Stanfield, Love's Grove, 11 30
Salem, 3 30
Mount Pleasant, 8 30

September

Roberta, 11 6
Westford, 4 6
Midland, 8 6
China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 3 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Maiden, 11 30
Balls Creek Ct., Center, 3 30

September

Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 9:45 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett Ch., 11 6
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 6
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 8 6
Cool Springs, Cool Springs, 11 13
Olin, Moss's Chapel, 3 13
Union-Grove-Zion, 8 13
Hickory, Westview, 8 10
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Murphy, 11 30
Murphy Ct., 3 30
Shooting Creek, 8 30
Hayesville, 8 31

September

Bethel, 11 6
Junaluska, 8 6
Canton, Central, 8 9
Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

August

Mt. Tabor, 8 30
Centenary, 11 30

September

Kernersville Ct., 11 6
Davidson Ct., 3 6
Walnut Cove, 8 6
Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

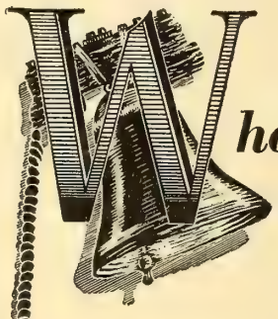
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tell a grandmother who has a ten-year-old grandchild she cannot control; whose parents are separated and both working spasmodically, neither of them fit to have the child? This boy has been pronounced normal but seems to be even at his age a fit subject for the reformatory. The grandmother has written Boys' Town but finds that they do not take them under twelve. To me it seems a rather hopeless situation. What relief can you offer?"

NOT IN THE SURGICAL BUSINESS

Last week when we attempted to say in our favorite church paper "If this scribe could get with a half dozen Methodist ministers he now knows he could get a line-up of appointment guesses that would be interesting to say the least," he was listed as saying "If this scribe could get with a half dozen Methodist ministers he now knows he could get a their tonsils removed."

The youth of a nation are the trustees of posterity.—Disraeli.



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THE Four Freedoms are meaningful only so long as the character of a nation is strong, and the efforts of a nation are dedicated to the highest ideals.

Freedom of speech and expression is worthless unless men use that freedom to improve the lot of their fellows. Freedom to worship God in their own way is not freedom at all if men refuse their deepest insights and worship false gods. Freedom from want is a mockery if men do not have the correct attitudes toward earning and sharing their daily bread. Freedom from fear is impossible unless men have the abiding securities in their personal lives which only high religion can give.

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This is an opportune time for a great campaign to extend the circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate

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SEVERAL REASONS WHY WE SHOULD ACT NOW

1. **Most people are at work in good paying jobs. The farmers for once have more money than they know how to spend. They cannot spend it for gas, or rubber or automobiles—and what else is there to spend money for? Why not spend a little of this money for the Advocate and provide some good reading matter for this fall and winter and at the same time become more intelligent members of the Methodist Church?**
2. **More copies of the church paper should go into the homes of our people. Now is a favorable time for action.**
3. **The 23 per cent advance in cost of paper and other material, and the $1,546 for taxes means much more money to keep going.**

ONE THOUSAND NEW NAMES SHOULD BE SECURED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30

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Are you planning for one year, ten years, or a hundred years? The Chinese proverb says: "If you plan for a year plant grain. If you plan for ten years plant trees. If you plan for a hundred years plant men." Why not plan for all these and grow grain, trees and men? Then your plans and life will be complete.

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The wise and energetic pastor will take advantage of these days when money is plentiful in North Carolina to give his church paper a "lift" and extend the circulation thereof in his congregation, and at the same time let the world know that he has not been driven to the good works that can be put to his credit.

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"Our main business," said Carlyle, "is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies closely at hand." This is the difference between the sensible, hard-headed, practical man and the lazy dreamer about things of easy attainment in the future. The one is a glorious success and the other turns out to be a deplorable failure. Which do you choose to be?

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In the two main theories of government in the world, the one rests on righteousness and the other on force—one appeals to reason and the other appeals to the sword. The one is exemplified in a republic; the other in a despotism. Ours is a government of equality and liberty with a reverence for religion and the welfare of mankind. The Bible is our sacred book and the Prince of Peace is our guide.

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The Irish seldom fail to come out at the big end of the horn. Here is our illustration: Late one evening, when Pat was working in the garden, his wife called to him, loud enough for all the neighbors to hear, "Come to supper —steak and potatoes and hot rolls and coffee." When Pat came in, mouth watering, he said, "Nora, you're not kiddin' me, are you?" "No," said Nora, "I'm just kiddin' the neighbors."

The next three months—September, October and November—is the golden period of the whole year for high and effective work. The crisp autumnal atmosphere invites every man and woman to do his and her best. Any man who is content to be a drone in these greatest days of all the year should get a job with the WPA, where he is not expected to do anything but draw his pittance and lean on his shovel.

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The weather is now a military secret and your Uncle Sam is not permitted to forecast tomorrow's temperature or to talk about the direction of the wind. The army has said, "Keep your mouth shut." But all the armies of Europe and even Hitler himself cannot stop "Tom, Dick, and Harry" from talking about the weather, even when they do nothing about it. And the weather prophet still dares to tell you how many snows there will be in next January and whether this is going to be an early fall and whether we are going to have a hard winter. Mighty is the weather prophet with an unstopped mouth and whose voice, like the cooing of the doves in spring time, is still abroad in the land.

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Confidence that the Christian faith will survive in Malaya despite Japanese occupation voiced by Bishop Edwin F. Lee, recently evacuated from Singapore, in an address before the Methodist laymen's conference, told the conference that Methodism need not fear that the church which they had reared "during 56 years of sacrifice in Malaya" would disappear because of the "temporary residence of Japanese overlords. Before we left Singapore," he said, "the work was placed in competent hands. With such leaders and with such a tradition, I am sure the deposit of Christian faith that is in Malaya, and that after the peace has been signed there will still be found in Malaya a deposit, not in buildings and institutions, but in Christian spirits."

"Motives for Christian Living"

THE above is the title of a book just from the press by William P. King, a widely known Christian minister, editor, and author, who has been pastor of Methodist churches mainly in Georgia and has served as editor of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, and of the Christian Advocate, Nashville, Tenn. He was also for several years book editor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and of the Methodist Quarterly Review just before Methodist union of American Methodism was effected. He also found time during those busy years to provide an occasional volume for the reading public.

This present volume maintains the high standard of its predecessors, and some discriminating critics may be inclined to put it first among the books that Dr. King has written. The author in his preface states the primary purpose of the book in the following terms: "A wide gap exists between knowing what is good and doing the good. No human need is more urgent than to lay hold of the moral incentive and spiritual power that will bridge the chasm between our knowledge and our conduct. This book helps bridge the gap."

After a measurably thorough acquaintance with the new volume, we agree with Dr. Ralph W. Sockman when he says: "It is a very human document. There is a certain straightforward, minister-on-the-street type of expression which should win a wide reading. It is salted with humor and seasoned with experience."

The very title of the book to some minds would suggest a treatment of the subject somewhat akin to the Decalogue. They could not think of a treatment of Christian fundamentals except in solemn and stately phrase. But nothing of the sort can be found in this interesting new book.

Here is one of many instances of the unexpected outcroppings of humor. In discussing the conflict that arises between thoughts and feelings when aspirations soar and desires grovel, the author illustrates with the story of the Scotchman who upon his return from London, where he witnessed the gay side of London life, said to a friend, "Oh, London is a wonderful place. I wish I could have spent a fortnight there before I was converted."

The volume is a veritable gold mine of classical and tender stories used to emphasize the great fundamental themes that engage the author's attention and that will command the interest of the reader.

Our advice is, get the book and you will read it, unless unusually stupid.

Harper and Brothers, Publishers. $1.50.

Labor Day Significant

WITH many Labor Day is a dividing line between summer and autumn. At any rate we often refer to and lay plans for what is to be done following Labor Day. Indeed, this is a most highly significant day in our industrial life. It certainly means much to organized labor and to much unorganized.

Land, labor and capital are three fundamentals in the industrial life of the world. Capital lends itself to organization as no other line of endeavor. In fact, at the basis of a successful use of capital is careful organization. The vast enterprises of our American life have made possible the combinations in restraint of trade and free enterprise. So legislation in restraint of the big trusts has resulted and their regulation has become notable issues in our political life.

In these last times labor has organized on a par with the exactions of capital. So we have reached the stage of the "sit down strike" in defiance of law and order. To meet the exigencies of war our boys are drafted and made subject to military discipline, while the chiefs of labor are able to dictate even to the commander-in-chief of the armed forces. So the President of the Republic, in the fight for the freedoms dear to the American heart, is rendered helpless. Yet notwithstanding this abuse by labor organizations Labor Lay should be exalted.

But what about the men and women who till the soil? They cannot be organized with the same effectiveness as capital and labor. In fact, the only way the toilers in the fields can gain approach to the powers that be is through their representatives in the Congress. Just now these are dubbed the "farm block." Their effort is to secure for the tillers of the soil an equal show with the labor group. All who toil and sweat under the hot summer sun know that their returns have been shamefully inadequate. The best way to relieve the present hue and cry about the hurt done the share cropper is to provide that the increment from tilling the soil allows larger returns for both the tenant and the landlord. Then they, too, might appreciate the blessings of Labor Day.

What Does Democratic Civilization Require?

AMONG other things, democratic civilization requires that we all agree to the proposition that man is sacred, that his rights are inalienable, that he cannot be deprived of life or property without due process of law. the churches, which the Nazis ridicule as "reactionary, backward and thus unimportant," have prayed and worked for centuries to persuade us to agree to this proposition, and this is what the churches seek now to conserve.

Supposing we renounce it now and declare that henceforth we shall attempt to live together some other way. What do we get? What do we get if we abandon the principle that man is sacred? We get the murder of hostages, the destruction of Greece by famine, the annihilation of whole towns and villages. What do we get if we abandon the principle that man's rights are inalienable? We get the suppression of speech and press, the persecution of religion, the burning of books, the death of independent thinking. What do we get if we abandon the principle that a man may not be deprived of life or property without due process of law? We get the confiscation of property, large and small; mock trials before military tribunals which send thousands to their death without a chance of being heard. What do we get? We get tyranny—and something worse than tyranny. We get barbarism and chaos implemented by terror, with which the conservatism of the churches has nothing in common. For the churches are conservative in the same sense that civilization must be and every tyrant who conspires to destroy civilization will always find them there, blocking his path, finally defeating him. Indeed the churches are the "irreconcilable opposition."

Reading Christians

DR. EDGAR J. GOODSPEED of the University of Chicago and one of the great translators of the New Testament, in his book "Christianity Goes to Press" calls attention to the fact that "within twenty years of the death of Jesus Christianity entered the Greek world and found itself in an atmosphere of books, of writing and publishing, of authors and readers; of all of which it soon learned to take amazing advantage."

From the day when Paul first took his pen to write the first line of his first letter, the Christian religion has thrived on the publication of its authoritative documents. Yet the majority of nominal Christians appear utterly indifferent to the publications of the church. Is it the least bit strange that so many people live at such "a poor dying rate"? But it is strange that such a large number of Christian ministers are indifferent to church publications. Some of them depend upon the morning paper and the chatter of the radio for the contents of their sermons. It is deplorable that any so-called minister of the gospel should stand in the pulpit on Sunday and gossip about the current events of the day.

Youth Answers the Call

WITH the boys and the vigorous young men in the armed forces, the farms and domestice industries are left for the less vigorous and the old men and women to make the supplies needed for home consumption. On a recent trip through the eastern section of the state this became clearly evident. The men and the women have worked hard and long through the summer months and now they have come to the harvest time. Cotton, corn, peanuts, tobacco, soy beans, hay and all the yield of the fields still remain to be gathered for the markets and for the barns, but they do not have sufficient labor to do the work. Most of the men in swivel chairs who give orders to draft boards and the officials who berate the great mass of the American people for their complacency know not what they speak. The rank and file of the people who till the soil are doing their full part, yea, much more in the war effort. In many places the situation is most distressing with young and vigorous men supplying the sinews of war.

Absolutely impossible is it for farmers to compete with the wages offered for war work. So a steady stream of labor flows into the industrial centers, notwithstanding the much assurance in the press that sufficient labor is going to be kept on the farms to supply the food of the world. Still the draftees are marched away and the labor for the farms becomes more and more depleted.

God's blessings abide upon the men and women who till the fields and keep the home fires burning while the boys and many of the girls are away in answer to their country's call. Upon such men and women rest the welfare of the Republic, both at home and abroad.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

Chaplain Thomas M. Vick, Jr.'s postoffice address is as follows: 415 Reg. 104 Infantry Division, Camp Adair, Oregon.

Dr. George W. Truett has just begun the 46th year as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas. This church has 7,000 members.

On August 1, in Cabarrus Hospital, Concord, a daughter, Margaret Lucile, was born to Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Fowler, Jr. Brother Fowler is pastor of Kerr Street church, Concord.

Rev. R. Odell Brown, pastor at Pilot Mountain, writes: "I am glad to say that I am gaining strength since coming home last week from the hospital. I can walk about the house but have not felt like going outside yet."

In appreciation of kind thoughts and good deeds during my illness I want to express my thanks to friends who remembered me with encouraging letters, convalescent cards, flowers and gifts of money.—Mrs. C. B. Way, Bald Creek.

Among those attending the National Youth Council of Methodist Young People this week at Oxford, Ohio, are Dr. Albert Outler of Duke University, Rev. Forest Hedden, Rev. C. W. Robbins, Mr. Harris Proctor, and Miss Rothrock.

In spite of the rain over 100 men heard Mr. C. A. Dillon Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the orphanage rally at Hay Street Methodist church. Mr. Dillon gave a wonderful address on the home. We hope he will come again and again. —R. E. Brown.

A varied program is planned for Mitchell's Grove for Sunday, September 13. It will be home coming for the former pastors and friends. Rev. L. B. Hayes will deliver the message at the morning service. A basket dinner will be served on the grounds, and the afternoon service will feature special singing and a fiftieth anniversary program. At 8 o'clock Bishop Purcell will be with us to dedicate the church building. All friends and former pastors are invited to be with us—W. H. Yokeley.

Funds for three more ambulances have been forwarded to the American Red Cross by National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, it was announced today by the national headquarters. The money was contributed by members of the New York and Iowa state unions in local drives, and by the national organization. W. C. T. U. funds now have bought five ambulances and a mobile blood bank for the Red Cross. Another of the White Ribboners' war services has sent $1,973 to China and England for the relief of orphans so far in 1942, Mrs. Margaret C. Munns, national treasurer, revealed.

The annual home coming and revival services for the Lineberry church on the South Davidson charge will be held the first Sunday in September. All members and friends are invited to be present. Picnic dinner will be spread. The revival services will be conducted by Rev. J. W. Frank, returned missionary from Japan. The services will continue for ten days.—J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

An adjourned session of the fourth quarterly conference for the Bald Creek charge, Asheville district, will convene at Bald Creek church Sunday, September 6, at 11 a. m. with Dr. M. T. Smathers of Asheville, district superintendent, presiding. He is expected to preach, and at the conclusion of the sermon conduct the quarterly conference session. The business of the conference held at Deyton Bend church Sunday, August 23, at 10:30 was not completed.—C. B. Way.

Some of the boys in the conference request that I write an article telling what the chaplains preach about. They preach about sin in general, the kernel of the gospel the major emphasis, the Captain of salvation, and corporal righteousness. I am preaching next Sunday on love for your enemies. This is consuming love, administered with flame throwers. It is long suffering love, perpetuated by the blockade. It is punctual love, and that is where the bayonet comes in. Yours for truth untarnished.—Ed Earnhardt.

With the opening of school on September 14 at Woman's College, U. N. C., about 280 new Methodist students are expected. The Wesley Foundation director and council and College Place church are making plans to welcome these students to the church life of the community. Miss Louise Panigot, Wesley Foundation director, hopes that each pastor will urge the students coming from his church to find their place in some phase of the Wesley Foundation program and activities. The Wesley Foundation, in turn, will seek to contact each of these students.

Two years ahead of its five-year plan for repair and reorganization, Asbury church, Cold Spring, Ky., has completed repairs on its building under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. J. I. Meyer, with the co-operation of other Methodist leaders throughout the district. The church, organized by Bishop Asbury in 1799, has not been without a preacher since that time. Since its organization in a farm house owned by a Methodist pioneer who had come "west" from Pennsylvania, the history of the church has been picturesque. It was moved to its present site in 1860 to be on the new "main road" between Newport and Alexandria. The Kentucky conference met in the frame building in 1885 at the time Asbury was said to have headed a circuit for four to six churches.

Testing Hour For Tar Heel Methodists!

The high taxes and greatly increased cost of operating expenses urge the devoted pastors and thousands of loyal Methodists to see to it that the Advocate is enabled to meet its bills. This can be done by securing the quota for each church ordered by the annual conferences. September is the month and one new subscriber for every fifty members is the quota. With this definite goal and a fixed purpose success is assured. We are on the victory march.

I am happy to report that a very satisfactory revival has closed at Ogburn Memorial, Winston-Salem. Rev. J. S. Gibbs of Lafayette Street, Shelby, did the preaching. Brother Gibbs, in my judgment, is among our most effective pastor-evangelists. He preaches with a fervor and earnestness that is lacking in much of our preaching in this day. Our people were greatly helped by his stirring gospel messages and his earnest appeals. The responses were very gratifying. With our new grip on things spiritual, and our splendid new 8-room brick parsonage completed, you may expect to hear good news from the fine people at Ogburn Memorial.—R. E. Hinshaw, Pastor.

A hamburg steak fry for the Rutherford county preachers' families was held on the beautiful back lawn of the Rutherfordton parsonage the evening of August 24. It was sponsored by the Rutherford County Ministers' Wives' Association. The Frank Smathers were admirable hosts. All the parsonage families in the county except two were represented. After a delicious meal the association had a brief business session and made plans for a pre-Christmas meeting. Mrs. Carl Dennis of Mill Springs and Mrs. Garland Stafford of Pleasant Grove were new members of the association. The district superintendent, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, was present and met with the preachers for a discussion of their work.—Mrs. Garland R. Stafford, Sec.

The People's Mandate Committee for Inter-American Peace and Co-operation announces it will conduct a campaign in all the American republics to determine the essentials of a lasting peace and to secure popular support for their adopting when the war is ended. This campaign will be initiated on September 6, the birthday of Jane Addams, founder of Hull House and leader in the world peace movement. The People's Mandate, organized on Miss Addams' birthday anniversary in 1935, was the last peace project she approved. Among the activities of the committee have been a good will tour of the United States by a group of Latin American women and several "flying delegations" to Central and South America in support of the Buenos Aires peace treaties and other specific measures for inter-American peace and co-operation.

Dr. Charles F. Boss, Jr., secretary of the Commission on World Peace of the Methodist Church, will be in the North Carolina conference for two days in September to meet and counsel with pastors and interested laymen on the preparations of the church for the establishment of a just and lasting peace. On Wednesday, September 9, there will be a meeting at Edenton Street church, Raleigh, beginning at 10:30 a. m. On Thursday, September 10, the meeting will be at Queen Street church, Kinston, beginning at 10:30. Each meeting will be a seminar led by Dr. Boss. Particular attention will be given to activities of the local church relating to this problem. All pastors are requested to attend, and bring with them any laymen who may be interested. These meetings are being held under the auspices of the N. C. Conference Committee on World Peace.—Henry G. Ruark, Sec.

I am grateful indeed for the encourgement that you gave through the Advocate for my campaign for new subscribers. I was not aware that I had achieved anything to merit such praise. It is without any element of false modesty that I say that the success I enjoyed in my undertaking was made comparatively easy because of the co-operative response of our good people here. Because I can say this with all sincerity the fact becomes more obvious that it is more or less a matter of setting one's self to the task with no thought of anything other than success. If I may philosophize a bit I will venture that most of our worth while achievements come through the process of setting a goal—then permitting nothing to interfere. The minister must place his aims high enough and far enough for his congregation to get the proper perspective. Otherwise, they mill around with him. We have undertaken three "impossible" tasks in three years here and as you know we have just completed this third. Thank you again, and when you need the inspiration of the atmosphere high up in the hills come to see us.—Hoyt Wood.

MISS KELLAM AND MISS DAVIS NEW MEMBERS OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE FACULTY

Recently appointed member of the Greensboro College faculty is Miss Elizabeth Kellam, instructor in typing and shorthand, according to an announcement by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.

Miss Kellam, a native of South Carolina, received the A.B. degree from Winthrop College, her secretarial training at the Washington School of Secretaries, Washington, D. C., and graduate work at Columbia University and George Peabody College for Teachers. Miss Kellam's experience includes secretarial work and eight years as a commercial



Miss Elizabeth Kellam



Miss Lora-Frances Davis

teacher in private secretarial schools in Honolulu, Hawaii. Miss Kellam was in Honolulu on December 7 when the Japanese raided Pearl Harbor.

In the interest of national defense and to meet the demands of students who feel a need for secretarial competence, Greensboro College is adding a number of courses to its curriculum this fall, including courses in typing and shorthand.

Miss Lora-Frances Davis

Recently appointed member of the Greensboro College faculty is Miss Lora-Frances Davis, assistant librarian, according to an announcement by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president.

On account of a leave of absence for the scholastic year 1942-43 having been granted Miss Annette Shinn of Concord, librarian, Miss Mary Elizabeth Woodcock of Greensboro, assistant librarian, has been appointed acting librarian.

Miss Davis, a native of Florida, received the A.B. degree from Duke University, Durham, and the A.B. in library science from the Emory University Library School, Emory University, Georgia. Miss Davis' practical experience has been in Florida and Georgia. She comes to her present position from Waycross, Ga., where she has been librarian of the Waycross public library.

THE DUNCAN MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

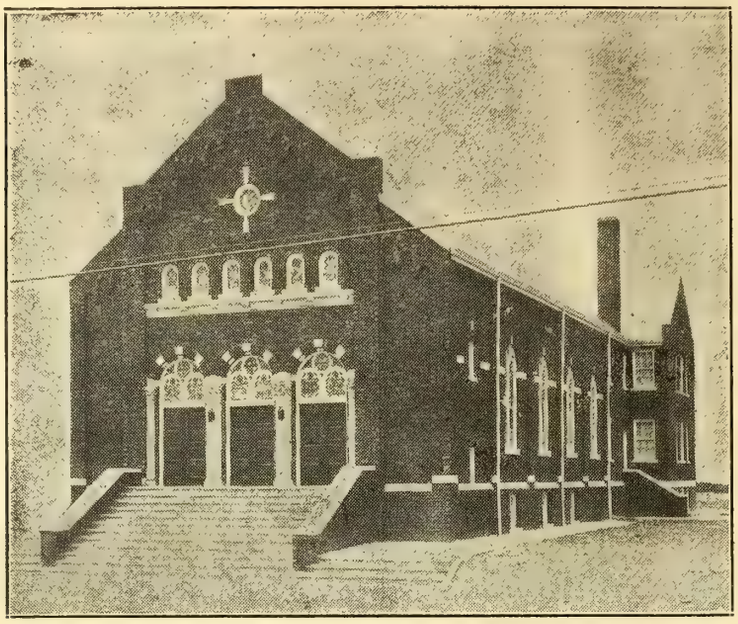
The Duncan Memorial church started a Sunday school in the year 1901 with two families of six children. The Highland Park Manufacturing Company granted the use of the building as a Sunday school. Today this church has 250 members with a system known as the five co-operative committees. It claims to be the only church in the W. N. C. conference that has a junior church with its young people having the same officials as the adult church.

This conference year it has built a square garden in the parsonage basement at a cost of $500.

Many have been born into the kingdom of God this year through this church and a number added to the church.

Howard G. Dover.

Main Street Church, Albemarle to Be Dedicated on Sept. 6

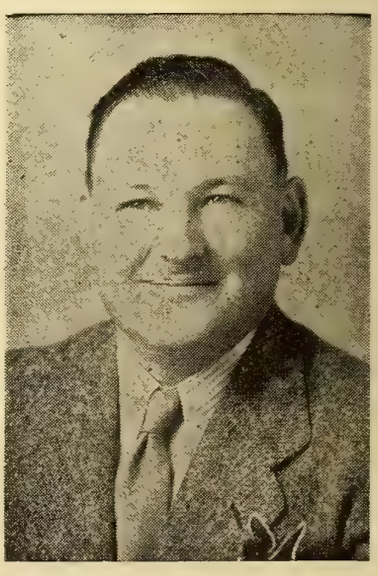




REV. A. P. BRANTLEY
To Preach Dedicatory Sermon



REV. J. E. YOUNTZ
Pastor



MR. J. R. JOHNSON
Chairman Board of Stewards

Main Street Methodist church of Albemarle, N. C., will be formally dedicated on Sunday, September 6, at 11 a. m. Rev. A. P. Brantley, pastor of Steele Street Methodist church of Sanford, will preach the dedicatory sermon. Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, will have charge of the dedication service. Mr. John U. Whitlock, chairman of the board of trustees, will give the cancelled mortgages to Mr. J. R. Johnson, chairman of the board of stewards, who will burn them and present the church for dedication.

At one o'clock a picnic lunch will be served in the church basement. An informal service of special music and greetings from former pastors and visitors will begin at 2:30.

Main Street church was organized October 15, 1909, with 23 charter members as First Methodist Protestant church of Albemarle. Rev. E. G. Lowdermilk, pastor of the Stanly charge, was the organizing pastor. The first church was opened for service on Sunday, October 23, 1910. Rev. W. E. Swain, president of the N. C. conference, preached the first sermon. On December 22, 1927, the church burned. A new church was soon started and on October 7, 1928, the first service was held in the present spacious and beautiful building. The present building represents an investment of over $30,000.

With unification the name of the church became Main Street Methodist church. During the years since the new building was erected the congregation had been laboring under a large debt which at times was most discouraging. During the present year the entire indebtedness has been liquidated, over $11,000 paid on debt and repairs to the church and parsonage.

The following pastors have served the church: Rev. E. G. Lowermilk, Rev. George L. Reynolds, Rev. S. M. Needham, Rev. W. D. Reed, Rev. J. H. Moton, Rev. J. A. Ledbetter, Rev. T. A. Williams, Rev. J. L. Trollinger, Rev. H. W. Kelley, Rev. J. R. Anderson, Rev. G. L. Curry, Rev. J. R. Anderson returned for another term, Rev. D. R. Williams, Rev. C. G. Isley, Rev. T. B. Huneycutt, and the present pastor, Rev. J. E. Yountz.

All former pastors, members and friends are cordially invited to be present on this day.

GOD IS IN EVERY TOMORROW

God is in every tomorrow,
  Therefore I live for today,
Certain of finding at sunrise,
  Guidance and strength for the way;
Power for each moment of weakness,
  Hope for each moment of pain,
Comfort for every sorrow,
  Sunshine and joy after rain.

God is in every tomorrow,
  Planning for you and for me;
E'en in the dark will I follow,
  Trust where my eyes cannot see.
Stilled by his promise of blessing,
  Soothed by the touch of his hand,
Confident in his protection,
  Knowing my life-path is planned.

—Christian Index.

KERR STREET METHODIST CHURCH, CONCORD, NOW OUT OF DEBT

Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service, the members of Kerr Street Methodist church, Concord, had an occasion for genuine joy. The final payment on its indebtedness was raised in full, bringing to a happy conclusion a building program which has extended over a period of five years. Henry A. Polk, chairman of the board of stewards, presided in the special debt retiring feature of the program. He praised the people for their fine spirit of co-operation during the building of the new educational plant. Brother Polk reviewed some of the interesting experiences which came to the congregation during the past few years.

The new educational building is one of which we may be justly proud. It consists of three stories, with an assembly room and individual class rooms on each floor. The building is durable, serviceable and beautiful. Being of brick veneer construction, it blends well with the original building, where the auditorium, pastor's study, social room, kitchen and adult class rooms are located. A new heating plant has also been installed.

The building program was started during the pastorate of Rev. C. E. Murray, who did a monumental work at Kerr Street, and was continued during the very effective ministry of Rev. R. B. Shumaker. The cost of the building exceeded $10,000, and the final payment was made on Sunday, which indicates in some measure the excellent service rendered by the building committee, composed of J. A. Warren, H. A. Polk, R. A. Hullender, A. B. Lyerly, Altan Warren. This committee is praiseworthy for the splendid way it directed the program and supervised the raising and spending of the money. The present pastor of Kerr Street is Rev. J. W. Fowler, Jr.

The furnishings for the building are nearly complete. In each department there are appropriate tables, chairs, work tables and cabinets. Following a general decoration program in the spring, it is hoped that the bishop may come over and conduct the dedication service. "Debt is a hard taskmaster" and it is a glorious feeling to be free.

THE SURPRISED MRS. ROOSEVELT

One is within rights in judging from her "My Day" column that Mrs. Roosevelt was greatly surprised on the occasion of her recent visit to the Cannon Mills at Kannapolis, surprised to have found that the wages of the women workers at that plant average $22 per week, surprised at the salubrious environment in which they labor and more surprised that such happy conditions could be made to prevail in a plant that is "not unionized."

The First Lady of the land would be surprised at what she could find in many another Southern industrial community, the contented households, the well-paid workers, the spirit of the people and the degree of understanding and co-operation that prevails between management and labor.

She would be surprised to find, also, if she would spend more of her time inspecting conditions in the South, that she has many pet theories that won't stand up against reality, that she has, perhaps, allowed her thinking to become concreted within given grooves which prevent her from being open-minded to exact situations and facts of a social and industrial character.

Mrs. Roosevelt runs around a great deal, almost always on the go.

She flies, she rides in trains, she used to travel a great deal in her car across the country, and in her goings out and comings in, she has probably had more time to indulge herself in certain hyptheses than in getting down to hard earth and examining the real facts of a given case.

That sort of experience makes for idealism, but it does not make for reality and practical fact.

Mrs. Roosevelt would be surprised, also, if she know how many people throughout the United States have identically this same notion of her thoughts and theories. —Editorial in The Charlotte Observer.

STUDENTS FOR STATE COLLEGE PLEASE NOTE

Parents and pastors of students coming to State College this fall are asked to let us know their names, past church work, particular talents, and other general information of interest. Then tell them about this church on the campus and urge them to attend and take part. We hope to put the students doing the same things here which they did in the home church.

Fairmont Methodist church is on the campus of State College and does everything possible to provide an interesting and attractive church program for the 700 Methodist students in that institution. There will be 300 new Methodists at State this fall. We are writing to the new students before they leave home. We plan to make personal contacts with them in their dormitories and ask them to become affiliate members of Fairmont church for the college year. A Fairmont member and an interested student member will go in pairs to tell the students about the church and to ask them to become affiliate members. A college Sunday school class will be held each Sunday morning as a part of Fairmont church school. A Sunday evening meeting of youth will be held each week in the college auditorium. The Methodist Student, which is published monthly by the students and financed by Fairmont church, will be distributed regularly to the rooms to keep students informed about the church program for them and of our interest in them.

Remember that we can make a stronger appeal to students if we have the information and support of the parents and pastors back at home.

Address Rev. H. M. McLamb, Fairmont Methodist Church, State College Station, Raleigh, N. C.

PINER - HUNEYCUTT

In a formal ceremony in First Baptist church Tuesday evening, August 18, Miss Alberta Piner became the bride of Rev. Charles Jerome Huneycutt. Dr. J. H. Bunn, pastor of the church, and Rev. R. F. Huneycutt, father of the bridegroom, officiated.

Wedding music was furnished by Mrs. Bob Hoggard of Ahoskie and James Willis, the latter vocal soloist. Ushers were Rev. Douglas McGuire of Duke University, Rev. John Whitesell, also of Duke, and Marshall Brown of Lincolnton. Attending the bridegroom as best man was his brother, Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt of Yadkinville.

Serving as the bride's dame of honor was her sister, Mrs. William Arrington, and maid of honor was Miss Dorothy Jones. Bridesmaids were Miss Frances Nash of Weldon, Miss Mildred Davis and Miss Edith Clyde Willis.

Flower girls were Louetta Lewis and Corinna Bell Webb. Ringbearer was Verna Jane Rabon. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Mrs. Huneycutt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Piner of Morehead City. She is a graduate of Morehead City high school.

The bridegroom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. R. F. Huneycutt of Trinity. He attended Brevard College and was graduated from Appalachian State Teachers College. He has been a member of the city school faculty for two years and is pastor of Franklin Memorial church.

After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Huneycutt will be at home at Franklin Memorial Methodist parsonage.

Chaplains in the Land "Down Under"

Incredible Responses Attend Gospel Preaching in Australia

By EMILY J. REID

Along with the thousands of American soldiers who have been sent to Australia have gone their chaplains—Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Roman Catholic and others. Each unit of 1200 or more soldiers has its chaplain.

A writer in an Australian paper gives the number of chaplains in one denomination now in Australia as 66 regular and 12 service men, together with a considerable number of contact men enlisted by the Army and Navy to minister to the armed forces. These figures are probably a fair average for the denominations.

And, for the first time, Uncle Sam is building simple churches in the camps, abroad as well as at home, to provide proper facilities for the chaplains' work. Nearly $13,000,000 was appropriated to build and equip over 600 churches, each to cost $21,220. In appearance, the churches look like small-town churches, reminding the soldiers of their homes and their church associations.

Chaplains are amazed at the "incredible responses" to their preaching, especially in Australia. The attendance is often from three to four times the usual pre-war number. The fact that week-end leaves have been eliminated or reduced since the Japanese began their attacks, accounts, in part, for the increased attendance at religious services.

The duties of the chaplain are of four kinds: religious, military, pastoral and community—with the religious duties always coming first. In addition to his Sunday services the chaplain has a seven-day-a-week program, which includes Bible classes, vespers, and administration of the sacraments, and which may include baptisms, weddings, and funerals. Being the contact man with the local churches he has endless conferences, and he has a vital program of personal evangelism through group meetings with the men of his unit.

To the average American, Australia is simply a far-away country of which they know almost nothing. Today, with our forces helping to defend this island continent, we read eagerly any descriptions of the land. A letter in the Methodist, general organ of The Methodist Church in New South Wales, gives some sidelights on the environment. The northern (tropical) part is described as semi-jungle, "a lush, green land, eternally moist and humid." Here the leather goods mildew and clothing must be constantly washed. A chaplain tells of his patrol in which he travels seventy miles a day to visit half a dozen posts to distribute letters, parcels from home, toilet goods, and long socks and cotton underwear supplied by the Methodist Women's War Service groups. And, of course, he passes on words of cheer and encouragement.

There is a strong affinity between the Americans and the Australian soldiers and people; they are almost "blood brothers," says a correspondent, who describes the Australians as completely friendly to Americans, though they dislike foreigners in general. Australians pump the hands of American soldiers when they meet in the streets and say, "I just want you to know how happy we are to have you here."

In their history the United States and Australia have much in common; both were used as British penal colonies in their early years. Australians are said not to consider descent from the "convicts" a blot on their scutcheon, since many of these were unfortunate rather than criminal. In a single ship of convicts six Methodist famlies were sent to Australia for holding a meeting to discuss labor conditions in the factories where they worked!

Like the United States, Australia has her problem of liquor and the fighting forces. Writers in their Methodist papers are asking why the government pours out millions to fit the youth for warfare and then allows the liquor interests to undo much of the work we pay so heavily to have done.

Our chaplains serve not only in Australia but also with the troops in the Philippines. There were 21 American chaplains with the forces in the epic struggle in Bataan and on the island fortress of Corregidor. Here, on Easter Sunday, a soldier was baptized according to the Methodist ritual. He had come to the chaplain and asked for baptism, saying, "I have neglected it long enough." With a week's growth of beard and in duty-stained uniform, he was baptized, while the worshippers, including soldiers and nurses, some with tears in their eyes, watched the solemn service. With the fall of the fortress of Corregidor, the chaplains were doubtless made prisoners, and if the Japanese captors permit, are still serving their men.—Zions Herald.

ANNIVERSARY OF ANN STREET METHODIST CHURCH, BEAUFORT

Hon. J. Melville Broughton, governor of North Carolina, gave the address at the 164th anniversary of Ann Street Methodist church, Beaufort, on Sunday morning, August 23. The service was on the air coming over the New Bern station WHIT. Last year "The Story of the Methodists in the Fort of Beaufort" was written by Miss Amy Muse and published in book form.

Mrs. J. S. Correll a past president of the Federated Music Clubs of North Carolina, gave the address at the dedication in words of the New Bern pipe organ of Ann Street Methodist church, Beaufort, on Sunday evening, August 30.

W. Stanley Potter is minister of Ann Street church.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT GOING TO WORK FOR THE ADVOCATE

Over a period of years now I am truly convinced that in reading your paper we have one of the finest pieces of Christian literature that I have had the opportunity to read.

In the church of which I am general superintendent of the church school we have not had, I am sorry to say, many readers of the Advocate, but I am convinced that I have a plan which will place the paper in the hands of at least 85 per cent of our membership. I am going to ask of you a special favor if it is permissible of your staff. I am sending you a little sketch of our church's history, especially the work which it has accomplished this year. I want you to print this small sketch of our church in your paper and send me 25 or 50 sample copies and let me handle the rest. I am sure I will be placing orders from time to time with you in the future. Howard G. Dover.

GILBERT ABRAHAM STAMPER
1871 - 1942

By W. M. Smith

When the end came to Brother G. A. Stamper on August 4 it was not so much a death knell as a summons to a reward. After suffering for months, his feet having grown tired with the roughness of the way, he crossed the narrow vale that intervenes between this life and the eternal world and entered into rest. Dying as he had lived, trusting in the Saviour he had preached and served, death to him was gain. "Peace to his ashes."

Brother Stamper's life was a splendid example of devotion to Christian ideals and a revelation to the triumphs of Christian faith. He was blessed by nature with a fine sturdy physique, good health, a striking personality and a commanding presence. His life was a radiant example of the enduring significance of the true and the good. His devotion to his home and family was beautiful and constant. He was kind-hearted, sincere and sympathetic. He was the friend and companion of his children and held their unbounded esteem and love. His life was clean and wholesome. No stain was ever found upon his vesture.

As a pastor he was eminently successful. From the day he entered the Western North Carolina conference until the day of his death his serious and earnest devotion to the cause to which he had dedicated himself was a glorious challenge to those who knew him best. He was a ready and willing worker and addressed himself to whatever task assigned him with conscientious devotion. Loyalty to the right and courage to stand by his convictions were dominant traits of his character. He was the very embodiment of sincerity and honesty. He hated hypocricy and sham. He had a correct conception of values. He put first things first. No one could induce him to leave the main issues and waste time with non-essentials and trivialities. Wherever he lived his life was a benediction; rich in loving ministration; splendid in example of conduct; fruitful in good works. He possessed a fine and discrmiinating sense of humor that made him an acquisition to any social circle and a source of constant cheer. His effectiveness and popularity as a pastor can be noted from his record. For thirty-four years he was a faithful pastor and twenty-four of these were spent on six charges of four years each.

Brother Stamper was a preacher of marked ability. Preaching was his main fort of strength. The pulpit was his throne. It was here that he appeared at his best. He loved to preach and he was a preacher whom the people heard gladly. His deep and clear Christian experience, as well as his firm grasp of Christian doctrines, gave a definite content to his preaching, and his gift of utterance enabled him to convey that content to the minds of his congregation. His sermons were always carefully prepared, rich in thought, and delivered with great force and vigor. He had a pleasing and impressive voice. Those who heard him were convinced by his sincerity and earnestness. He never rode any hobbies. As a preacher he was clear, strong, eloquent and invincible. To a marked degree he possessed the ability to warm the hearts of men with the message of the gospel. His sermons came from his own heart and reached the hearts of those who heard him. He understood, preached and ably defended the doctrines of the church. Truly he was a great preacher.

In his passing the Western North Carolina conference has lost one of its best members. He was a brother beloved and will be greatly missed. A faithful minister, a successful pastor, a kind husband, a good father, a splendid citizen, a Christian gentleman has been called home. "A prince in Israel has fallen."

BISHOP JAMES CANNON, JR., SUMMARIZES DOINGS OF THE AXIS POWERS

The all-imporant, indeed the vital matter, not only for the United States, Great Britain and the Dominions, China, Russia, the Occupied Countries of Europe, Africa, indeed for the whole world, including India, is to win the war against the domination of cruel, merciless, brute force which, in its mad lust, is trying to crush freedom of speech, of religion, of the press and of individual action. One by one, small nations have been attacked, and all freedom of action has been repressed, as far as possible, by concentration camps, firing squads, mass murders, as in Poland and Czechoslovakia, the killing of innocent hostages, forced transfer of populations from one country to another, indeed by every conceivable "earthly, sensual and devilish" method. Our country shamefully stood on the sidelines while this horrible, unprecedented treatment of innocent, helpless people was being carried on. "Little Americans," Isolationists, Peace-at-any-price Pacifists have in every possible way tried to keep our country from meeting her obliigation, as a great Christian nation, to prevent a continuance of this persecution and murder of helpless and innocent peopeople. The treacherous, unjustifiable attack upon Holland and Belgium in May, 1940, was a bugle blast, calling upon all the free nations, especially the Christian nations, to declare war for the protection and the rescue of these people, and other threatened nations from oppression and death at the hands of men determined to destroy liberty and freedom, and to rule the world by brute force, absolutely regardless of righteousness and justice. The Christian Gospel declares that righteousness and justice are more precious than peace, and the wrath of God is declared to be against the unjust and the unrighteous. So must the wrath of his children be declared upon the leaders of the "nations which forget God," and persecute and destroy the innocent and the helpless.

CHAPLAIN ROBERT M. HARDEE WRITES OF CAMP LIFE

I want to keep up with what's going on, so I am enclosing one dollar for 12 months subscription to the Advocate.

Am located out here in a large camp. It's mighty hot and dry here, but we would expect that in Texas. We are living in Weatherford, which is 18 miles from the camp. There is a townwithin six miles, but it is full and running over, and they are waiting in line to get any living quarters that open up. We are lucky to get into the home of Dr. Hawk, the Methodist pastor in Weatherford. He is a fine and a genteel picture of what a good man can be as he grows old.

I was first ordered to Fort McClellan, Ala., then to Harvard University to the chaplains' school, and then back to McClellan—and I wind up here in an infantry officers' refreshers school in Texas. They run the chaplains right on through the school along with the infantry officers. I like it better now that they have finally given the chaplains permission to turn in their guns, and I hope we don't have to carry them any longer.

One of Bishop Purcell's former assistants is in the school, a fine fellow and was a district superintendent just before entering the service—Chaplain N. S. Pitts from Alabama. This is the first time I have had a chance to even write a letter. Am having the day off because I am about half sick. Tell all the boys howdy for me.

Robert M. Hardee.

THE WORST POVERTY

By Winfred Rhoades

Poverty is a terrible business. It is not the same thing as being poor. A man can be poor with self-respect. He can be poor and yet be happy. But poverty of the deeper kind—poverty of mind, poverty of feeling, poverty of interests, poverty of aspiration and desire, poverty of effort, poverty of understanding and sympathy, poverty of selfhood in its greater sense, poverty of soul—that is a terrible thing. It is the fundamental destitution.

Into the bus this afternoon came a little girl and her mother. The little girl had a broken arm, and they had just come from the hospital. The mother had evidently taken her there for treatment, and had been attentive to the child to that extent. But there was no further sign of attention: no simple and kindly talk, no tenderness of manner, no aspiration in the woman's face, no gentle guiding hand when the child had to leave the bus and make the long step to the ground.

That child was brought up in poverty. The evident slender means was not the dangerous poverty. The dangerous poverty was the lack of affection, lack of tenderness, lack of motherly interest in her little self, lack of ideals and of creative efforts.

Even if one have money and the comforts of life it is possible to be poor in such ways as those.

Poverty of that kind is the terrible poverty.

Consider poverty of interests. A man is not educated just because he has been to college. If his interests are narrow and small, if his manner of speech and the thoughts to which he gives utterance have never risen above those of the slovenly multitude, if sporting scores are of greater importance to him than the redemption of humanity, if he has no high and commanding aspiration alike for himself and for his fellows in the hard struggle of life, if he feels insufficiently the power that is within him of growing a soul, then he is living in poverty.

Take then such matters as understanding and imagination. The man whose imagination does not enable him to triumph over his physical frailties.

That is basic—the way you deal with your spirit. The greatest thing you can give to the world is spiritual insight and vision and inspiration and power. "Where there is no vision the people perish"; and the individual man, if he keeps himself without vision, makes a miscarriage of his life. We go to church, and call ourselvse religious; but if the salt have lost its savor wherewith shall the world be salted? Christian people are supposed to be the light of the world; but if the "bushel" of conformity to the wisdom of this world is put over the candle its light deserts the world in time of need. If you live in contact with eternal truth and possess the power of the spirit you possess riches, no matter what may be your state with regard to houses and lands and bank accounts and spending money.

And therein lies freedom: the true freedom.

A man who is treated as a slave may be more free than his master. The master who lords it over him has made his conscience and his soul vassal to his greed, or to his ambition, or to the economic and social conventions of his group. He can not permit his mind and spirit to climb to high and great places lest he lose what to him is more important than his soul. He lives therefore in poverty of thought, poverty of will, poverty of outreaching love, poverty of spirit. He refuses to be what he might be, and degrades himself into what he ought not to be. Undertaking to live by bread alone, and feeling no need of every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, he keeps himself in the kind of poverty that is worst of all.

Poverty of ideals, poverty of soul: that is the real evil both for the individual and for the social structure of which he is a part.—Advance.

THE CONFERENCE IN RETROSPECT

Apart from its greatly reduced numbers the Methodist Conference, which concluded its session last Friday, gave little outward indication that the time was one of grave national peril. The fact was evidently present to every mind, but there was also a pervasive sense of the presence of the One who stands above the water-floods and overrules all things after the counsel of His own will. The tenour of the President's address and his unperturbed and genial demeanour throughout the proceedings contributed not a little to this condition. The truth is that the household of God in its long history has passed through many such trying periods. At a time like this the Church comes to consciousness of itself as the body of Christ. It bears its cross, therefore, in calling to mind former upheavals which have proved the precursor of some fresh manifestation of the power and glory of its Lord. In that conviction the Conference addressed itself to its immediate duties.

Considering its short duration and the heavy agenda, praise is due to the secretary for his skilful organization and presentation of the business which, by the quick yet not hurried dispatch of routine affairs, secured time for the consideration of important matters of spiritual concern. If only the Ministerial Session had shown equal readiness to consider the ministerial aspects of these subjects, the result might have been still more encouraging. But the session was brought to an early and, as some thought, untimely close, without any opportunity of conferring on the vital question of the decrease in Church membership and allied topics of pastoral concern. The decline in importance and influence of the Ministerial Session is one of the less favourable consequences of Methodist Union.

Emulating Marshal Foch's practice to renew the attack when the wings are falling back and the centre is broken, though Conference gave little attention to the continuous and ominous loss of Church members, it showed lively interest in the two aggressive efforts—the Forward Movement and the Youth Movement. By means of an early start on the Tuesday morning it listened to reports on various aspects of the Forward Movement given by five invited speakers. Mr. Harold Rattenbury made a forceful plea for serious consideration of the question of Church unity on the ground of the rapid growth of the Churches in the East—India and China, for example—for whom the denominational divisions of the West have no relevance. He rightly argued that the converts to Christianity through missionary efforts did not think of themselves as entering the fellowship of a limited denomination, but of the Church Universal.

—Opening paragraphs of Editorial in Methodist Recorder (London.)

HONORABLE CLYDE R. HOEY TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD IN CHARLOTTE

The Brotherhood of the Western North Carolina Conference will hold its annual meeting in the main auditorium of First Methodist church, Charlotte, on Wednesday at 3 p. m. of conference, when Hon. Clyde R. Hoey will



be the chief speaker. Mr. Hoey has been a staunch supporter of the Brotherhood for a long time. His wife was a member for many years before her death, and since her going her daughter has joined in her place.

The Brotherhood has had a remarkable growth this year. The most of the eligible preachers in the conferenec have joined—several districts going 100 per cent. About 100 new lay members have joined this year. Several years ago the assessments were reduced from $5.00 to $3.00 without reducing the benefit of $1200.—H. G. Allen, President.

BASCOM ANTHONY . . . LOOKING BACKWARD

On Tuesday, July 14, I was 83 years old. I am at least 25 or 30 years older than I was 60 years ago. All my bones and muscles know that to be a gross understatement, but my head and heart say it is just right. At any rate I come to it with nothing but gratitude to God and man, for having made life so much richer, larger and more abundant than I ever dreamed or planned.

The preachers I was thrown with when young were circuit riders. I had no thought of ever equaling them. I think I speak the simple truth when I say I had no ambition for place. I had two ambitions that heaven and earth have enabled me to carry beyond my expectations. One was to serve and help my fellowman. The other was to live by my own convictions, own my own mouth, and stand on my own feet.

This desire to be myself and not an imitation of someone else (though I have caught myself unconsciously imitating those I greatly admired), has kept me so busy that I have never envied any man anything for one minute in my life. I have seen a goodly number of men before whom I stood with bowed head in acknowledgment of their superiority, but I never wanted to be them or to be like them except in usefulness.

Seventy years ago in late May or early June I dropped out of school and went to work. From then to now I have been self-supporting. Some of that living has been very slim, but close economy, a good cow, a well-worked garden and patches have pulled us through.

In temporal matters I have always believed that God knew better than I did what was best for me. So my daily prayer has been for Him to do as he saw best with me and mine, though later when I was up in the fifties and saw the possibilities of a dependent old age, such was my desire to maintain my standing as a free and independent republic with a self-starter, that I did ask Him to help me accumulate enough to be self-supporting even to funeral expenses, though if I was wrong in this and He wanted me to die in the poor house I'd do my best to be its most cheerful inmate. While my children would gladly go hungry to feed me and my church is willing to pension me, I'm glad I have a few hundred dollars laid up in the bank—not much but quite enough to meet my simple wants.

I think I speak only the truth when I say that for these seventy years I have never knowingly lied to any man nor sought to mislead him.

Of course I have shot the chutes, looped the loops and gone into tail spins the same as other people. I have had my share of disappointment, suffering and bereavement, but no man ever heard me whine about it or complain at acts of Providence. I am sure I have never felt wholly whipped nor been utterly cast down. The glow of hope has always filled my sky.

Dr. H. C. Morrison, who died recently, is the only one of all my contemporaries known to me who at my age was dated up almost constantly. The deepest joy of my life is to preach to the people, pray for them and cry over them. God willing, I'd like for life and service to end together, but if it's His will that I end life bed-ridden, that will be all right. "I know whom I have believed and I am persuaded that He's able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day."—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO JUDGE NEW HYMNS

Dr. Reginald L. McAll of 2286 Sedgwick Ave., New York City, executive secretary of the Hymn Society of America, announces that the following have been appointed as judges in the contest which the society is conducting for three new Christian hymns to be used in the churches: Miss Caroline B. Parker of D. Appleton-Century Co., Dr. Howard Chandler Robbins of General Theological Seminary, Dr. Henry Wilder Foote of Boston, former president of the Hymn Society of America, Dean Earl B. Marlatt of Boston University School of Theology, Dr. Carl F. Price of New York, hymn book editor, and Rev. Philip S. Watters, White Plains, N. Y.

The society is offering $50 each for the best new hymn text submitted in each of the following groups: A hymn of Christian faith in a time of stress; a hymn reaffirming the world-wide mission of Christianity; a hymn of personal Christian dedication. All hymns must be in the hands of the Hymn Contest Committee, Hymn Society of America, 297 Fourth Ave., New York, by October 1, 1942.

A LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM BROTHER J. C. HUMBLE

Since a note in the Advocate several weeks ago announced the serious illness of my wife many inquiries have come relative to her present condition. May I take this means of informing all of our friends that for nearly two months Mrs. Humble has been gravely ill and is still in a hospital with little signs of improvement. I appreciate all the letters of sympathy and assurance of prayers for her recovery from my friends. It has been a period of anxiety and pain, but the faith and hope I have preached to others for forty-four years is still sustaining me in this my greatest trial. And may I say, too, for the good people of Hay Street church in Fayetteville who, led by their beloved pastor, Rev. R. E. Brown, contributed, without a collection, more than $300 to help pay hospital expenses that I appreciate this fine spirit of brotherly kindness to an old superannuated preacher in his hour of trial and anxiety. Mrs. Humble has been constantly in the care of two nurses and under specialists, and this comes high now. These good people have shared my burden, and may God bless each one of them.

J. C. Humble.

J. O. ERVIN COMMENDS N. C. CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

Brethren, just want again to commend you and to thank you for the fine paper you are sending out these weeks. And this last one is especially good—even Hoyt Wood's picture helps it some—and if he doesn't like what I've got to say about it, I'll meet him on the conference floor in Charlotte one of these days and we'll settle it right there!

I am so glad that you copied and used that matchless paper out of the Reader's Digest, "I Die at Dawn." I thought so much of that as to make it a part of one of my sermons, and it's better than some I've preached before, I'm quite sure.

Go it, brethren. You're doing a great job. Why, even that article this week by our good friend O. P. A. was just like Ader—fine as it could be!

Kindest regards to the Advocate family, and love to all the brethren.

J. O. Ervin.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

A NEW PLEDGE OF LOYALTY TO CHRIST

"I pledge allegiance to the Cross of Christ and to the kingdom for which it stands, a redeemed humanity above all nations, with good will, peace and justice for all men."—By Dr. Chas. A. Ellwood, Duke University.

APPEAL FROM THE TREASURER

Perhaps the president of each W. S. of C. S. has had a letter from our conference president in regard to the sad plight of our Division treasury. There is a deficit of $384,474. This is not due to any careless handling by our officers. It is due to the fact that the women belonging to W. S. C. S. lacked that much of paying the expected income for 1941.

The conference treasurer and all the local treasurers are vitally interested in removing such a stigma, and in answering the call for an emergency gift. To meet this amount, do we women of W. N. C. conference have to do the impossible? Not at all. Though if we did have to, we would do it. The whole history of the woman's missionary work has been a record of doing the impossible. A minimum gift of 25 cents from each of our nearly 25,000 members will take care of our quota of something more than $6,000. I think there is not a woman who will not do this much, and many will do more. You will recall the old Scotch proverb —"Many a mickle make a muckle." When all of our small gifts are added together, we should have our full amount.

The ingathering of these funds should be made at the September meeting of the society, and sent through your local treasurers to me with the the October 1 report. The amount should be marked "Emergency Gift." You will receive credit, but not on your regular pledge for the year. You women have never failed and I am confident you will not fail now.

Mary T. Peacock.

APPEAL TO W. S. C. S., ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

My Dear Presidents:

You have received a letter from our conference president bringing to you a request for the emergency fund with which to meet the deficit that exists in our woman's work. Every member of every society in our conference is asked to contribute 25 cents, as a minimum offering to this fund, with those who can do so paying more than the 25 cents. I am more than anxious that our Asheville district should meet its obligation for this fund and am asking that your society make its offering in September and send the amount collected to Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer, 316 South Fulton St., Salisbury, N. C., with the amount plainly marked "Emergency Fund," so that it may not be confused with your other offerings. Let us make Asheville district 100 per cent in this offering.

Mrs. T. Allen Luther,
Asheville Dist. Cor. Sec.

A CALL TO SPIRITUAL LIFE CHAIRMEN

You have all read in your Methodist Woman the challenge from our Woman's Division of Christian Service to each local society to become "Colonies of the Kingdom" and to this end has recommended that we plan a full retreat in every society, preferably in September, following somewhat the program as outlined in the Methodist Woman. While this retreat will be the responsibility of our presidents, I am asking that each local chairman of spiritual life co-operate fully, lending whatever help possible, and especially that they be much in prayer, in their various groups, for these retreats throughout the church. Nothing is impossible for those who unite in the power of the spirit of prayer.

Let us proclaim this day of prayer and retreat, and as we face world facts that startle and frighten us, that in His presence we may find faith and hope for the future. "Dare we release in our church and community that Power against the problems of our world today? We not only dare, we must!"

Also watch for the dates of the fall officers training day in your district. Again this year our department of spiritual life will have an emphasis in the program. Let us be 100 per cent present on the date set by your district corresponding secretary, to gather information and inspiration for our fall and winter's work. I shall be looking for you and expecting you!

Mrs. J. Dale Stentz.

COLONIES OF THE KINGDOM

By Miss Mabel K. Howell

The challenge sent forth by the first Woman's Assembly of Methodism, calling the local societies of Christian service to seek to become "Colonies of the Kingdom" will be revolutionary if the 25,000 societies with their million and more members take the venture seriously. This challenge is not a call to change the name of the societies. It is not a call to change the organization or the program. It is not something new. It is rather a call to bring into the forefront our purpose, our supreme motivation, which is in danger of being buried under the superstructure.

The Constitution of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the local church states in Article II our purpose: "We are to enlist women . . . in this Christian fellowship . . . for the establishment of a world Christian community."

Jesus came to establish the kingdom of God—a new world rorder—a world Christian community. The societies are set to enlist women into a fellowship to work for the establishment of that new world order. We have identified our objective as an organization with Jesus' objective for the world. This is very clear, but what the assembly is urging upon us is that each of the society fellowships seek to be a real "demonstration unit" of that kingdom of the new world order. The challenge of the assembly reads: "That each society of Christian service venture to become a vital colony of the kingdom of God bearing the marks of Christ, demonstrating to the world in this religious crisis a group fellowship committed wholly to Him. . . . By this challenge we are stunned into awareness that in this day of crisis the world wants to see religion demonstrated by individuals and by groups committed to the kingdom-way, and that our societies have the marvelous privilege of unitedly venturing to become such a demonstration.

How is this to be accomplished? The challenge says, "By bearing the marks of Christ." The assembly suggested as ways, the commitment of personal life, the discipline and stewardship of life and friendship over lines. These are some of the most vital "marks of Christ" which societies are asked to demonstrate. Shall we not start off this fall on this great adventure? Like the Greeks of old this wartorn world is saying today, "we would see Jesus." Shall the Woman's Societies of Christian Service seek to do their part in answering this cry?"—The Methodist Woman, August 1942.

DR. LAMBETH AGAIN HEAD OF CHURCH CENTER, JUNALUSKA

The board of trustees of the Lake Junaluska Assembly of The Methodist Church, in an all day meeting on August 21 re-elected Dr. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Central church, Asheville, president and superintendent of the assembly and expressed appreciation of his administration during the past fiscal year. Bishop Clare Purcell, chairman of the board, said: "The season has exceeded expectations both in attendance and in finances. While we cannot see a year ahead, we are confidently expecting to have another great season next year." The superintendent's report to the board indicated an attendance only one-third below normal and a more sustained program than ever before.

The executive committee under the chairmanship of Bishop Paul B. Kern was instructed to meet in December to plan the 1943 program.

Trustees of the Lake Assembly are E. A. Cole of Charlotte; H. A. Dunham of Asheville; W. G. Cram, New York City; R. L. Flowers, Durham; Bishop Kern; Dr. Lambeth; Judge B. J. Littleton, Washington, D. C.; G. L. Morelock, Chicago; C. C. Norton, Spartanburg, S. C.; Bishop W. W. Peele; Bishop Purcell; Dr. W. F. Quillian, New York City; Dr. Guy E. Snaveley, New York City; W. S. F. Tatum, Harrisburg; Miss and L. W. Wells, Richmond, Va.

If you have a thing in mind, it is not long before you have it in hand.—John Burroughs.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

PRAYER FOR A WORLD AT WAR

Infinite God, set our hearts on things eternal and clear and our minds of the confusion of these dark days. Help us to turn to thee for the strength and courage to follow thy Son who was hated, and yet loved; who was defiled and defiled not; who was killed and yet lived. Grant that we may live in him and he in us. Amen.—Rev. Grady Hardin, Jr., in Junaluska Assembly Daily.

MRS. EDENS' IMPRESSIONS

Continuing the series of items written by the several officers of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. who attended the school of 'missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska on July 27-August 4, we are pleased to share with our readers an interesting and inspiring letter from Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary. Mrs. Edens writes: "If God ever wrote 'beauty' in terms of nature, surely he wrote it in capital letters across that narrow strip of land that separates the Pisgah National Forest and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. In this area we find something of which Methodism boasts—and of which North Carolina is justly proud—the summer capital of Methodism, Lake Junaluska. To those of us who journeyed to this holy place for the first time, we anticipated it with a spirit of adventure and actually experienced it with a deep sense of reverence. As I watched the twilight of that first day fade into the evening hours; as I saw that illuminated cross, symbolic of all for which Junaluska stands, with its reflecting rippling in the waters; as I saw the full moon rise across that beautiful lake, shedding abroad a soft, quiet radiance; as I lifted my eyes to the crest of the mountains, and was deeply conscious of the depth of the valleys, I was able to answer for myself the question, 'Where is God?' Those who went seeking the things which are deep and eternal found them where they found God—in the voices of little children on the Ivey playground, in the songs of the birds in the auditorium during worship hours, in Junaluska flowers, in the happy faces of young people in the Leadership conference, in the faces of those who have given their best years to building His kingdom and in the hearts of those who answered definitely the command, 'Go ye into all the world.'

Mrs. Helen Bourne in concluding her class on The Work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service' said that if there were any unkind words, any bitter feelings, or any unpleasant experiences, we knew that to be human weakness, but if we had found those things that were pleasant, wholesome and uplifting, we had really met God at that point. The women of the N. C. conference who were privileged to go went seeking God. They found God. To those women who made this rich experience possible we would say that we trust that from day to day we may be used of God to share with you something of the radiant, life giving 'Junaluska spirit.'

HOW PROGRAM MATERIALS ARE MADE

Methodist women are becoming increasingly more aware that the program materials for the monthly meetings of the W. S. C. S. are of excellent worth in imparting interesting, stimulating and informative news of woman's work both in foreign fields and in the home land. It is probable, however, that we have not given due credit and gratitude to those who are responsible for the making of this material. It was delightful to meet Miss Juanita Brown during the school of missions and to glean from her some enlightening information concerning our program materials. Miss Brown is one of the editors of World Outlook and of our monthly program materials. According to Miss Brown's statement, our monthly programs are most carefully and prayerfully made by folk who make it their business to know the mission fields and the acccmplishments there. A large literature committee of 25 people—a scattered group—explore the needs and the fields of service. This committee meets twice each year. They choose a theme and write the materials around that theme, considering the emphasis for that particular year. Incidentally, the theme for 1943 will be "A New Earth Wherein Dwelleth Righteousness." Either the material is already off the press or will be very soon. Societies should order now, thereby giving opportunity to become thoroughly familiar with it before January 1. Order from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

WE MUST REMOVE DIFFICULTIES

"Can we as Christians hold the world together?" asked Miss Elizabeth Lee of a large assemblage at an evening session during the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska. Miss Lee is an executive secretary of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, with supervision of work in Latin America, Europe and North Africa. "We can do it and we are doing it," continued she. "The World Federation of Churches and Christian Missions are holding the world together today. The Christian missionary is one of the few people who knows the formula for holding the world together. We are fighting for human rights today. When India is about to have self government; China is rising to a greater era; Africa is coming into the picture of world affairs as never before; isn't it wonderful to think that there are millions of these people who would not have a knowledge of Christianity had we not sent Christian missionaries to them? When peace comes what hope is there for the kind of world we want unless we maintain the Christian service?" Speaking of the deficit in the Woman's Division caused by failure of some of the conferences to pay their pledges last year, Miss Lee stated: "The southern conferences were not the ones which did not raise more money, but we are all one now and we must work together to remove the deficit." Editor's note: We are hearing much these days concerning this deficit and the need for our response to the call for at least 25 cents per member for the purpose of removing the deficit. Women of the N. C. conference cannot afford to not "go the second mile" in assuming their share of participation in this cause.

WANTED: NAMES OF STUDENTS

Mrs. H. Lee Thomas of Carthage, conference secretary of student work, is appealing to local officers in this line of work for names of all Methodist studens who will soon be enrolling in the various schools and colleges. A special card, giving space for all infromation needed by Mrs. Thomas in the matter may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, price 35 cents per hundred. It is most important that the secretary of student work in each local society shall order as many cards as needed, fill them out and mail to Mrs. Thomas as easly in September as possible.

TWO DISTRICTS TO MEET

Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary, announces an educational conference for the district to be held on September 8 at Edenton Street Methodist church, beginning at 9:30 a. m. Luncheon will be served in the Poindexter Memorial building at 35 cents per plate. Those who expect to attend are asked to notify Mrs. H. T. Sawyer, 1513 St. Mary's Street, Raleigh.

Fayetteville district will meet at Steele Street church, Sanford, on September 15, beginning at 9:30 a. m., according to announcement by Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, district secretary. Those who plan to attend are requested to notify Mrs. W. L. Simmons, Chisholm Street, Sanford. Luncheon will be served at 35 cents per plate.

Both these meetings are extremely important, worth while and helpful to promotion of the work of the W. S. C. S. All officers and as many others as can possibly do so are urged to attend.

NO TIME FOR RETREAT

This is no time for retreat. The best strategy is a great spiritual offensive. Our service in pulpit and pew should be so instant and sacrificial that the very largest counter-offensive against paganism may be launched. Times of war and distress bring many sorrows to the church, but they also bring its best opportunity for advance.—Bishop Clare Purcell.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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OFF HE WENT

I have just returned from the railway station after placing one of our 17-year-old boys, William Crews, on the train for Oxford, Ohio, where at Miami University he will be one of the 1500 delegates attending the National Youth Council of Methodist Young People. William, better known to us as "Cruso," president of the senior high school group of Centenary church school, went as a delegate to the young people's conference at Lake Junaluska where he was elected to head up that organization for next year. He later attended the ten-day conference at Lake Junaluska for officers of young people's groups in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. After making his report on returning to his church school department, Rev. H. Grady Hardin, our assistant pastor and director of Christian education, suggested that William go to the National Youth Conference, a large part of the expense being underwritten by Centenary Methodist church. So off William has gone. We feel confident that the young man will be greatly profited by his trip, associations and experiences. We have high hopes for him and for the service he will later render.

THE FARMER'S FAITH

Farmers have every reason to believe in God. They must have faith in an unseen influence in order to successfully carry on their work. They have faith in their plantings, faith in their cultivation, faith in seasons and faith in harvesting. This scribe feels a little closer to his heavenly Father every time he takes counsel with Mr. Angell, our farmer, a good man and a good farmer. We guess together, work together and hope together. Last week we guessed that it was the time to hurry along with the gathering in of the hay and risk the cutting of all of it early in the week. By Saturday night nearly a thousand dollars worth of hay had been stored. At another time during the summer we guessed on one clear afternoon that it was an opportune time to cut eight acres of choice alfalfa hay. The alfalfa was cut and rain fell on it for a week. The farmer must be prepared for some adverses and to look beyond them for some successes.

HE KNEW HOW

Yesterday as we went to church, a whole lot of us, a chauffeur was seen to get out of a fine car on the rear seat of which sat a prominent woman. Evidently the gas had been exhausted, and while the chauffeur had gone for more the car began to slowly move backward towards a dangerous street intersection. It seemed that a hundred boys began to exclaim that something ought to be done, when young Beverly sprang across the road, jumped in the car and slammed on the brakes. This junior lad, during vacation, had been privileged to ride in an automobile and to note something about how it worked. Knowledge plus presence of mind and readiness for action serves mighty well in time of need.

THE YEAR'S CLOSING

The cool nights, the crisp mornings and the stirring of the leaves tend to remind one of the coming of fall and the closing of the conference year. Such a reminder stimulates one and causes an awakened anticipation of the successful conference wind-up. To the Children's Home man there naturally comes the anticipation of financial returns in sufficient quantity to carry our project along. The gathering-in season is always interesting and in most cases profitable. Without doubt the Children's Home friends with their invested talents will bring two fold, five fold and ten fold returns, for which our entire family will give grateful thanks.

NO, NOT ONE

Somtimes at some evil moment there pops into our mind an impulse to list some of the most prevalent excuses one hears for not having done much for the Children's Home family. One is inclined to think that they are not reasons but serve as excuses for not having done what a good inner inclinaton would have done. But every time such a list is attempted the foolishness of it appears more evident. Why bother about a few who fail to do a good thing when so many are rejoicing in the accomplishment of so many good things? The times now call for action, not for the listing of excuses for failure of action.

THE JOY BELL KEEPS RINGING

The ten per cent apportionment joy bell rings a little oftener with the cooling of the weather. The tones are a little clearer and the assurance a little more certain. Those having joined the fine company of joy bell ringers heretofore enlisted are herewith presented with our gratfeul thanks. Kindly note the congregations and pastor in charge:

Dana, East Flat Rock circuit, Rev. C. M. Smith.

West Chapel, Asheboro circuit, Rev. E. A. Lamb.

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, Rev. P. W. Tucker.

Love's Chapel, Webster circuit, Rev. V. C. Moss.

Pleasant Grove, South Davidson circuit, Rev. J. C. Gentry.

Grassy Creek, Jonesville circuit, Rev. G. C. Graham.

OUR SCHOOL OPENS

Our school bell rang this morning and our boys and girls, through the eighth grade went trooping up to the school building for receiving their first instruction of the school year. To be sure, their session was abbreviated, but it was long enough to get their books, assignments and instructions as to when to appear tomorrow. The morning session will begin at 7:30 for the seventh and eighth grades and groups will be entering at different times to 10:30 in the morning. The last groups to close the day's work will leave the school building a little after 4 in the afternoon. All our teachers are back with us and our boys and girls are entering into their new year's school challenges with renewed interest and hopeful anticipation.

WINNING A TROPHY

Our youngsters have won so many trophies of one kind and another as to over fill the available space in the lovely assembly room of the Brown building. Plans are being worked out for suitable cabinets for holding these trophies. The picture herewith presented is that of our spring's baseball team. To be sure, this is the football season, but the trophy the baseball boys won last spring has just arrived and is on display. The boys herewith presented shared with Concord high school in the baseball co-championship in the South Piedmont Conference.



Baseball's inside workings have turned to football's outside activities

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VACATION OVER—All of our children have returned from their vacations. They enjoyed two weeks visiting among relatives and friends. They all report a good time, and were glad to return to the campus. Since having had this change and rest they will take up their duties with renewed zest.

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STAFF MEMBERS — All Orphanage staff members have had a vacation during the summer. They have returned to the Orphanage refreshed and invigorated for the responsibilities that rest upon their shoulders. We feel fortunate in having such a superior type of workers in the training of our boys and girls. They give their best service cheerfully and wholeheartedly, which is appreciated by the administration.

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LIONS CLUB—The Orphanage was delighted to have the Raleigh Lions Club to visit us one day last week. They had their annual picnic on our campus. The wives of the Lions were special guests on that happy occasion. The club pulled off some unusually good stunts, which were enjoyed by the 200 Lions present. Our school feels greatly indebted to the Raleigh Lions Club for the lovely Skateway the club donated to the Orphanage a few years ago.

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SCHOOL OPENS—School has just opened. Prof. B. M. Madison is the new principal, and he has everything well organized for a good school. We have an unusually fine, well equipped corps of teachers to guide our young people in their school work. It is a source of genuine pleasure to our many friends to know that our Orphanage school has such a high rating in the state and throughout the South. Under the wise and progressive leadership of Professor Madison the school will continue to maintain its high standard.

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GUEST PREACHER—On a recent Sunday I had the pleasure and privilege of preaching in the First Methodist church in Wilson. There was a large congregation present for a midsummer service. I was happy to greet many of my former friends in the thriving city of Wilson. I was in a rather reminiscent mood as I thought of my boyhood days in Wilson. It was in the Wilson Methodist church where I felt my call to the ministry. From the altar of the same church my mother was married. I uttered a silent prayer that I might never be disobedient to the heavenly vision that came to me at my most impressionable age. Brother H. B. Porter was away on his vacation, which accounts for my being the guest minister on that occasion. I am delighted to know that Brother Porter is having such a successful pastorate among these choice people.

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WORTH READING — The ten years that I have lived here in the Methodist Orphanage have been very happy ones. Rev. A. S. Barnes, with his love for and understanding of children, has made it an ideal home. The atmosphere here is so wholesome and congenial that it is hardly possible for one to feel lonely. Our friends, collectively and individually, have been wonderful to us; the Bible classes and Christian organizations support some children and clothes others; these clothes are pretty and we feel dressed up in them. I am indebted to the Junior Wesleyan Class in Burlington for mine.

Space does not allow me to mention all of the individuals who have been so loyal and generous to us; but I do wish to mention Mr. Graham Woodard of Wilson who gave our beautiful gymnasium, and Mrs. G. G. Allen, who gave the lovely Burwell cottage where all the junior and senior girls are privileged to live; it is spacious, lovely and home. like. To these friends and to countless others, who have been just as generous, I say "Thank you with all my heart."

The Methodist Orphanage will always be home to us boys and girls. The responsibilities given us make us feel that we really have a place to serve and we become more self reliant and I hope dependable. I am glad I have had training in many different kinds of work, for this training will help me face life's problems squarely and I shall always love my home, the Methodist Orphanage.

Maudie Britt.

TESTED BY THE BIBLE

A Mohammedan trader in India once asked a European whether or not he could secure a Bible for him. "Why do you wish it?" the European asked in surprise. "You would not be able to read it."

"True," replied the Mohammedan. "What I want is a European Bible."

When the European again asked why he wanted it, the man replied:

"Well, when a ship brings a trader who is unknown to me, but wishes to trade with me, I put the Bible into his way and watch him. If I see that he opens it and reads it, I know that I can trust him. But if he throws it aside, with a sneer or a curse, I will have nothing to do with him, because I know that I cannot trust him."—War Cry.

Little Harry: "Pa, why do they call them stump speakers?"

Pa: "Well, I guess it's because so many of them are stumped when you ask them to explain where they got their figures."—Ex.

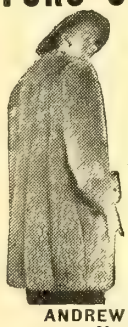
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CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

The observance of this day in the church has a two-fold purpose—educational and financial. It is hoped that in every case a program will be given that will acquaint the general membership of the church with the Christian educational work done both in the local church and on a conference-wide and nation-wide scale. This program should inspire men and women to give of their time and talent in service to the church as leaders of children, youth, and adults.

Below is a report of Church School Rally Day offerings received up to August 31. At a meeting with Bishop Purcell and the district superintendents in February a goal of $3000 for Church School Rally Day was set for the conference.

Asheville District

Biltmore	$ 7.70
Central, Asheville	17.85
Oakley	5.00
West Asheville	5.00
Hendersonville	14.75
Grace (Leicester-Grace)	3.82
Mills River	4.41
7 churches	58.53

Charlotte District

Ansonville	2.50
Cedar Hill (Ansonville)	1.05
Concord (Ansonville)	.50
Brevard Street	5.00
Dilworth	61.06
Duncan Memorial	2.40
First, Charlotte	119.30
Hawthorne Lane	25.16
Myers Park	50.00
Wesley Heights	8.00
Indian Trail (Indian-Tr.-Stallings)	5.84
Antioch (Indian Trail-Stallings)	1.30
Stallings (Indian-Trail-Stallings)	3.22
Pleasant Grove	5.00
Central, Monroe	50.00
Morven	6.27
Harrison (Pineville)	8.00
Pineville	8.00
Thrift (Thrift-Moores)	4.00
Trinity	6.25
20 churches	372.85

Elkin District

Boone	14.51
Mocksville Ct.	1.00
Wilkesboro	2.50
West Jefferson	4.00
7 churches	22.01

Gastonia District

Main Street, Belmont	19.82
Asbury (Boger City)	5.00
Boger City	5.00
Cherryville	8.00
Beulah (Cherryville Ct.)	2.36
Concord (Concord-El Bethel)	2.55
Cramerton	7.23
Crouse	4.28
Dallas	8.00
Ebenezer	5.00
First, Lincolnton	25.00
South Point	5.47
Lowesville Charge	2.83
Central, Shelby	25.00
Lafayette Street	9.03
Stanley	3.61
20 churches	138.18

Greensboro District

Glenwood	17.40
Newlyn Street	5.00
St. Paul	6.00
West Market Street	33.61
Friendship (Guilford)	4.18
Lee's Chapel	2.00
Madison	5.00
Mt. Pleasant (Mt. Pleasant Ct.)	6.55
Bethlehem (Pleasant Garden)	4.00
Main Street, Reidsville	23.00
Lowe's (Reidsville Ct.)	4.50
Spray	5.00
Matthews Chapel (Stoneville)	1.00
13 churches	117.24

High Point District

Archdale	5.75
Central, Denton	7.20
Canaan (Denton)	3.29
Piney Grove (Denton)	1.45
Main Street, High Point	16.74
Oakview	5.15
Wesley Memorial	50.00
First, Liberty	5.61
Bethany (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	1.00
Gray's Chapel " "	3.00
Shiloh (Randolph-Gray's Chp.)	1.00
St. Paul (Randleman-Union)	6.00
Chapel Hill (S. Davidson)	3.10
13 churches	109.29

Marion District

Oak Grove(Bostic)	5.66
Connelly Springs	5.86
Connelly Springs Ct.	4.01
Forest City	5.00
Cross Mill	3.00
Bethlehem (Mill Spring)	1.88
Manes Chapel (Mill Spring)	1.44
New Hope (Mill Spring)	2.33
Glen Alpine	6.40
First, Morganton	11.47
Salem (Morganton Ct.)	2.81
Old Fort	2.00
Bethlehem (Old Fort Ct.)	3.12
Pleasant Grove	11.26
Rutherford College	3.00
Rutherfordton	6.35
Spindale	7.92
21 churches	84.53

Salisbury District

Central, Albemarle	21.32
First Street, Albemarle	5.00
Badin (Badin-New London)	3.94
New London (Badin-N. London)	5.00
First, China Grove	21.00
Central, Concord	17.16
Forest Hill	25.00
Epworth	5.00
Roberta	6.00
Westford	7.65
Bethel (Friendship)	3.24
Friendship (Friendship)	13.79
Mt. Tabor (Friendship)	3.56
Oak Grove (Friendship)	3.45
Bethel (Granite Quarry)	1.25
Mt. Tabor (Granite Quarry)	2.40
Providence (Granite Quarry)	3.50
Shiloh(Granite Quarry)	5.00
Shiloh (Ganite Quarry)	5.00
Bethpage	6.00
Midway	10.28
Mt. Mitchell Charge	3.78
Trinity, Kannapolis	30.10
Landis	2.00
Unity (Landis)	3.17
Center Grove (Midland)	7.15
St. Paul (Midland)	3.00
Mt. Olivet	10.00
Matton's Grove (Pfeiffer)	1.00
Misenheimer (Pfeiffer)	5.81
Wesley Chapel (Pfeiffer)	2.32
Norwood Ct.	6.27
First, Salisbury	29.00
Park Avenue	10.16
Rock Grove (Main St.-Rowan)	1.47
Rowan (Main St.-Rowan)	3.50
Central, Spencer	16.83
Love's Chapel (Stanfield)	2.00
Love's Grove (Stanfield)	2.00
44 churches	309.10

Statesville Circuit

Bethlehem (Catawba)	2.50
Catawba (Catawba)	6.00
Concord (Catawba)	2.00
Hopewell (Catawba)	2.50
Cool Springs	3.50
New Salem (Cool Spring)	3.90
Harmony Charge	3.50
Bethel, Hickory	7.00
First, Hickory	27.00
Westview	9.06
Granite Falls	5.00
First, Lenoir	15.95
Lenoir Ct.	5.00
Broad Street, Mooresville	5.39
First, Newton	8.02
North Newton	7.50
Olin	1.87
Vanderburg (Shepherds)	3.45
McKendree (Shepherds)	4.51
Rocky Mount (Shepherds)	1.71
Wesley Chapel (Shepherds)	1.65
Boulevard, Statesville	2.00
Broad Street, Statesville	25.00
Race Street	15.20
Bethlehem (Statesville Ct.)	1.75
Shiloh (Statesville Ct.)	1.46
Stony Point	5.00
Marvin (Taylorsville)	1.00
Whitnel	5.30
Troutman's	12.00
38 churches	198.93

Waynesville District

Bethel	2.50
Bryson City	6.00
Rockwood	7.25
Clyde	5.00
Cullowhee	5.00
Fines Creek	1.35
Bethel (Franklin Ct.)	1.54
Union Chapel (Macon)	2.54
Meadow Grove (Pigeon Valley)	1.00
Sylva	12.00
East LaPort (Webster)	1.00
Wesleyanna (Webster)	1.00
Love's Chapel (Webster)	1.00
Whittier	2.50
14 churches	49.68

Winston-Salem District

Sharon (Concord Sharon)	2.94
Mt. Olivet (Davidson)	6.75
Mt. Carmel (Mt. Carmel-Pine Gr.)	2.00
Central, Mt. Airy	25.00
Trinity (Trinity-Mt. Carmel)	3.00
Mt. Zion (Pinnacle)	2.45
Main St., Thomasville	20.36
Unity (Fair Grove-Unity)	6.30
Love's	9.07
Burkhead	12.00
Central Terrace	10.00
Crews	18.41
Ogburn Memorial	5.00
——	3.00
Hickory Ridge (Winston Ct.)	1.65
Mt. Pleasant (Winston Ct.)	5.34
Shiloh (Winston- Ct.)	1.20
17 churches	134.47

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NATION-WIDE BALLOT OF THE METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The youth of the Methodist Church are being given the opportunity during the next month to determine the benediction, the motto, the colors, the emblem, and the covenant of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. A ballot is being mailed to every pastor in Methodism on which to record the vote of the young people of his charge. This matter should be attended to as early as possible since the ballots must be received in Nashville, Tenn., before October 15, 1942, if they are to be counted. The ballot is being sent only to pastors, but youth division superintendents and youth officers can assist the pastor in seeing to it that the vote is taken in each local church.

Pastors!

The pastor is the only person in the church receiving the ballot for recording the vote of the young people for the various matters to be voted upon relating to the Methodist Youth Fellowship. Therefore, only through the attention of the pastor will the youth of the respective charges have an opportunity to participate in this nation-wide vote. It is quite necessary that this vote be taken as early as possible, especially in charges composed of several churches, since the vote must be reported in Nashville before October 15, 1942. We trust every pastor will give this matter his immediate attention.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY OFFERING

We are listing herewith the churches sending in rally day offerings since our last report, together with a summary by districts of the amount received this year. We are sure other churches have observed the day and will send in their offerings before conference. We hope that there will be an increase this year both in the number of churches contributing to the cause of Christian education in the conference and in the amount contributed. If your church has not observed Church School Rally Day we suggest that this observance be held in connection with the beginning of the new church school year.

Durham District

Bahama, Mt. Bethel	$ 7.80
Mt. Tabor	1.85
Durham, Branson Memorial	5.50
Calvary	3.00
Mt. Hermon	11.80
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion	6.49
Milton, New Hope	2.69
Semora	3.00
Pittsboro, Mt. Zion	3.37
Person Ct., Concord	4.05
Total	49.55

Elizabeth City District

Aulander	1.00
Kitty Hawk, Colington	1.00
Roper, Mackeys	1.75
Pleasant Grove	2.35
Roper	2.60
South Mills, McBrides	1.65
Total	10.35

Fayetteville District

Jonesboro, Lemon Springs	8.25
Laurinburg, St. John	4.30
Maxton, Maxton	4.85
Maxton	7.00
Sanford, Steele Street	5.00
Total	24.40

New Bern District

Goldsboro Ct., Daniels	5.00
Pine Forest	8.60
Salem	9.00
Thompson	2.40
Kinston, Queen Street	5.75
Total	30.75

Raleigh District

Mamers, Cool Springs	1.50
Mamers	1.00
Raleigh, Fairmont	5.00
Hayes-Barton	9.75
Total	17.25

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Conway	5.08
Northampton, Jackson	5.70
Seaboard	7.00
Total	17.78

Wilmington District

Burgaw, Rocky Point	6.10
Clinton, Keener	2.00
Garland, Centenary	2.00
Garland	3.00
Town Creek, Shiloh	3.00
Total	16.10
Total, July	166.18

Summary

Durham district	$129.79
Elizabeth City	82.01
Fayetteville	74.95
New Bern	74.70
Raleigh	31.19
Rocky Mount	57.55
Wilmington	85.56
Total	535.75

THE CHRISTIAN

When one has found a man who is gentle in speech, cheerful in manner, tolerant in judgment; a man who lives uprightly and unselfishly, loving deeds more than creeds and friendship more than favor; a man who gives without thought of return, being wronged is ready to forgive, and being misunderstood still keeps his faith; a kindly man of wholesome thoughts, uplifting spirit and a resolute purpose to do the will of God; mark him well—that man is a Christian!—Alfred Grant Walton.

I criticize by creation, not by finding fault.—Cicero.

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THE ROCK

The Niger is a powerful river and an ugly river. A great rock rises out of its brown swirlings and splits the river in half. It stands there, dark, unknown, the most powerful god in the region. They call it the Ju-Ju Rock. In the strange days of the past it was the custom to sacrifice to the God of the Harvest. Each year the most beautiful girl of the tribe was selected for the sacrifice. Before the time of the planting of seed the girl was chosen. It was so great an occasion, legend whispers, that the girls fought for the honor.

Just at sunset the white robed priest and girl moved away from the crowd on the beach and stepped into the boat waiting for them on the water's edge. The crowd watched them row toward the rock. They landed and disappeared from sight as they climbed. Then the watchers saw them come out on top, stand there, while the priest chanted to heaven to accept this scacrifice. The crowd on the beach swayed to the booming of drums—everybody grew tenser and tenser. Then a shout came from the crowd. The priest pushed the girl off the cliff to the fire on the ledge waiting below. From here she dropped to the water. The sacrifice was over—the gods were willing to give for another year. A great sigh arose from the shore.

This is the history of the Ju-Ju Rock. But there is more. Year after year girls were hurled from the Rock to make sure that there would be a good harvest and enough food for all the tribe.

Then one year the white man came to the Niger. The black man looked at the white man as he made much noise crashing through the brush, frightening the game from the forest, the black man looked and was astonished. Never had there been a man in the bush who made so much noise. Not only did the white man walk with much noise but he had a stick that made more thunder than a summer rain. The black man looked and thought it was not good.

But all was peaceful, all was quiet until the morning the Major ordered target practice. The regiment was stationed off in the wilds of Africa on the banks of the Niger. It was the wise thing to keep it in trim. There was one logical place for practice—the rock sticking out of the middle of the river. It was away from any of the native huts. No stray bullets could possibly find a black target.

The regiment practiced all morning. It was hot standing there shooting at the rock. Some of the younger men were sent back to camp for some water. They came back with brimming buckets. The next morning the camp did not rise to practice. There are white crosses on the tall hill across from the rock now. There lie the regiment—they had desecrated the Harvest God and sacrifice had to be made. The water was poisoned.

Years more went by; the white man grew more used to the ways of the black man. But they never really understood each other. They were centuries and civilizations apart. The white man made it law that no more girls were pushed off the Rock. Sacrifice had to be of goats and sheep and not of human beings. The black man did not understand but the white man had the thunder stick.

The missionaries came to the land of the Rock. They taught the black man to understand—a little.

Still the Ju-Ju Rock stands in the Niger dividing its swift current. Monkeys play over the hill where stand the white crosses. Native boys rowed us out to the beach across from the Rock. It stood in the moonlight, mysterious, ragged. The boys showed us the marks of alligators on the sandy beach. They slid noiselessly into the water as the dug-outs pulled close to shore.

There in the tropical night we talked about the Rock. The boys stood off to themselves. They knew more than they would tell. One old trader who had known the Rock for many years spoke, soft voiced:

"There have been white men who have tried to climb the Rock. But they never came back. She guards her secret well."

The Rock stands sentinel to all the old customs, old ideas of the Niger River folk. Now silver planes fly over it. They chart their course by the river and the Rock. But the Rock remains unchanged by modern mysteries; it belongs to the history of the bending river.—Religious Herald.

THE BOY THAT LAUGHS

I know a funny little boy—
The funniest ever born:
His face is like a beam of joy,
Although his clothes are torn.

I saw him tumble on his nose,
And wait for a groan—
But how he laughed! Do you suppose
He struck his funny bone?

There's sunshine in each word he speaks:
His laugh is something grand;
Its ripples overrun his cheeks
Like waves on snowy sand.

He laughs the moment he awakes,
And till the day is done;
The schoolroom for a joke he takes—
The lessons are but fun.

No matter how the day may go,
You cannot make him cry:
He's worth a dozen boys I know,
Who pout and mope and sigh.

—Wide Awake.

THE LITTLE BIT MORE

"Nixon might wear a letter, if he only could learn to lengthen out his stride by an inch!"

The track coach was watching his squad circle the cinder path. Nixon seemed doing fairly well. Even a novice, however, could see that while he was working harder than most of the others, he was not getting on quite as fast. He had the build of a runner, strength, and a "fighting heart." But the form he was showing would not quite get him into the ranks of the school's "letter" men.

It was only a trifling lack that was keeping Nixon from success. And so it is with most of us. Differences between two pepole, one of whom is successful and the other not so, are often so slight as to be almost unnoticeable. But they may be just enough to make one a leader, and keep the other a drudge. Even a few extra ounces in a camping kit are pretty important, if we are to carry the load ten miles.

How careful we should be of the little things that make or mar efficiency! The story of the kingdom lost for want of a horseshoe nail has daily illustrations in experience. Many a lad has lost a situation because his undoubtedly strong qualities were spoiled by some mischievous little fault. He may have been honest and industrious—not willing to keep his shoes shined, or to touch his cap to a lady, or to learn to spell simple English words.—The Intermediate Weekly.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Second-grade children were facing the problem of addition. One boy jumped up and said, "I know how much ten and ten are."

"How much?" said the teacher.

"Twenty-one."

Whereupon another alert young citizen in the second grade gave a cackle and replied:

"You don't have a federal tax on second-grade arithmetic!" — Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

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A little Scotch boy was being quizzed by his teacher. "How much are six plus six?" asked the teacher. "Twelve," said the little boy. "Correct—and here are twelve chocolates for having been correct," said the teacher. And the little boy said: "Teacher, next time give me something hard in multiplication." —Atchison Globe.

Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 6

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Alcohol Problem: Past and Present

In Ancient Sodom—Genesis 13:13; 19:23-25; Deuteronomy 32:31-33.

In Ancient Israel—Amos 6:1-7.

Our lesson first points its finger at Sodom whose men were wicked and sinners before the Lord exceedingly, and who, as is usually the case in a degenerate society, were given to drunkenness. Perhaps the reason why Lot's wife looked longingly back to Sodom on that morning when the angel hurried them out of the city before the descent of the fire and brimstone, was because all at once in her hurry and exhaustion she felt the need of one of those lovely drinks that the society women of Sodom were accustomed to serve.

After a glance at Sodom with its dreadful fate, our lesson points us to Israel with its vastly superior advantages, but which also, in spite of its greater light, had sunk into drunkenness and vice. The prophet Amos startles this drunken and idolatrous nation and says, Hear this word of Jehovah: You only have I known of all the families of earth, therefore I will visit upon you all your iniquities (Amos 3:1-2). They expected him to say, Therefore as you are my people I will overlook your iniquities. But it was just the opposite. As Jesus later said, To whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required (Luke 12:48).

We are all the time feeling that multiplied signs of the divine goodness mean an assurance of the divine protection, even though we do not respond to the divine challenge. Israel said proudly, We are the salt of the earth. But Jesus says that although salt is good, yet if it has lost its savor it is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under foot of men. It is fit neither for the land nor for the dung hill—it will spoil good manure.

Israel was at this time living in luxury. They lie upon beds of ivory, says Amos, and stretch themselves upon their couches; and eat lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stalls; they sing idle songs to the sound of the voil, and drink wine not in wine glasses but in big bowls like beer schooners. This calls up the modern night clubs. Amos says that the result of this godless luxury will be a foreign invasion that will leave them in a condition as though a shepherd rescued out of the mouth of a lion two legs and a piece of an ear (3:12). And sure enough in a few years the Assyrians came down, devastated the country, and deported the inhabitants.

But how little did these stern words alarm the American republic. We are indeed startled by the menace that comes to us from our foreign foes. But it would be hard to frighten Americans by the announcement that our God-defying and increasing worship of Bacchus, the god of drink, will bring serious consequences. If a man like Amos with volcanic sternness were to tell the politicians that their utter subservience to the dictates of the liquor power would certainly bring upon them the wrath of a good and just God, they would laugh at him. Men do not seem to realize that when a nation frequents night clubs it is taking a preparatory course for final initiation into hell, that greatest of all night clubs.

It is important in our discussion of the liquor problem to keep in mind the fact that drunkenness is only one symptom of a general social disease. Israel in the desert had a drunken carouse after they set up the golden calf. When a man has a god that can be symbolized by a young bull he wants a drink to satisfy the aching void in his soul, and that kind of a god of course offers no restraint to his appetite. Neither does he restrain him from exploiting the poor. In Israel in the time of Amos men sold the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of shoes. And although they were outwardly religious, and thronged their temples with offerings, nevertheless in connection with these very temple feasts they turned the priestesses into harlots (2:6-8). The root of drunkenness is a general moral corruption that comes from a debased conception of God. And it is usually accompanied by an absurd sense of security, and a national pride that despises all surrounding peoples.

Let us never forget that the eternal laws that brought judgment on Israel still operate with irresistible might.

RELIGION AND VISUAL EDUCATION

A new step forward in the teaching of religion has just been announced by 16 of the major denominational publishing houses of the country, including the Methodist Publishing House of Richmond. This set up will be hailed with much satisfaction by the more progressive element of the church because religion has been entirely too dilatory in making use of visual aids, particularly the motion picture, for the teaching of religion.

According to the announcement which has been mailed to the preachers, the major denominations have formed The Religious Film Association, which will endeavor to provide suitable religious films for church use. The association proposes to stimulate the production of the kind of films the churches desire and "as rapidly as possible, regional film depositories will be set up so that materials will be more widely available and transportation costs lowered." An effort will also be made to lower the cost of film rentals. Information regarding such equipment and a catalogue of available films can be secured from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond.—Virginia Christian Advocate.

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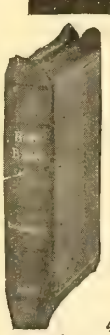
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Front Street, 7:30 6
Duke Memorial, 7:30 8
Branson, 7:30 9
Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 11 (dedication) 13
Graham, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 16
Eno, 7:30 17
Carrboro, Orange, 11 20
Orange, Union Grove, 3 20
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 20
Lakewood, 7:30 21
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 23
Calvary, 7:30 24
West Burlington, 11 27
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Davis Street, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 29
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 30
Long Memorial, 7:30 30

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8

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THIRD ROUND

September

Creswell, Rehobeth, 11 5
Plymouth, 11 6
Hertford, 8 6
City Road, 8 9
Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Caledonia, 11 6
Laurel Hill, Old Hundred, 8 6
Roberdel, St. Paul, 11 13
Hemp, 11 20
Hemp Circuit, 3 20
Sanford, 8 20
Red Springs, 11 27
Parkton, Cotton, 8 27

October

Rowland, 11 4
Maxton, 4 4
Gibson, 7:30 4
Hamlet, 11 5
Laurinburg, 7:30 5
Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

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FOURTH ROUND

September

Newport-Harlow, 11 6
Beaufort, 7 6
Atlantic, 11 13
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 4 13
Seven Springs-Pine Forest, 11 20
LaGrange, 8 20
Jones-Shady Grove, 11 27
Grifton, 8 27

October

Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Smithfield, 11 6
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 8 6
Stem, 8 8
Clayton, 8 9
Raleigh, Person Street, 8 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 13
Princeton, Princeton, 8 13
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 8 15
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 16
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 20
Franklinton, 8 20

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Roanoke Rapids, 11 6
Weldon, 7 6
Rosemary, 8:30 6
Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Richlands, 11 6
Swansboro, Swansboro, 8 6
Tabor City, Bethel, 4—Victory Conf. 9
Whiteville, 8 9
Wilmington, Trinity, 11 13
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 8 13
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

September

West Asheville, 8 4
Candler, Pleasant Hill, 3 6
Asheville Ct., Emma, 8 6
Haywood Street, 8 7
Hillside Merrimon, 8 8
Weaverville Station, 8 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 11 13
Leicester-Grace, Brick Church, 3 13
Leicester-Bell, Bell Church, 8 13
Acton, Asbury, 8 14
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 8 15
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 16
French Broad Avenue, 8 17
Swannanoa, Azalea, 8 18
Barnadrsville, Barnardsville, 3 20
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 8 20
Central, 8 21
Ivy, Laurel, 3:30 21
Mars Hill, Marshall, 8 22
Mills River, Mills River, 8 23
Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Peachland, Fountain Hill, 10 6
New Hope-Bethel, Union, 3 6
Lilesville, Lilesville, 8 6
Monroe, Central, 8 7
Dilworth, 8 11
Ansonville, Concord, 11 13
Matthews, 4 13
Brevard Street, 8 13
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Boone, 11 6
Watauga, 3 6
Green Valley, night 6
Creston, 11 13
Todd, 3 13
Sparta, night 13
Cooleemee, 11 20
Davie, 3 20
Mocksville, night 20
Yadkinville, 11 27
Advance, 3 27
Farmington, night 27

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Madison, 11 6
Flat Rock, 3 6
Bessemer, 8 6
Grace, 8 7
Calvary, 8 8

Glenwood, 8 9
Mitchell's Grove, 11 and 8 13
Burnett's Chapel, 3 13
West Market, 8 14
College Place, 8 16
Mt. Pleasant, 11 20
Bethel-Battle Ground, 3 20
Moriah, 8 20
Centenary, 8 23
Reidsville, Main Street, 11 27
Ruffin, 3 27
Draper, 8 27
Newlyn Street, 8 28
Mt. Pleasant, 8 29
Carraway Memorial, 8 30

GASTONIA DISTRICT

E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Concord-Elbethel, Concord, 11 6
Crouse, Antioch, 3 6
Lincolnton, First, night 6
Belmont, Main Street, night 7
Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11 13
Polkville, Polkville, 3 13
Shelby, Central, night 13
Mount Holly, night 14
Cherryville, night 16
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23
Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Randleman Ct., Mt. L., 2 5
Liberty Ct., R., 2 6
Randleman-Union—Union, 7:30 6
Main Street, 7:30 9
Randleman-G. C., Bethany, 2 13
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7:30 13
Ward Street, 7:30 16
Why Not, F. S., 7:30 18
Seagrove, S., 7:30 19
Greer's, 11 20
Linwood, Tyro, 2 20
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 20
Oak View, 7:30 23
First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT

C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Forest City, 11 6
Broad River, Wesley Chapel, 3 6
Cliffside-Avondale, night 6
Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 12
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Lostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT

C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Roberta, 11 6
Westford, 4 6
Midland, 8 6
China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 8 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 9:45 6
Mooresville Ct., Triplett Ch., 11 6
Elmwood, Knox's Chapel, 3 6
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 8 6
Cool Springs, Cool Springs, 11 13
Olin, Moss's Chapel, 3 13
Union-Grove-Zion, 8 13
Hickory, Westview, 8 10
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Bethel, 11 6
Junaluska, 8 6
Canton, Central, 8 9
Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

FOURTH ROUND

September

Kernersville Ct., 11 6
Davidson Ct., 3 6
Walnut Cove, 8 6
Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13



The Eternal City

John, the beloved disciple, in Revelations, chapter 21, verses 19, 20, endeavors to express in human language the most transcendant spiritual beauty and permanence of the heavenly city—the everlasting city. He selected, singularly enough, to describe the foundations thereof, beautiful crystalline gems: Jasper, Sapphire, Chalcedony, Emerald, Sardonyx, Sardius, Chrysolyte, Beryl, Topaz, Chrysoprasus, Jacinth, Amethyst, every one of which appears in the minute crystals of

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Mrs. Hardison lived in Mocksville for many years after the death of her husband, and later moved to Black Mountain, where she died June 11, 1942.

In early life she united with the Methodist church and was a devout member through the long years of her pilgrimage. For several years I was her pastor in Mocksville and appreciated her lofty Christian character and the fine influence she exerted in the community. She was humble in spirit, constant in service, modest and retiring by nature, always gentle and good, and will be sorely missed by her loved ones, her friends and her church. When the end came she was unafraid and passed to her eternal reward triumphant.

She left one son, Edwin C. Hardison of Brunswick, Ga.; one daughter, Mrs. Beulah Beckwith of Black Mountain, and three grandchildren, Jack Bethwith, Mrs. St. John and Edwin Noble Hardison.

May the peace of Christ abide with the bereaved family.

William L. Sherrill.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Society of Christian Service of the Fairfield Methodist church wish to pay tribute to Mrs. Allie Midyette Young, who departed this life April 12, 1942.

Mrs. Young was a Christian character devoted to family, friends and church. For several years she was not physically able to attend church services regularly, but her interest was with its activities.

Those who knew her cannot but feel that her presence will linger with us to bless; therefore be it resolved:

First, That her life was one of loyalty, and has been a benediction to her friends.

Second, That we wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to her family.

Third, That a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, the N. C. Advocate, and one placed in the minutes of this society.

Mrs. H. C. Jones, Sr.
Mrs. H. L. Cutchrell.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the untimely death of George Gardner, Sr., each of the members of the Wesley Bible class has sustained the loss of a true and faithful Christian co-worker and friend, and the church and Sunday school has lost a loyal and devoted leader; and

Whereas, the unheralded approach of the Grim Reaper, Death, allowed us no time to show or express to him our final appreciation of his fine and outstanding contribution to us in his day; but believing him safe and secure in our Father's mansion not builded with hands, we, the Wesley class do now therefore resolve:

First, That the Dunn community and all its best interests have sustained a great loss in the passing of George Gardner, Sr.

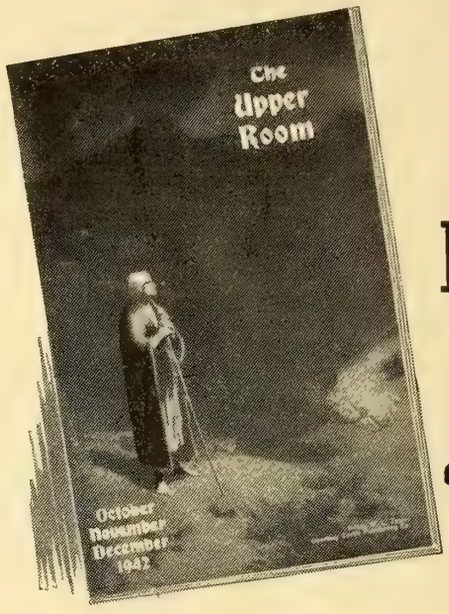
Second, That the contribution of his life's efforts in home, church, Sunday school and community has made of this community a better place in which to live.

Third, That his loyalty and devotion to his home, church, Sunday school and community furnish us a fine example of church loyalty.

Fourth, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family in their sad hour.

Fifth, That our sentiment as herein stated be made known to his family and Sunday school by copies of these resolutions.

J. Shepard Bryan,
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The Divine Comfort

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By Nolan B. Harmon, Jr.

"Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God." So reads the first verse of the 40th chapter of Isaiah.

People need a great deal of comfort. No matter how well we cover ourselves with an armor of reserve, no matter how carefully we conceal our inner feelings, there is always a deep desire to be comforted, and this is as true of God's people as of any others. It may be that we are after all no more than grown-up children—as men, they say, are simply boys grown older; but in women, too, there abides something of the dependence of childhood. They may have put away the dolls of girlhood and laid away all the little dreams of yesteryear, and now in the full flower of life be living as matrons, mothers, and wives, but they, too, need the same sort of gentle treatment which they know so well how to give unto their children.

In all countries, in all ages, there have been disasters and evils. Man leaves no records but those that reflect sorrow and sin and hatred and death—all sorts of blasted hopes, all kinds of broken hearts. "Man is born to sorrow as the sparks fly upwards," said Job in the dawn of time. The daily papers in our era reflect the very same situation observed by the man of Uz in the long ago. No one feels safe. Mothers worry over daughters, and fathers over sons; business men are concerned for their businesses, and the insurance companies underwrite vast sums as they undertake to ward off certain types of danger.

But how shall we ward it off? And how shall we undertake what one has called the "conquest of fear?"

Well, man has usually adopted one of two or three standard systems by which other men have lived their lives, and by which they would solve, if not answer, the riddle of life. Those systems are very old. One got its name from a certain school of courageous thinkers—the Stoics—back in Ancient Greece. Stoicism was, and is, in brief, a frank acceptance of the evils and ills of life, coupled with a strong and determined effort to go ahead in spite of them. The Stoics said, "Yes, there is trouble in the world—as a matter of fact, we are afraid, but let us not show any fear. Why cry about it? Why whine? Better to be brave than fearful." Put in modern phraseology this would be: "Tighten up your belt," "take it on the chin," "see it through." Or as Henley expressed it in his "Invictus":

"Out of the night that covers me,
Black as the pit from pole to pole,
I thank whatever gods there be—
For my unconquered soul."

That is Stoicism—and there could be worse philosophies. It is admirable, but it is colorless; for to me, it is cold as the moonlight on marble.

But there is another system, another solution proposed, by which man has endeavored to find comfort and refuge amid the troubles of life. This system, too, originated far back in ancient Greece, a thinker by the name of Epicurus being given credit for its origin. This teaching is, that the best way to solve the difficulties of life is to get all the pleasure out of it we can. "Certainly there is trouble," says the Epicurean, "but quit thinking about it. Have a good time; eat, drink, and be merry; if we must die let us live now." As Omar Khayyam put it, "Take the cash and let the credit go." And so, like a court jester, who shakes his cap and bells, those who so speak try to forget troubles in the thrill of a good time (a sort of "laugh-clown-laugh philosophy.")

The trouble is, it doesn't work, for it doesn't last. It may be all right for the moment, but it's rather terrible the morning after. Horace, the Latin poet, who was more of an Epicurean than anything else, wrote some lines once which seem to me to ring down the curtain on that whole attitude. Describing the end of one of those glittering banquets, he says:

"Thou hast played enough, thou hast eaten enough,
Likewise hast thou drunk, now it's time for you to go."

Time to go—and the door always opens into the shadows. The gay twenties of life, and the lazy thirties, are followed by the restless forties, the futile fifties, and the ashy gray sixties. Life lived for pleasure has a way of crumbling in at the last.

All this might be amplified—but let me give you now a system that has far more of promise and hope and joy in it. We who believe in God above, in his Fatherhood, in his mercy, and are sure that he has not placed us here to live cold, meaningless lives in a cold, meaningless universe. Neither do we believe that he has put us here to snatch a few pleasures out of life before we go into an endless night. *(Continued on page eleven)*

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Prof. Ralph Barton Perry of Harvard puts the case for democracy in the following striking terms: "We must have democracy in fact as well as in form, in industry as well as in constitution, in economics as well as in orations." The attainment of these ideals will bring in a new order of things. It implies infinitely more than a battle cry for freedom. It is a revolution that cannot be wrought out by force of arms. Selfishness cannot be the motive power for this new order.

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It used to be illegal to possess whiskey, and legal to possess gold. Now it is illegal to possess gold and legal to possess whiskey. A drunken man, reeling down the street with a bottle of whiskey in his hand and no gold in his pocket is keeping the law. We've forgotten that more than one great empire of the past has gone down to destruction through the way of drink. In Germany consumption of beer and light wine has decreased 65 per cent in the last eight years, whereas in England and America it has increased 100 per cent in six years. The liquor interests are apparently in control. How much do we care?—Eleventh Church, Pittsburgh, Bulletin.

There are always a great number of people eager to restore a vanishing past. They have a homesick look at the things that have been. They are constantly engrossed with the past. They are restorers. But this is not the true Christian spirit. Christianity seeks to make all things new, even a new earth and a new heaven. Not to restore the old but create something new is the plan that Jesus adopted as a working order.

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Jacob Simpson Paton tells the following story about the gifted Daniel Webster and what liquor did for him: "While New England farmers were awaiting their grist at Ebenezer Webster's mill they would say, 'Come, let us go in and hear little Dan read a psalm.' They called him 'the god-like Daniel' when Mr. Webster arrived in Washington, the man most richly endowed by nature that Congress ever saw. When he left public life, however, he was so shorn of his power and glory by the distillers' potion that the orator who once made the historic reply to Hayne, used to fall asleep at banquet tables and had to be aroused to harangue his pitying auditors with incoherent bombast."

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John Wesley urged his preachers to do everything on time. This has been pressed home on every Methodist preacher who has taken the ministerial vows at the altar of the church. Years on district work made us acquainted with not a few stewards who did nothing on time. Late in getting to the quarterly conference, late in making his collections, and then failing all along the line. Some pastors are of the same stripe. They have enough laid over for the last few weeks before conference to insure failure. Then they cannot understand why they fail. A man assured us that his quota for the Advocate will come up at conference. It will not. He has already too much put over to the last week. Were he to do all on time and get that quota in September—the time set—he would come up victorious.

Readjustments Continue

WITH the union of Methodism it was fully expected that years would be required to secure real and effective union down to the last man—most especially the last woman of the outlying churches in Methodism. The traditions of the years and the associations of the older heads were against a rapid assimulation of the churches and of the pastoral charges. In North Carolina, however, we are making fine progress. We certainly are delighted with union.

Here in North Carolina with the organized effort for closer fellowship which we have fostered for the past decade we are especially qualified to lead the way for church union in every section of our country. North Carolina should point the way to the entire southland in effecting a unity so genuine that the final official action for union was a mere formal procedure, following the existing union of soul already won in the Methodist household.

The Christian education forces of all these Methodisms and the women of the missionary societies should be most effective in fostering a spirit of union among the young. We must rely upon youth. Age is too often bound by habit and circumstance; the young are free. Then, too, the appointing power can do much to hasten the better day in every way. The bishop and the district superintendents by taking into consideration the local situation and the placing of men in every part of the conference can do much to contribute to progress as well as to union. Real union certainly means real progress. This will be fostered by the outlook and enthusiasm of youth as of old.

The Methodist revival brimmed with the spirit of youth and it gave close attention to the young. A united Methodism should exalt the spirit of the pioneer days and make special appeal to the rising generation. Youth has vision, enthusiasm, and daring to the death. Our Methodism should continue the crusade to win young men and young women for high and holy daring in home, school and church. Only men and women of vision, enthusiasm and heroic courage can cope with the issues that crowd upon us in these days of moral collapse. We are much more in need of a spiritual revival than of an economic revival just now when the masses of the American people are rushing into the awful vortex of modern life. A religion of form and a clergy of a worldly spirit count for naught to a people who make the measure of life an abundance of things. Honesty, thrift and all such homely virtues are of small moment to a generation given over to eating and drinking. Temperance and sobriety are of little concern and holiness of heart and purity of life belong not to such. The business of Methodism from the first has been to spread scriptural holiness over the land and to witness to the power of God to save.

Army and Navy Chaplains

THE chaplaincy of the Army and Navy of the United States is a time honored institution. It was George Washington who issued the first call to ministers of the gospel to regard the chaplaincy of the armed forces of the country as a place of service worthy of their utmost service and sacrifice.

At first the term of service was for a brief period of six to twelve months and no chaplain received a commission. On March 3, 1791, an act of Congress authorized the appointment of one chaplain for the entire army, provided the President regarded such appointment necessary for the public interest. This was the beginning of the chaplaincy which has grown till by January 1 of next year there will be between 4,000 and 6,000 chaplains in the army and no less than 500 in the navy.

"The educational requirements made by the government of those applying for a chaplaincy are the highest and most exacting in the history of American warfare. The Navy requires of every applicant that he shall have received an A.B. and a B.D. degree, or its academic equivalent. The Army will consider no applicant who is not a graduate of an accredited institution with the degree of B.A. or its academic equivalent, or a B.Th. or its academic equivalent. The Navy requires no previous pastoral experience, while the Army demands that each applicant must have three years of pastoral experience back of him which may be reduced to two years provided he has both the B.A. and B.D. degrees from an accredited institution."

A Wise Observation

THE current issue of the Presbyterian of the South, published in Richmond, contains an article on "The Negro in War Times" by Dr. John R. Cunningham, president of Davidson College, Davidson, N. C. The college head declares that "there is reason for concern on the part of Southern Christian people regarding the race situation." Pointing out that "war always brings in its wake the upsurge of ugly, unthinking, un-Christian attitudes of

fear, hatred, prejudice and suspicion," Dr. Cunningham writes that "we are encouraged to suspect all people not in our own groups."

The president of Davidson College has rendered a timely service in bringing public attention to the brood of evils that he mentions which invariably follow in the wake of all wars. And the people should be admonished thereby to carefully guard against this swarm of evils which infest every country that is at war. Be slow to accept rumors that float like fog over a swamp. Require the evidence before you accept the published reports of all sorts of news agencies. Guard your own prejudices, you may mistake them for great moral principles. You will do well in times of war to stick close to the teachings of Jesus.

Prayer the Cure for Doubts

YEARS ago we knew an old doctor who had lived a long and eventful life. As a young physician he had been with Col. Robert E. Lee on the Mexican border; later he was a surgeon in the Civil War, and finally he became a general practioner in North Carolina. He was well trained in the schools, a great reader of the best literature, being able to quote pages of Shakespeare, a reader of the Bible and student of Methodist doctrines and disciplines, and a devoted member of the Methodist church. Yet, on his own statement, he was one of the most skeptical men. He doubted everything.

This fine old doctor had practiced medicine all his life, yet he doubted the teachings of medicine; he had been a Methodist more than fifty years, yet he doubted the fundamentals of religion and at times he was ready to quit his profession and his church. His one and only relief in the midst of his doubts and want of faith was prayer. Said he: "I have spent all night in prayer many a time. Prayer is my only relief and my only salvation. Prayer is my one source of faith and the only cure for my doubts." Is not this in keeping with the teachings of George H. Buttrick in his great book on prayer? Buttrick insists in his great itself is the central act of faith. Prayer is its own venture. The only proof of prayer is—prayer. As faith without works is dead, so faith without prayer is dead. We are lost without confidence. "But true confidence lives in God, and prayer is friendship with God," insists the great preacher.

Why Do Young Women Sometimes Wear Trousers?

WITH as great seriousness as the situation demands we inquire why do some young women sometimes wear trousers, not men's trousers but their own trousers with another name, which have been purchased with their own good hard cash.

In the outset let one and all understand that we have no objection to the practice, neither have we taken the trouble to form an opinion for or against this innovation into the conventions of women's attire. But why do they do it?

Do they think that boys and men are better looking than girls and women and in consequence attribute this excess of good looks to the cut of their pantaloons? Or is it a tacit admission that boys are superior to girls and this is an attempt to get rid of an inferiority which can only be attributed to their style of dress? All that we know is that this fad of fashion is not grounded in ethics, or aesthetics, or ecclesiastics, and none of the fine arts have been consulted. The question remains, why do some young women at times wear trousers?

If a young man were to don a woman's skirt and insist upon appearing in public, he would likely be hurried off to the bug house. If not the neighbors would institute an inquiry to learn if there were any traces of insanity in his family.

Not War But Poetry

THE editor of the Statesville Landmark in these days of bombing planes offers expressions of joy in the following poetic strains:

The Little Davids are beginning to play on their harps, the poets are fresh from the feet of the muse, and glory be we are given something beautiful to think about instead of the horrors of war. This, for instance, from Editor Sanford Martin of the Winston-Salem Journal:

"On yonder poplar is a broad, long scarf of yellow and brown already, though it is now only the first week in September. Peas are dry in the farmers' fields, the corn ears are brown and the goldenrod comes on to blooming.

"In the garden flourish the last roses of summer, gladioli vie with crepe myrtels in their show of color, and the berries of the pycanthus are turning from green into yellow, orange or red, while spirea plants essay to offer here and there another heatherish hostage to summer's beauty."

Pretty, isn't it—that word picture of yonder poplar, the corn ears, the goldenrod, the last rose of summer, etc.? We envy Sanford's ability to paint it.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

Seventy-one men of Central church, Monroe, are in the armed forces of the nation, and 38 young people are in college. A special service was held Sunday, September 6, in honor of the college students.

A son, Edward Boyd, was born to Dr. and Mrs. James C. Stokes at Tayloe Hospital, Washington, N. C., on September 3. Mrs. Stokes is convalescing nicely, and the boy possesses nine and a half pounds of health.

Any church desiring to sell copies of The Cokesbury Hymnal (old) please notify Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, Yadkinville, N. C. Fifty copies are needed. Good condition is required.

A radiogram from Harbel, Liberia, to the Board of Missions and Church Extension announces the safe arrival there by airplane of Miss Mildred A. Black, missionary in Ganta, interior Liberia. Miss Black, a teacher and evangelist, had spent a year's furlough in the United States and has returned for another term of service at Ganta.

The great Presbyterian and Baptist seminaries located in Louisville, Ky., require prospective students to sign a declaration that they are not entering the seminary to escape military duty. This is well and good. How would it do for all seminaries to require a signature that they are not entering the Christian ministry to escape hard work?

September 17-27, at People's Bible School on High Point Road, the people's camp meeting will be led by Rev. H. M. Couchenhour, a great Methodist evangelist of Pennsylvania. Brother Couchenhour is much in demand as a camp meeting preacher. Brother Jim Green invites all lovers of gospel truth to attend this camp meeting. For particulars address Bro. Jim Green, Rt. 3, Greensboro, N. C.

Dr. Dan Poling, editor of the Christian Herald, was asked what he thought of the proposal of one of our senators, "that the United States establish a national lottery, to help pay expenses." His answer was: "What I think could not be put into words that would pass the censor. The proposal is infamous. Everything considered, it is just about the all-time 'low' for the Senate of the United States. Certainly, it will never pass nor will it have serious support. Thank God the nation has few representatives of this quality in high places."

October 4 is World Wide Communion Sunday. On that Sunday the people called Methodists will have an opportunity to express thanksgiving and also sympathy by placing upon the altar, when partaking of the Supper of our Lord, a real gift—a sacrificial gift—to be used in ministering to those whose needs are greater than are ours. This is written to ask earnestly that we follow through and give practical expression to our impulses and inner feelings. This day, October 4, should be one of thankful, sacrificial giving by Methodists everywhere.—W. W. Peele.

Boulevard church, Statesville, is happy to report the closing of a splendid year with the liquidation of all indebtedness; $940 has been raised for the parsonage and early in the year $300 was raised for church improvements. On August 23 Rev. J. S. Hiatt held the fourth quarterly conference. Featuring this splendid conference was the burning of these old notes, some of long standing.. Early in the summer a vacation Bible school was held under the leadership of Mrs. G. B. Plyler, 101 being enrolled with the unusual good attendance of 90. All claims are raised to date. Brother J. C. Reichard will assist us in the fall meeting beginning Sunday evening, September 20.—J. L. Ostwalt.

In the midst of all the demands, the anxieties, the perils of the war, faith is an immense help to rise above the things that are seen and temporal to the things that are unseen and eternal. Prayer helps us to realize the abiding truth that God reigns, that God knows, that God cares. Although at times it is difficult for us to realize it, we have faith that God loves.—Cosmo Gordon Lang.

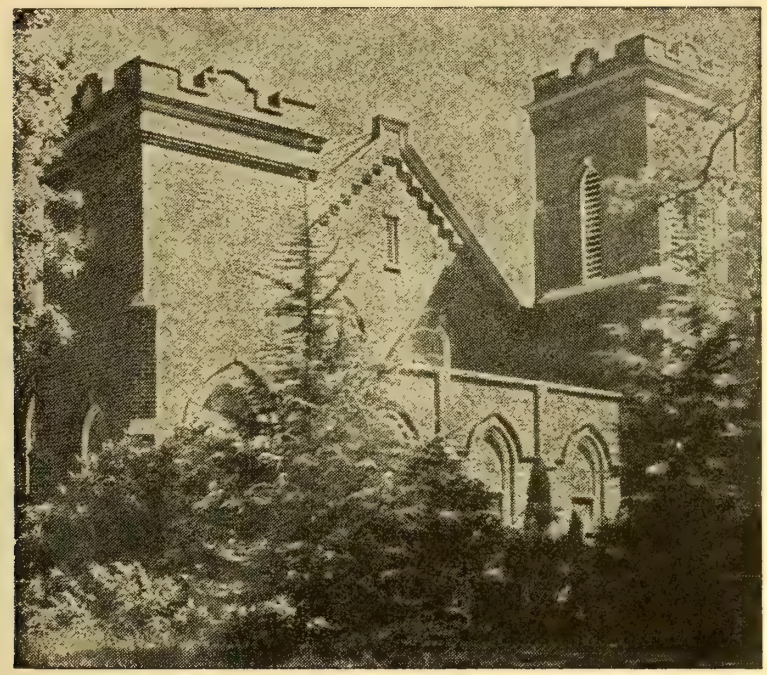
Dr. Ralph W. Sockman says: "Christ began his work not with an exhortation but with news. Let us remember that our Christian message is first of all a Gospel of Good News about God, not a mere digest of bad news about our times." That is a heavy stroke for the preacher who gets his sermon from the radio and the daily papers rather than out of the Bible and the life and teachings of Jesus Christ.

Have just returned from two weeks' stay at Lake Junaluska. The pastor and family enjoyed and appreciated this treat made possible by the fine congregation we are privileged to serve. The stewards in early summer voted their pastor a two weeks' vacation to be taken at any time he desired. We appreciate such a fine, congenial and thoughtful board, and the many kindnesses and courtesies shown the pastor and his family all through the year. This has been a joyous year at First Street. Our church year will close October 1, ready for annual conference with all things in full and good reports all along the line.—G. N. Dulin.

Take time to write the soldier boys that have gone out from your community. And when you write tell them about what is going on around home. Were you ever on the other side of the world and received a letter from home? If so you remember what an accumulated interest gathered about little events and things. Distance lends enchantment not only to the mountain top but to the little pet dog you left behind. Load your letter down with home gossip. Clip from the home town paper items of interest and these will look like letters of gold. And there is nothing that a soldier enjoys quite so much as to get letters from home.

The annual Burke County Leadership Training School for church school teachers, counselors, leaders of youth groups, chairmen of mission groups or woman's societies, and stewards or interested members of the church has been announced by Mr. Carl H. King, to be scheduled for September 20-24 (Sunday through Thursday), at First Methodist church, Morganton, with sessions beginning at 7:30 each evening. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick will teach the course on "The Church and Its Work." Mrs. E. H. Ould, youth leader in the Virginia conference, will lead the course on "Preparation for Christian Home Making." "Use of the Bible with Children" will be taught by Miss Elizabeth Oliver. The school is for church leaders and potential church leaders all over Burke county.

Dr. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin occupied the West Market pulpit last Sunday morning. Dr. J. B. Craven, the pastor of the church, in interesting and timely terms presented the guest preacher as his conference classmate who in this very church joined the annual conference some years ago, the exact number neither of them would be willing to specify, and that through these years he seemed to have been growing younger. "The church and its place in our civilization" was the subject of his sermon. It was an excellent gospel message and verified the statement of Dr. Craven when he said that his classmate is getting younger as the years go by. The congregation was delighted and will welcome his return at any time. We have heard him preach and speak oftener than any other man in North Carolina, or anywhere else, and he in our judgment improves all the time.





Rev. Lee R. Spencer, Pastor of Salem Church, near Albemarle, shown at left, which has recently been completely modernized.

GRAND CLIMAX OF BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM OF SALEM CHURCH, NEAR ALBEMARLE

Special services Sunday morning, September 13, 1942, will climax the beautification program of Salem Methodist church, of which Rev. Lee R. Spencer is the pastor.

Mr. O. A. Swaringen, district lay leader of the Salisbury district, will be the speaker at the 11 o'clock hour. Mr. Swaringen is a prominent member of the Methodist church and has been the lay leader of the Salisbury district for a number of years. His devotion to the church, his interest in the building of the kingdom of God, and his ability in presenting the point of view of a Christian layman makes him the appropriate speaker for this particular occasion.

Salem church for many years has served the spiritual needs of the Millingport community, six miles west of Albemarle. During the winter plans were made to redecorate the church sanctuary and make needed repairs and changes. Actual work was started about the first of March and was finished the last of May.

The modern brick edifice is now one of the most beautiful rural churches in the state. The sanctuary is resplendent with its newly plastered walls, beautiful new maroon carpet, and attractive pulpit furniture of latest design. Four thousand dollars were spent to make this beautification possible.

Much of the success for this work must go to the Woman's Society of Christian Service. This group of ladies was responsible for the pulpit furniture and the new carpet; they also furnished the church with copies of the Methodist Hymnal.

Through the labors of the building committee composed of G. A. Hatley, P. A. Harwood, Cecil Lowder, G. W. Shoe, F. G. Drye, and the heroic efforts on the part of the members of the church, combined with the superb leadership of the pastor it has been possible to accomplish this program free of debt.

Rev. Mr. Spencer is now serving his third year as pastor of the church, during which time it has grown to be one of the leading rural station churches of the conference.

TEA AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

One of the lovliest affairs of the Lake Junaluska summer season was the tea given by the Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina Conference honoring the bishops' wives, returned missionaries and deaconesses, from four to six o'clock August 6.

The setting of the tea was beautifully provided by nature in the semi-outdoor auditorium, with the trees, the clinging ivy and the lake.

The receiving line was composed of the officers of the association, the bishops' wives, returned missionaries and deaconesses. The flower graced punch table and the register were presided over by members of the Asheville and Waynesville districts.

Special musical numbers were enjoyed during the afternoon. One hundred guests called.

TWO YOUNG MEN LICENSED TO PREACH

The interim committee, under the direction of W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent of Waynesville district, met September 3 to grant local preacher's licenses to Ronald Herbert Hull and Roy Thomas Houts, Jr.

Brother Hull: A graduate of Asbury College. He has been connected for the past four years with the American Sunday School Union, which is an interdenominational organization. In his work he covers four counties in North Carolina and four in Georgia. He is a member of the Franklin Methodist church.

Brother Houts: A graduate of Salem College, where he took a degree in music. He has been working as assistant pastor in the Andrews Methodist church. He is a member of Andrews Methodist church.

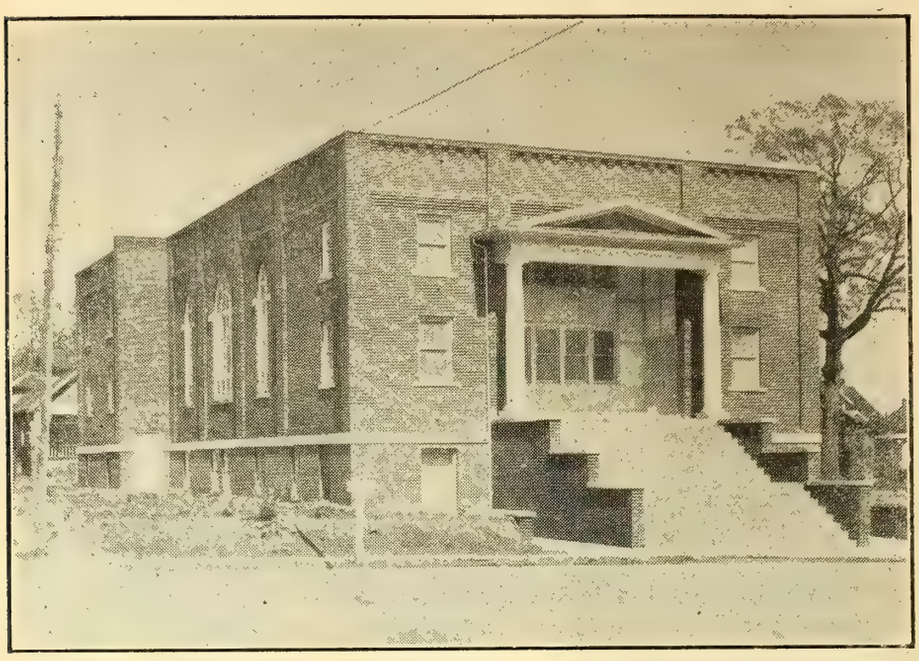
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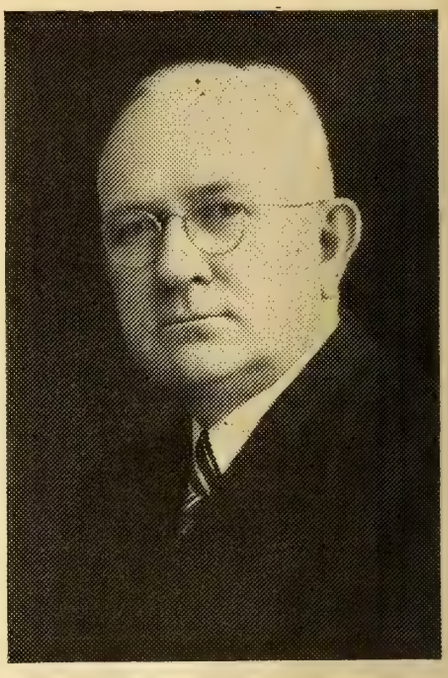
SPECIAL SESSION HIGH POINT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The district conference of the High Point district is hereby called to meet in special session in First church, High Point, Wednesday, September 16, 9:30 a. m.

The members of the regular session, held May 7 of this year, are members of this special session.

S. W. Taylor, D.S.





Bishop Clare Purcell

Bishop Purcell to Dedicate Webb Ave. Church, Burlington, Sept. 13th

Webb Avenue church in Burlington will observe its dedication service on Sunday, September 13, at 11 o'clock, Bishop Purcell preaching the dedicatory sermon. Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, will also have part in the service.

In 1893 a few Methodists living in East Burlington decided that they ought to organize a Sunday school. Led by Mr. Daniel Humble and his three sons, John, Bynum, and Hilary, a Sunday school was started at Foral Hall on the old fair ground site to its present location. The presthe folks for a couple of years. It is interesting to note that all three of these Humble boys became ministers in the North Carolina conference. Rev. J. C. Humble, the only one of these Humble ministers now living, is retired and resides in Fayetteville.

On a site donated by Mr. George W. Anthony, a member of Front Street Methodist church, the people built a modest "chapel" one block from the present site on Webb avenue. Rev. J. A. Dailey came as the first pastor in 1895. In 1912 the building was moved from its original site to its uresent location. The present structure was begun during the ministry of Rev. L. V. Harris, and was completed for use in 1927, during the second pastorate of Rev. E. C. Durham. Since that time new church furniture has been placed in the auditorium. The building has recently been repainted inside and outside. A new carpet has been bought for the auditorium floor.

The following ministers have served Webb Avenue: J. A. Dailey, B. C. Thompson, G. R. Rood, G. O. Green, C. M. Lance, G. D. Langston, W. T. Sanford, T. G. Vickers, M. M. McFarland, B. T. Hurley, F. B. Noblitt, R. E. Atkinson. E. C. Glenn, J. F. Starnes, N. E. Coltrane, L. V. Harris, J. W. Autry, E. C. Durham, E. G. Overton, R. L. Jerome, R. G. Dawson, O. I. Hinson, and the present pastor.

A picnic lunch will be served following the morning service.

All former pastors, former members, and friends are issued a cordial invitation to be present for the dedication day at Webb Avenue.

C. J. Andrews.



Dr. A. J. Hobbs, Dist. Supt.



Rev. C. J. Andrews, Pastor

FALSE EMPHASIS

It is said that a soldier who enlisted in the American Civil War took along his kit of watchmaker's tools, and while they were in camp he did a considerable business. But one day when the order came to strike tents and prepare for battle, he looked around his tent in dismay, and exclaimed: "Why, I can't possibly go, for I have twelve watches to repair, which I have promised by Saturday night." The man had forgotten what he had enlisted for. The soldiers of Christ often seem to forget what they enlisted for.—Selected.

GREAT REVIVAL AT CANTON

On Sunday, August 23, we closed a great revival at Canton First church. Brother Roy T. Houts and Mrs. Houts were with us for two weeks and the Lord used them in a wonderful way. Mrs. Houts assisted with the music and children's work.

There were 100 conversions and reclamations during the meeting. Last Sunday I received 60 members into the church, 55 on profession of faith and five by certificate. Five more are to be received into the church next Sunday. This is the largest number I have ever received into the church at one time. Last Sunday every seat in the church was filled and the entire morning service was given to the baptism and reception of new members. It was truly a wonderful meeting and the effects of it are far-reaching.

Brother Houts was for several years a general evangelist in our church and he is now pastor of our church at Andrews. He is a man of great spiritual power and gifted in this work. I feel that he should be released from his pastoral charge so he might devote all his time to the evangelistic work for which he is so well qualified. We need men like this in our conference and I can highly recommend him to any pastor. It was our good pleasure to have these good people in our home and we found it a joy to work with them.

We have received 75 members into the conference since conference and have had a 33 per cent gain in membership during the past year. This church, which was a former M. E. church, is one of the most loyal it has been my privilege to serve. With a membership of 350 we have an average of 175 in the church school each Sunday and sometimes more than 200 present. The morning and evening congregations are large and there are forty or more at each Wednesday evening prayer service. We have one of the most loyal groups of young people. We will go to conference with all financial claims paid in full and the best report I have ever been able to make and one of the best in the history of this church.

Since conference we have built five new Sunday school rooms which were badly needed, as rooms in the parsonage had to be used for class rooms. The church auditorium has also been redecorated and other improvements on the building and grounds. We are happy in our work here and thank God for his blessings and for the privilege of serving such an appreciative people.

J. B. Tabor.

NEW PARSONAGE SECURED FOR THE MORGANTON CIRCUIT

The Morganton Methodist circuit, including Salem, Mt. Pleasant, Denton's Chapel, and Gilboa Methodist churches, has purchased the house and lot at 114 Patton street for its parsonage; cost, $3100. Trustees of the parsonage are: Solomon W. Hoyle, chairman; Miss Rata Throneburg, treasurer; Albert Watts and Mrs. Lucy Duckworth.

Two weeks ago a campaign was started to raise $1600 in order to meet the deficit on the proposed purchase of the parsonage and to secure funds for some of the parsonage furnishings. The $1600 was raised in cash in two weeks, much to the surprise of the entire community, for it had been anticipated that it would require six years of building and loan to pay for the deficit. Outstanding in their efforts to realize the goal were: Mr. and Mrs. David Hood, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bingham, Mrs. Will Hallyburton, Miss Rata Throneburg, Mr. Charles A. Hensley, Mrs. Florence Suddeeth, Miss Catherine Shuping, Mrs. Dorsey F. Bailey, Mr. Charles P. Crawley, Mr. Albert Watts, Mr. Frank Baker, Mr. Sidney Dale, and Mrs. Lucy Duckworth.

There were four gifts of $100 each—by Mr. Phifer Smith, Mrs. Lucy Duckworth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Puett, and Mr. and Mrs. John Reid Williams. The six-room house with bath is located on Patton street in a fine residential section of Morganton. One hundred and thirty-four persons contributed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bangle expect to move into the parsonage some time next week. Rev. and Mrs. Bangle were married in Lenoir on August 16. Mrs. Bangle was before her marriage Miss Christine Broyhill of Lenoir. Mr. Bangle is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Bangle of 819 North Church street, Charlotte.

SEPTEMBER 13 TO BE ANNIVERSARY DAY AT COBURN MEMORIAL, SALISBURY

Anniversary Day will be celebrated next Sunday, September 13, by Coburn Memorial Methodist church, Salisbury. Holy communion will be celebrated at 9:15 a. m. Special prayers will be offered of thanksgiving and commemoration for the pastors and leaders of the congregation in the past and of intercession for the boys now engaged in our country's military service. Church school will be held at 9:45 a. m.

Rev. Wilbur G. McFarland, present pastor, will preach at the 11 o'clock service on "The Mantle of the Godly Father." This sermon will be an appreciation of the life and work of Rev. A. L. Coburn, sainted founder and first pastor. Another part of the morning worship hour will be a service of recollection for the pastors and members who have died during the year. Their families and members of Pastor Coburn's family will occupy reserved seats as honor guests for this occasion. Carrol Earnhardt will read a sketch of the church's history, and special music will be rendered by both choirs.

A general picnic dinner will be held at noon. For this purpose the use of the grove at Murdoch Hall has been tendered by the rector and vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal church. In case of rain the Coburn social hall will be used.

At 2 p. m. the congregation will proceed to the Chestnut Hill cemetery, where flowers will be placed on the grave of Mr. Coburn. Some of his favorite songs will be sung and a brief prayer offered.

The annual church conference (yearly business meeting of the congregation) will be held at 8 p. m. Dr. C. N. Clark, who is nearing the end of his six year term as Salisbury district superintendent, will preach and preside for the traditional work of the fourth quarterly conference. This includes the election of church boards and officers and the adoption of a policy of work for the coming conference year.

Anniversary Day is observed by Coburn on the second Sunday in September for good reasons—each of the three sanctuaries occupied by the congregation has been opened for divine service on a second Sunday in September—1890, 1893, and 1926. The church has borne the names of Chestnut Hill, South Main Street, and now Coburn Memorial. The beautiful building was dedicated by Bishop Clare Purcell on Sunday, September 8, 1940, Rev. A. C. Waggoner being pastor at the time.

All members of the Coburn church and church school, with former pastors, former members, and other friends of the congregation are invited to attend any and all of these services on our anniversary day.

CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

On a recent Monday morning I saw Dr. Jordan and a big force of Charlotte Methodist leaders launching the movement to entertain the conference this fall. And I feel like sharing some of my impressions with you.

First and foremost, Charlotte is glad to have us this very difficult year. There was a real enthusiasm in this large assemblage of preachers, laymen and elect women. Those present expressed a deep interest in the workers out in the field and a desire to make this the most pleasant conference in years. This bids fair, I believe, to be one of the best conferences we have had at all.

I was also impressed with the careful planning under way. I have helped entertain the conference in recent years three different times and I know this is very important. I learned that a leading layman of Charlotte gave up his vacation and devoted two weeks' time in mapping out the plans for entertainment. No detail is being overlooked.

I am sure we all appreciate Charlotte's invitation to entertain us this year, and will do all we can to make the conference a happy occasion. The attend-from-home phase of this matter came with merger, when the size of the body was so greatly enlarged. But even this is not iron clad. Those close neighbors who cannot conveniently return home at night will be asked to take the matter up with the church office.

C. S. Kirkpatrick.

Teaching Bible in the Public Schools

By R. ODELL BROWN

A marvelous opportunity for effective Christian education is now being offered through the teaching of Bible in the public schools. The purpose of this article is to present the opportunity, the need, and the goals for such instruction with information as to materials and to work already being done. Suggestions are also added as to what can be done to promote such a program in every community in the state.

The opportunity to provide religious training in the week-day school is easily seen through the attitude of students, principals, and the State Department of Public Instruction in North Carolina.

It is a mistake to say that youth is not interested in religion. In two high schools in which I am teaching Bible, when I asked how many wanted the course, practically all the student body wished to take it. Many in the class are so enthusiastic that they express the hope of continuing this study until they themselves become Bible teachers. Most school officials seem very happy to co-operate with the churches in their effort to have the Bible taught in the public school. In three schools I have found them ready to arrange for it and willing to co-operate in every way. Moreover, the Department of Public Instruction in North Carolina realizes the value of such a course and will give two units of credit for Bible taught in high school. To sum up then: the students want it, the school authorities will make a place for it in the curriculum, and the state will give college entrance credit for it.

The need for such a course in our public schools is seen, in the first place, by a comparison of the time spent in religious instruction in the Sunday school with the time spent in secular education in the day school. The state says that the child must attend school thirty hours a week for the training of the mind. On the other hand, those who go to Sunday school regularly receive only one-half hour a week of class instruction in Christian living —one-sixtieth of the time spent in the day school. Our children would be ignorant indeed if they received only a half hour of secular education each week, yet that is as much class time as we give for Christian education. Let Christian parents, laymen, and church leaders continue to give the souls of youth one-sixtieth as much time for Christian education as for secular training, and we can never hope for a much better world. It is not hard to see why the Christian forces of our land are so weak. Though in some places there are vacation Bible schools for a week or two in the summer, even then it is all a poor comparison with the secular education which the average child receives.

Again, the need for such a course is seen in the inability of the churches of any community to reach all the youth as the public school does. There are thousands of boys and girls in our land growing up in spiritual illiteracy. It has been said that three-fourths of the youth of our nation, between five and seventeen years of age, receive practically no religious instruction whatever. In North Carolina alone it is estimated that 730,214, or 65 per cent of the school children of the state, are in this group. Even the conservative report of the "1940 White House Conference on Children in a Democracy" includes the following statement: "Despite the various efforts made by church groups to educate children in religion, the religious needs of many children are imperfectly met at the present time. It has been estimated that approximately one-half of the children and youth in the United States receive no religious instruction outside the home." Of this half, it would not be far wrong to add that the majority of them receive no religious training in the home whatever.

This lack of adequate religious emphasis in one of the major causes for the crime wave in our country which costs billions every year and destroys great numbers of our young people. Moral teaching without religious sanctions is powerless to create law-abiding citizens. Proof of this is seen in the large number of young people (10,000 in North Carolina alone go to prison every month) who are being engulfed in a wave of crime and delinquency. Prison officials say that 85 to 90 per cent of this group have never attended Sunday school regularly.

The world is in chaos today. Could this calamity not have been avoided if the church had used all its opportunities in the past? In my opinion, if America had spent one-tenth of the money to Christianize the world that will be spent in the war, we could have saved the other 90 per cent and prevented the war with its bloodshed and privations as well. If democracy is preserved at all, it will be because Christian forces fight to a successful victory to see that the teachings of the Bible, the core of our democratic culture, shall be made dominant in the lives of American citizens. Tomorrow is ours if the church will awake to see the need and take advantage of the opportunity to teach the youth and reach them for Christ in the schools of our land.

A course in Bible for the public schools should be, in the words of Dr. Mason Crum of Duke University, "a study of the literary sources that have stimulated religion and ethical ideals among our American people. What we are concerned with primarily is not sectarianism nor the propagation of any particular dogma, but we are concerned with the dynamic of religion which has motivated mankind from the dawn of human culture." Goals for such a course might be stated as follows:

(1) To develop a skill in using the Bible as a result of an ever-deepening interest in its contents.

(2) To acquaint the students with the main facts in the Old and the New Testaments.

(3) To help them to discover God and to develop a personal relationship with him.

(4) To present the life of Jesus, his problems and his choices, so that his way of living will be the pattern for their own lives.

(5) To give them a sound basis on which to build Christian character.

(6) To lead them into an acceptance of Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

Surely these are goals worthy of all we have in our national life, though others could be added in varying

situations. Bible study, good citizenship, and Christian living are the major emphases. When the pupils develop such a love for Jesus that by conscious choice they desire to become like him in their every day living—then the purpose of all Bible teaching will have been achieved.

Information concerning adequate materials for the teaching of Bible may be secured from any of the sixty persons who are now offering the course to more than ten thousand students in the public schools of North Carolina. Ernest J. Arnold, secretary of the N. C. Council of Churches, College Station, Durham, N. C., will be glad to give their names and addresses to anyone interested. Valuable suggestions may also be obtained by writing to many of the larger cities in America, like Pittsburgh, Dallas, and Birmingham, where splendid work is already being done. Some of the best materials I have found are: Teaching the Bible in the Public Schools of North Carolina, by P. H. Gwynn, Jr., Davidson College, Davidson; Weekday Classes in Religious Education, Bulletin 1941, No. 3, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.; Bible Study Course—Old Testament and New Testament (both excellent), Dallas High Schools, Dallas, Texas; Bible Study—Old Testament and New Testament, McCallie High School, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Bible Course of Study, Montana State Department of Education, Helena, Montana; A Guide to the Study of the Old and New Testament, Indiana State Board of Education, Indianapolis, Indiana; Manual for High School Bible Study, W. C. Rarick and C. R. Naxam, Cincinnati, Ohio; The Standard Publishing Co.; Official Bible Study Syllabus, North Dakota Council of Religious Education, Fargo, North Dakota; Character Through Bible Study, W. C. Rarick, Indianapolis, Indiana, Levy Printing Co.

As for technique—principles and problems of organization, finance, etc.—involved in the setting up of a program of week-day Bible classes, that remains for each local community to work out in the way most satisfactory to its needs. The only textbook to be used is the Bible, but valuable help can be found in the materials listed above. The course must be non-sectarian, and taught, not critically, but to emphasize the historical, moral, and spiritual values of the Bible. Since the Bible is largely a closed book to the child of school age because he has not learned to find his way about in it, could not such a course well prove to be the most valuable experience in all his school career?

The following are suggestions as to what can be done to promote such a program in North Carolina:

1. Christian parents and laymen can demand that the churches do more for youth—the adults of tomorrow. The present world chaos can all be explained in three words—lack of religion.

2. Ministers can offer their services to public schools to help install the program, teaching the course free of charge until funds have been secured to pay a full-time teacher. The main responsibility for promoting this work in each community will fall upon its preachers.

3. All Protestant churches can unite to promote and finance the program. There is no greater investment for a church to make than to spend its money in training youth in Christian living.

4. Surely there is nothing finer that our conference and our conference board of education could do than promote and sponsor this movement. I can think of no better way for some of our educational funds to be used than in working out an intelligent plan for putting the Bible as a full-time course in our public schools. Even without money, the moral support and outspoken endorsement of our conference board would have a good influence.

5. Theological schools can help by sending out well-qualified teachers, especially prepared for teaching Bible in the public school.

6. What finer thing could our church periodicals do than get behind this with all their influence, as one of their definite and concrete objectives to be accomplished in Methodism as a whole, and stay with it until the job is done? Few things could do more to make America Christian in the next generation than this. If it should take twenty years to see the Bible taught in every township in our state and in America as a whole, what nobler thing could be done to evangelize and Christianize our land?

Is it not time that our laymen, ministers, churches, conference boards, theological schools, and church periodicals rise up to do something about it?

REV. R. L. MELTON DIES AT HIS HOME IN GRANITE QUARRY

Rev. R. L. Melton, retired member of the Western North Carolina conference, died at his home at Granite Quarry Sunday morning, September 6. He was 70 years of age.

Rev. Mr. Melton, who held pastorates in a number of North Carolina communities during his long period of service with the church, was a native of Rutherford county but spent most of his early life in Rowan. He attended Falston Institute, in Cleveland county, was graduated from Showalter Normal School of Music, and did graduate work at Vanderbilt University. He married Miss Jeannie Baber of Rutherford county in 1899 and to this union 10 children were born, six of whom survive, Mrs. Carolyn Poole of Mayodan, Mrs. Velma Weaver of Hamptonville, Paul S. Melton of Greensboro, and Harold and Misses Maude and Mary, all of the home.

Rev. Mr. Melton joined the conference in 1906 and retired in 1931, after having served pastorates at Plymouth, Edenton Station, Broad River, Worthville, Coleridge, New London, Granite Quarry, Woodleaf, Olin, and the Statesville circuit.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock in the Granite Quarry Methodist church.

THE DIVINE COMFORT

(Continued from front page)

We are God's children; God is our Father—and in that truth is the fore-shadowing of the tremendous answer.

For the God of all comfort is our Father in heaven, and when that is said, all is said. What man of you that is a father has not, time and again taken your child in your arms and comforted him when in distress? What man of you will not give himself for your child when it comes to life or death or that vast forever? And if you do this for yours, do you not think that the God of heaven and the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ will do as much for you?

DOWN ON THE TAR

The Tar river rises in the lower foothills and finds its way through the alluvial lands of eastern Carolina until it widens into the Pamlico Sound. Its course is between the Neuse river on the south and the more pretentious Roanoke on the north. Louisburg, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Greenville and Washington are the fine towns on the Tar(originally Tau) in this productive valley, much of which is as fertile as the Valley of the Nile.

Greenville, the county town of Pitt county has become one of the great tobacco markets of the world, and Washington, older than the capital on the Potomac, remains the same quiet, unpretentious trading point at which the waters of the Tar expand into the Pamlico. Trading vessels no longer carry on commerce with the West Indies, as in the olden days. Now national highway 17 carries the trade and the military might so rapidly developing on the eastern seaboard.

Last Sunday morning I enjoyed the privilege of attending Sunday school and church services in the Jarvis Memorial church. This church is named in honor of Thomas J. Jarvs, who was a devout member and, at his death, was generally recognized as the first citizen of the state. For more than five decades, as soldier, governor, and ambassador to Brazil, he honored his state. The finest service he ever rendered his own town was in securing the location of the Eastern Carolina Teachers College in Greenville. The church that bears his name has at present more than 1100 members and a physical equipment of the best.

Brother George Perry is sure that he has the best church in the conference, and I am just as sure that these fine folks have never yet realized their full possibilities. Any church school is fortunate to have such leaders as June Rose and Burt James, whom I have known since their college days, the one at Duke and the other at Chapel Hill. Then think of that official board with lawyers, doctors, business men and devoted women to lead in every good cause. Some of these I have known since childhood days. They are out for 100 per cent for every cause—including Advocate quota.

At Washington the rain kept away most of the people at night, but it was most refreshing to be with Brother D. A. Clark and find how well he has every interest in hand. He is justly proud of that church plant and well may he be. He keeps adding touches that tend toward perfection. Of course no one ever expects D. A. Clark to fail to look after every interest of the church.

How I would enjoy telling in a personal way of my friends at these two churches whom I know and loved in the days of my pastorate, but all this must go over.

M. T. P.

LET THE WOMEN AID THE PASTORS

How could the women of Christian Service societies get along without their two pages in the Advocate each week? So why should they not assist the pastors in securing their Advocate quota?

This week more than half of their two pages are used to promote their work. Note: New Prices on Missionary Periodicals; Educational Seminars and Schedule of Meetings; That Emergency Gift Fund; We Shall Undertake; Going the Second Mile; Round Robin Readers; September Meetings, and Durham District are cases in point. How could their work be kept before the women from week to week but for the Advocate? Surely the women devoted to the cause will do all possible to extend the circulation of their church paper. Only through the Advocate can these interests be got across to the local society. It can not be done by the Methodist Woman and the World Outlook, though these are most valuable for the work in their fields. But the local approach must be made in and through the local paper. Do all possible to put the North Carolina Christian Advocate in the Methodist homes.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE BEGINS 155TH YEAR

Louisburg College began a new year September 7, marking its 155th year. The dormitories for women are filled to capacity, and the dormitory for men is again open and has gained a number of students beyond what might have been expected.

A large number of the women heeding the wartime call to business are registering for commercial work. Men choosing to enter the college this year are obviously doing so in spite of inducements elsewhere through boom prices of a war year.

The three-day orientation program began Monday evening with a meeting in chapel. Students were welcomed by the president, Dr. Walter Patten, the dean of women, Miss Mildred Hudgins, Portsmouth, Va., and V. Robert Kilby, Louisburg, dean of men. An informal social hour followed.

Tuesday marked the presenting of phases of the college life under faculty and student direction. The registering of students and the entertaining of faculty and students at a formal reception in the evening completed the day.

Wednesday morning intelligence tests were given. A discussion of college life came in the afternoon. The day closed with an informal hour when former students met new students in small groups for an inspirational and social contact in something of a big-brother, big-sister relationship.

Thursday the regular college schedule began with classes and the chapel hour. Dr. Paten presided and spoke words of welcome. Other events of the hour were devotionals by Rev. Forrest D. Hedden; greetings by Mayor W .C. Webb; greetings by Mr. Wiley Mitchell, county superintendent of public instruction; introduction of the pastors of the Louisburg churches—Rev. L. F. Kent, pastor of the Episcopal church, Rev. A. Paul Bagby, pastor of the Baptist church, Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Methodist church.

Though the college has its share of the inevitable difficulties and necessary adoptions of other educational institutions in such a period as the present, Louisburg, with its long history of service and achievement, has proved the possibility of passing through wars and other crises without losing sight of its goal; and the new year is viewed with courage and hope.

BISHOP CHARLES BETTS GALLOWAY

This Stone Marks the Birthplace of
Charles Betts Galloway
One of the Bishops of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
Born September 1, 1849
Died May 12, 1909
He Was a Leader of World-Wide Methodism
A Princely Man, Eloquent Preacher
Able Bishop and Great Citizen

So reads the inscription carved on the stone marker placed on the site of the birthplace of Bishop Charles Betts Galloway, at Kosciusko, Mississippi, on November 6, 1936.

Rev. Dr. W. L. Duren, editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, a position occupied by Rev. Charles Betts Galloway at the time the latter was elected a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the Richmond conference, in May, 1886, was the principal speaker at the unveiling exercises, held in the little city where the future bishop first saw the light of day.

Dr. Duren, one of Bishop Galloway's biographers, was chosen speaker of the occasion by the North Mississippi conference, under whose auspices the marker was purchased and placed.

At the request of the North Mississippi conference Dr. Duren's address was published in full in the New Orleans Christian Advocate, issue of January 28, 1937, and is reproduced there for distribution among the relatives and friends of the late bishop.





Rev. J. S. Brawley, Pastor

The Hanes Grove Methodist Church, Elkin District, Dedicated on August 16

The Hanes Grove Methodist church was dedicated August 16 with morning and afternoon services. District Supt. A. C. Gibbs, Rev. H. E. Duncan and S. J. Brawley participated in the services.

This is the second building for the Hanes Grove congregation, which is built on the present site, located four miles south of Brooks Cross Roads on highway 21. In 1917 a frame structure was built on the present site during the pastorate of W. J. S. Walker. The lot on which the building now stands was donated to the church by W. F. Dickerson. The new church built according to the plans drawn by H. N. Haines of Duke University is a brick building. The auditorium has a seating capacity of three hundred; also three Sunday school rooms. The church is furnished with new rugs for the pews and pulpit. A modern heating plant has been installed.

The entire cost of the building and equipment was near $4300; $1150 of this was appropriated by the Duke Endowment, and the balance was raised by sacrificial giving on the part of the members. The construction was under the supervision of the building committee, composed of the following men: Chairman, W. F. Dickerson; secretary and treasurer, A. C. Steelmon; T. C. Martin, Sammy Mason, T. L. Barnard, and the pastor, Rev. S. J. Brawley.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

We have just made a summary of reports from our 35 charges, covering the first nine months of the conference year. These reports show that good meetings have been held in a number of churches, and that there have been 738 accessions during this period—431 on profession and 307 by transfer. We expect these numbers to be augmented before the year closes, as a number of churches have not held their final revival meetings for the year. The reports indicate encouraging church attendance and excellent prospects for a 100 per cent financial showing. The indications are that 20 or more charges will meet the N. C. C. A. goal by the end of the year. World Service Sunday is observed by 53 schools; 71 schools take an offering on the fifth Sunday for the Children's Home. The Youth Fellowship has been organized on 21 of the 35 charges of the district. Much improvement on church buildings and parsonages has been in progress throughout the year. Two new parsonages have been built with complete water systems. S. W. Taylor.

PFEIFFER JUNIOR COLLEGE TO OPEN SCHOOL YEAR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Pfeiffer Junior College, located at Misenheimer, N. C., will begin the 1942-43 school year with a record enrollment. Already the pre-registration is greater than the total for any previous year. Even though the number of girls who can be taken has almost been reached, there is still room for a few more boys.

For the first time at Pfeiffer, industrial arts courses will be offered as a part of the general educational curriculum. For those boys interested in mechanics, woodworking, electricity, drawing, printing, photography, ceramics, and a variety of crafts, the new courses in industrial arts will offer abundant opportunity. The new laboratory for housing the equipment is one of the best in this section of the country with basic equipment costing $4000.

Courses for freshmen will be of a general orientation and introductory nature. For second and third year students, the work will consist of a specialized work program planned to help students become vocationally competent in one or more areas of work.

Students wishing to enter the Navy V-1 and Army Reserve programs may do so at Pfeiffer, which has been approved by the government for such training. To meet these requirements, a new course in general college physics is being offered this year. This course will cover problems of mechanics of solids and fluids and gases, light, heat, sound and electricity. Complete equipment has been purchased for the adequate presentation of this work which will be open to students other than the regular Navy V-1 and Army Reserve groups.

A crowd is not a church; a multitude is not a church. Eloquence may gather a crowd; the orator may assemble a multitude; but Christ alone in the midst of it can make that crowd a church—for "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."—Cumming.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

From Conf. Sec. Missionary Education

The study leaders' meetings have a new name. From now on they will be called Educational Seminars—getting real "highbrow," aren't we? Well, anyhow, in September we are going to hold our meetings in each district so you won't have so far to go to attend.

W N C WOMEN

I have sent to the secretaries of missionary education our new booklet and you can see all the topics we have for study. Please do not lose your book list for it will be very difficult for me to get any more. Bring it with you to the Educational Seminar. We want to use, as our fall study, the course on Latin American Missions and I will have some very good helps for you. The textbooks will be for sale, so if possible come prepared to buy the books that you will need.

We will have group meetings for the secretaries of missionary education, social relations, literature and publications, spiritual life, and young women and girls work (five groups). Of course we will expect the president of each local society to be there, too, and all other interested women are invited.

Miss Cottingham, the new rural deaconess for our conference will be at each meeting. I am sure you are anxious to see and meet her, and hear her talk of her work. She will speak to the entire assembly, as well as have charge of the group meeting for the secretaries of young people's work.

The schedule of meetings is as follows:

Waynesville district, Tuesday, Sept. 15, at Sylva.

Asheville district, Wednesday, Sept. 16, at Central church, Asheville.

Marion district, Thursday, Sept. 17, First church, Marion.

Elkin district, Friday, Sept. 18, at Elkin.

Statesville district, Tuesday, Sept. 22, Broad Street, Statesville.

High Point district, Wednesday, Sept. 23, First church, Asheboro.

Greensboro district, Thursday, Sept. 24, West Market Street, Greensboro.

Winston-Salem district, Friday, Sept. 25, Centenary, Winston-Salem.

Salisbury district, Tuesday, Sept. 29, Central church, Salisbury.

Charlotte district, Wednesday, Sept. 30, First church, Charlotte.

Gastonia district, Thursday, Oct. 1, Main Street, Gastonia.

I realize how difficult it will be for many of you to attend these meetings on account of the tires and gas, but I know that I can trust you to make every effort to be there.

The meetings will begin at 9:30 and close at 1 o'clock. PLEASE BE THERE AND BE THERE ON TIME! I'll be looking for you.

Our Father's business needs us. We won't fail him, will we?

Mrs. J. W. Payne,
Conf. Sec. Missionary Education.
Mrs. S. M. Garren,
Dist. Sec. Missionary Education.

NEW PRICES ON MISSIONARY PERIODICALS

September 1 the introductory joint subscription offer for our two missionary periodicals—The Methodist Woman and The World Outlook—ended and a new schedule of prices went into effect. The prices now are: World Outlook, $1.25 per year; The Methodist Woman, 50 cents per year; combination offer (both magazines), $1.50 per year.

Our division and conference officers are anxious that there be, not only a continuance of the subscriptions already in effect, but that there are enlisted within our conferences large numbers of new subscriptions. The goal set for our Western North Carolina conference is: The Methodist Woman, 2900 subscribers; World Outlook, 3250, and our slogan is, "Every Officer of Every Society a Subscriber," and a net gain in every society. Let us rally to this call and get more of our members reading these splendid periodicals, which are indispensable sources of missionary information.

THAT EMERGENCY GIFT FUND

In the September issue of The Methodist Woman there was brought to us expressions from each of the presidents of 64 conferences relative to securing the emergency gift fund, showing the co-operation of these conferences in this undertaking. Among the expressions from 14 conferences in our own Southeastern Jurisdiction we have the following from our Western North Carolina president, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, who says: "A letter has gone to every society asking that a chairman of emergency gifts be appointed. She and her assistant will solicit every member for an extra gift of 25 cents (more if possible) to be paid during September and sent with the third quarter's report to the conference treasurer." We hope and believe that our conference will meet her obligation for this fund needed to be raised at this time.

WE SHALL UNDERTAKE

Under the above heading we have the following message from Mrs. V. F. DeVinney, division secretary of organization and promotion:

"Promotional work is a never ending job requiring constant emphasis on all phases of organization activities. While there must be a repetition of 'line upon line, precept upon precept' throughout the entire year, it is recognized that organizations as well as individuals have 'rhythms of energy' periods for intake and outgo, relaxation and accomlishment. This being true, it is sound psychology to plan occasional projects which will mobilize all the energy and concentrate the efforts upon certain goals to be achieved within a short time. In accordance with this principle a call was released early in June for the conferences to evaluate their work, discover the weak points, and decide on a promotional feature or project to strengthen the work and then major on that project for the last quarter of the year. The fall is always a good time to rally the forces, following the summer vacation, and to pull up the work."

Conferences are responding to the plan and pledging co-operation, and from the corresponding secretaries of the various conferences have come expressions of co-operation in this work and promoting special features to meet the required goal, such as: Cultivation through visitation, education-plus, membership and magazines, more effective leadership, new organizations, rallies, young women and girls' work, and spiritual emphasis. Under "New Organizations" we find the following expression of co-operation from our corresponding secretary, W. N. C. conference, Mrs. A. L. Thompson of Greensboro, who says: "Since eight of our 11 districts are organized 100 per cent with a society on every charge, it is our goal to have the other three districts completely organized before our next conference." May this goal be met by our every district.

BLACKOUT AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

By Mrs. Maud M. Turpin

"An occasion which stirred deep emotions of patriotism and fidelity" was the participation of the Methodist Assembly in the blackout test ordered for this section which came during the evening program in the auditorium August 10 during the annual observance of Duke Day.

The big bell which hangs in the tower on the auditorium lawn clanged the signal and every light went out on the grounds, in the homes and in the auditorium. The Duke Day program proceeded without benefit of candlepower and when it closed there still remained 15 minutes of the blackout period. Dr. W. A. Lambeth, superintendent of the Methodist center, took charge and made some announcements. A girl's voice started a song, "God Bless America," the crowd took it up, and when it ended Dr. Lambeth prayed for America in time of war, for the safety of American men and women in the service, for all the warring nations and for victory in a righteous cause that a just and enduring peace might be achieved. A man's voice started "Nearer My God to Thee," and as the last tones died away a small boy of grammar school age stood and in a high pitched voice opened "The Star-Spangled Banner." The entire audience joined in the national anthem, which was followed by "Faith of Our Fathers," and probably no audience ever more truly realized the significance of that familiar hymn with the words "We will love both friends and foe in all our strife." The big bell clanged out the clear signal, the blackout was over, but the period in the dark, devoted to songs, prayer and serious thinking had had its effect."

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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LET US PRAY

Our Father, in these days when we are seeking to know thy will for ourselves and the world, help us to be open-minded to the truths of thy universe, to be tolerant and kindly toward those differing with us on the great issues of the day. Bless those who suffer because of their honest beliefs and convictions, even as Jesus suffered for his. Amen.

A POT OF GOLD EXPERIENCE

Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district secretary, writes: "My attendance upon the school of missions at Lake Junaluska was one of the happiest and richest experiences of my life. In such crucial days as these, each of us feels the need of a closer walk with God. Certainly no place could give a greater feeling of his nearness than amid the glories and beauties of nature in and around the assembly grounds. During a mountain shower one day a beautiful rainbow spanned the skies, to the end of which it seemed one could go for the proverbial pot of gold. Truly the school of missions offered each of us a pot of gold in information, inspiration and encouragement. As we studied Latin America under Dr. Stanley Rycroft, the author of our fall study book, 'On This Foundation: The Evangelical Witness in Latin America,' we were strengthened and challenged anew to the great task set before us. The seminar on Christian social relations and local church activities was indeed a pot of gold within itself. The purpose of this seminar was to face in this hour the economic problems of our southeast and their underlying causes; minority groups and their status, present racial tensions and their causes; Christian citizenship, its opportunities and responsibilities; to discover methods of promoting and adopting the program of C. S. R. and L. C. A. in these areas and to challenge us as the Christian women to live and help others live in this changing world by God's unchanging standards; the ten commandments, the Sermon on the Mount, and Paul's Song of Love. Out of the seminar came the convictions to us that we must face our responsibilities in correcting the evils in our own great land. Equally as interesting and helpful were the forum hours and addresses held in the auditorium each morning and evening. Last, but by no means least, was the fellowship enjoyed with Christian men and women from all over the Southeastern Jurisdiction and many from other jurisdictions. It was a glorious privilege to attend the school of missions."

GOING THE SECOND MILE

"No matter how much we have given, none of us have given to the point of sacrifice," stated Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary education and cultivation, Woman's Division of Christian Service, to a group of women attending the school of missions and missionary conference. Mrs. Bourne's statement is apropos the emergency fund for removing the deficit in the Woman's Division, caused by failure of some conferences to meet the obligations of their pledges. North Carolina conference women must and shall manifest the Christian spirit of unity of purpose and task in giving their share to the cause. The sum of 25 cents per member is only suggested because some women are unable to give more. Those who are able shall surely do so with cheerful and willing hearts, remembering that even if every member of every society should give 25 cents the deficit would still not be eliminated. By this time a woman to receive the gifts for the emergency fund should have been appointed in each society. In societies where there are circles a woman in each circle should be appointed for this task. When all the gifts have been made, the gifts should be sent by the treasurer of the local societes to the conference treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinne, 201 S. William St., Goldsboro, N. C., marked "Emergency Fund." Every woman in every society should be given an opportunity to know about and contribute to this cause. We must go the second mile in our attitude and giving to the cause of removing the deficit in the Woman's Division. May God help us to see it not as a duty or as a burden, but as a glorious privilege in helping to build His kingdom on earth.

ROUND ROBIN READERS

Information which will change our sense of giving to a mere budget to giving to a living thing is found in the new pamphlets on the fields of work. Some of these include: Christian Education in a Democracy; Resurgab (China); Jai Christ (India); Defenders of the Faith (Philippines); Workers Together with God (Japan); A Good Neighbor (Latin America); Our Father's Business (Bureau of Social Work); The Challenge of the City (settlements, etc.); The Deaconess Serves, each of which is ten cents. A pamphlet on Vashti School costs 5 cents. An envelop eseries, containing 1² six-page pictorial folders, is 25 cents. To the question "How shall we use these gold nuggets of information," may we remind our readers that it has been suggested and urged by the Woman's Division that the secretary of literature and publication in the local societies shall display the pamphlets attractively, tell one interesting item at each meeting and offer them for home reading. after having read a pamphlet the reader should write her name on the back page pass on to another, reporting her action to the secretary of literature and publications. This procedure cannot fail to make the work so real that when the pledges are made in January, the women will truly know and feel that they are giving to a living cause. We are confident that had such information concerning our field of work as is imparted in these pamphlets been widespread in our W. S. C. S. throughout Methodism, a decrease in giving which has caused the deficit in the Woman's Division would never have occurred. Let's have numerous societies in the N. C. conference adopting and using the Round Robin Readers plan as described above.

FAITH OF KOREANS STRONG

Speaking during one of the forum hours at the school of missions and missionary conference, Miss Bessie Oliver, missionary to Korea, pointed out that the period of the past 50 years have been most significant in the history of Korea. Said she: "Korea has had one of the greatest revivals of eduation, evangelism, etc., of any of the other countries. The growth of the church in Korea has been based upon the ideals which Jesus came to give. The Korean church is giving to women equal opportunities with men and has a strong leadership. The faith of Korean Christians is strong. Work has been going on and will weather the storm. Korean Christians became Christians under the storm and are stronger for it. The Christian church today must go forward. There may be blackouts in various places but there must not be a blackouts in Christianity. The Christian world must go forward and build a new world."

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president Southeastern Jurisdiction, is reminding us that our new woman's organization is two years old this month and is giving the timely and excellent suggestion that local W. S. C. S. celebrate this event by calling attention to it and by bringing in the emergency gifts at the September meetings. Societies which have not already held the September meeting will, we are confident, be happy to act upon this suggestion from Mrs. Hillman.

DURHAM DISTRICT TO MEET

Durham district educational conference will be held on Wednesday, September 16, at Cedar Grove, north of Hillsboro, beginning at 10 a. m. Every president and study leader is expected. Mrs. B. F. Bone will present the fall study book, "On This Foundation," by Rycroft. The book vital and timely. A short afternoon session will be spent in review of work, week of prayer, emergency fund, change in World Outlook price, etc. This may have to take the place of fall zone meetings, due to gas and tire shortage. Bring your problems, suggestions and a light lunch. Be prepared to buy your study books. Share your car with nearby leaders and help have a good attendance. We dare not let the work lag.—Florine Robertson, Durham Dis. Sec.

Be wisely worldly, be not worldly wise.—Quarles.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THE PROPER BASIS

A few weeks ago when in conference with the superintendent of a Methodist orphanage in another state the superintendent expressed regret that his conference did not have the financial plan for operating his institution that is used in our conference. He stated that they had a financial agent who went about over the conference trying to raise money for their undertaking, oftentimes having some difficulty in getting pastors to agree to let the financial agent appear before their congregations. He further stated that it took about one-third of the total income derived from such source to finance the office and travel of the financial agent. We here in the Western North Carolina conference have a mighty good plan for financing our Children's Home. We not only have a good plan but it is working in a right satisfactory way. We think ours is the proper basis on which to work.

SHARING THE RESPONSIBILITY

It would appear that the giving to deserving orphan and indigent children in Western North Carolina a chance is as much of a responsibility of our Methodist contributing constituency as the giving of orphans a chance in any foreign land. The same quality of service may well be applied through the home land as through the foreign land. It is not either but both that have a right to claim our people's support. So it seems logical that our pastors encourage their people to give contributions to the orphans' cause as well as the World Service cause or any other good cause. We would not want to short circuit any cause in favor of the orphans, but we do not want to deny them their rightful chance among us. Be it said that our fine Methodist constituency seems to have a proper balance in the matter of distributing their gifts wherever need arises.

TIDINGS, SIRS, TIDINGS

For years it has been evident that the emphasis this page has put upon the giving to the Children's Home family has been more of recognition for good deeds done than of exhortation that good deeds be done. We have had so much to be celebrating over as to not have much cause for complaining. We have come to have a great deal of faith in what our pastors and what our people will do for the Children's Home family. So we come to the end of the conference year expecting good tidings, sirs, good tidings.

LISTEN TO THE BELL

During the past week the following congregations have pulled the cord in such a way that our joy bell has pealed forth pleasing and assuring tones. They have paid their basal apportionment in full and are entitled to go on our honor roll. Every time such happens we ring the joy bell. Kindly note the newcomers and join us in grateful thanks:

Chadwick, Charlotte, Rev. M. G. Ervin.

Grace-Rhodhiss, Rev. M. Max Brandon, Sr.

Coburn Memorial, Salisbury, Rev. W. G. McFarland.

Fletcher, Fletcher circuit, Rev. N. G. Bethea.

Millers Creek, Millers Creek circuit, Rev. J. L. A. Bumgarner.

Mt. Tabor, Granite Quarry circuit, Rev. C. G. Isley.

Boonville, Yadkinville circuit, Rev. W. J. Huneycutt.



Don's gone—his memory remains

Big Springs, Charlotte, Rev. L. R. Akers, Jr.

Lee's Chapel, Greensboro, Rev. J. J. Powell.

Mt. Pleasant, North Davidson circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright.

Love's Grove, Stanfield circuit, Rev. J. R. Hamilton.

Seagrove and Pleasant Hill, Seagrove circuit, Rev. J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr.

GOOD WADESBORO FRIENDS

Our good friend, Tom Little, superintendent of the church school at Wadesboro, never is a party to little things. He is more interested in doing big things. He and his good associates are great friends of the Children's Home. This morning's mail brings the following good news: "Enclosed find check for $152.43 covering offering for the Children's Home last fifth Sunday. We realized we were a little low in our offering for this year, so we decided to bring our total up on this last fifth Sunday. Here's hoping that you not only get lots of checks like ours but plenty that will go away above it. We know the cause is right, that you need the money and the good people of these parts will see to it that you get it."

THE BEAN BOYS

Last Saturday some sixty junior boys picked over a hundred bushels of beans. They began early and worked until well along in the afternon. Because of their good services we arranged to take them over Saturday night to see a double-header baseball game between the Winston-Salem Twins and the Greensboro Red Sox. The youngsters got plumb full of baseball. They had filled our cold storage facilities plumb full of beans. Fine beans, fine boys.

THE BEAN GIRLS

Today all the girls we can spare from other work and from time out of school are busy stringing beans. The stringing party will extend through the day and through the morrow and, for that matter, through the next day. We have a lot of beans to can and a lot of children to eat them after they are canned. Fine beans, fine girls.

SOME JOY RIDERS

Since the coming of gas rationing we are not bothered as much with joy riding through our campus. Since our roads are full of children, we have repeatedly warned certain young automobilists not to use uor private roads for public parties. But one day last week some fine but thoughtless youngsters were riding around on our place and when signalled to stop, for want of a better excuse they stated that they were looking for Don Welborn. It so happens that Don has been away for a year. He is on the high seas, a fine lad with a lovable disposition and lots of friends. The picture herewith presented was taken by C. C. Smithdeal, one of Don's former sponsors, as he displayed a new wrist-watch which he men's Bible class of Ardmore had given him on that particular Sunday. We feel sure that on whatever ship Don is, he is keeping the correct time in mind, body and purpose.

AT THE BARBER SHOP

While waiting for a shine at a Winston-Salem barber shop, a conversation developed with R. L. Coons, executive secretary of the local Young Men's Christian Association, in which Mr. Coons stated that Robert Jones, one of our June graduates, had proven to be one of the finest young men he had ever had in his service. He stated that he had been looking a long time for just such a boy as Bob and now, having had him for a few months and having become so pleased with him, it was just too bad that the army would get him in October. Maybe a lot of boys need to go to the army, but we hate to see a boy like Bob have to go in training for killing purposes. That seems to be the only way to safeguard the American way of living.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

AN INTERESTING EXHIBIT — It will be illuminating to many of our pastors and churches to know what some of the stronger Presbyterian churches are doing for the Barium Springs Presbyterian Orphanage. The following figures tell the story:

First Presbyterian church of Burlington gave last year $2,676.05.

First Presbyterian church of Raleigh gave last year $1,689.79.

First Presbyterian church of Durham gave last year $1,622.79.

First Presbyterian church of Rocky Mount gave last year $1,394.52.

First Presbyterian church of Wilmington gave last year $1,192.61.

First Presbyterian church of Fayetteville gave last year $1,105.85.

First Presbyterian church of Laurinburg gave last year $1,057.32.

First Presbyterian church of Winlotte gave last year $6,382.49.

Second Presbyterian church of Charlotte gave last year $6,382.49.

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AN IMPORTANT OCCASION—On Tuesday night of last week, before our school opened on Wednesday morning, our teachers, workers and children assembled in the Vann auditorium. Mr. LeRoy Martin, vice president of the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co. of Raleigh delivered a most helpful and timely address on that occasion. Mr. Martin is one of the most outstanding bankers and laymen in the state, and his fine address made a profound impression on all present. A number of songs were sung with enthusiasm. The superintendent made a short talk and offered prayer. I do not recall ever having seen our boys and girls more eager to begin school. Prof. B. M. Madison and his splendid corps of teachers have begun their school work under the most auspicious circumstances.

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AN ENCOURAGING EXPRESSION —I am quoting below a letter which I received from Mr. Joseph D. Clark, president of the Raleigh Lions Club: "On behalf of the entire membership of the Raleigh Lions Club, I wish to thank you and the staff of the Methodist Orphanage for the excellent reception that was given us at the Orphanage during our picnic last Monday.

We appreciate the wholesome spirit of your institution and the great influence that it has upon the people of this community and state. It has always been a source of pleasure, as well as of usefulness, to know and work with men like you. Our association with Lions Wade Pridgen and Jesse Sanderson is a happy index of our respect for the work that is being promoted under your direction.

Accept our best wishes not only for yourself, but also for the children under your care.

Sincerely yours,
Joseph D. Clark,
President Lions Club."

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FIFTH SUNDAY ORPHANAGE DAY—It is highly gratifying to know that the church school superintendents are observing fifth Sunday Orphanage Day in increasing numbers. It is also encouraging to know that most of our pastors are co-operating with the church school superintendents in putting on fifth Sunday Orphanage Day programs. The educational value of the observance of Orphanage programs on each fifth Sunday would be difficult to tabulate. One reason why the Baptists and Presbyterians have succeeded so well with their respective orphanages is due to the fact that they keep their churches and church schools informed about their orphanages. There can be no enthusiasm and inspiration where there is no information. Realizing this fact, the Methodist Orphanage has secured fifth Sunday Orphanage Day programs for each fifth Sunday in the year. The Conference Board of Lay Activities, realizing the need of keeping the Orphanage prominent in the minds of our people, is sponsoring fifth Sunday Orphanage Day programs in every church school in the conference. As the years go by we are going to have a better informed constituency willing and anxious to give its moral and financial support to all the enterprises of the church.

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PROMINENT SPEAKERS —On the fifth Sunday in August, under the leadership of the Julian S. Carr Bible class of Trinity church, Durham, every charge in the Durham district had a speaker to address organized classes and Sunday schools. A number of other organized classes in other districts over the conference also had guest speakers. Mr. Walter Biggs, the executive secretary of the Home Building and Loan Association of Durham, delivered a splendid address before the men's Bible class of Edenton Street church, Raleigh. Mr. Biggs is one of the most progressive and outstanding young business men in Durham. We feel justly proud of Walter Biggs, since he was reared in our Orphanage. Mr. C. A. Dillon, superintendent of the Edenton Street church school, secretary and treasurer of the Methodist Orphanage board of trustees, conference treasurer and one of the most prominent business men of Raleigh, addressed a hundred men in Hay Street church, Fayetteville, on the fifth Sunday in August. There were quite a number of other prominent men who championed the cause of the Methodist Orphanage the last fifth Sunday. I want to thank each speaker for rendering this worth while service for our beloved Methodist Orphanage. I also want to express my gratitude to Bro. J. W. Smith, chairman of the Conference Board of Lay Activities, Dr. B. G. Childs, the Julian S. Carr Bible class, the district superintendents and pastors for this wonderful achievement.

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WORTH READING

At this time I wish to thank all those who have made my stay at the Methodist Orphanage such a happy and successful one. This has been my home for the past thirteen years, and I know I could never have spent as many happy days anywhere else as I have at this wonderful place.

To the woman's missionary society of Plymouth I wish to extend my deepest appreciation for their kindness in sending me clothes twice each year of these thirteen happy years.

I wish to thank Rev. A. S. Barnes, my beloved friend, for all the helpful and fatherly advice he has given me, and for the services that he has rendered me; he is an inspiration in the truest sense of the word.

For the past seven months I have been taking vocational training, which has been a great help, and I wish to extend my appreciation to those who have so willingly made it possible.

Now that it is my time to leave and make room for others, I wish to thank again all those who have helped make my days at this home enjoyable and successful. I have had a good home and good training; now I am ready to go out in life striving for success.

Alex Hawkins.

HYMNS WE SING

One of the most appropriate hymns for the opening of worship is Reginald Heber's "Holy, Holy, Holy," which the compilers of The Methodist Hymnal have fittingly placed first in this great collection. This hymn in both words and music is one of the most powerful expressions of adoration and praise to God in all Christian hymnology. Tennyson is said to have called it the finest of all hymns from the standpoint of purity of language, spiriutal content and poetic treatment of an abstract theme. The universal use which it has among churches attests to its beauty and effectiveness.

Reginald Heber, who was born in Cheshire, England, in 1783, early demonstrated his poetic ability by distinguishing himself for the writing of verse while at Oxford. He became a minister and was appointed in 1823 as Bishop of Calcutta, accepting this place at this time after having twice refused it, though he loved India (as may be seen from the line "From India's coral strand" in the great missionary hymn "From Greenland's Icy Mountains" which he also wrote). The severe climate in India took heavy toll of his strength, and after three years of hard work there he died unexpectedly in 1826.

In addition to the hymns already referred to, Heber also is the author of four others which appear in our church hymnal, among them being the beautiful hymn, "God that Madest Earth and Heaven" (to which Frederick Hosmer also contributed).

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WORLD SERVICE

September 27 is the last Sunday of the present conference year for emphasis on World Service in the church school. To date Brother Cole has received approximately $25,000 from this source. With the August and September offerings still to be added, the total from our Sunday schools for the year will be close to $30,000. Conference benevolences is very appropriately the theme for this month. With adequate emphasis on this subject every church school, we ought to have the largest response of the year on September 27. All contributions should be mailed to Brother Cole immediately in order to be included in his report for the conference year.

Christian Education Week, September 27 to October 4

It is hoped that all Protestant churches will become interested in the annual observance of Christian Education Week. The leaflet, Christian Education Week, gives suggestions about this observance. Each Methodist may plan its own program or better still join with the other churches of the community. Radio broadcasts, promotiona day, rally day, workers' conference, installation of officers and teachers, home visitation, church attendance, introducing new literature, and the general improvement of the church school are items that might be emphasized in this observance. Every church could profitably spend a great deal of time in rallying its forces for the fall and winter through the activities of this week.

Nation-Wide Ballot

Methodist youth throughout America are being asked to vote on an emblem, motto, benediction, and other matters involved in the developing program of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. Ballots have been sent to all pastors, who will confer with their youth groups about the voting. In case your ballot has been misplaced, you may secure another by writing to Dr. Walter Towner, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. All votes should be submitted to Mr. Towner by October 15.

Church School Rally Day

We extend our hearty thanks to many churches that have observed this occasion and sent an offering. The Advocate carried a report on this matter last week. Please check this list and see if your church is represented. In case of an error write us. Other churches have had the program but have not sent the offering to Dr. Dunham. This should be attended to at an early date!

Rally Day, October 4

There are a number of schools in the conference that will still want to have this observance. Why not plan for Christian education week and let the emphasis culminate with a rally day October 4? Free programs are still available from the conference office in Salisbury. The offering should be sent to Mr. H. A. Dunham, 62 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C.

Officers, Teachers, Literature, Equipment

September is one of the most important months of the year for our church schools. Officers and teachers are selected for the year. Literature orders should be checked carefully to take care of increased attendance during the fall quarter. General improvement of equipment is also in order at this time.

New Closely Graded Units

In the nursery and junior departments there are new, revised and up-to-date units that are being released for use beginning on Sunday, October 4. All churches using closely graded materials will want the new units for juniors. Every church that is trying to minister to the nursery child will need the materials that are now available. They should be ordered along with other supplies from the Publishing House.

Vacation Church Schools

The number of vacation schools held this year is most encouraging. Reports are being received daily. If you had a school that has not reported, be sure to send the information at once. Report blanks may be secured on request to Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury.

World Communion Sunday

October 4 is known as World Communion Sunday. Our churches are requested to receive a communion offering for overteas relief. We can well afford to emphasize this service in all church schools on Sunday morning, October 4, preceding the 11 o'clock hour.

Fourth Quarterly Conference Reports

Each pastor has received report forms for use in connection with his charge organization at the fourth quarterly conference. One copy is for the local charge records, one for the district superintendent, and one for the office of the board of education. We appreciate the co-operation received in this matter each year. To date reports have been received from the following: H. D. Jessup, J. G. Wooten, Jr., R. M. Hauss, A. L. Aycock, J. J. Powell, J. N. Randall, F. R. Barber, R. M. Varner, J. O. Banks, M. Teague Hipps, W. J. Plint, Earl A. Cook, Edward M. Graham, W. C. Sides, Jr., Robert E. Hunt, R. P. Waugh, C. A. Morrison, Lindsey F. Strader, H. G. Allen, G. F. Houck, C. C. Washam, B. C. Moss, McMurry S. Richey.

The Church School

On page 719 of the September Church School periodical is a brief article by Dr. Schisler announcing the new use to be made of the space allocated to the local church section each month. This page will be helpful to church school superintendents, officers, teachers, and members of the local church board of education in planning for their regular monthly meetings.

Church School Statistics for Conference Minutes

Be sure to get for conference reports all information about church schools through September 27, which is the close of the church school year. Attendance at all summer activities was better than last year. It is hoped that the same results will be reflected in annual reports from the entire conference.

AN ENGLISH CHAPLAIN IN ICELAND

Hospital visitation provides many opportunities for work and witness; men are glad to see the chaplain in the wards and always ready for a chat. Conversations are often light, when we seek to apply the medicine of laughter, but many times they take a more serious turn. I have known a whole ward pay eager attention for an hour or more while a man has voiced his religious problems and difficulties and I have attempted to answer them.

One Methodist lad, who lay in hospital for many months, captured the affection of the whole staff, inspiring all by his patience and cheerfulness throughout days of great suffering. At one period I visited him every day, and I was never allowed to leave until I had prayed and we had said the Lord's Prayer together. He had many visitors, for he had gained many loyal friends and they too must always join in our prayers if they were there when I called. His room became a center of spiritual power. We shared his deep desire that he might recover sufficiently to make the journey home to see his widowed mother. But, despite the devoted care and skill of those who tended him, and his own determined will to live, which kept him alive long after the hopes of others had lapsed, it was to a more abiding home that he eventually journeyed. We buried him in the little plot of ground where lie our English dead, in the corner of an Icelandic cemetery on a bleak hillside. His colonel, his officers, and the men who were his friends were there to pay tribute to a brave lad, and the flowers of their regard were bright against the barren scene. Despite my sadness, for I had grown to love him, I rejoiced, as the bugle sounded the "Last Post," that through the dreariness of an Icelandic winter the lamp of courage had shone out brightly from the life of a Christian soldier, and many had been cheered by its flame. The "warmed heart" has come to Iceland.

Methodism has the right to be proud of her soldier sons, for their hearts are firm and sound. And such a spirit as I have seen in them will never be broken by any powers of evil; it will resist with stout and confident faith until the victory has been won.—A. Aspey, in Methodist Recorder.

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STUDENT DAY OFFERING

The following churches have sent in Methodist Student Day offerings since our last report on this item in the Advocate. The total raised for this cause thus far this year is $161.47.

Durham District

Mebane, First Church	$ 4.00

Elizabeth City District

Columbia, Wesley Chapel	2.00
Mattamuskeet, Watson's Chapel	3.01
North Gates, Kittrells	2.98
Parker's	9.32
Savages	5.72
Pasquotank, Union	4.00
South Mills, Sharon	7.33
Windsor	3.50
Total	37.86

Fayetteville District

Aberdeen, Page Memorial	3.31

Raleigh District

Oxford, Oxford	9.67
Raleigh, Fairmont	5.00
Person Street	6.22
Total	20.89

Rocky Mount District

Farmville	5.00
Rocky Mount, First Church	16.38
Total	21.38
Grand total	87.44

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK PROJECTS

The week of September 27-October 4 is designated as Christian Education Week by the Methodist Church—a week in which a local church can give new impetus to its educational program by outlining some definite forward steps on which it can move out to increased usefulness in the community. We are offering this week a list of improvements or projects out of which each local church might find something to which it would like to give emphasis during the coming weeks and months. It is not expected that any church will undertake a large number of these projects, but there should be at least one in the list that should be of interest to every church.

SOME POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS

Churches will vary in the improvements that are needed and also in the lines of work in which they are interested. The main value of Christian Education Week is to develop new interest, new plans and new determination. An observance that does not lead to definite improvements fails in its purpose. The following suggestions may help:

1. New source materials for worship.
2. New hymn books where needed.
3. Better recreational facilities and programs.
4. Books for use by teachers (see The Church Workers' Library—leaflet 704-B, free).
5. A regular program of leadership training (see Educational Bulletin, No. 703-H, Enlisting and Developing Workers, price 10 cents).
6. Visual education equipment.
7. Plans for co-operating with other denominations.
8. Co-operating with community agencies.
9. A program of action for young adults.
10. Elective courses for adults and young people dealing with world problems, with problems of marriage and homemaking.
11. Classes for parents of young children.
12. Frequent visiting in the homes of pupils.
13. Presentation of a good book on Christian homemaking to young members of the church school when they marry.
14. Pictures, maps and books to use in missionary education.
15. Definite plans for reaching every person in the community with Christian teaching—visiting teams, organization of new Sunday school, recreation for underprivileged groups.

NATIONAL YOUTH CONVOCATION

More than 1200 young people and adult leaders of young people gathered in Oxford, Ohio, September 1-5 for the first National Convocation of Methodist Youth. Reports of the convocation will be coming to us during the next few months in the Highroad and in other publications. A few details of the convocation can be mentioned, however, that might be of interest to our readers.

Each day was a busy one—with worship periods, addresses, commission meetings, pageants, recreation, creative interest groups, and the like. During the convocation there was held the annual meeting of the National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, made up of the presidents of annual conference fellowships and state or regional student conference presidents, and certain other youth leaders and adult leaders of youth. Significant actions were taken by both the convocation and by the conference, and our young people will have an opportunity to share in the great program projected for Methodist youth.

Delegates to the convocation from the North Carolina conference were Harris Proctor, president of the North Carolina Conference Fellowship; Martha Hayes Riddick, Corapeake; Bill Wells, Wilson; Evelyn Rothrock, Burlington; Rev. C. W. Robbins, Mount Olive; Rev. Forrest Hedden, Louisburg; Hewlett Burnett, Bill Bridgers, Judson Burgess and Robert W. Bradshaw, Durham.

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THE UNDERGROUND NURSERY

Baby Tumblebug was tucked away in an egg, sound asleep. Father Tumblebug and Mother Tumblebug, his parents, were two black beetles who lived in the yard. Of course they talked Tumblebug talk, and no one can be sure of exactly what they said. It seemed to be something like this:

Said Mother Tumblebug: "Do you suppose that the baby is warm enough?"

Said Father Tumblebug: "Put some more blankets on him, if you think he isn't. Here, I'll help you. You must roll him up snug and warm."

Then they rolled Baby Tumblebug in so many blankets that he was entirely hidden among them; indeed, he was wrapped in a regular ball of blankets—a ball bigger than his father and mother put together. The blankets were nothing but dirt. The Tumblebug family has always used this kind. Thousands of years ago, in Egypt, their ancestor set the fashion.

It was a lucky thing for Baby Tumblebug that he was sound asleep, or he might have been frightened when his father and mother began rolling him over the hills and valleys on the way to the nursery.

"It seems to me," said Mother Tumblebug, "that under that tall grass by the fence is just the place that will suit us."

They were looking for a spot in which to bury Baby Tumblebug. He was too young to be left on the top of the ground, exposed to the hot sun and possible enemies. All Tumblebugs spend their baby days in underground nurseries.

"Just as you think best," replied Father Tumblebug, standing on his head and getting into a position to push the ball, while Mother Tumblebug climbed on top of it.

"Now, I'm ready, Father Tumblebug," said she, leaning all her weight toward the front of the ball. Father Tumblebug, walking on his hands, kicked with his hind feet. Mother Tumblebug pulled and over went the ball. As often as the ball went over Mother Tumblebug climbed to the top of the ball ready for another start.

Not for an instant did she leave Baby Tumblebug. Even when Father Tumblebug gave a mighty kick at the top of a hill she kept tight hold on the precious bundle, rolling over and over with it until the ball stopped. If Father Tumblebug laughed, who could blame him? Mother Tumblebug did look funny going heels over head down the hill.

"Are you hurt?" he asked, running to her assistance.

"No, thank you," replied Mother Tumblebug. "I bumped my head a little; that is all."

Mother Tumblebug's head was flat—oh, ever so flat!

"I was afraid the baby would be uncovered, but he is safe, the little darling. You must be more careful, Father Tumblebug. I told you we should have gone the other way. I almost knew we were on a hill."

Father Tumblebug did not say a word. But he looked cross as a bear. It was not so easy as it seemed to help roll that ball by standing on his head and kicking it with his hind legs. She ought to have told him of the danger.

At last a place was found to put the baby. It exactly suited Mother Tumblebug, so she and Father Tumblebug shoveled away the earth beneath the ball.

"Now, run away, Father Tumblebug; run away. I can get baby into the nursery without any more help, thank you."

Father Tumblebug was only too glad to be excused.

Mother Tumblebug was a great worker. She was not a bit afraid of spoiling her hands or her clothes. Upside down she went beneath the precious bundle of hers, digging into the earth with her hands and feet, and tossing it above the ball. Slowly Baby Tumblebug, cradle and all, went into his underground nursery. Mother Tumblebug had a middle pair of legs with which she clung to Baby Tumblebug's bundle of blankets, at the same time pulling it downward.

In a little while she was out of sight, and how ever she managed to dig deeper into the darkness of the ground is something known only to Tumblebug. When her work was finished Mother Tumblebug climbed through the loosened dirt into the daylight. That was the last she ever saw of Baby Tumblebug.

When he awoke he crept out of his egg. He outgrew his baby clothes in no time, and finally, when he was big enough to wear the same kind of a suit that his father and mother did, he left the nursery, poking his queer flat head out of the earth—a baby Tumblebug no longer.—Selected.

MY SECRET

By Edith Lillian Young

I used to be quite nauhty,
Whenever mother said:
"Come, children, say 'Good night' now,
It's time to go to bed."
But since I learned a secret
I like to go, real well,
I'll share it if you promise
You'll never, never tell!

I run away to Dreamland,
When I'm supposed to rest,
And there I have such good times!
But what I like the best
Is playing with the fairies—
That's where they live, you know,
In Dreamland! do you wonder
I always love to go?

Mother and daddy live here,
And Bob and Baby Bess;
If I should stay in Dreamland,
I'd miss them all, I guess.
So I come back each morning—
You see, it's just this way:
I like Dreamland at night time,
But Home is best by day!

—Christian Herald.

THE FLAG SPEAKS

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I signify the Law of the Land.

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I stand for peace and good will among the nations of the world.

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Threaten Me and Millions Will Spring to My Protection.

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—From leaflet published by National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 13

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By Rollin H. Walker

Joseph Sold Into Slavery

Genesis 37:39-41

Every one is at fault in the story of the selling of Joseph into slavery. The father is at fault for dressing him like a dandy. It is never good for Joseph —and Josephine—to be dressed in a way that makes them conspicuous. And then Joseph himself was at fault for his vanity in telling the dreams that predicted his dominance over his brethren. And of course his brethren were viciously at fault for their cruelty.

One stops a moment to admire the sheer honesty of the biblical writers. They were Jews, and naturally would like to think of their ancestors as noble men, but this story makes all but Judah and Reuben unmitigated and murderous scoundrels.

There are two accounts of the crime against Joseph. Both accounts agree that the brethren plotted to kill him. One says that Reuben dissuaded them by suggesting that they cast him into one of the bottle-neck cisterns that were frequent around Dothan, intending secretly to rescue him, but Midianite merchantmen passing by and hearing his cries lifted him out and kidnapped him. The other account says that Ishmaelite merchants hove in sight, and Judah, in order to save his brother from death, suggested that they sell him to the Ishmaelites as a slave. And so they did. The editor who puts these accounts together makes no attempt to harmonize them. He seems to say, Take your choice.

And now stern experiences begin for the curled darling of the household. The merchantmen re-sell Joseph to an Egyptian, but the young slave was so competent that he was soon made ruler over all his affairs. This dreamer is a practical man, and he knows how to be an efficient and masterful slave. That is a great art. Many of us, either in our economic, social or domestic relations, are slaves. The problem of life is how to be a masterful slave (Ephesians 6:5-8; Matthew 20:27).

And then comes that fierce temptation which in some form always assails fiery youth, the temptation of sex. His master's wife laid eyes on him and sought to entice him. But Joseph tears himself away, and flees from the house (1 Corinthians 6:18; 10:13). He knows that this is a temptation that must be resisted with unceremonious violence. Politeness is always a sin in the face of it. Jesus said, If thine eye offend thee pluck it out and cast it from thee. In essence, he recommends exactly the attitude toward sexual temptation that Joseph took when he rushed out of the house leaving his garment (Matthew 5:27-32).

We have here a vivid illustration of the fact that lust and love are at opposite poles. Rape is often followed by the murder of its object. And Joseph is now the victim of the cruel rage of his master's wife. But by a merciful providence his master, instead of putting him to death, casts him into prison. Here again Joseph who had been masterful as a slave now shows himself masterful as a prisoner, for soon the jailer puts the care of the prisoners into his hands.

He interprets the dreams of his fellow prisoners, the butler and the baker, and his interpretations are fulfilled. The butler is restored to be the king's cupbearer, and the baker, poor soul! is hanged. But the butler entirely forgets Joseph, and the young man is left to languish in prison two full years. What endless weary waiting is expressed in those words, two full years.

And then Pharaoh has a dream, and his cupbearer tells how Joseph had interpreted his dream, and Pharaoh sends for him. All Joseph needs to do is to shave his head, after the fashion required of all who appeared before Pharaoh. Blessed is the man woh when the great opportunity of his life has come, needs only to shave and change his garments (Luke 12:35-40).

Doubtless the wisdom of storing up the wheat in years of plenty for times of famine had occurred to Joseph many times. He would have advised it, dream or no dream, but fortunately this wise plan fits perfectly into the dream of pharaoh. So with great confidence he interprets it as a prophetic warning to prepare for the years of scarcity. (Would that some Joseph might get that same idea into the head of every one of us in this time of plentiful work and high wages).

Then comes the climax of the story. Pharaoh puts on Joseph the golden chain, and the slave becomes the master (Matthew 25:23).

STAND UP AND PREACH

The book under the above title was exceptionally good but the title of the book carried a message which preachers should not forget. The church expects a preacher to "Stand Up and Preach." While a district superintendent, we had a layman consult us who was much concerned about a change of pastors in his church. Though a prominent layman in his church, he stuttered some when excited. In explaining his position he had this to say which we have not forgotten: "It's a f-f-unny t-t-hing that a ma-man says that he is c-c-alled to p-preach and then can't preach. This practical layman was raising a question which must trouble the mind of any one who gives it thought. As personality, talents and equipment differ in preachers, we may expect a difference in the effectiveness of the ministry of different preachers. However, any God-called preacher should be able to stand up and preach with some degree of helpful effectiveness. Regardless of any other talents which he may possess, a preacher should be able to preach.—Arkansas Methodist.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb Ave., 11 (dedication) 13
Graham, 7:30 13
Carr, 7:30 16
Eno, 7:30 17
Carrboro, Orange, 11 20
Orange, Union Grove, 3 20
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 20
Lakewood, 7:30 21
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 23
Calvary, 7:30 24
West Burlington, 11 27
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Davis Street, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 29
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 30
Long Memorial, 7:30 30

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 11
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3 11
Person, Concord, 10:30 17
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Alamance, Bethel, 2 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
THIRD ROUND

September

Stumpy Point, East Lake, 11 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Roberdel, St. Paul, 11 13
Hemp, 11 20
Hemp Circuit, 3 20
Sanford, 8 20
Red Springs, 11 27
Parkton, Cotton, 8 27

October

Rowland, 11 4
Maxton, 4 4
Gibson, 7:30 4
Hamlet, 11 5
Laurinburg, 7:30 5
Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Atlantic, 11 13
Morehead Ct., Camp Glenn, 4 13
Seven Springs-Pine Forest, 11 20
LaGrange, 8 20
Jones-Shady Grove, 11 27
Grifton, 8 27

October

Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Raleigh, Person Street, 8 11
Zebulon-Wendell, Zebulon, 11 13
Princeton, Princeton, 8 13
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 8 15
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 8 16
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 20
Franklinton, 8 20
Oxford, 8 23
Moncure, Moncure, 8 25
Cary, 11 27
Erwin, Erwin, 8 27
Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 8 29

October

Tar River, Plank Chapel, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 4
Vance, Spring Valley, 3 4
Henderson-City Road-White Mem'l, City Road, 7:30 4

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Enfield, 11 13
Whitakers, McTyiere, 8 13
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Wilmington, Trinity, 11 13
Wallace-Rose Hill, Rose Hill, 8 13
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 5
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 5
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 19
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 22
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 28

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

September

Weaverville Station, 8 11
Sandy, Payne's Chapel, 11 13
Leicester-Grace, Brick Church, 3 13
Leicester-Bell, Bell Church, 8 13
Acton, Asbury, 8 14
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 8 15
Black Mountain, State Street, 8 16
French Broad Avenue, 8 17
Swannanoa, Azalea, 8 18
Barnadrsville, Barnardsville, 3 20
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 8 20
Central, 8 21
Ivy, Laurel, 3:30 21
Mars Hill, Marshall, 8 22
Mills River, Mills River, 8 23
Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Dilworth, 8 11
Ansonville, Concord, 11 13
Matthews, 4 13
Brevard Street, 8 13
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Creston, 11 13
Todd, 3 13
Sparta, night 13
Cooleemee, 11 20
Davie, 3 20
Mocksville, night 20
Yadkinville, 11 27
Advance, 3 27
Farmington, night 27

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Mitchell's Grove, 11 and 8 13
Burnett's Chapel, 3 13
West Market, 8 14
College Place, 8 16
Mt. Pleasant, 11 20
Bethel-Battle Ground, 3 20
Moriah, 8 20
Centenary, 8 23

Reidsville, Main Street, 11 27
Ruffin, 3 27
Draper, 8 27
Newlyn Street, 8 28
Mt. Pleasant, 8 29
Carraway Memorial, 8 30

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Cleveland, Mt. Moriah, 11 13
Polkville, Polkville, 3 13
Shelby, Central, night 13
Mount Holly, night 14
Cherryville, night 16
Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23
Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Randleman-G. C., Bethany, 2 13
Asheboro Ct., Cedar Falls, 7:30 13
Ward Street, 7:30 16
Why Not, F. S., 7:30 18
Seagrove, S., 7:30 19
Greer's, 11 20
Linwood, Tyro, 2 20
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 20
Oak View, 7:30 23
First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Pleasant Grove, Alexander, 9:45 12
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 13
Mill Spring, Maness Chapel, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Bostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

China Grove, 11 13
Landis, Oak Grove, 2 13
Coburn Memorial, 8 13
Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 8 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Cool Springs, Cool Springs, 11 13
Olin, Moss's Chapel, 3 13
Union-Grove-Zion, 8 13
Hickory, Westview, 8 10
Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Rockwood, 11 13
Beaverdam, 8 13
Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Mount Airy Ct., 11 13
Rockford Street, 3 13
Welcome, 8 13
Central Terrace, 8 14
First Church, 8 15
Centenary, 8 16
Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

A Scot was walking with a Roman Catholic friend in London. On passing Westminster Cathedral his friend raised his hat, and the Scotchman followed suit.

At this his friend said: "You're getting very pious, raising your hat as you pass the cathedral."

"Was that the cathedral?" the Scot replied. "I thought it was the Bank of England."—London Observer.

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In Memoriam

WHITENER—Avery Hill Whitener died at the age of 80 June 5, 1942. He was the son of Squire Abel and Eliza Groce Whitener and a direct descendant of Henry Weidner, pioneer of Catawba county, N. C.

Mr. Whitener was a fine Christian gentleman, a man that was loved by every one who knew him. He found peace to his soul at the age of 18 and joined the Methodist church, and was a member until God called him home to rest. He was a fine Bible scholar. He taught Sunday school in different churches—he never refused to teach when he was asked. His daily study was his Bible. He was connected with several big lumber companies during his life.

He left to mourn his death his widow and six children: Harry Whitener of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Hinton Blackshear, also of Atlanta, Mrs. Edward T. Whipple, Misses Mabel and Hazel Whitener of Macon, Ga., and one granddaughter and one great-grandson.

Written by his devoted wife.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Brother J. F. Barber, Elon College, N. C., Route 1, passed to his eternal reward on Saturday afternoon, May 22, 1942, age 69 years, 11 months and 10 days. "No undertaker has ever buried a great man." Brother Barber was one of the most faithful members of the Fairview Methodist church, Burlington circuit. Active on the board of trustees of his local church, faithful to his home, serving his community through the local school, and ever thoughtful of his fellowmen.

The official board issues the following resolutions:

First, We bow in humble submission to the will of Him who makes no mistakes, and thank God for the benedictions of this useful life.

Second, We extend our sympathy to his dear companion, to the children, and to the other members of his family.

Third, That these resolutions be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy be sent to his immediate family, and a copy be kept by the official board of Fairview church, Burlington circuit.

M. C. Ellerbe, Pastor.

MORRIS — Sarah Leoline Arminta Morris was born near Brevard, N. C., June 14, 1868, the daughter of James Wesley and Elizabeth A. Neill Morris, and died August 19, 1942, at the home of a brother, J. L. Morris of Brevard, being 74 years, two months and five days old.

In addition to J. L. Morris she is survived by three other brothers, Waverly, C. C., and J. E. Morris, all of Brevard; a sister, Mrs. V. L. Neill of Brevard, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Miss Morris, or "Miss Leo," as she was affectionately called, was converted in early girlhood and united with the Oak Grove Methodist church in North Brevard, of which she remained a faithful member.

She will be sorely missed in the home from which she has gone; yea, and among her friends as well. She will be missed for two reasons. First, because of her quiet, unassuming manner and unflagging devotion to duties she felt to be hers—a manner and a devotion which endeared her to all whose lives she touched; second, because of the many kind deeds she did for others.

Jesus paid to a woman of New Testament days a tribute that may, with proper reservations, be paid to "Miss Leo": "She hath done what she could." It is brief but fitting commentary on a well spent life.

Funeral services were conducted in the Oak Grove Methodist church Thursday afternoon, August 20, by her pastor, Rev. J. R. Bowman, assisted by Rev. L. A. Bennett, pastor of the Etowah charge. Interment was in the family plot at the church cemetery.

"Our crosses are hewn from different trees,
But we all must have our Calvaries;
We may climb the height from a different side,
But we all go up to be crucified.
As we climb the steeps another may share
The dreadful load that we have to bear;
But the costliest sorrow is all our own,
For on the summit we bleed alone."

J. R. Bowman, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On June 19 the gentle spirit of Mrs. Mary A. Barnhill passed to a more blessed realm, bringing to a close 80 years of gracious living. Sweet spirited, affectionate, unassuming, she lived the abundant, radiant Christian life, rich in the affection of all who knew her.

We, the members of the W. S. C. S. of the Enfield Methodist church, wishing to pay tribute to the beautiful life she lived among us, and to express our sense of personal loss, do adopt the following resolutions:

First, That in the passing of Mrs. Barnhill this society has lost one of its most devoted members who sincerely loved her church and all its interests, and one whose influence was a benediction to us all.

Second, That we shall ever cherish her memory and her unselfish spirit, her cheerful, happy outlook on life will abide with us as a comfort and an inspiration.

Third, That we express to her family our thankfulness for the life that has enriched us all, our deepest sympathy for those who will miss her most.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy be filed in the minutes of this society.

Mary B. Collins,
Mrs. J. M. Person,
Mrs. N. W. Cousins.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst Brother Frank C. Sherrill, Sr., a beloved member of our board of stewards, our district steward, a faithful and loyal member of Mt. Zion church, and an influential and beloved citizen of our community; therefore be it resolved by this quarterly conference in session assembled, that we, the members of this conference and members of Mt. Zion church, mourn the loss of him, our friend and co-laborer, who was ever ready and willing to give of his time and material wealth to the upbuilding of the cause of Christ and the kingdom of God, together with a fervent love for his church in which he was very active as a leader for many years.

Be it further resolved, that we express to the family and relatives our deepest sympathy.

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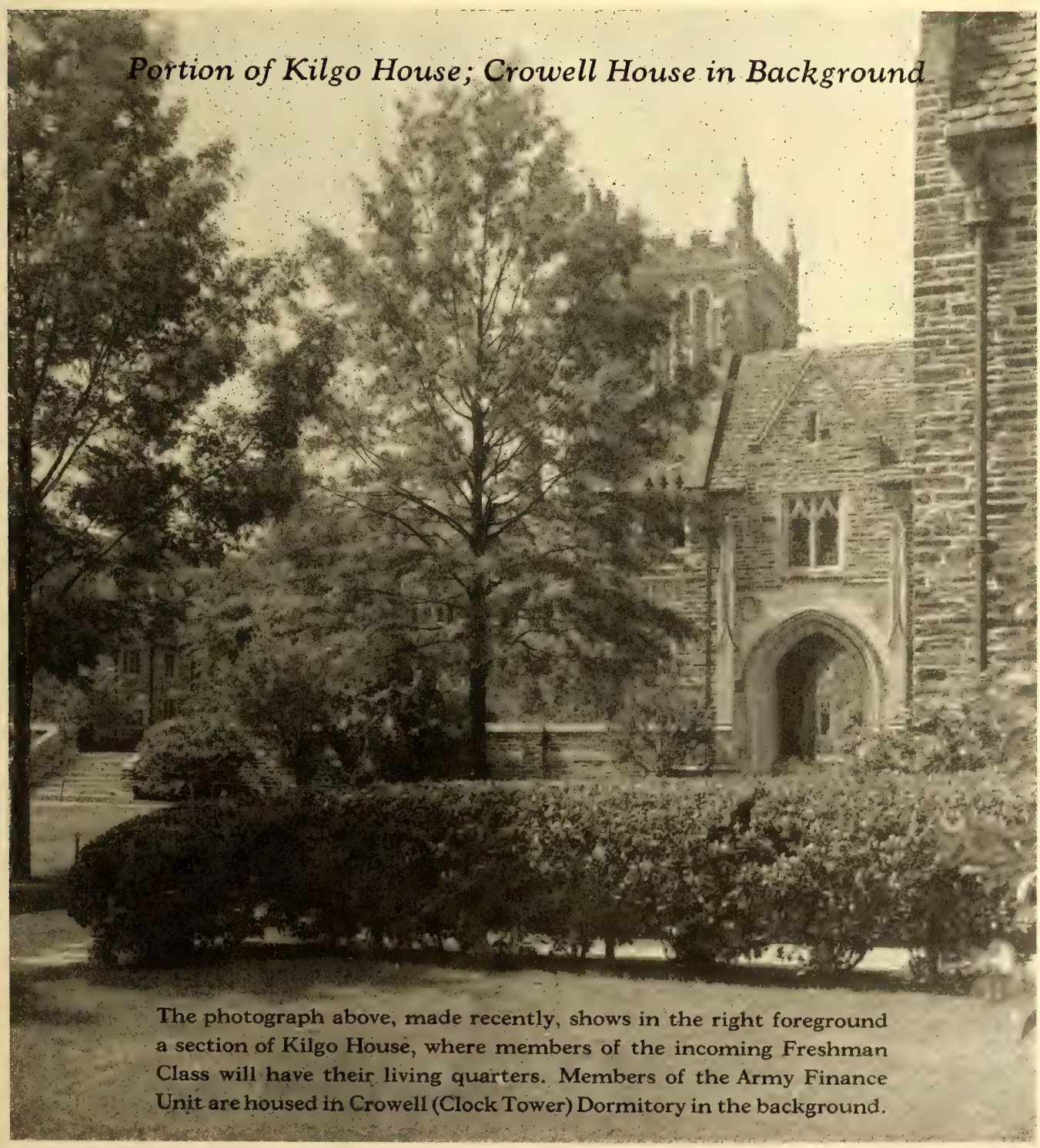
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Portion of Kilgo House; Crowell House in Background

The photograph above, made recently, shows in the right foreground a section of Kilgo House, where members of the incoming Freshman Class will have their living quarters. Members of the Army Finance Unit are housed in Crowell (Clock Tower) Dormitory in the background.

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All who have secured their quota is given a *. All who have doubled their quota, two *'s. All who have tripled their quota get three *'s, and so on. At present these are as follows:

15*HOYT H. WOOD, W. Jefferson
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6*AUBERT M. SMITH, Jackson Park
5*R. ODELL BROWN, Pilot Mountain
4*H. G. ALLEN, Broad Street
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3*J. W. SNEEDEN, Mebane
2*J. C. GENTRY. South Davidson
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2*J. J. BOONE, Graham
2*V. E. QUEEN, Carrboro
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Next week will appear the entire list of all who have secured their quota, and the number of *'s.

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These Are Our Two Crucial Weeks, September 30 is Our Dead Line!

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"Do our job" is rapidly becoming a stock phrase with our men in the service and with many other patriots. In the first world war "Do our bit" was the big term. "Do our job" is the preferable term because it does not smack of an extreme modesty which leaves the impression that there is not much for us to do.

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William M. Jeffers, the new rubber czar, reminds motorists that they are the custodians of material more precious than gold. Did we ever expect to come to this? As truly may it be said that if the government continues to draw away labor from the farms the day will come when men will walk the streets of our cities with their pockets full of money and their pantries empty of food.

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It is said that an Englishman in Central Africa was accustomed to dress for dinner as if he had been in London. There he sat all alone surrounded as he was with a few half clad natives. Why did he do it? The man who tells the story explains that he did it to maintain his self-respect. He did not wish to lower any of his standards of civilized life. How would it do to explain his acts on the same ground that some people explain Ghandi's lack of clothing—to attract attention that he could not otherwise receive.

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The dedication next week of the 400 bed tuberculosis sanatorium at Wilson, built at a cost of $500,000, gives the state the most complete coverage against tuberculosis to be found in a southern state. The sanatorium near Aberdeen in the Sandhill country and the fine new sanatorium at Black Mountain minister to the central and the mountain section as does the one at Wilson serve eastern Carolina. These three excellent hospital plants, along with the county sanitariums scattered over the state, mark a new day in the treatment of chest diseases in North Carolina.

Among the curious results of allocation of defense work: An animal trap manufacturer produces army cots; a maker of insect spray guns produces bomber parts; a plan formerly stamped ash trays now stamps aluminum airplanes; a manufacturer of toy trains turns out compasses; a weaver of reed bassinets now weaves ship's bumpers.—Chemical Digest.

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William M. Jeffers, president of the Union Pacific Railroad, has been chosen as national rubber administrator with full authority. He is now rubber czar. Mr. Jeffers began as office boy and has been with the Union Pacific ever since. He has traveled a long, rugged road to reach the highest place in one of this country's greatest railroad systems. Success has crowned his work all along the way and we may look for him to succeed in the job that has been assigned him. It is not unusual in the history of American railroading to find that the president of the great railroads began at the bottom, and without exception they became matchless executives. We expect Mr. Jeffers to be the right man for this great task.

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The German people possess many elements of greatness. In philosophy, theology, literature, music, and many of the sciences they have through the past shown unusual capacity. But in government they have shown a blindness that is almost unbelievable. Amid all their successes in other attainments they have never at any time shown a capacity for self-government. The governments under which they have lived from the first have been handed down to them by some self-constituted authority. Even so, they seem just now to have overcrowded their own stupidity when they think and are striving to make all the peoples of Europe their slaves and after that, of course, to make the whole earth slaves of the German people and victims of their unspeakable wickedness. Such a thing seems inconceivable, yet it is a fact.

The Joy of Work Well Done

IN our church work we insist on the joy of the finished task and often we join in singing "Happy Day." To many this is nothing more than an empty sound devoid of the joy of the Lord and wanting in the rapture of the redeemed. For them there are no cherished memories of high adventure and joyful experiences of work well done. If once they knew the vision splendid and followed the gleam, all this has faded away and they know not the fine inspiration of high endeavor. A sad and sorrowful lot this!

The most serious tragedy of all in the decline of the soul is in the minister who slips from the heights. A youth of high aspiration enters the ministry with the one thought of preaching the glorious gospel without regard for the material benefits to accrue. Later as a mature man and minister he is given over to place seeking with an eager eye on the big salary. That joy and rapture within and fine eagerness to save souls and glorify God are no more. What a pathetic figure!

These days of the harvest time are fine occasions for us to take stock of the progress made and the advance of soul which is ours. Churches are prone to confuse their record with the past and to gauge the progress being made, both as to the individual and the group. If they have done as well as last year they are satisfied though the record of the past may have been mediocre. Such is a case in which comparisons are odious. In the close of this year of easy money many will conclude that with a financial showing equal to or a little better than last year that they are making fine progress, all the while going on unto perfection. Though, as a matter of fact, they are suffering real soul decline. Some of us remember the "depression" that followed the flush years of world war No. 1. Salaries and collections had been full to overflowing. We were hilariously jubilant until the fatal drop came. Then the spiritual collapse and the depleted spiritual power suffered by all became fully evident.

Are we going to be at present so spiritual and so consecrated to the hard tasks before us that we can be a mighty factor in saving this Republic? Will it be said of us that we have kept our churches so strong and of such clear vision that they cherished the desire to "see Jesus only"? We should certainly see to it that the local church meets all demands and sets itself to high spiritual endeavor in the years ahead. Then the joy of work well done will be ours.

Away With a False Cry

COMPLACENCY has been an oft used word in and around Washington during recent months and has been employed by leaders and would-be leaders to exhort and sometimes berate the American people for a supposed failure to do their utmost to win the war. These men, if one may judge by the tone of their utterances, desire to alarm the people and create in the nation a hullabaloo. But great wars are not won by any such methods. A majority of the American people can very well remember the first world war, and they recall that some things were done then that nobody was proud of after the war was over and many men determined that they would never repeat. In our judgment the people will continue to go about the grim business of winning this war as seasoned veterans which many of them are.

If there be undue complacency, let the leaders put aside their own complacency and the people will follow them in every reasonable demand made upon them.

From Murphy to Manteo

THE designations of the two extremes of the Holy Land are Dan to Beer-Sheba. In the Tar Heel land it is Murphy to Manteo. What a varied and interesting extent of territory of flat lands, rolling hills and high mountains is this extending from the Atlantic to the Great Smokies, from the Virginia to the South Carolina border. The population is the most largely American born of any state in the Union. These more than 3,000,000 inhabitants are industrious, patriotic and religious people.

The Baptists outnumber all other denominations, but the 350,000 Methodists are fully as well distributed over the state as are the Baptist brethren. Though their stress is on democracy and individual initiative—a valuable asset— the Methodists have the more effective organization for mass movements. So these two Christian groups are most widely distributed and the most effective and far-reaching in religious work in the state. Truly their religious obligations are many and varied. Since the Methodists have a general review of the record of work done each year and the ministers are assigned to their several charges each

year, the next two months are the most exacting of the entire year.

A few ministers are always ready for conference a month before the assembling of the Methodist forces; others leave most of the work to be done the last minute before conference. This is the difference between the alert and slothful leader of a people. The wise leaders will meet the situation with great devotion from day to day these next few weeks. September is the month set apart to secure the Advocate quota because the financial year of the Advocate closes September 30. Other causes run on to the assembling of the conference, but this is no argument to let collections go over until that time.

Our urgent call is for all Methodists from Murphy to Manteo to get busy in each and every church in town and country place to close up the year 1942 in a great way. It can be done well and we can go up to Charlotte and to Wilson shouting happy. Let the jubilant acclaim be heard from Murphy to Manteo.

Do Not Link God With One's Lack of Information

THE only exposition needed by the above headline can be found in the story of John Bunyan and a pious Quaker who visited the noted tinker and author when in jail at Bedford, England. The story runs like this: A Quaker, called upon Bunyan in jail, with what he professed to be a message from the Lord. "After searching for thee," he said, "in half the jails of England, I am glad I have found thee at last." "If the Lord sent thee," said Bunyan, "you would not have needed to take so much trouble to find me out; for he knows I have been in Bedford jail these seven years."

The New York Bombing Raid Alarm Got Results

SUNDAY night before Labor Day when the city was jammed with expectant multitudes awaiting the great September holiday, the air raid alarm was sounded to the consternation of not a few.

In the midst of all this, if one may accept reports of the doings of that hour, a guest of one of the hotels called the office and asked the clerk to send a Bible to her room at once. "Madam," explained the clerk, "there is a Bible already in your room." "Yes, I know," replied the lady, "but my husband is reading that."

The Days of Preparation

FROM the vantage point of the grandstand of the Duke baseball field these September days one can vision excellent examples of the varied activities of these propitious days of preparation. The soldiers drilling on the parking field and the football squad hard at work on the adjoining freshman football field are typical of the activities on other sections of the university campus in which young men and women from all the land are gathering for instruction and training.

Hundreds of freshmen on the east and west campus are being inducted into the devious ways of college life, former students are assembling for the work in the upper classes and in the professional schools, many of whom are expecting an early call into the armed service of the nation, and the military units of one sort and another are already housed in the university buildings. So it is a busy scene in which choice youths strive these days of preparation for the larger and wider life.

From this high vantage point on the athletic field at Duke there may be seen, ten miles away, the outlines of Chapel Hill, where similar activities at the State University continue by day and by night. The preparation being made at these two American universities are finely typical of what is going on all across this broad land in all the colleges and the universities set to train American youth for the exactions of these unusual days of war and world upheaval.

We like to think that the same diligence and spirit of sacrifice exist in the churches of our land in caring for the spiritual conquest of the nation. Victories on the battlefields of earth count for little unless spiritual victories are won in the souls of men.

For this much needed conquest the ministers and the Christian churches are responsible. So the process of preparation and the reaping of the harvest must be a continuous one. For us Methodists just now we have come to the harvest time once more. Are we going to be so alert that the best results will be secured? We do know that a work well done is always the preparation for a bigger and a better work. The close of this year brought to a fine finish will be a joyful task for all who have caught a vision of the years. The fields now white unto the harvest give glorious promise of the green fields of the coming spring. So we are all just now enlisted in preparation.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

W. N. C. Conference, Charlotte ..... Oct. 19-23
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Today I was assigned to the 26th and 27th Battalion of Military Police of Fort Riley. One North Carolina boy asked me if I would let him hug me. While I was explaining to him that I had never objected to that in my life, he did it. A chaplain has to do a lot of loving.—Ed Earnhardt.

Rarely do we make an SOS call for the Advocate. The urgent call for $2,000 the next two weeks is made that the pastors and devoted Methodists may know the situation and come to the aid of their church paper. Our duty is to inform them and we do not wish to be derelict.

I am sorry to note Sister Hauss, the widow of the late Rev. W. E. Hauss, who for the last seven months has been in Salisbury Memorial and Charlotte Memorial hospitals, is now confined to her home in China Grove. Her illness is a fractured spine. Her condition is very serious.—A Friend.

The program of the Western North Carolina Conference appears elsewhere in this issue of the Advocate. E. H. Nease, the secretary of the conference, requests us to emphasize this fact: "WE ARE BEGINNING ON MONDAY EVENING AND THE FIRST ROLL CALL WILL BE THAT EVENING."

Dorothy Thompson in her daily newspaper column recently remarked that she grew up in a Methodist parsonage where they had meat only twice a week in times of peace, and that her health after more years than she is willing to mention is now perfect. So why worry about meatless days that are in prospect?

Rev. B. W. Lefler, pastor of West End charge, Greensboro, is building a new church at St. Andrews, a new congregation in a southwestern suburb of Greensboro. The new structure is well on the way and will soon be used for religious services. The fall revival is to be held in the new church building. We expect to carry a picture of it in the Advocate before many weeks.

Regarding delay in filling orders for Testaments for the men in the service: Our publisher writes that they lacked some of the necessary materials and the experienced labor, and after training women for work they now have everything but the time required to produce the Testaments to meet the tremendous demand. All orders are receiving attention and will be filled at the earliest possible moment.

Twenty-fifth anniversary will be observed at West End Methodist church, Greensboro, next Sunday, September 20. At 10 o'clock Judge Eugene Shaw will teach the adult Sunday school class; the subject of the lesson, "Self-Sacrifice a Law of Life." Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of Greensboro College, will deliver the 11 o'clock address. All friends and former pastors of the congregation are cordially invited to attend.—B. W. Lefler, Pastor.

All former pastors and friends are invited to attend the home coming next Sunday, September 20, at Spencer Memorial Methodist church. Several former pastors will speak during the day: Dr. W. O. Goode at the morning service, Rev. F. W. Kiker and Rev. W. B. Davis at 3 p. m., and Rev. Joe H. Armbrust at 8 p. m. Dinner will be served following the morning services. The public is invited to view the new church school rooms and the improvements to the church auditorium after the 3 o'clock service. Come and meet old friends.—C. E. Murray.

When Patrick Henry, more than a century and a half ago, asked the Virginia legislators whether life was "so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery," he was really uttering some profound philosophy. In the scale of values, freedom is at least as important as peace, . . . The truth is that freedom seems to be the final goal of progress and the supreme value if there is any such thing. Jesus appears to have had this in mind when he said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."—The Christian-Evangelist.

The Franklinville church on the Ramseur-Franklinville charge will celebrate its one hundred and third anniversary next Sunday morning, September 20. The anniversary sermon will be preached at 11 o'clock by Dr. P. E. Lindley, the dean of High Point College. Dinner will be served on the church grounds and in the afternoon there will be a memorial service. At 7:30 p. m. Rev. Joel B. Trogdon will preach. Each evening during the week at 7:30 Rev. Paul Hardin, pastor of the First Methodist church at Asheboro, will preach in revival services.—J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

The Jew seems destined to remain a man without a country as he has been for the last 2,000 years. If the problem is ever solved it must be by the Jew himself. Their peculiar temperament has been and will be the major cause of the unfriendly attitude of their Gentile neighbors. Their aloofness, separateness, pride of race and failure to fit themselves into the social and economic life of the country in which they find themselves will continue to create a barrier between them and the non-Jews of any race or nationality.

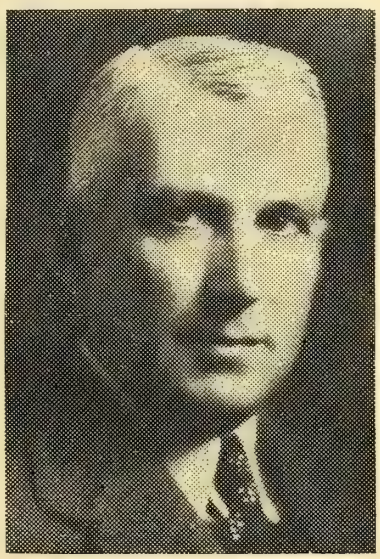
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Honeycutt, well known Newton couple, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home Friday, September 11. Mr. Honeycutt is Newton operator for the Duke Power Company, a post he has held for the last 35 years. Mrs. Honeycutt is the former Miss Mary Carter, daughter of J. C. Carter of Lincoln county. Before moving to Newton, Mr. Honeycutt lived in the Davidson section of Mecklenburg county. They have two sons. Brother Honeycutt has been a steward for over 20 years. They are the sort of people who are active and always at the services of the church.

Ruth Ankeny Lacy, born in Bareilly, India, in July, is a "fourth generation Methodist missionary"—and believed to be the only one on the Methodist mission field. This remarkable baby is the grand-granddaughter of Bishop John A. Robinson, who recently celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his arrival in India. Her grandparents, on her mother's side, are Bishop J. W. Pickett and Mrs. Pickett, the daughter of Bishop Robinson; on her father's side her grandparents are Dr. Henry V. Lacy and Jessie Ankeny Lacy, missionaries in Foochow, China. Her parents are Rev. Henry Lacy and Elizabeth Pickett Lacy of India.

A Methodist pastor being pestered by neighboring pastors who sought to steal his sheep and at the same time sought the aid of their own members in this petty thievery wrote the following: "All 'God's chillun' ought to be sweet and attractive. We are fully persuaded that Methodists measure up. Why just let a Methodist move to town and not only Methodists but other denominations pay them the most courteous attention. 'Sweeter are they than honey and the honeycomb.' All church doors swing wide open to them. Some churches are poor fish hawks but very fine eagles. To get one Methodist is better than to convert ten sinners. We are proud of the Methodists. Their work is recognized."

DR. GREENE BEGINS WORK AT WOFFORD

With the present school year Dr. Walter K. Greene begins his work as president of Wofford College. For 14 years he has been professor of English and dean of undergraduate instruction in Duke University. His work and personal influence has been outstanding in the university, in the local community and in the church life of North Carolina. As citizen of Durham, steward in Trinity church, lay leader of the North Carolina conference, he showed himself to be a leader among leaders.



Dr. Walter K. Greene

But Dr. Greene was not allowed to limit his labors to the local demands in Duke and in Durham. He was a leader among the Methodist laymen in the state and in united Methodism. He was also chairman of the Methodist Board of Publication of the two North Carolina conferences—a position in which he will be sorely missed. South Carolinians and Wofford College are to be congratulated on securing this noble man, excellent teacher and devout Christian leader, to head their fine old college. Many of us will feel lonely with the going of Walter K. Greene. We live in hope that he will yet return to be among his friends and admirers in the Old North State, where he has rendered such a valuable service.

BISHOP EDWIN H. HUGHES OF WASHINGTON, D. C., IN REVIVAL SERVICES AT KANNAPOLIS

Dr. Edwin H. Hughes,one of Methodism's greatest preachers and leaders, is holding services this week in Trinity Methodist church, Kannapolis. Rev. W. A. Kale, the pastor, has been quite fortunate to secure the services of this great preacher.

Bishop Hughes arrived last Monday and services are being held each evening at 8 o'clock. At noon Wednesday he spoke to the Concord Rotary Club. Thursday morning the pastors of the Salisbury district gathered at Trinity for a special message from Bishop Hughes.

The people of Kannapolis and of the surrounding country have enjoyed a great privilege in having this prince of preachers in their midst. This writer admits a strong partiality for Bishop Hughes and regrets not being privileged to see and hear him while in North Carolina.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

PROGRAM OF 1942 SESSION OF W. N. C. ANNUAL CONFERENCE, THE METHODIST CHURCH

First Methodist Church, Charlotte, October 19-23
Bishop Clare Purcell, Presiding

Monday, October 19

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards, commissions and committees.

7:30 p.m. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by the Charlotte Methodist pastors and District Superintendent G. T. Bond. The conference will be convened by Bishop Purcell and organized.

Meeting of the Conference Historical Society. Speaker: Dr. A. W. Plyler, editor N. C. Christian Advocate. Subject: "An Inside View of Methodist Journalism."

Tuesday, October 20

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Completion of organization and business.
9:30 a.m. Opening address: Bishop Purcell.
10:00 a.m. Conference business.
11:30 a.m. Memorial service. Speaker, Dr. E. K. McLarty, Boone.
1:00 p.m. Rural Church Lucheon: Dilworth church. Speaker, Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt, pastor Northfield and Northfield Falls, Riverton, Vt.
2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards, commissions and committees.
3:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Temperance. Speaker, Hon. Cale K. Burgess, Raleigh.
5:30 p.m. Duke University dinner: Hotel Charlotte.
7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Education. Speaker, Dr. G. T. Rowe, Divinity School, Duke Uinversity.

Wednesday, October 21

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Conference business.
10:00 a.m. Service of recognition for retiring ministers and admitting class into full membership.
1:00 p.m. High Point College luncheon.
2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards, commissions and committees.
3:00 p.m. Meeting of the Conference Brotherhood. Speaker, Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby.
5:30 p.m. Layman's dinner: Efird's Dining Room. Speaker, Hon. Clyde R. Hoey.
7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Speaker, Bishop Edwin F. Lee, Singapore and Manila.

Thursday, October 22

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Business session. Bishop Robert E. Jones on "Harry Hosier Memorial Association."
1:00 p.m. Retired ministers' luncheon with Bishop Purcell: Efird's. Speaker, Dr. George R. Brown, Liberty. Ministers' wives' luncheon: Efird's Dining Room.
2:30 p.m. Business session.
3:15 p.m. Conference Love Feast. The Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., leader.
5:30 p.m. Emory University dinner.
7:30 p.m. Ordination service. Preacher, Dr. W. A. Smart, professor Biblical Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.

Friday, October 23

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Business session. Reading of the appointments. Adjournment at will.

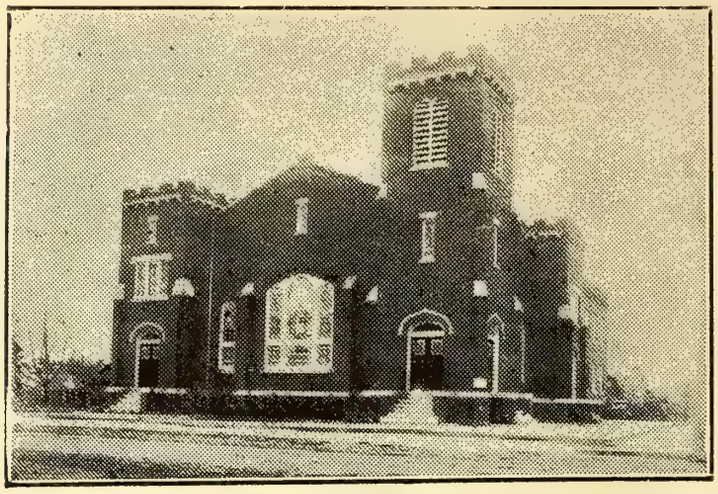
RECENTLY APPOINTED CHAPLAINS U. S. ARMY

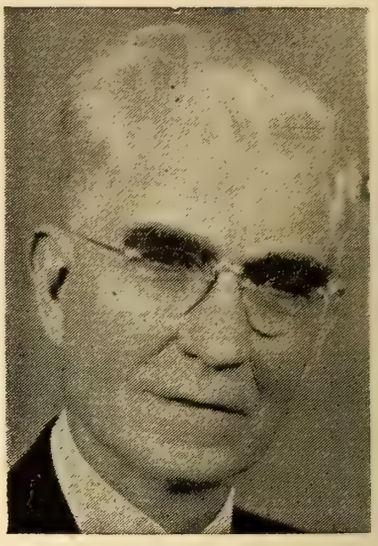
Frederick John Ackman, Redfield, Iowa.
Carlton Wright Bodine, New Brunswick, New Jersey.
Floyd Vee Brower, Caruthersville, Missouri.
Ephaim Davis Conway, Fort Myers, Florida.
Kenneth Mount Engle, Holtville, California.
Edward Clarence Johnson, North Pleasureville, Ky.
Calvert Leslie Kelley, Wartrace, Tennessee.
Paul Eugene Lewis, St. Paul, Minnesota.
Neil McKinnon, Jr., Derby, Virginia.
William Allen Sanders, Macon, Georgia.
Ralph Edward Stiles, Jamestown, New York.
Sterling Fisher Wheeler, La Vernia, Texas.
Murl James Wilson, Quinn, South Dakota.
James Doyne Young, Ellerbe, North Carolina.

Recently Appointed Chaplains U. S. Naval Reserve

Charles Newton Starnes, Pampa, Texas.
Henry Call Sprinkle, Asheville, North Carolina.

Bishop Purcell Will Dedicate St. Pauls Methodist Church, St. Pauls, N. C., Sunday, September 20, 8 P. M.





Rev. Charles A. Jones, Pastor

DEDICATION OF ST. PAULS METHODIST CHURCH, SEPTEMBER 20, 8 P. M.

The church was erected in 1919 under the pastorate of Rev. G. W. Starling. The following have served the church: Rev. Ivey T. Pool, Rev. J. A. Dailey, Rev. J. B. Thompson, Rev. E. N. Harrison, Dr. J. W. Harrell, Rev. A .C. Lee, Rev. C. A. Jones, present pastor.

The members have been paying off a heavy debt all the years since 1919. With heroic loyalty the faithful ones are bringing all indebtedness to a final finish this year, and are looking forward to the glorious day September 20, when Bishop Clare Purcell will preach the sermon and dedicate this church. The interior is being done over and is really a thing of beauty. All former pastors, widows of former pastors, members moved away, are invited along with our editors of the N. C. Christian Advocate, to be with us if possible.

The board of trustees: R. B. Powers, C. C. Harrington, J. T. King. Charles A. Jones.

GASTONIA DISTRICT NEWS

The district-wide program of visitation evengelism is now under way in the Gastonia district. A number of churches already have their survey made, their forces organized, and their visitors at work on the unreached in their midst. One layman has already reported reaching the father and mother of a large family. If one layman in each church of the district assisted in getting the parents of a home started in the service of Christ, our program of personal evangelism would be an outstanding success.

Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of the Duke divinity school was the principal speaker for the annual Bible conference for the churches of Gaston county September 6-9. Dr. Rowe spoke morning and evening during the conference, and his messages enriched the heart and life of all privileged to hear him.

Rev. W. F. Eaker, pastor of the Crouse charge, has recently moved into one of the finest parsonages in the district, according to reports received. Brother Eaker accomplished what many thought to be impossible. Bill had little enough sense to believe the thing could be done, and his faith made the impossible the possible. Our congratulations to our fellow pastor and the fine people of Crouse who so nobly assisted him.

Myrtle Chapel, under the leadership of Rev. P. W. Tucker, has recently completed a program of renovation that involved changes from the basement to the steeple. They now have a beautiful house of worship, and their appreciation of it is heightened by the knowledge that all the improvements have been paid for. A revival was begun on the Sunday the congregation moved into the new auditorium. Rev. J. P. Hipps of Carraway Memorial church was the visiting minister for this series of services, and the pastor reports that the revival was one of the best in the history of the church. Jesse G. Wilkinson, Reporter.

FORMER PASTORS REQUESTED TO WRITE THIS SOLDIER

William P. Morgan of Marion, N. C., after he entered the army was in Australia before being transferred to New Caledonia, asks that his old pastors write him. Read this interesting letter from his mother:

Am enclosing $1 to finish out my year's subscription to the Advocate. Don't want to miss a single issue. It is serving a twofold purpose in our family. We send it to our son Paul, who has been in Australia but now in New Caledonia. He said he sure enjoyed reading the Advocate and says they never get too old for him to read.

Here is his address: Sgt. William P. Morgan, 34145516 65th Material Squadron A.P.O. 502, care Postmaster, San Francisco, California. Hope some if not all his former pastors will write to him, as he says he had rather have a mail call any time than to have a pay call. Am sure he will appreciate the letter and will in return answer them.

He says they always take time off on Sunday to worship, no matter where they are or what they are doing and most of the boys are glad of the opportunity to attend the services.

Sure enjoy reading the Advocate myself.

Mrs. W. Edgar Morgan.

THE FATE OF LIDICE

Our friend Dr. Shipler placed on the cover of the Churchman in the issue of August 1 an official statement of the German government which read in part:

"All male inhabitants of the town were shot, while the women were placed in a concentration camp and children were entrusted to appropriate educational institutions. The township was leveled to the ground and the name of the community extinguished. The inhabitants of Lidice, near Kladno, numbered four hundred eighty-three."

We may believe that many war bulletins are exaggerated, but here is an official document of the German government.

Dr. Shipler asks us two questions: Do you remember what America is fighting for and against? Do you know why church people who hate war declare that this war must be won by the Allies?—Christian Leader.

A BELOVED PHYSICIAN DIES IN MANTEO

Dr. Hughes Bayne Hoyle, a brother of T. C. Hoyle, Sr., of Greensboro, and a man of great usefulness in the community where he lived, died suddenly at his home in Manteo, N. C., September 7, 1942. This good man was greatly loved wherever known. The entire family feel a great loss on account of his death.

Hughes Bayne Hoyle was born February 19, 1871, in Leesburg, Loudoun county, Virginia.

He was the son of Samuel Vinton Hoyle (who was born in the District of Columbia) and Mary Susan Simmons Hoyle (who was born in Mecklenburg county, Virginia).

He was educated in the schools of North Carolina, where his father, Rev. S. V. Hoyle, served as pastor. Among the number being the famous school of Professor Wright of Thomasville and Jonesboro high school at Jonesboro.

After receiving his academic education he taught for several years in schools in North and South Carolina.

He received his medical education and training at Davidson Medical College, from which he graduated with high honors in 1895.

On May 14, 1900, he was united in marriage to Miss Margaret M. Thompson of Davidson.

In 1900 he moved to Monroe, where he practiced medicine for a short time before moving to Lexington, where he practiced his profession until 1903, when he moved to Jonesboro, and here practiced for several years, removing to Holly Springs, where he practiced medicine until he accepted the position as resident physician at the State Tuberculosis Sanitorium at Montrose. This position he filled for several years, and after the resignation of Dr. M. E. Street, as superintendent, he was acting superintendent for about one year. Leaving the Sanitorium in 1913, he located in Biscoe for the general practice of medicine, where he remained until 1918, when he volunteered his services to the United States government, when he was assigned as physician to the shipyard workers at Hilton Village, Virginia. After the Armistice he located in Buffalo City, moving to Manteo in 1920, where he remained until his death.

He is survived by his widow and the following sons: Samuel P .Hoyle, auditor for the city of Newport News, Va.; Lt. Com. R. M. Hoyle, commandant at Ellis Island, N. Y.; Dr. V. A. Hoyle, mathematics instructor in the Naval Pre-Flight School at the University of North Carolina; and Hughes Bayne Hoyle, Jr., instructor in the science department of the high school in Newport News, Va. He is also survived by two grandsons, V. A. Hoyle, Jr., and Hughes Bayne Holye III, and three granddaughters, Grace Ann Hoyle, Margaret Thompson Hoyle, and Barbara Happ Hoyle of Staten Island, N. Y. Also by the following brothers and sisters, T. C. Hoyle, Sr., of Greensboro; P. V. Hoyle of New York City; K. R. Hoyle of Sanford; Numa R. Hoyle of Newport News, Va.; Samuel R. Hoyle, and Nellie Hoyle and Nannie Hoyle of Carthage. A daughter, Mrs. Wilton Jolliff, and a son, Kenneth Reid Hoyle, preceded him to the grave.

LARGE RESPONSES TO CALL FOR CHAPLAINS

The Methodist Commission on Chaplains meeting in Washington, D. C., September 9-11, are greatly encouraged over present response of our ministers for chaplaincy. At this meeting more than 100 Methodist candidates were examined and given ecclesiastical endorsement. By January 1 it is imperative that we have 1200 chaplains in the army and marked increase in navy. Age limit is extended and slight modification in educational requirements make possible procuring of candidates in larger numbers than previously. We must have full quota by January 1. Bishops, district superintendents and pastors are earnestly urged to co-operate with the Methodist commission for procuring our full quota of best trained men by that date. A. W. Leonard, Chairman.

HOME COMING AND DEDICATION LAST SUNDAY AT MITCHELL'S GROVE

The Mitchell's Grove church near High Point was dedicated last Sunday, which was also home coming day for that church. Rev. Herman M. Yokeley is the pastor and had charge of the day's services.

Rev. L. B. Hayes, the district superintendent, delivered a sermon at 11 o'clock, when $150 was contributed for a new parsonage. Lunch was served at noon and Rev. J. R. Hutton, a former pastor, preached.

At 8 o'clock in the evening Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte delivered the sermon and dedicated the church. Rev. C. M. McKinney, pastor at Jamestown-Oakdale, joined the bishop, the district superintendent and the pastor of the church in the dedication ceremonies.

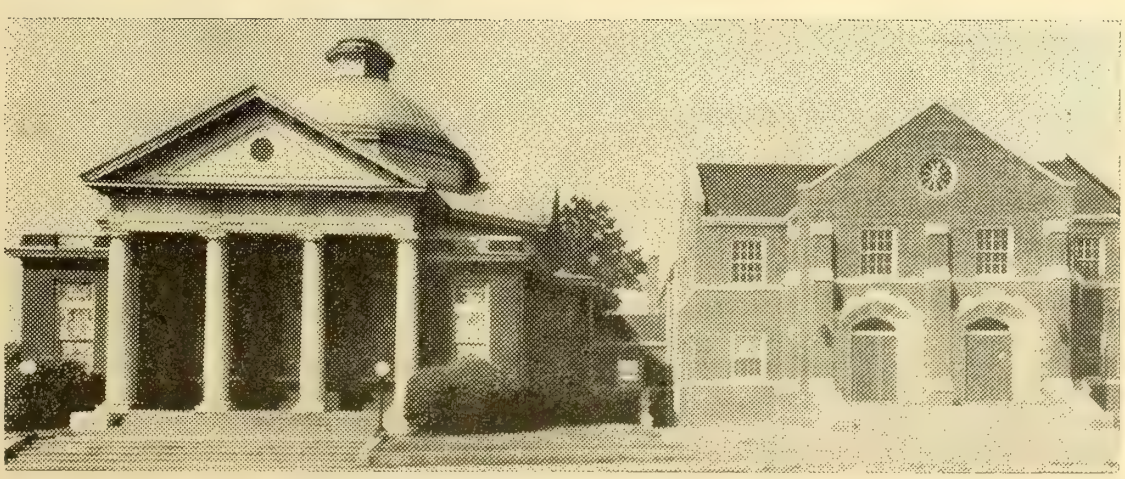
It was a great day for the Mitchell's Grove congregation.

CHAPLAIN VICKERS ABOVE THE HIMALAYAS

Our plane is 3½ miles above the sea level crossing the Himalayas from India to China. It is cold enough for leather jackets, but I find but little discomfort—perhaps a little lighter in the head than even is ordinarily the case. Mountain peaks are heavily wooded. The valleys often show green through the rifts in the snowy clouds below. This trip is a mission to China for a few weeks. Chinese troops seen are fine looking specimens so far.

Next day. Now on the ground in China. I see many boyish looking Chinese soldiers, but there seems to be a friendliness here I haven't seen on the other side of "The Hump"—our pilots' name for the Himalayas. Laughing China contrasts most vividly compared with sullen India.

I shall mail this in Chungking. T. G. Vickers.



The new Educational Building and Steele Street Methodist Church, Sanford, N. C. We are very proud of this beautiful and serviceable building. The people of Sanford have done a fine piece of work during these past four years. They have built a magnificent parsonage, this church school building and have put on a director of Christian education. This building was formally opened June 1, this year. Allen P. Brantley, Pastor.

Beyond the Shadow

By ROBERT G. TUTTLE

'Never morn wore to evening, but some heart did break.'' ''Continually they say unto me, 'Where is thy God?' My soul thirsteth after God, after the living God.'' Has James Russell Lowell found the answer to this question ringing in the hearts of men?

Yet that scaffold sways the future, and, behind, the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above his own.

''Standeth God within the shadow,'' but why the shadow? When breaking hearts are crying, ''Where is my God,'' is it not posible to say ''Lo, here''? Is the God who gave us Christ, who has been striving to reveal himself to the heart of man since the dawn of time, is he a God hiding within a shadow? Diagrams of the universe indicate to us that the sun itself is cloudless, while the mists and the shadows hover close to the earth. Physical shadows are earth-born, not sun-born; soul shadows are heart-born, not God-born. ''Above the world is stretched the sky, no higher than the heart is high.''

The Shadow of the Material

But why the dimness? Why the mists and vapors between the soul and God? Are they not shadows of spiritual neglect and material concentration? An African chieftain visiting his emperor, the King of England, at Buckingham Palace was fascinated by the mystery of the sundial. To please him, the King made him a present of the dial. He took it back to Africa, built a temple over it, called together his tribesmen that he might show them the wonder of the dial that could tell the time; but lo, the time was not revealed. The roof had shut out the sun. What the sun is to the dial, God is to the spirit of man. If we have put everything first but God, he is lost in the shadow of our own material concentration. The shadow is something between him and us that we, like the chieftain, unconsciously have built there.

If Dr. Alexis Carrell is correct in saying, ''Prayer is the basic exercise of the soul,'' perhaps for want of exercise our spirits are too weak to pierce the shadows of material interest. A new spiritual focus will bring strength to the soul, that we can dispel these mists as did Christ:

Into the woods my Master went, clean forspent, clean forspent;
Out of the woods my Master came, with soul aflame, with soul aflame.

The Shadow of Impurity

There is a second shadow which beclouds the soul. The Master said, ''Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.'' The heavy vapors of impurity of thought, desire, and deed lay down a smoke screen through which no soul can grope its way to God. Only the winds of God can blow these mists from the horizon of the heart. Throw open the windows of the soul—these winds blow both day and night. For the facing of this hour, man must have a clear vision of both the purposes and the love of God.

The pure in heart shall see God. We discover the fish in water; the bird we behold in the air—each in his proper element. God—man discovers him exactly where he is and in no other place—in the firmament of purity where no shadows are.

The Shadow of Self

The third shadow is our own. Have you ever been in in your own light? Often the face of God is obscured in the shadow of self.

He lived for himself, he thought for himself, for himself and none beside;
Just as if Christ had never lived, as if he had never died.

With greed and selfishness the mists swing so low that the ceiling is zero for the soul. ''Simon Peter, lovest thou me? Feed my sheep—feed my lambs.'' ''Where is thy God?'' When we are giving the cup of cold water in his name, there is one with us on the Emmaus road, and he whispers, ''Lo, I am with you alway.''

The Shadow of Doubt

''Standeth God within the shadow''? The fourth is the shadow of doubt. ''Oh, ye of little faith,'' said the Master. Have you leaned upon the Almighty until you have felt the security of his strength? Have you peered into the blackness and peered again until you have beheld the light? Have you listened and strained until you have heard the voice—''Be not afraid. It is I.'' The shadow of doubt? ''Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.'' John R. Mott speaks prophetically—''Christ performs his greatest miracles in times of greatest crisis.''

Even the Master for one terrible beclouded moment of anguish and pain felt himself enshrouded by the shadow of the human, and cried out from the cross, ''My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?'' But the Father, ever near enough to hear the cries of an anguished heart, dispelled the cloud with the breath of peace, and the Master sighed, ''Into thy hands I commend my spirit.'' So must it be with our trembling spirits—from the shadow of doubt, into the hands of God.

Keeping Watch Above His Own

''Never morn wore to evening but some heart did break.'' Beyond the shadows we must go! ''As the hart panteth after the water brook, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.'' The Father hides not from his children; the shadows are our own. But the shadows linger—the shadows of impurity, of the material, of self, of doubt. Blow, O blow, ye winds of God, by thy grace dissolve the mists, clear the sky, until with confidence we cry out, ''Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why are thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God, for I shall yet praise him who is the help of my countenance and my God.''

Even in the valley of the shadow thou shalt find him, for he has been there. There he lost his Son. When your heart breaks, he understands. ''The good God,'' a wonderful God, changing every sunset into a dawn, every death into a resurrection. Not a sparrow falling to the ground without his knowledge—knowing every hair upon your head. Beyond the shadow standeth God! ''Now see we as through a glass, darkly—then, face to face.''

''Where is thy God?'' In the dim unknown? At times, very dim, yet he is the God of our Fathers and of Christ. ''Where is thy God?'' Within the shadow? Perhaps. But he keepeth watch above his own!

Methodist Parsonage Progress in the Greensboro District

In addition to the new parsonages pictured below here are some others worthy of mention:

CALVARY—P. L. Shore, Jr., repainted parsonage and garage rebuilt.

CENTENARY—G. R. Combs, renovated and extra bath installed.

FLAT ROCK—E. P. Hamilton, repainted and water and bath put in.

MT. PLEASANT—R. P. Gibbs, painted within and without, extra furniture.

MORIAH—J. F. Cagle, refurnished and new well provided.

LEAKSVILLE—J. E. Carroll, new basement, modern heat and extra bath.

PLEASANT GARDEN—T. F. Higgins, bought and paid for new parsonage after burn out.

REIDSVILLE—R. L. Ownbey, installed stoker after Brother Armbrust greatly improved house.

REIDSVILLE CT.—Byron Shankle, renovated throughout and new furniture.

RUFFIN—Walter Thompson, remodeled and greatly improved by J. W. Fowler.

ST. PAULS—B. A. Sisk, renovated completely and refurnished.

STOKESDALE—A. D. Shelton, buying new pump and putting in water.

STONEVILLE—W. B. Shinn, bought small parsonage for mission work.

TABERNACLE—O. C. Loy, remodeled, room added and bath.

JAMESTOWN—C. M. McKinney, improved the parsonage bought by Brother Fink.

SUMMERFIELD—C. W. Russell, put in water and shower bath.

GLENWOOD'S new parsonage was largely provided for by Chaplain Hardee, which does not prevent Pastor Avett from enjoying it.



1—West Market Street Methodist Parsonage, Rev. J. B. Craven, Pastor.

2—Glenwood Methodist Parsonage, Rev. E. M. Avett, Pastor.

3—Lee's Chapel Methodist Parsonage, near Greensboro, Rev. John J. Powell, Pastor.

4—Mitchell-Vickery Methodist Parsonage, Rev. Herman Yokley, Pastor.

5—Newland Street Methodist Parsonage, Greensboro, Rev. A. L. Latham, Pastor.

6—Greensboro District Methodist Parsonage, Rev. L. B. Hayes, District Superintendent.

DR. JAMES HOWELL HEADS THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Dr. James Howell, native North Carolinian, A.B. Guilford College, A.M. and Ph.D. University of North Carolina, succeeds Dr. Charles R. Sleeth, resigned, as professor of English and acting head of the department at Greensboro College. In additional to several years of



Dr. James Howell

public school teaching and administrative experience, Dr. Howell has been a member of the faculty of Sewanee Military Academy, graduate assistant in English in the University of North Carolina, and a member of the English faculty of Western Carolina Teachers College. He has served also as chairman of the English teachers' section of the North Carolina Education Association.

Dr. and Mrs. Howell will make their home at 107 Odell Place.

A BUSY SUNDAY IN ALAMANCE

A bishop, a district superintendent and an editor of the Advocate kept busy last Sunday morning, afternoon and night among the Methodists in Burlington and its environs. At Webb Avenue church, of which Rev. C. J. Andrews is pastor, Bishop Clare Purcell preached and dedicated the church, being assisted by District Superintendent A. J. Hobbs and the pastor. This was a memorable day for the Webb Avenue Methodists. At noon they were joined by their many friends in a picnic dinner of great abundance served in the basement of the church. What a feast!

M. T. Plyler preached at the same hour for the Davis Street congregation, of which Rev. J. O. Long is pastor. This is a church of much promise with its great church school and its devoted membership. This present year a new brick parsonage, one of the best, has been built. This new domicile is much enjoyed by the pastor and his family. A great pleasure was it for this editor to be with this devoted and friendly people.

In the afternoon at Haw River church the bishop gave a most illuminating address on Methodism. The pastor, Rev. J. F. Coble, had charge of the service, assisted by Rev. A. J. Hobbs. This district superintendent is more than busy these days with forty-one charges to be cared for in the closing months of the year. His ability to care for and look after every detail is of much value on such a charge as this big Durham district.

With the close of the interesting afternoon service, the bishop hastened away to dedicate another church in the Greensboro district at night. But the day was not done for Brother Hobbs. The fourth quarterly conference at Graham was the order at 8 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. J. J. Boone, conducted the service, the editor preached and then the district superintendent held a most interesting conference. The reports were excellent, the organization most effective and satisfactory, and the interest on the part of all well sustained. With the union of the two Methodisms in Graham resulted a church of fine future. We were much gratified to find the progress made here in the past twenty years. It was also a joy to make the acquaintance of some fine folks who came from the former Methodist Protestant church. The present growth is such that they are talking of a new church as soon as the war ends.

At 11:30 the "elder" was in Durham able to feel that another day had been spent to some purpose.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE OPENS IN HIGH GLEE

The 1942-1943 session of Greensboro College officially opened Tuesday, September 8. Throughout Tuesday and Wednesday of last week girls registered and received classifications for their courses. Recitations began last Thursday. Members of the faculty discussed various topics pertaining to the qualifications of a successful college student, continuing this series of lectures at various intervals during orientation week.

Excitement, gaity and enthusiasm reigned over the week's activities as the old students held traditional rush week for the new girls. Both the literary societies of the school, the Emerson and the Irving, entertained the Freshmen and transfer students with numerous parties, feasts, serenades and get-togethers, climaxed with Decision Day on Saturday, at which time the newcomers made their choice and were initiated into the societies. Aside from the elaborate parties given to the new students by members of the two campus organizations, the faculty gave a reception honoring the Freshmen and transfer girls on Wednesday evening, September 9, in the recently finished and charmingly decorated front parlor of Main building. Dr. and Mrs. Luther L. Gobbel entertained the faculty at a formal reception at the Gobbel home last Tuesday evening.

The first chapel service of the college this year was held at noon Thursday, September 10, in Odell Memorial auditorium, at which time Dr. Gobbel addressed the students and Mark Hoffman and Walter Vassar, directors in the school of music, presented a musical program. The first Sunday evening vesper service was held last Sunday night in the auditorium. Miss Nell Webb, Cherryville, president of the Y. W. C. A. at the college, spoke to the students.

CAMP MEETING AT CHAPEL HILL, SOUTH DAVIDSON CHARGE

The camp meeting at Chapel Hill, on the South Davidson circuit, will begin Sunday morning, September 20. The music program will be directed by Prof. J. Rector Robbins of Rutherfordton. The morning message will be brought by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Gentry. The afternoon and evening messages will be delivered by Rev. W. M. Rathburn of Thomasville. Brother Rathburn will do the preaching during the revival.

All members, former pastors, and friends are invited to be with us during these days of spiritual refreshing and soul winning. A picnic dinner will be spread on the grounds Sunday. Everybody please bring a well filled basket.

The fourth quarterly conference for the charge will be held at Chandler's Grove on the fourth Sunday in September. Dr. Taylor will bring the opening message for the revival, which begins there at 11 o'clock, and hold the quar-

terly conference immediately after the sermon. Dinner will be served on the grounds. The afternoon and evening services will be held by the pastor, who will do the preaching during the revival. We hope to have Professor Robbins to direct the music program during this revival.

J. C. Gentry, Pastor.

BISHOP PURCELL TO DEDICATE CHURCH SCHOOL BUILDING AT LITTLETON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent, will dedicate the church school building of the Littleton Methodist church Sunday, September 27, at 11 a. m. The building, plans of which were drawn by Mr. H. N. Haines of the Duke Endowment, has seven class or departmental rooms, a kitchen, and a pastor's study. The young people's department is arranged so that it can be thrown into a large assembly or banquet hall. Construction was begun in June, 1941, and the building was opened for use on the third Sunday in March, 1942. The cost was over $8,000, of which the Duke Endowment contributed $1,962. Composing the building committee were S. H. Pritchard, chairman; Marvin Newsom, secretary; G. S. May, D. G. Jones, W. R. Wiggins, T. R. Walker, and Mrs. J. W. Warren. Mrs. Ola Mae Gardner, local church treasurer, served as treasurer.

Other improvements about the church within the past year have been painting inside of the auditorium, putting in hard wood floor, carpet in aisles and around front and on pulpit platform, replacing choir curtain with panel, re-upholstering pulpit chairs, re-covering kneeling pad, new communion table, new pulpit. Also three dozen chairs and three tables have been added to furniture of the children's department, a piano to the adult department, and the kitchen has been completely equipped.

A picnic dinner will be served following the morning service. At two thirty o'clock there will be a home coming service, at which a history of the church will be read. All former pastors, former members, and friends are invited to join in this day of fellowship and worship.

Harvey L. Davis, Pastor.

P. S.—Mr. Davis has done a most outstanding work in connection with our building program and in appreciation of his services our people presented to him on Father's Day a gold watch and chain.

A devoted layman of Littleton furnishes us with facts stated above.—Ed.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE COMPLETES EVENTFUL FIRST WEEK

After the formal opening of Louisburg College on September 9, the luxurious relaxation of the orientation period wore away. However, classes did not dominate the spotlight, since there were council election, athletic meetings, stunt night, and on Sunday church attendance.

On Thursday evening both first and second year boys met with Dean Kilby to discuss the "local law" and to elect officers to the student council for the incoming year. Dr. Kilby set forth his deal of discipline in a straightforward manner, although he vividly illustrated and flavored it with an abundance of wholesome humor. Immediately after his speech, officers were nominated and elected. The popular choices for the senior council were Melvin Smiley, Macon, president; Jasper Hooper, Norfolk, vice president; McCoy Hooper, Elizabeth City, secretary (the latter two were carry-overs from last year's election); J. Wesley Gentry, Roxboro; Joseph Glazebrook, Richmond; and McNeil Ipock, New Bern, representatives. Junior representatives elected were Jack Rascoe, Burlington; Joe E. Brown, Parkton; and Ralph Pegram, Winston-Salem.

Saturday night was the occasion for the display of student talent. Both seniors and juniors gave entertaining performances. However, after a period of reflection, the judges decided that the prizes should go to the junior girls and senior boys, first and second year respectively. The program gave expression of student ability and was furnished to almost a capacity audience.

Louisburg College is discontinuing inter-collegiate athletics for the duration. However, it is offering a complete and varied program of intramurals.

Sunday morning marked the close of a successful first week at Louisburg College. The attendance was almost perfect and implies an enthusiastic response to the second-year students' efforts to make the first Sunday a good beginning.

DR. JAMES C. STOKES APPRECIATED

Whereas, a condition of war has brought about the patriotic decision on the part of our pastor, Dr. James C. Stokes, to offer his services to his country as a naval chaplain; and whereas, he has been ordered to report to his post of duty in the immediate future, thus making it necessary that he resign his pastorate.

Therefore, be it resolved, by the Wilkesboro and Union Methodist churches, which he has served so faithfully and unselfishly for almost twoyears:

First, That we express to Dr. Stokes the gratitude and thanks of the entire membership of the two congregations for his splendid work among us; for his glowing Christian influence which has manifested itself so clearly and effectively in our community.

Second, That we extend to Dr. Stokes and family our sincere best wishes for happiness and success, and that we wish Dr. Stokes godspeed in the service of his country.

Third, That a copy of this resolution be sent Dr. Stokes and family; that a copy be spread on our church minutes, and copies be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the local newspapers for publication.

Adopted this the 23rd day of August, 1942, in official church conference.



Littleton Methodist Church, and at right is the new Church School Building

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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RURAL WORKER FOR WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

It is cheering news for the missionary minded in our Western North Carolina conference to know that Miss Marshlea Cottingham has been appointed rural worker for our conference, beginning her duties very soon on the Elkin district with Boone as her headquarters. She is to attend the educational seminars in September and the first of October, and it is hoped that our women will get acquainted with her then and extend to her a welcome into our conference to carry on a great work.

Miss Cottingham is a native of Florida, attended Florida State College for Women, taking an A.B. degree in 1938. The following two years 1938-1940 she taught in an elementary school in Tallahassee. The Florida conference granted her a scholarship for two years' study at Scarritt College, where she has recently taken an M.A. in religious education, minoring in social work. Last summer she worked at Vashti School, Thomasville, Ga., as a swimming instructor. She says "my chief interest happens to be work with the Youth Division; however,, I'm looking forward to serving in any capacity that I can." Miss Cottingham is well equipped for the important work to which she has been appointed and we feel the conference is to be congratulated on securing her services. We extend to her a most cordial welcome and wish for her abundant success in her new work.

INTERESTING AND IMPRESSIVE OCCASION

From Mrs. Rollin Gibbs, recording secretary of the Greensboro district, we have the following account of a recent meeting:

"On September 2 Mrs. R. G. Rives, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Greensboro district, was hostess to the officers of the district at a luncheon and executive meeting at Centenary Methodist church hut. Mrs. E. S. Wills, district spiritual life leader, opened the after lunch meeting with an inspiring worship service. Messages from conference officers were given by Mrs. A. L. Thompson, corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., and Mrs. Dwight Davidson, secretary literature and publications.

Mrs. Thompson urged the officers present to stress the importance of cooperation of the district to meet fully the goal set for the "emergency offering" to be contributed this quarter.

Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Davidson gave favorable reports of the missionary conference held recently at Lake Junaluska. Reports were given by Mrs. J. W. Cummings, district treasurer; Mrs. H. C. Fields, secretary missionary education; Mrs. H. P. Winchester, secretary young women and girls' work; Mrs. L. H. Wharton, secretary literature and publications; Mrs. E. K. McLarty, Jr., secretary students work, and Mrs. A. B. Holt, secretary of supplies.

Mrs. I. C. Shelly, Greensboro district corresponding secretary, discussed plans for an educational seminar to be held at West Market Street church, September 24, beginning at 9:30 a. m., and zone meetings to be held the same day in the afternoon, announcing that luncheon will be served by the hostess church. It was decided that the September retreat would be held on the same day, immediately preceding the zone meetings, with Mrs. Wills in charge. Plans were made to contact unorganized churches in the district and attempts be made to organize in each church.

Families and individuals moving to defense areas are to be added to soldiers' and students' lists for presentation of introduction cards to ministers and chaplains at various towns and camps."

MRS. THOMPSON HOSTESS TO CHURCH GROUP

An event of great interest was the informal tea given Friday evening, September 4, with Mrs. W. B. Thompson as hostess, and as a courtesy to the winners in a contest which was sponsored by the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Crews Methodist church, Winston-Salem district, with Mrs. J. F. Beeson as captain of the winning team. The guests were greeted at the door by the hostess and Mrs. M. O. Edwards. The parsonage was decorated with an assortment of beautiful cut flowers. The evenings's program included a number of musical selections: A piano duet by Misses Mary Ruth and Evelyn Thompson, a vocal solo by Mrs. W. R. Ham with Miss Mary Ruth Thompson at the piano, and readings by Miss Kathleen Elliott and little Miss Millicent Winstead.

Miss Louise Tuttle was winner in the Bible contest which was conducted by Mrs. Ollie Elliott. At the conclusion of the program the guests were invited into the dining room and from a beautifully decorated table tempting refreshments were served. Twenty guests were in attendance to enjoy the pleasant evening.

FURTHER REASONS FOR THE EMERGENCY GIFT

(From Editorial Correspondence in World Outlook, September 1942)

Is it necessary to raise money for foreign missions in wartime when so many missionaries have been withdrawn from the fields? While war has disturbed our work at many points, vast areas remain undisturbed, and most of the Methodist missions are as yet untouched. In all of Africa, in Central and South America, in India, in Free China, at the time of this writing, August 15, our work goes on. All of these are strong centers of missionary work and in all of them new demands are being made and new opportunities are opening up. Does the church want to decrease its giving and lessen its expenditures for the evangelization of the world in such an hour as this? Do we want to save our brothers and sisters in the mission fields? Several reasons are given for continued and increased contributions to missions, from which we quote the following:

"For the sake of our own people and the church itself, the spirit of missionary generosity must be maintained. For our own spiritual living, we dare not limit by human manipulation the divine compulsion which lies at the heart of Christianity. We dare not admit that an adverse turn of affairs brought about by the wrath of man can change the obligation of the Christian sacrifice for the extension of the divine kingdom.

"The world's need of our ministry is at the present moment greater than it has been for centuries. When the world's need is greater the church's obligation cannot be less. It would be an unspeakable tragedy, the consequences of which might be felt for generations, if in this time of suffering, despair, chaos and death, Methodists should take advantage of the situation to keep their money out of the channels of human service.

"War is terrible and an unchristian thing. It is an affair of the world and temporary in its nature. It does not repeal the Great Commission "Go ye"; it does not nullify the duty of the church and Christian men and women. Every fact and reason which prompted the church to undertake its foreign mission in the the first place still exist and demand its continuannce.

"The war does not discredit Christ. It only proves how badly he is needed and how urgent is our duty to present him and his way of life to the nations. His way is the only way out of the terrible situation in which the world finds itself today. If we cut off the Good News of Jesus in the world today we thus invite men to put their hopes in communism, in facism or democracy that draws its strength from human levels only. However much the war may increase our difficulties, we must keep on presenting Christ to the world."

September Emergency Gift Month

The executive committee of our conference and the district officers are looking forward with great interest to the report that shall be made by our conference treasurer at the close of September as to the amount of emergency fund contributed by the Societies of Christian Service in our conference. With each member of the societies giving the small sum of 25 cents our offering would be a creditable one, but we feel that more than the 25 cents will be credited by many of our members and will give to our conference a generous contribution that will assist greatly in meeting this emergency fund which has bee nasked for by our Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

MRS. HOOKER'S IMPRESSIONS

Mrs. R. B. Hooker, conference secretary of supplies, writes concerning her impressions of the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska on July 27-August 4: "I have always wished for every Methodist to see and enjoy Lake Junaluska each time I have been there; this year, however, when I seriously attended my first school of missions, I realized more than ever that if each member of our Woman's Society of Christian Service could have the privilege to get such inspiration the very world would feel the impetus of the giving of our prayers and gifts. A few of the many valuable truths I heard discussed in classes, seminars and forums which I should like to pass on are: No matter how small the society, some work may be accomplished in each department of work. We should study and take a firm stand against the existing liquor conditions. We should stand for the right and think before we make any hasty comment on our racial problems. We should study for intelligence and co-operative plans of buying and selling. We should study our present consumer plans and do our part for each person to get his share. Never has there been so great a need for help to our fellowmen as now. Seventy-five per cent of our missionaries are on the field now. We must not fail them by not raising the deficit. 'Supplies' in the vocabulary of the W. S. C. S. means aid by cash or things to any field of work sponsored by our great organization—home institutions, foreign institutions, retired ministers or those now serving who are in need, with approval of the district superintendent. Our N. C. conference societies should do much more than we have in the past. Our special assignments are our rural work on Goldsboro circuit, our industrial work in East Laurinburg, cash for war relief in China and the Philippines. Please allow me to plead for an increase of these 'love gifts' so badly needed." Editor's note: We shall do well to ponder and act upon Mrs. Hooker's timely suggestions.

LET'S PROVE OUR LOYALTY

In the September issue of The Methodist Woman an item relative to the Emergency Gift Fund and written by Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, should challenge every member of every society in the conference to give as God has prospered her to this immediate need. Mrs. Chadwick writes: "Since the members of our conference are loyal and devoted to the cause of missions, we are not stressing the 25 cents per member, but are asking each loyal society to assume as a minimum its quota on this amount. By letters and appeals from our woman's page of the Advocate, we are keeping the subject constantly before them. We confidently expect results." Truly we must not and shall not fail Mrs. Chadwick, the Woman's Division of Christian Service, our self forgetful missionaries on the field and our God.

A CHART FOR OUR COURSE

Several months ago we were apprised of the fact that our 1942 slogan for subscriptions to our two missionary publications is: "Every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook" and that the goal which had been set by the Woman's Division for the Methodist Woman is 250,000 subscribers (two-thirds net increase). What have we in the N .C. Conference W. S. C. S. done toward reaching this goal and making alive the slogan? There is yet time to set ourselves to the task of getting these two necessary tools into the homes of many more of our members than now receive and read them. Some time ago an officer of a local society wrote Mrs. George Keene, publications manager of the Woman's Division of Christian Service: "I was persuaded to take my office, but I did not realize what it was all about until I began reading my Methodist Woman. Now, I look eagerly for each issue to learn more about my work." Do we not agree that this is indeed a wise officer? Officers and other members alive need the infomation and inspiration which The Methodist Woman and World Outlook bring. If you are not a subscriber, why not see the secretary of literature and publications in your local society and subscribe now.

ONE ROAD FOR TWO CONTINENTS

Dr. Stanley Rycroft, missionary from South America, authority on Latin American problems and author of the fall missionary study book, "On This Foundation," spoke to a large audience during the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska. Dr. Rycroft is intensely interested and concerned about America's relations with Latin America and the part which the church in America shall play in accomplishing beneficial results in the Good Neighbor policy. Said Dr. Rycroft: "The Pan-American Highway when it is completed will be the greatest highway ever constructed. . . . We must recognize that the Good Neighbor policy can only go so far. We in the church must begin to talk about the Good Samaritan policy. . . . The Roman Catholic Church is making a determined effort to convince the people of the United States, especially our government, that the Roman Catholic Church should have a part in the government of Latin America. They are trying to tell the State Department that all relations in South America should be done with Roman Catholic emissaries and that all Protestant missionaries should be withdrawn from Latin America. Without the Protestant movement there would not have been a good neighbor policy. The Brazilians say that the missionaries have been their friends. They don't want them withdrawn. We see, then, that that is not the right thing to do." Dr. Rycroft listed as a second source of concern to him about Latin America the attempt that is being made by Spain to re-conquer Latin America. Said he: "They are talking about union of Latin American people and directing their criticism against the United States. We must not be ashamed of our Protestant heritage because it is from that heritage that our democracies have come. We need to travel the road of life toward democracy, freedom and opportunity for the common man and this continent should be bound together in a unity toward that road; but if we are to do that we must be bound together by Jesus Christ. We have a great task as Protestants to arouse the church in Latin America. God is giving us the greatest opportunity for hundreds of years and it is up to us to carry the message of Christ to all the world."

RALEIGH DISTRICT MEETING

"On This Foundation" was the theme of the Raleigh district educational conference which was held at Edenton Street church in Raleigh on September 8. Mrs. T. R. Smith of Henderson, district secretary, and Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education and service, presided. The opening devotionals were given by Mrs. Lucy Hartsfield of Wake Forest, district secretary spiritual life groups. Mrs. Boone spoke to the assembly on the purpose of the W. S. C. S. and the part that missionary education plays in carrying out this purpose, urging that more study classes be held. "Missionary education as it applies to Christian social relations and local church activities, was the topic of a talk by Mrs. J. H. Cutchin of Whitakers, conference secretary C. S. R. and L. C. S. Mrs. T. R. Smith spoke briefly on the work of C. S. R. and L. C. A. as gleaned from a seminar at the school of missions at Lake Junaluska. The tentative slate for the State Legislative Council was revealed by Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh. Mrs. Coltrane represents the N. C. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service on the council. Mrs. D. L. Fouts of Jonesboro, conference secretary young women and girls' work, spoke on the program of missionary education as related to youth. The relation of literature and publications to missionary education was discussed by Miss Mary Gardner of Raleigh, conference secretary publicity and publications. Mrs. B. H. Houston of Smithfield talked briefly of some of her experiences as missionary in Brazil. Mrs. A. B. Deans of Henderson presented plans and methods of conducting the fall missions study on Latin America. During the afternoon session Mrs. T. R. Smith spoke on rural work in Cuba; Mrs. R. C. Gary of Henderson, conference secretary Wesleyan Service Guilds, told of the work of that organization, and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood of Raleigh, conference secretary, explained the emergency fund. The prayers were led by Dr. H. I. Glass, Rev. B. H. Houston and Rev. B. F. Boone.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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OVER THE HILL

We have had a very busy and a very challenging summer. The work schedules of the youngsters, the arrangements for their vacations and their return to their work assignments brought plenty to think about and a lot to do about. The vacations of the staff members and their return to work with certain reassignments came in for a good deal of consideration. Now that the silos are filled, the plowing has been done, the beans gathered and school has opened, a fellow can begin to see the satisfaction of regular routine and more normal processes of living. While we are still climbing the hill of life, we have gotten far enough along its fall slope to look back over the summer work with somewhat of a sigh of relief and a satisfaction of accomplishment. The regularity of school days and the system of evening study periods tend to give our boys and girls sufficient challenge and interest to keep them at work.

EXHILARATING SPORT

Football days are here again. Well over a hundred boys are playing the game for all it is worth. The varsity squad of 35 boys is getting in good condition. Our first practice game has been played and was won very handily. Some 75 smaller boys are out for the 125, 100 and 80 pound teams. Little fellows who seem only recently to have left the baby cottage hail a fellow now with the statement, "I'm out for the 80-pound football team."

THE ESSENCE OF FAITH

When Mrs. Woosley and I got over to the Baptist hospital last night it was late enough for the flowers to be taken out of the rooms and wards and placed along the floor of the hallway. The day had been so full as to not give a chance to get over to see little eight-year-old Glenn earlier. A kind nurse let us in with the roses that had been picked for an earlier delivery. There lay Glenn with a smile on his face. He had only recently got out of an oxygen tent in which he had breathed for days. Glenn had a diseased lung and a rib had to be taken out so that the diseased portion of the lung could be removed. Blood transfusions had to be repeatedly given. Through all his conscious hours little Glenn smiled and bravely went through the ordeals without a whimper. For months Glenn has been ailing and had yearningly looked for the time to come when it was stated to him that friends in the hospital would take away his ailment. Glenn doesn't know what fear is. He does know what it is to have faith in those who take care of his ailments. The lad is now on the way to restored health, thanks to a good surgeon, good doctors and good nursing.

A REAL CHALLENGE

Sometimes we get very disgusted with our adolescents. It seems that they can pull more boners than are catalogued in the book of misdemeanors. Then again they can do the most outstandingly good things. The bigger the challenge the more ready they answer it. Regular work assignments may not elicit a great deal of interest. But a hard task will be assumed with joy. Some weeks ago when Mrs. Helen



What in the world is he up to now?

Campbell, one of our choice workers, was so desperately ill, our healthy boys vied with one another as to how much blood they could give for the necessary transfusions. Now that little Glenn has drawn heavily on the blood bank, the youngsters are glad to refill it with their life's blood. Youth likes the heroic. Ours is no exception.

HE'S UNPREDICTABLE

Our enterprising local newspaper reporters repeatedly inquire of us for human interest news stories. They like to send their photographers for pictures to accompany these stories. While we are not always ready to accommodate them, there are times when we can turn loose something long enough to get our sights lifted beyond things of necessity. The picture this week is that of Perry LeFever, one of our most unpredictable boys. We hardly ever know just what turn the lad will take. He is brilliant and he is also erratic. This picture was taken as he posed as the beggar boy who had gathered in the shekels.

TRUSTEES TO MEET

As is generally known, the Children's Home is the property of the Western North Carolina Conference. It is held in trust for our Methodist people by a board of trustees. These trustees meet twice a year, in March and September. The September meeting is called the annual meeting when the officers are elected. The next meeting will be held Thursday morning, September 24, in the trustees' room of the Administration building on the Children's Home grounds.

WHO THEY ARE

Our board of trustees is self-perpetuating to the extent that nominations for membership on the board comes from the board. The annual conference in official session must confirm nominations before they are official. The conference, therefore, has veto power but not initiatory power. This is a wise procedure. The present membership of the board is herewith listed: R. G. Stockton, president, Winston-Salem; Rev. Joe S. Hiatt, vice president, Statesville; George F. Ivey, secretary, Hickory; Dr. H. K. Boyer, Rt. 7, Charlotte; E. R. Bucher, Charlotte; Thurmond Chatham, Washington, D. C.; Rev. R. M. Courtney, Greensboro; T. Austin Finch, Thomasville; James A. Gray, Winston-Salem; Charles W. Gunter, Gastonia; George L. Hackney, Asheville; James G. Hanes, Winston-Salem; Rev. T. B. Johnson, Thomasville; Dr. G. Ray Jordan, Charlotte; R. O. Lindsay, High point; J. M. Millikan, High Point; Rev. J. W. Moore, Mooresville; Dr. J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur; J. Raymond Smith, Mount Airy; Fred N. Tate, High Point; and B. S. Womble, Winston-Salem.

TIDINGS, SIRS, TIDINGS

The financial returns from our friends are picking up a bit. In celebration of this the joy bell rings more frequently. Its tones carry assurance. We hope that the ringing will continue until every pastoral charge has been celebrated over. Join in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having paid their basal apportionment in full during the past week:

Harmony and Clarksbury, Harmony circuit, Rev. R. V. Martin.

Tyro, Linwood Ct., Rev. O. E. Croy.

Friendship, Mount Pleasant - Cold Springs, Rev. H. L. Creech.

Piney Mountain, Pisgah circuit, Rev. C. M. White.

Colliers and Cedar Valley, Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

Randall, Norwood circuit, Rev. W. B. A. Culp.

South Lenoir and Gamewell, Lenoir circuit, Rev. W. L. Harkey.

Vanderburg, Shepherds circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

Shiloh, Shiloh circuit, Rev. T. G. Madison.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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FRONT LINES—Much is being said about our service men on the front lines. Too much cannot be said about the importance of supplying these men with the necessary equipment to crush dictators and preserve our democratic way of life. We must redouble our efforts to accomplish this worthy end. At the same time we must not forget nor neglect institutions like the Methodist Orphanage that are providing the necessities for the fatherless children whom we have promised to support and train. We cannot, and we will not, let down our boys on the firing lines in the different parts of the world; neither will we forget nor neglect the fatherless children committed to our care and protection

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IN REMEMBRANCE — There are many people who establish memorials for departed loved ones. I do not know of a better way to perpetrate the memory of loved ones than to remember children in the Methodist Orphanage. Doubtless there are a great many individuals in the North Carolina conference who could set apart three hundred dollars each year for the maintenance of children in the Methodist Orphanage. This plan would serve a double purpose. It would perpetuate the memory of loved ones, and at the same time give underprivileged children a fine chance to make good in life. A word from our ministers in their pastoral visits would mean much to the Methodist Orphanage.

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HIGH COST OF LIVING — Prices continue to advance on everything the Orphanage has to buy. We are making every possible effort to economize, but the increased cost of living runs our big bills up in spite of all we can do. Our pastors and churches have been good to the Orphanage this year in making sacrifices for our children. There are a goodly number of churches that, for some reason or other, have paid a very small amount on their apportionment this conference year. I want to appeal to them to send us as much of their Orphanage apportionment as possible at an early date. Unless a number of our pastors and churches do remember us right away we shall have to go to the bank and borrow money to pay our operating expenses. The Orphanage cannot afford to pay interest on borrowed money to carry on. I am sure our friends understand and appreciate our pressing needs.

COUPONS—I feel confident that we will secure enough money from Octagon soap coupons eventually to buy battleship linoleum for our large dining hall. Since the matter has been pending a good, long while, I am beginning to get just a little impatient to reach our goal. Now that summer is over I am hoping that all the Societies of Christian Service in our conference will redouble their efforts immediately. If some live, wide awake woman is appointed in each church, charged specifically with this matter, we can reach our objective before the close of the year. If our good women could see several of our middle sized girls scrubbing our large dining hall two or three times each week, as I so often see them, they would push this campaign to a successful conclusion. With battleship linoleum on our dining room hall floor, we would not only save our girls from long hours of real drudgery, but would be able to keep the dining hall in a more sanitary condition. I solicit the hearty co-operation of all of the women in our conference. Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, secretary of the North Carolina Conference of Christian Service, is giving the Methodist Orphanage her hearty approval and co-operation in this very important undertaking.

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AN INTERESTING LETTER — The Methodist Orphanage has been my home for the last 13 years. During this time I have attended school regularly and I have looked forward to the time when I could receive a high school diploma, realizing that this event will mark an important milestone in my life. In thinking about this event I have a feeling of gratitude and deep appreciation to those who have made this possible for me.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Hookerton, North Carolina, which has faithfully given me clothes for the past 13 years.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank each person who has had a part in my training. I wish to thank from the bottom of my heart each and every one of you, and especially our beloved superintendent, Rev. A. S. Barnes, for his great love and friendship that has meant so much to me.

I have spent many happy days at this home and I am proud of it. The Methodist Orphanage will always be my home and I shall boost it all my life.

For the past two years I have been taking vocational training at Allen Forge and Welding Co. I wish to thank those who made it possible for me to acquire skill in this work.

Again I want to thank everyone for the loyal support given me in making my stay at this home most pleasant.

Wallace Carroll.

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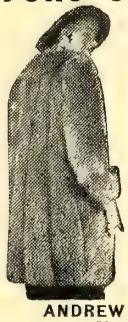
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CARRYING ON

For better or for worse the present transportation problems are affecting many church and community activities. Attendance at summer camps and assemblies was better than last year. Response to youth meetings and training schools is but little below normalcy. At present, however, the tendency seems to be to adjust and to continue rather than to quit. This is the general attitude especially among our young people. One district director writes that "some did feel keenly a fear of our ability to carry on in face of gas and tire rationing, but attendance was good and we decided to continue our regular schedule."

EXCELLENT RESULTS AT CLIFFSIDE

Some weeks ago Brother E. L. Kirk made the following comment at the close of a one-class training school: "Our class closed last night with 41 credits. This was one of the very best classes I have attended. A large part of the class was made up of young people, and there was much sentiment at the closing session for another school as soon as practical after conference."

Denton School

To Wilson Nesbitt belongs the credit for planning, promoting, and following through to a successful conclusion the Denton school. This forward move is just another example of the fine constructive work that Brother Nesbitt has been doing throughout the year. The conference board of education gladly provided Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke to assist in the school.

Burke County School, First Church, Morganton

Plans are under way for the annual Burke County school to be held at First church, Morganton, on Sunday evening, October 20. Since Garland Stafford has moved away Brother Fletcher Nelson has kindly consented to take over the responsibility of the chairman of the board of managers. F. W. D. Bangle, R. C. Nimon, and Mrs. Otis Arney are associated with Brother Nelson in making plans for the school. Other participating pastors are: J. N. Randall, M. W. Edwards, G. L. Wilkinson, J. R. Duncan, V. P. Crowder, W. J. Plint, and T. B. Huneycutt.

Randolph County School, First Church, Asheboro

For the first time in a number of years the Methodist churches of Randolph county are uniting in a three-teacher training school to be held at First church, September 27 to October 2. Paul Hardin, Jr., is pastor of the host church and was instrumental in initiating plans for the school. J. W. Braxton will make plans for the devotional periods and Miss Doris Wharton will be in charge of texts. W. A. Underwood is chairman of finance. Other participating pastors are: E. A. Lamb, J. O. Ervin, J. E. Pritchard, I. L. Roberts, Y. D. Poole, J. A. Howell, J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr., N .L. Oliver.

The Caravans Came

The counselor of one of our Caravans wrote: "We are now out of your conference area, but as a Caravan let us say thank you for the good time, fine experiences, and wonderful people that we met in Charlotte and Kannapolis. We found the ministers and adult counselors most co-operative. Living conditions were excellent.

"The Kannapolis group made a contribution to the Methodist Youth Fund. The minister there is an excellent person with whom to work and we found him most helpful in all situations that arose. His advance publicity was excellent. Because of his thorough preparation it would be fine if the Caravan next year could spend its first week there."

W. N. C. Conference Caravan

The Caravan served at Sylva, West Asheville, Rutherford College, Muir's Chapel, Park Avenue in Salisbury, Park Street in Belmont, and at Kings Mountain. With Mrs. Connie Cope, director of youth work in the Marion district, as counselor, many fine achievements were recalled. One pastor says, "The fine spirit of the Caravaners made the finest conributions." One Caravaner reports that "The training center at Junaluska this year brought to me one of the greatest religious experiences of my life." From another place the following comments were received: "Worship was made vital even to the indifferent youth. Through folk games, singing, and wholesome recreation, religion and fun were united."

A Heap o' Growin'.

This tendency speaks eloquently for the cause of Christian education: "Quite a few years ago a little girl attended your intermediate camp at Dellwood. Since then she has been doing a heap o' growin' and is a junior in college. At present I am a member of the Methodist Youth Caravan which is working in New York state. I am planning to attend the Notional Youth Convocation in Oxford, Ohio."

Echoes from Assemblies

"I am still thinking of the wonderful assemblies we had this summer. The inspirational messages, the worship experiences, and especially the communion services were among the high spots of the week."

Many encouraging messages have been received from campers, counselors, leaders and delegates at assemblies. We are grateful for such comments and only hope that we may all have such experiences again next year.

First Church, Salisbury

Miss Emily Hearn has recently come to Salisbury as director of Christian education. We rejoice with Miss Hearn in the opportunities for service this new field offers, and congratulate the people of First church on this distinct step forward. Miss Hearn came from a Methodist parsonage in Georgia and is at home in any Methodist group.

Centenary, Winston

This great church has brought another outstanding worker in the field of Christian education to our conference. During this week Miss Ethlene Sampley enters upon her duties as director of Christian education at Centenary church. Miss Sampley also comes from a Methodist parsonage in Georgia and brings to her new field of service excellent training and fine experience in the field of Christian education.

First Church, Asheboro

Miss Doris Wharton has been in Asheboro since June but is a new comer in this conference. Miss Wharton is director of Christian education and will spend much of her time directing the choir of First church. It is always encouraging to know of new persons coming to our conference to devote full time to the cause of Christian education.

Main Street, Reidsville

Miss Amy Holland is continuing her work with Dr. R. L. Ownbey in Reidsville. Other churches are inquiring about directors and perhaps still others have employed such workers.

CHURCH SCHOOL DALLY DAY

Churches throughout the conference are still reporting on the observance of this special occasion. We are grateful to the following churches that have reported to Mr. Dunham in recent days:

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Central, Moresville	15.00
Central, Canton	35.00
Community, Thomasville	7.50

FOURTH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE REPORTS

This is open season for quarterly conferences, and report forms are being received almost daily. The following pastors were heard from during the past week: Ralph H. Taylor, P. F. Snider, T. W. Bryant, H. E. Murphy, Ivon L. Roberts, Joe T. Melton, J. B. Fitzgerald, E. L. Kirk, C. R. Ross, John R. Hamilton, J. L. Stokes, II, A. James Clemmer, Miles A. McLean, C. Alfred Smith, and J. H. Melzer.

Hitler is reported to have created a special decoration for inhabitants of occupied countries who collaborate with the Nazis. Called, no doubt, The Double Cross.

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METHODIST YOUTH FUND

August 1 marked the beginning of a new pledge year for the Methodist Youth Fund in the North Carolina conference. We were quite pleased with the support of this fund by our young people during the first part. We received our first pledges in January and the payments were to be made by August 1. During that time over $500 was sent to our conference youth fund treasurer, which means that more than $1000 was contributed to the Methodist Youth (since an amount equal to that sent the youth fund treasurer went to the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service). Since August 1 approximately $100 has been received by the conference youth fund treasurer and new pledges are being received almost daily. We hope that each local church Youth Fellowship will eventually share in this important part of our work.

We have mailed this week to each youth division superintendent some material describing the Methodist Youth Fund and a pledge card to be used by the local Fellowship in making its pledge. Certain information relative to the fund might be of general interest, however, and we are giving such information in the following paragraphs:

Pledges

Our Methodist Youth Fund runs from August 1 to August 1. The reason for this is the fact that our young people have been in the habit of completing payment on their pledges at the youth assemblies each summer. We felt it would be well to continue this arrangement. Each church group, therefore, that has not sent in a pledge card since August 1 is expected to do so. We urge the groups to make their pledges on a monthly basis and as nearly as possible make their payments each month.

Payments

One half of the amount paid to the Methodist Youth Fund is handled through the local Woman's Society of Christian Service and the other half should be sent to the Methodist Youth Fund treasurer of the conference youth organization. The youth fund treasurer in each local church is responsible for this division of the fund and for sending it to the proper treasurer.

Conference Methodist Youth Fund Treasurer

Miss Elizabeth Myers, Box 647, College Station, Durham, was elected treasurer of the Methodist Youth Fund for the North Carolina Confernece Youth Fellowship at the Louisburg Assembly this past summer. All pledge cards should be sent to her and payments on pledges (other than the one-half to the local woman's society treasurer) should be sent to her.

For Further Information

The Methodist Youth Fund is a project in which the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Board of Education have a joint and a common interest. Mrs. Dwight L. Fouts, Jonesboro, N. C., as conference secretary of young women and girls' work for the Woman's Society of Christian Service, represents this society in the promotion of this fund. Miss Myers represents the Board of Education and the Youth Fellowship in promotion of the fund. Each of these persons will be glad to give information that anyone may desire in connection with the total program of missionary education for youth.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK

September 27-October 4 is designated by our Methodist Church as Christian Education Week. Among Protestant churches as a whole throughout the United States the week is thought of as Religious Education Week. Beginning with Rally Day or Promotion Day and continuing through World Wide Communion Sunday, October 4, this week offers a fine opportunity for a local church school to share in plans that seek "to encourage the home, the church, churches working together with other agencies, and the community to face more adequately their responsibilities for providing a vital program of religious education for every child, every youth and every adult." A leaflet giving a complete picture of the purpose of the week together with plans and suggestions has been sent to each church school superintendent in the conference. We hope that each church school will give such emphasis as local conditions warrant to this important week in our church calendar.

WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY

Reports that we have received thus far through our conference treasurer, Mr. C. A. Dillon, indicate that fourth Sunday offerings in the church school for the World Service program of the Methodist Church have increased more than $2000 over the amount reported for the corresponding period last year. We believe that at least a part of the increased offering is due to a better understanding of the World Service program of the church brought about by the educational emphasis, that is a part of the fourth Sunday observance. There are two other fourth Sundays in the conerence year, September 27 and October 25. It will be a fine thing if every church school in the conference will take advantage of the programs provided for these days and give their people a chance to share with their gifts in the great missionary program of the church.

Reckless youth makes rueful age.—

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PRINCESS NORMA'S COAT

There was once a little princess named Norma, whose father and mother, the King and Queen, loved her very dearly and gave her nearly everything that she asked for; so when she said one day that she wanted a new plaid coat the Mistress of the Wardrobe called the sewing maids together and set them at work cutting and bast- and stitching; and in the morning the new plaid coat lay on a chair by the princess' bed, all finished.

It pleased her greatly at first, so that she put it on as soon as she was dressed in the morning and was hardly willing to lay it off at night. But when she had had it only a week she went to drive one day with the King and Queen in the royal coach and on the road she saw another little girl who had a coat very much like her own, but in larger plaids.

As soon as the Princess Norma was back at her father's castle she took off her coat and threw it on the floor. "I shall never wear it again," she said. "I must have one with larger plaids."

So once more the Mistress of the Wardrobe called the sewing maids together, and once more there was cutting and basting and stitching, and in the morning a new coat, in larger plaids.

For a time that coat, too, pleased the princess, but then a cousin, the Princess Maud, came to visit at the castle and she had a coat in which the plaids were even larger than those in the Princess Norma's; so that night the Princess Norma again threw her coat on the floor and refused to wear it.

"No one shall have a coat with larger plaids than mine," she said, and stamped her foot. Her father, the King, and her mother, the Queen, talked gently to her and tried to make her see that a coat with very large plaids did not look well on so small a princess, but it was of no use. A new coat she must have, with plaids larger than those of the Princess Maud. So the Mistress of the Wardrobe and the tired women were sent to search all the shops, and at last they found some goods that had plaids just the size of the black and white marble tiles in the castle floor, and of it they made still a third coat.

When it was finished the Princess Norma put it on and she was delighted and would hardly let it out of her sight, though all the ladies of the court whispered behind their fans that it did not look well at all, for the plaids were so large that there were only three of them on the whole coat.

When the princess had worn the coat only four days she happened to look out of the castle window one morning and saw a shepherd going along the road with a cloak on his back that had plaids half again as large as those on her new coat. This time she threw her coat on the floor, danced and screamed with anger so that the King and Queen came running to see what was the matter.

"This time I shall take the matter in hand myself," said the King. "There shall be a coat for the Princess so large that there can never be any larger." And he ordered his horse and rode away.

The next morning the new coat was lying by the princess' bed, but it was black all over. "Why, what is this?" she cried. "It was a plaid coat that I wanted,and this is all one color, with no plaids at all."

"Oh, no," said the King, "that is a plaid coat, but the plaids are so large that there is only one of them in the whole of it. That one plaid goes as far as you can see. No plaid can be larger than that, and so you have your wish and you must wear it till it is worn out. There will be no more new ones till then."

So that is why the Princess Norma had to wear an ugly black coat for years and years, for the piece of goods that the King had chosen was a very fine one.—E. W. Frentz, in The Youth's Companion.

Tommy: "Why do you suppose Adam was created first?"

Dad: "O, perhaps to give him a chance to say something."—Capper's Weekly.

IN MEMORY

By Nell Griffith Wilson

Here lies a little dog at rest
  Upon a hillside's gentle slope,
A little dog who shared a part
  Of tenderness and love and hope;

A little dog whose span of life
  Upon this lovely earth was brief,
And yet whose happy being stirred
  A lonely heart to love—and grief;

Who asked no more than just to know
  A kindly hand and simple fare,
But whose adoring eyes bespoke
  Devotion that was deep and rare;

Whose merry antics brought a smile,
  And ringing bark would strive to say
The joy he knew in welcoming
  His master at the close of day.

Here lies a little dog at rest
  So brief his life, and yet his part
In living was not small, for still
  He holds a place in someone's heart.

—Our Dumb Animals.

A STRANGE HOUSE

One of the strangest houses I have ever heard about is on the Pacific Ocean, near Cypress Point, on the coast of California. It belongs to a Chinese fisherman, and is partly natural and partly the work of his own hands. The natural part of the house is a small case in one of the many rocks that are found all over the beach. The other part is a sort of wooden shed which has been built in front of this cave. The lumber used is of the toughest kind; and the queer old Chinaman, though ugly enough himself, has an eye for beauty, and has covered up the rough lumber with abalone shells, the hollow side being turned out. The Chinaman did this a great many years ago, when the shells were plentiful and were not worth much in the market. Every shell used has been spoiled, as nails have been driven through them more or less, according to their size. There is one shell at least 15 inches across, and one equal to it in good condition could not be bought in San Francisco for any price. Most of the larger shells, if they were not punctured with nail holes, would readily sell for three to five dollars apiece. That size cannot be had in the market now, and would be hard to find on the rocks of any part of the coast. The general effect of the house when the sun strikes it at the proper angle is dazzling. The polished, pearly surface of the shells sparkle and flash with all the colors of the rainbow. It is a pleasing and beautiful sight, though it seems a pity that so many beautiful shells were destroyed to produce it.

But I know about a stranger house than that. It, too, was partly a cave. It was the stable of the little inn where Jesus was born, and where the wise men who came from the East found him lying in the manger when they came to worship him and bestow their beautiful gifts. The old Chinaman's house is bright outside and dark inside, but the Bethlehem stable, dark and dingy as it may have been outside, was bright and radiant inside where the Christ child lay. However plain or poor the outside of our homes may be, we may all make them bright within with kindness and good cheer. —Banks.

It was just after nightfall. Helen and her elder sister were gazing at the stars.

"You know, Helen," said her sister, "they're not just lights. They're worlds like ours."

"Well," said Helen, after digesting the information for some seconds, "I shouldn't like to have to live on one. It would be so horrid when it twinkled. I don't like being bounced."—Ex.

Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 20

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By Rollin H. Walker

Judah: An Example of Self-Sacrifice

Genesis 42 to 44

Joseph devised a test to discover whether his brethren were as hard-hearted as when they sold him into slavery. He hid his silver cup in Benjamin's sack, and then in mock wrath he sent his officer to search all their sacks, and there it was with Benjamin. If his brothers had not greatly changed they would have left their brother to his fate as a silly little thief. But they all went back to intercede for him.

We are not told how the great change came about. Of course through the years conscience had been accusing them, and in the dreams of the night the cries of Joseph had awakened them with a start. Then, too, their own children had grown up, and as their hearts went out to them they had an increased sense of the agony that they had caused their father. At any rate, through the grace of God, they had become better men.

So, instead of leaving Benjamin to his fate, every man loaded his ass and went back with the poor lad to face Pharaoh's angry minister. And Judah makes his moving plea on behalf of the old father who will die of grief if Benjamin is not allowed to come back to him. He thus becomes a faint foreshadowing of him who ever liveth to make intercession for us (Hebrews 7:25). The eloquence of Judah's plea is often pointed out. Judah, of course, was not thinking of being eloquent. He was wholly absorbed in sympathy for his father and the little brother. He was willing even to remain as a bondman rather than break his father's heart.

Just preceding this story of Judah's devotion is a story about him that one would not like to read aloud in a parlor. And today sometimes a man in some respects immoral turns out to be an unselfish hero in a crisis; and on the other hand, men whose lives are outwardly respectable sometimes show the white feather and are selfish cowards in a time of supreme testing (Matthew 21:31). Many that are last shall be first, said Jesus, and the first shall be last. God's X-ray often shows a different picture from man's superficial photograph. It penetrates the cosmetic of respectability, and reveals the heart attitude, and shows also what a man has had to contend against.

How little did these men realize that their fate and the fate of their families hinged on the extent of their sympathy with a brother who appeared to be utterly without excuse for his theft. And how true it is today that the fate of men often depends upon their attitude toward some fellow mortal in trouble. And most certainly the future of a church often hinges upon the amount of wise and winsome effort it makes on behalf of the foolish young people of the neighborhood, for they have great possibilities and, if won to Christ, will rise up to positions of leadership in all good things. May God raise up more Judahs to plead for naughty boys!

Jesus says, Whosoever shall cause one of these little ones to stumble, by reason of his censorious hardness toward their adolescent tricks, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and he were drowned in the depths of the sea. But the opposite is gloriously true, for whosoever is the means of saving the most unpromising young person shall be greatly blessed in this world and the next. There is no joy that surpasses that which comes to a man who after much effort and many discouraging experiences is used of God to bring a bad boy into the fold of the Good Shepherd.

But as it turned out, Benjamin was not a thief after all. It was Joseph who ordered the cup put into Benjamin's sack. And it often happens that the boy who is all the time cutting up adolescent capers is not nearly as bad as he seems. When we learn all about a trying lad our judgment of his behavior is apt to soften, and we are so thankful that we did not follow our first impulse to be harsh with him, because his actions which seem so silly have in his mind a different meaning from that which his elders naturally assign to them.

Then, too, there are often facts in a boy's heredity and home environment which when known shed an altogether different light on his conduct, and make us wonder why he is not worse rather than better.

THE BETTER WAY

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Eno, 7:30 17
Carrboro, Orange, 11 20
Orange, Union Grove, 3 20
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 7:30 20
Lakewood, 7:30 21
Andrew's Chapel, 7:30 23
Calvary, 7:30 24
West Burlington, 11 27
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Davis Street, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 29
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 30
Long Memorial, 7:30 30

October
Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 11
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3 11
Person, Concord, 10:30 17
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Alamance, Bethel, 2 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Manteo, 11 20
Wanchese, 3 20
North Gates, Parkers, 11 27
Gatesville, Zion, 3 27

October
Windsor, White Oak, 11 4
Edenton, 3 4
Chowan, Center Hill, 11 7
Hertford, 7:30 7
South Mills, Trinity, 7:30 9
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3:30 11
Ahoskie, 7:30 11
Hatteras, Buxton, 7:30 12
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 13
Plymouth, 7:30 14
Aulander, Roxobel, 11 16
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 17
Bath, Bath, 3 18
Belhaven, Belhaven, 7:30 18
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 7:30 19
Washington, 7:30 21
Creswell, Creswell, 3:00 22
Columbia, Columbia, 7:30 22
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 23
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 23
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 11 24
Moyock Moyock, 11 25
Currituck, Popler Branch, 3 25
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 27
Elizabeth City, First Church, 7:30 28
Pasquotank, Union, 11 30
Elizabeth City, City Road, 7:30 30

November
Roper, Mackeys, 11 1
Williamston, 3 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Hemp, 11 20
Hemp Circuit, 3 20
Sanford, 8 20
Red Springs, 11 27
Parkton, Cotton, 8 27

October
Rowland, 11 4
Maxton, 4 4
Gibson, 7:30 4
Hamlet, 11 5
Laurinburg, 7:30 5
Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Seven Springs-Pine Forest, 11 20
LaGrange, 8 20
Jones-Shady Grove, 11 27
Grifton, 8 27

October
Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November
Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Raleigh, Edenton Street, 11 20
Franklinton, 8 20
Oxford, 8 23
Moncure, Moncure, 8 25
Cary, 11 27
Erwin, Erwin, 8 27
Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 8 29

October
Tar River, Plank Chapel, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 4
Vance, Spring Valley, 3 4
Henderson-City Road-White Mem'l, City Road, 7:30 4
Check-Up Meetings—Franklinton 10 6
Smithfield, 3 6
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 8 6
Louisburg, 7:30 7
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 10
Mamers, Mamers, 11 11
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 11
Selma, 7:30 14
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 16
Millbrook, Millbrook, 11 18
Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30 18
Garner, Garner, 7:30 20
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 21
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 23
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 11 25
Benson, Coats, 7:30 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 10:30 28
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 28

November
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 1

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Spring Hope, 11 20
Warren, Shady Grove, 8 20
Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October
Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November
Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Lumberton Ct., East Lumberton, 11 20
St. Pauls, 8—Dedication 20
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October
Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 5
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 5
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 19
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 22
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 28

November
Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

September
French Broad Avenue, 8 17
Swannanoa, Azalea, 8 18
Barnadrsville, Barnardsville, 3 20
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 8 20
Central, 8 21
Ivy, Laurel, 3:30 21
Mars Hill, Marshall, 8 22
Mills River, Mills River, 8 23
Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September
Trinity, 8 18
Pineville, Harrison, 11 20
Zoar, 3 20
North Monroe, N. Monroe, 8 20
Homestead-Plasant Grove, P. Grove, 8 21
Derita, 8 23
Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October
Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Cooleemee, 11 20
Davie, 3 20
Mocksville, night 20
Yadkinville, 11 27
Advance, 3 27
Farmington, night 27

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Mt. Pleasant, 11 20
Bethel-Battle Ground, 3 20
Moriah, 8 20
Centenary, 8 23
Reidsville, Main Street, 11 27
District Check-Up, 3—Centenary 27
Ruffin, 3 27
Draper, 8 27
Newlyn Street, 8 28
Mt. Pleasant, 8 29
Carraway Memorial, 8 30

October

Reidsville Ct., Salem, 11 3
Mayodan, 5 3
Stoneville, 8 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 4
Danbury, Pine Hall, 3 4
Flat Rock, Bethany, 7:30 4
Jamestown, 7:30 5
Glenwood, 7:30 7
Lindsay St., Reidsville, 5 10
St. Paul, Greensboro, 7:30 10
Oak Ridge, 11 11
Haw River, 3 11
West End, Greensboro, 7:30 11
West Market, Greensboro, 7:30 12
Grace, Greensboro, 7:30 13
Leaksville, 7 14
Spray, 8 14
Guilford Ct., 11 18
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 18
Summerfield, 7:30 16

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Cherryville Ct., Beulah, 11 20
Maylo-Smyre, Smyre, night 20
Bradley Memorial, night 21
East End, Gastonia, night 23
Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Why Not, F. S., 7:30 18
Seagrove, S., 7:30 19
Greer's, 11 20
Linwood, Tyro, 2 20
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 20
Oak View, 7:30 23
First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

North Morganton, 11 20
Morganton Ct., Denton's Chapel, 3 20
Table Rock, Oak Hill, 5:30 20
Burke County Training School, night 20
Bostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Main Street, Albemarle, 11 20
Pfeiffer, 3 20
Gold Hill, 8 20
Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 8 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Taylorsville, Taylorsville, 11 20
Hiddenite, Liberty, 3 20
Stony Point, 8 20
Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Pigeon Valley, 11 20
Dellwood, Dellwood, 8 20
Sylva, 8 23
Fines Creek, 8 24
Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Green Street, 8 17
Lexington, First, 11 20
Erlanger, 3 20
Thomasville, First, 8 20
Crews, Sedge Garden, 8 21
Kernersville, Main Street, 8 22
Burkhead, 8 23
Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

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1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:25 PM
2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:15 PM
3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
4:27 PM Lv.	Wilson	Ar.	9:53 AM
4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	9:08 AM
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Mrs. Taylor possessed the graces that are to be found in a great life, a life of loyalty and service to her home, church and community. For 62 years Mrs. Taylor was a member of Cedar Grove Methodist church and for 42 years she prepared the communion service. During her last few years she was unable to attend church, but she never failed to send her contribution, faithfully keeping her pledge and supporting the institutions of her church. Her spirit will forever live and permeate the places here where she has rendered so much loyal service.

The saints of God, their wanderings done,
No more their weary course they run.
No more they faint, no more they fall;
No foes oppress, no fears appall.
O happy saints, forever blest
In that happy home, how sweet your rest.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our heavenly Father has taken into closer and sweeter fellowship Miss Mary Elizabeth Williamson.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Oakley Methodist church has lost a most loyal, faithful and devoted member. While we sincerely feel our loss, we bow humbly to the will of God.

Be it resolved, that we place upon record our high appreciation of her sweet Christian life among us. Her church attendance was an inspiration to her many friends. We cherish her memory as one who loved her church and its organizations, her home and community. We feel that her influence will live on forever.

Be it resolved, that we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss and pray that God may comfort them in this sorrow.

Mabel Miller, Sec.

A TRIBUTE

Between the years 1863-1942 was a life whose virtues cannot be expressed. Mrs. Mary E. Sumner gave her heart to God early in life and was a loyal member of her church until the triumphant transition July 31, 1942.

She was a charter member of the Hertford missionary society and for many years its beloved president. One of her daughters is a member of Minnie Wilson circle; another of the Della Shamburger; a granddaughter the very enthusiastic president of Mary Towe circle.

The members of her family who mourn her loss are Mary of the home, Mrs. Field, Thomas, Charlie Ford and a sister, Miss Matilda Newbold, all of Hertford, Col. Henry of Washington, D. C., Robert of Baltimore, and several grandchildren.

Many years ago Mrs. Sumner was stricken with blindness, but no physical affliction could touch her soul. Like Fannie Crosby when deprived of her vision her spiritual insight was intensified. The radiance of her countenance was evidence of inward joy. It was touching to see her kneel at the altar as Mary pressed the holy elements of the communion to the lips of her mother.

Amid the trials of life she was calm and serene. The source of her strength was from God to whom she had surrendered her life.

Her resignation was Christ-like when bereft of her husband and noble son. William, in full bloom of young manhood was en route to Africa. In three hours of his destination, Capetown, his ship was wrecked; from a life boat he and several missionaries were drowned.

Two of Mrs. Sumner's chief characteristics were her cheerful hold on life, her liberal hand and heart.. To her co-workers she was an inspiration. Her missionary spirit abides with us. To her family we extend sympathy.

May the God of all grace give them sufficient strength to say "thy will be done." Lean hard.

Mrs. G. E. Newby,
Mrs. E. L. Reed,
Mrs. K. R. Newbold.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Dallas Methodist church desire to pay a tribute of love and esteem to J. Laban Jordan, who died May 24, 1942.

Mr. Jordan had a record of faithfulness in church attendance and devotion seldom equaled. In 16 years he missed only two Sunday services, and in each of these instances his absence was due to the death of a parent. For 12 years he was secretary of the church school and was on hand to distribute class books and literature an hour before church school began, and he kept his records in such a way as to delight the heart of the most exacting pastor. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That the Dallas church has lost a constant and tireless worker and that his faithfulness and devotion to his church and his friends have been a benediction to us.

Second, That we extend to the members of his family our heartfelt sympathy and assure them of our abiding love and affection.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and be placed upon the minutes of the board of education.

Tressie Mae Cashion,
C. Fred Stowe,
Dr. S. A. Wilkins.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

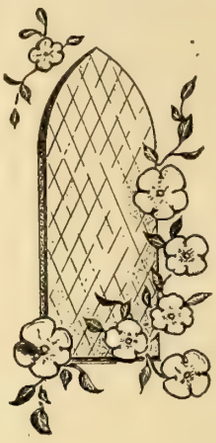
We, the members of the Philathea class of Mount Zion Methodist church, Cornelius, N, C., pause to pay tribute to our honored and beloved Sunday school teacher, Mr. F. C. Sherrill, who our heavenly Father called from our midst July 23, 1942. We shall miss his pleasant "Good morning" and ever ready hand to aid any work we undertook. May his life of service be an inspiration to each of us. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we by these resolutions do express our thanks to God for the privilege of association with this noble Christian character. While we deeply mourn our loss, we humbly bow in submission to the will of our heavenly Father.

Second, That our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family, and we pray that God's love will abide with them always.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and one be recorded in the minutes of our class book.

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1*C. E. RIDGE, Pleasant Grove

In next week's Advocate will be published the names of all who have secured their quota, and the number of *'s for each. This list was to appear in this issue. You now have one week to be listed among the victorious.

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Our most notable report for the Advocate comes from Rev. J. D. Stott, Pembroke Parish (Indian), in the Wilmington district. He sends in 26 new annual subscribers and remits $49 This is double his quota in a field where some men would not even have made a report.

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A feather is used to direct and speed the flight of an arrow, and it has been well said that humor should be used to speed and direct the arrow of truth. In this connection we at once think of Will Rogers and Abraham Lincoln as two of the very finest illustrations of this fact. May their tribe increase.

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To knock down the playhouse of a friend because he has one and you have none is the ugly work of a mean kid. And what is true in the play of children is also true of men in the more serious business of life. Why seek to destroy the good work of another simply because you have been too indolent to attain to the same success? Yet this is the very method adopted by some people.

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Rev. G. W. Ivey, a circuit rider of other years in North Carolina who was noted for his wise as well as humorous remarks, when asked if he ever preached a sermon on "The Prodigal Son" replied, "No," and explained that he never knew what to with the older boy. And most wise preachers have shunned the Prodigal's brother and supplied the omission by discoursing frequently upon the boy who ran away from home and became a spendthrift as well as an ingrate, idler and "high roller." To preach against the ugly sins is a much simpler matter than to condemn the sins that are cloaked in respectability, such as envy, jealousy, fault finding, and selfishness. It was Sam Jones who said: "It is mighty hard for most preachers to shout in another fellow's revival meeting."

Along with a remittance from Bethel for new subscribers to the church paper comes a message from Rev. J. G. Phillips, the pastor, saying they are aiming at a list of fifty new subscribers. Here is a golden hearted Methodist preacher who uses the printed page in his efforts to promote the kingdom.

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"Believest thou not that I am the Father, and the Father in me?" Our faith is in a person, the Supreme Person. The loyalty of a man to his brother, the faith of a son in his father, the affection of a child for his mother, the wonder of the observer under the stars—these things and more, directed toward One, supremely qualified to exhibit the best in men in the light of God—such is our attachment to our Lord. Without this, the creed is not enough. With it, the creed is the anchor of faith, and we are impelled to live it out again, reclaiming its truth by the affectionate service of Him, but for whom it could not have arisen.—J. Rex Shepler.

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In other years General Grant was often quoted as having said that the Southern Confederacy robbed the cradle and the grave to carry on the war in the sixties. Now we are told that it is necessary to rob the cradle to carry on this present war. To draft teen-age boys at this time would be little short of an outrage. Good for Senator J. W. Bailey who has taken a stand in opposition to this. One day we hear there is a shortage of men, the next we are told the real trouble is shortage of the "tools" for the allies. Some even insist that we take the boys out of school and put them in training camps as though there would not be a real need for trained men to carry on after this war is over. Our sorest need is to be saved from the many propagandists who contribute to the present confusion. The mothers want their children to stay at home and in school until they reach their majority.

Fostering a Youthful Spirit

DULL indeed must be the man who is not impressed with the energy, glee and bounding joy of the youth of the land in school and in college these days, set to do deeds of prowess on the play grounds and to explore new fields in the realms of learning. A hopeless task would it be for the instructors but for the enthusiasm and daring of young men and women. They are in the heyday of youth. Their exuberant spirits make possible the attainments sought on play ground and in laboratory and library. It certainly is great to be young filled with the enthusiasm of youth.

Men and women as they move toward middle life should above all else strive to foster a youthful spirit. Especially true is this with all who are engaged in the many religious undertakings. They are presumed to deal with immortal youth that knows little of the muffled drum beating funeral marches to the grave. They should hold that life is real and life is earnest and the grave is not its goal. Had we more church leaders of youthful spirit—whatever the calendar may say—the church would move forward gloriously to the conquest.

Could we Methodists in the closing months of each year display something of the enthusiasm of the boys on the athletic field a glorious record would be ours. Too many by failing to make the best of life are too decrepit and sluggish in spirit, with little of the energy and daring of youth. Some are really old and broken before their time, but this should not be true of many who have grown old in head and stale in heart and sluggish in body because of sheer failure to foster a vigorous, youthful spirit. The will to live at one's best means more than most men are ready to admit. Especially true is this of religious folks who mistake a pious groan for special attainments in grace. Fostering a youthful spirit and the glad report of work well done are the finest assurances of a place with the redeemed in the crowning day that is coming by and by. Fostering a youthful spirit is one of the essential elements of growth in grace.

"For Truth and Honesty"

IN our courts of justice there are just two thing that are primary in the character of a witness. One is truth and the other is honesty. If a witness can qualify in this respect, other things are secondary. The court and the jury are ready to accept his testimony.

And this necessary qualification for a witness in a court of law is a necessary qualification in all relations of life. Just as the lawyers ask, "How is he for truth and honesty?" so may all men ask of every man, "How is he for truth and honesty?"

We need a fresh emphasis on these old fashioned and fundamental virtues. Parents should teach them, both by example and precept, to their children. From entrance to the kindergarten till commencement day in college emphasis should be put by teachers upon these fundamentals of character. If the preachers would emphasize these as they ought there would be a different state of affairs in this country.

You have heard of the old preacher whose hobby was debt-paying. His presiding elder gave him a text so he would have to stay off his hobby. The text was, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." The first words of this man's sermon were, "A man who believes on Jesus Christ will pay his debts." We are sorry that preacher "sleeps with his fathers." But he was true to his conscience while he lived. If a man must have a hobby there is none better than "truth and honesty."

Creed of the Slothful

AN old saying often repeated ran something after this fashion, "Never put off until tomorrow that which you should do today." A modern practice followed by too many runs thus, "Never do today that which can be done tomorrow." But this is not New Testament doctrine. Rather it belongs to the ancient proverb, "A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again." Expressed concretely it runs thus: "I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding; and lo, it was all grown over with thorns and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down."

For such men there is always a lion in the way. He does not venture forth to possess the land or to make conquest of the present demands. Rather would he seek a little more sleep and a folding of the hands to sleep. But this is foreign to the Christian's ideal: "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord." The one immortal example left us by our Lord is that man who hid his talent

and came complaining of the hard master who reaped where he had not sowed and gathering where he had not planted. Then came the fierce rebuke, "Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reaped where I sowed not, and gathered where I had not strewn." In modern idiom, his Lord said, "You ought to have got busy and put aside your laziness."

We could call the name of a Methodist preacher who never has time to visit his people; to care for the demands of his parish; to collect the money urgently needed, or even to make new sermons, yet he always has time to go fishing and to lounge around with the loafers. Such men should profit by the observation of Ruskin: "Many a beggar is as lazy as if he had ten thousand a year; and many a man of large fortune is busier than his errand boy."

Not Exactly Throwing the Dice

JOHN WESLEY had a habit in his early years—a habit which he abandoned in later life—of opening the Bible at random and taking the verse that first met his eyes or upon which he put his finger when some perplexing problem confronted him. Those acquainted with the story of his life will recall that he tried this in the morning of that ever memorable day when he felt "his heart strangely warmed a quarter before nine in the evening."

Before this when in Georgia he tried the same method to determine whether he should marry Sophy Hopkey, and on many other occasions he resorted to the same method of securing divine guidance. Wesley is said to have gotten this practice from the Moravians. John Wesley perhaps had better luck with this habit of gambling with the Holy Bible than the man of whom we heard the following story:

A man in a quandary once thus sought guidance and first saw the verse: "Judas went and hanged himself." Anxious to give the Scriptures a chance of improving on this guidance, he repeated his performance, and this time found his text: "Go thou and do likewise"; and on the third trial alighted on the words: "What thou doest do quickly." Such a story, which is not an invention, is of itself sufficient to condemn any such superstitious manner of resorting to the Bible for guidance, and that Wesley at length abandoned it is not at all a matter for surprise.

Almost Alone, Yet Not Alone

A YOUNG minister in a little chapel had conducted as best he could the morning worship attended by a handful of humble people, and this little service was followed by the holy communion. The little table had been spread with the best that the resources of these plain people could supply. But discouraging, indeed, was the fact that there remained for the service only one deaf old man and one half blind old lady.

He began to read. But half his congregation was too deaf to hear and the other half was too blind to see. So he read on alone, feeling that it was a travesty upon the very idea of communion.

Suddenly he heard his own voice reading words utterly familiar, but now bursting with new meaning—"Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy holy name." "We . . . with." Those were the words.

The little chapel seemed to rustle with the beating of angels' wings. Angel and archangel had gathered there to share the eucharist of fellowship. "God forgive us," thought the minister, "I never realized we three were in that company."

It was the fulfillment of what he had often said and never really understood—"I believe in the communion of saints."

Timely Advice to High School and College Students

DURING these hectic days when many men and women talk and write unwisely it is gratifying to find some people who have not lost their heads. One of these men of poise, Howard Coonley, past-president of the National Association of Manufacturers, is quoted in the National Education Journal as follows:

"Neither war production nor war service is one of the normal vocations which graduates of our American schools are expected to enter. Let us hope that the victory of the United Nations will remove the threat of war and the blight of war from our way of life for generations to come—we pray, forever. The new level of productive activity we have reached in this war effort can be maintained if we carry over enough of the unity of purpose, the mutual understanding, and the constructive co-operation that we are developing to win the war. For we have the same resources for peace as for war."

PEOPLE AND THINGS

W. N. C. Conference, Charlotte ..... Oct. 19-23
N. C. Conference, Wilson ..... Nov. 3-6

The annual check-up meeting for the Charlotte district will be held at 10 a. m. on Monday, October 5, at First church, Charlotte.—G. T. Bond, D. S.

"Baby's new title, Martha Ann Vickery. Mounted throne on September 16, 1942; weighed 8 lbs. 8 ozs. Chief advisers, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Vickery. Will reside at Grimesland, N. C."

For Sale—Fifty 1935 editions of The Methodist Hymnal. These are second hand but have been reconditioned and are in good shape. Anyone interested please correspond with Rev. R. E. L. Moser, 735 Clark Street, Rocky Mount, N. C.

The pastors' report blanks to the annual conference have been mailed to all pastors serving charges in the Western North Carolina conference. If any pastor has not received report blanks write me at King's Mountain, N. C., stating correct address.—J. G. Winkler.

Having been transferred from the 216th General Hospital, Camp Forrest, Tenn., to the Station Hospital, Sheppard Field, Texas, all mail should be sent to the following address: Station Hospital, Sheppard Field, Texas.—Chaplain Clifford H. Peace.

The wide-awake board of stewards of our Norwood church has finished raising our entire budget for the conference year one month before the annual conference. We are now ready to get busy on our Advocate campaign.—R. C. Stubbins.

Rev. Loy D. Thompson, pastor of First church, Lincolnton, is holding revival services this week in his church. Dr. H. G. Allen, pastor of Broad Street church, Statesville, is assisting the pastor in these services. It goes without saying that the Lincolnton people are hearing vigorous gospel sermons which they will enjoy and that will do them good.

The only correct way to address a chaplain in the service of the United States is "chaplain." He may have rank of captain, major or colonel, but he should not officially be addressed by any of these. He may off duty be called "reverend," "doctor," "rabbi" or "father" or "pastor," but none of these are official. As a military man "chaplain" is his only title.

The dedication service of Sandy Cross Methodist church, Nashville, N. C., will be held Sunday, September 27, at 8:30 p. m. Prof. H. E. Myers of Duke Divinity School, Durham, will deliver the sermon. Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent of Rocky Mount district, and Rev. Sidney Boone, pastor of Sandy Cross church, will also participate in the service.—Sidney Boone.

Dr. Murray T. Titus, principal of Lucknow Christian College, Lucknow, India, reports the largest enrollment in the school's history as entering for the new semester. "We have never had such a swarm of students before—more than last year," he says. "Many had to go away disappointed because there was no room for them. Nearly 850 are in the Intermediate College, and there are well onto 1500 in all units. In spite of developmens which you and the whole world has been reading about, our students are very quiet, and we feel we are doing our bit in helping to maintain student morale at this critical time. We hope and pray for the best as the strength and momentum of the united nations gather force."

Our fourth quarterly conference was held September 13. This was the first quarterly conference since I came to the Mill Spring charge as pastor. Rev. Frank Smathers preached a wonderful sermon. Our district superintendent said he had the largest crowd he has ever witnessed on the Mill Spring charge. It surely is a pleasure to work with these good people.—Carl W. Dennis.

Many friends will regret to learn that Rev. J. M. (Uncle Joe) Carraway is seriously ill. Uncle Joe is 92 years old. For more than half a century he has been a local preacher and supply pastor for a number of charges in the North Carolina conference. The family has asked that his many friends and acquaintances be notified so they may visit and remember him in their devotions.—Jerome Huneycutt, Pastor.

All former pastors and friends are invited to attend the home coming Sunday, October 4, at Old Fort Methodist church. Rev. B. Wilson of Lincolnton will preach at the morning service. Dinner will be served following the morning service. During the afternoon there will be quartette music, congregational singing, and talks from friends and visitors. The public is invited. Come, meet old friends, and enjoy the day with us.—Stacy Noblitt, Chm.

The two churches, Trinity and Mt. Carmel, expect to finish one of their best years. Trinity church has recently had a complete paint job, both interior and exterior, and will be able to pay its complete budget by the annual conference. Mt. Carmel has much to be thankful for, and paid up their entire budget by September 20. On that date they reported all budgets paid in full. Successful revivals and vacation Bible schools have been held at both churches; and the fall revival for Trinity will embrace the week of September 20 to 27. Rev. C. D. White will speak each evening at 7:30. More than 50 will be added on profession of faith by the two churches.—L. E. Mabry, Pastor.

Hon. Josephus Daniels, Sr., is just back from Lake Junaluska, where he and Mrs. Daniels spent the summer. He has resumed active participation in the work of Edenton Street Methodist church which he loved with a great devotion. He is a member of the board of stewards and attends every meeting when he is in the city. At our fourth quarterly conference this week, at which he was present, he was elected principal delegate to our annual conference which meets in Wilson in November. No man in our church has quite so many friends. Our membership has unbounded confidence in his integrity, honor and sterling manhood. The Methodist Orphanage is also another institution that Mr. Daniels loves with a deep devotion. The orphanage has no greater friend today.—John C. Glenn.

I wonder if our people fully appreciate the fine work that is being done in our Chatham Memorial Hospital in Elkin? I have just spent more than three weeks there and can truthfully say that I could not ask for better equipment in a hospital, more care or kindness on the part of the nurses or more scientific and efficient skill on the part of doctors. This hospital is fulfilling a great need in Western North Carolina. According to their records in 1941, 1860 persons were admitted as patients who spent 14,540 patient days in the hospital; 833 out patients made 3419 visits to the hospital during the year. Many of our people are not able to pay for hospital care. Our Methodist hospital never turns one away, no matter how poor. This charitable work is made possible by our Golden Cross offerings. This is real home missionary work worthy of our conference.—R. O. Brown.

Our victory quarterly conference is to be held at Cerro Gordo October 7. We are hoping to have all apportionments paid in full by that time. Our revival services are to be conducted in Cerro Gordo church October 4-7 with Rev. E. B. Fisher of Lumberton assisting the pastor. We are having a good year in this our fourth year on the Chadbourn charge. Thus far we have received 17 members by profession of faith, 11 by letter and one by restoration by church conference. We are hoping to have others to join before the year closes.—E. C. Maness.

Please put this P. S. to Brother Hayes' art gallery displayed in the Advocate last week. The Guilford charge has a brand new parsonage, and just as soon as the frost kills down the weeds we intend sending in a photo of it. If any question as to the truthfulness of this claim just send out the doubter to the airport, and when they reach the Friendship road turn to the right and the new parsonage stands opposite the church. The new parsonage is a monumental piece of work done by the Friendship and Hickory Grove churches looking to a fine rural two-point station. The oversight was no ill intention of our alert D. S. but purely our negligence, as we were to send in the picture and had not done it. This little squib will do to clear up the matter until I find time to sit down on the porch and have the picture made.—H. C. Byrum.

The Hamlet Methodists experienced a high hour of worship Sunday morning in a congregation that completely filled the large auditorium and its auxiliary seats. The service was in recognition of the large honor roll of 53 men and one woman who have gone from the membership into the country's armed forces, and in dedication of two handsome flags, the Christian flag and the National flag. Hamlet Boy Scouts formed the escort for the three objects. The honor roll was carried to the altar by Walter Powers, Jr., and Ted Huguelet, and the Christian flag was supported by Joe Maurice and James Poston, and the United States flag was supported by Tom Wicker and Charles LeGrand. Mr. Allen Powers, chairman of the official board read the names inscribed on the roll. The choir gave new meaning to the hymn, "Stand Up for Jesus," and Miss Virginia Terry sang the solo, "God of Our Fathers." An earnest and impressive litany of recognition and dedication was used. Rev. Jesse H. Lanning, pastor of the Hamlet Methodist church, in his sermon gave a brief review of the origin and history of the flags, emphasized the symbolism of the flags, and pointed out the imperative need of making the flags "our flags."—Secretary.

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES IN LEXINGTON

The North Carolina Council of Churches met in Lexington Wednesday, September 22, with Bishop Edward A. Pennick of Raleigh presiding. Ten denominations were represented and eighty sat down together at the fellowship luncheon. This was one of the features of the meeting and the most delightful hour of the day. It was a most representative group.

The most appropriate brief talks by Dr. J. C. Leonard of Lexington and Dr. W. R. Cullen of Wake Forest did much to foster both good fellowship and co-operative efforts of the churches. The chief address by President J. R. Cunningham of Davidson College stressed in a fine way the increased obligations resting upon the churches or the church, however we may think about it. He insisted that the church must quicken its pace and unite its forces and resources in this urgent day. Dr. C. C. Weaver presided at the luncheon.

Most of the officers were continued for another year and the Council planned to enlarge its work in the state. Under the guidance and inspiration of Ernest J. Arnold, executive secretary, the Council is extending its influence from year to year.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

Dr. and Mrs. Luther Gobbel entertained the members of the Greensboro College faculty last week on Tuesday evening at Gobbelgate, the Gobbels' home on Hobbs Road, Friendly Acres. The social affair was given especially honoring the new members of the faculty.

Guests were greeted at the door by Dr.and Mrs. Paul M. Ginnings and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Harrell, who introduced the visitors to the receiving line, composed of Dr. and Mrs. Gobbel; Dr. James Howell, professor of English, and Mrs. Howell; Mrs. Oliver Perry, associate professor of speech and dramatic art; Dr. Mary E. Humphreys, assistant professor of biology; Miss Helen Louise Roberts, instructor in home economics; Miss Mabel White, assistant to accountant in the business office; Miss Elizabeth Kellam, instructor in typing and shorthand; Miss Lora-Frances Davis, assistant librarian; and Miss Margaret Lois Peele, supervisor of the dispensary, nurse and instructor in hygiene and allied subjects.

Misses Margaret Skinner, Nell Webb, Lamar Spencer, and Ola Matlock, presidents of the four major organizations on the campus, the students' association, the Y. W. C. A., the athletic association, and the town students' association, respectively, helped in serving refreshments. Mr. Mark Hoffman, dean of music, and Mrs. Hoffman, said good-byes on the terrace.

The Y. W. C. A. of the college entertained the students at a party last Friday night at 8 o'clock in the Emerson society hall. All of the new students especially were welcomed. The theme was carried out in the form of a Gay Nineties review and all guests were dressed in costume of the period. Rebecca Powell of Mullins, S. C., and Virginia Potts of Mount Olive, co-chairman of the recreation committee of the Y. W. C. A., were in charge of arranging the party. They were assisted by the officers and members of the cabinet of the organization.

TO THE PREACHERS OF W. N. C. CONFERENCE

At the Statesville district check-up meeting last week it was voted to re-establish the "Conference Used Book Exchange." For many years it flourished, but was allowed to close for the reason that no one was responsible for its continuance. I was asked to report this action through the Advocate in order that a manager might be secured and that all preachers might know of it and have time to list their books.

The Exchange enables families of deceased ministers to dispose of their libraries (when so desired) to advantage; it provides many good books at low prices, and it offers an opportunity to dispose of volumes which one does not wish to re-read.

The simple plan is: Write name and price in each book; make two lists (one for the owner, the other for the manager); let prices include manager's commission which is 5c for each book priced under one dollar, 10c for each selling for one dollar or more; deliver to the counter the first day of conference and settle on the last day. The manager is not responsible for any books except those he sells; neither is he required to deliver or repack any unsold books.

Any preacher desiring to serve as manager this fall will please advise the undersigned. John W. Moore.

BLESSED EVENT AT BESSEMER

The old description of "feast of reason and flow of soul" was applicable to the banquet and annual meeting held by Rev. R. M. Laughlin and his congregation last Friday night at Bessemer. The feast of Brunswick stew was "tops." Charlie Bowles filled his bowl thrice, then filled the souls of the congregation that assembled to hear the former five-year pastor.

At the close of his address Bob Laughlin did some of the best exhorting that Zion has heard in many a day. He asked for an enlarged budget of $100 per week for next year, and he will get it.

According to the report of Brother Hinshaw, there is already $1200 in the bag for those new Sunday school rooms and the budget has been balanced every quarter. Congratulations to Bob Laughlin and a loyal congregation.

FROM HUDSON CHARGE

In addition to the two notes sent earlier in the year, permit me to give some details of the work done on the Hudson charge.

The second year of the present pastorate is closing very satisfactorily. All finances are expected to be in hand three weeks before conference. This part of the work has been made easy by the working of the unified budget plan introduced by my predecessor, Rev. O. L. Robinson.

We can't brag about revivals yet. Thirty-nine years in the active ministry has made this preacher a bit wary about announcing revivals until at least six months have gone by. But we have had four meetings that seemed to get the results desired. Brothers W. L. Harkey, D. A. Oakley and J. C. Cornett did the preaching at three points. These are tried and true men on whom you can always depend. The pastor did the preaching in the other meeting held. Another was scheduled but had to be postponed because of a threatened infantile paralysis epidemic. Brother Herman Nicholson, the talented young pastor at Whitnel, was to have been our help.

It is feared that reports on church school attendance will make a poor showing on account of a county-wide ban placed on the attendance of children under 15 years due to the polio situation. After four weeks the attendance is still prohibited. Of course this also affects adult attendance.

The outstanding accomplishment on the charge has to do with the building program. The doings of old Collier's along this line has already been recounted. In addition they have painted the interior of their building and laid drainage tile and concrete walks.

At the beginning of the conference year the Hudson congregation was worshipping in a totally inadequate one-room frame structure. Early in November a canvass was begun to raise funds for a new church building. By the middle of March the funds had been secured and the foundation for the new building was laid. On August 9, less than five months from the time the first brick was laid, we formally opened the completed building for the worship of God. It is needless to say there was great rejoicing. An interesting feature is that people of other denominations and of nearby communities are almost as proud as we are. It is almost universally agreed that we have one of the most beautiful churches in this section of North Carolina.

Mr. H. N. Haines, the Duke architect, drew the plans and the Duke Foundation trustees were most generous in help extended. The style is "English Chapel." The auditorium is the beauty spot. It has the beamed ceiling following the roof lines. All inside finish is in natural wood. The pews were installed by the Southern Desk Co. and the matching pulpit furnishings were made by a local cabinet maker. The pulpit is at the front and two large assembly rooms, with sliding doors, are available for additional seatings. In the educational section (three stories) there are 13 rooms, including kitchen and furnace rooms. A vestry is at the side of the pulpit. All modern conveniences have been installed. All this has been done, and we have a church that is estimated to be worth $20,000, with no embarassing debt. We will be ready to dedicate as soon as Bishop Purcell can get around to us.

The outstanding feature is that, without friction, fewer than 75 members of this small congregation have raised well over $10,000 in cash in less than ten months.

It is needless to say Brother J. S. Hiatt, district superintendent, has been deeply interested in this work.

Cuts will be furnished the Advocate when we come to dedicate. Notice has just been received that Brother James Burrus is to have a painting of this building, exterior and interior, on exhibit at conference. Robert E. Hunt.

NEWS NOTES FROM ROBBINSVILLE

This triples our quota for the Robbinsville charge. I regret that I do not have more subscriptions to send in at present; however, there will be more a little later on.

There hasn't been much in the Advocate about the Robbinsville church the two years we have been here, but that doesn't mean that we have been asleep up here in God's country. In the midst of hydro-electric power plants and building of dams we have been busy.

Our people, since our arrival here two years ago, have installed new church pews, made by the Southern Desk Co. of Hickory, at the cost of almost a thousand dollars; also remodeling the parsonage at cost of almost $500, with many improvements on present church property. At present plans are under way for more beautification of church property. and plans for dedication of our beautiful native stone church building which is debt free since our coming here.

Last year Robbinsville did the best on benevolences, W. S. and Children's Home in the history of the church. This year there has been an increase over last, with 33 1-3 per cent raise in pastor's salary, with an equivalent in other benevolences, Children's Home and World Service, etc. We wish to thank our district superintendent who with his fine spirit of enthusiasm and leadership has inspired our people to do things the way they ought to be done.

This year at the end of the first half we were way ahead on all conference pledges and at the end of the third quarter everything was paid in full with the entire percent for the Children's Home paid in full and over.

We have enjoyed our two years here with these good people to do things they way they ought to be done. serve them.

This year at the end of the first half we were way ahead made from our church, because of the fine spirit of our people. It will not be so large in figures but will be from a willing working group of people. H. D. Garmon.

W. O. GOODE'S LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT

Mount Holly, N. C., Aug. 18, 1942.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt,
The White House, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Mr. President:

On former occasions when I have written you, brief courteous acknowledgment has come to me from one of your secretaries. The previous letters have been commendations of your policies, or addresses before Congress, both before and since this war began. Many times I have said from pulpit and platform that you have and deserve the continued support of public opinion as no other President within my life time. As our great President and Commander-in-Chief of the army and navy, you have called upon all of us to give without stint or limit of our incomes and ourselves, in order that this war may be won as speedily as possible. Nothing less than that will win the war. Only enemies within the nation will make impossible such a victory. One of the greatest of these is alcohol.

This insidious enemy is everywhere. In forts, farms, factories, offices, social centers, mines, on land, sea and in the air, making inefficient and unsatisfactory our war effort at home and abroad. What humiliation came to America at Pearl Harbor! The treacherous Japanese and Germans knowing the attack was coming, dispensed liquor almost without money or price to many of our officers and men, so they might be as helpless as possible when those brutal yellow pagans should bomb our fleet and army posts there.

Mr. President, when the distinguished North Carolinian, the Hon. Josephus Daniels was Secretary of the Navy, and you were Assistant Secretary, whiskey was put out of the Navy. You recall how certain "economic royalists," owners of the whiskey business in America, fought against it. The subsidized press took up the fight saying, It cannot be done, it will not work. But it did work! With a sober Navy, not a soldier of the two million sent to Britain and France was lost at sea! And we won the war!

Therefore, may I most humbly and prayerfully make the following suggestion: That the Commander-in-Chief of all our armed forces request the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, the commanders of America's Air Forces everywhere in the world, to request all officers of every rank under them to refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages, in public or private places, for the duration of the war. Mr. President, naturally the vast majority of our soldiers, sailors and air personnel will govern themselves accordingly.

Of my family three sons are in the Army and Navy. With all sincerity I speak for all the fathers and mothers of America in the following prayer: "That those greedy, selfish whiskey barons may not be permitted to traffic in the blood of our sons."

Believe me, sir, with greatest respect and esteem,

Most sincerely and humbly yours,
Watson O. Goode.

FAIRMONT METHODIST CONGREGATION BUYS A NEW PARSONAGE

Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, has purchased for a parsonage the house at 407 Chamberland street. Cost of the house and furnishings was $6250. Present indebtedness is $4250, and will be retired by monthly payments over a period of years.

Fairmont church now owns a desirable building site on the corner of Horne street and Clark avenue, near State College. This lot cost $2500. In addition to the parsonage and the new church site, we have a building fund of $11,640.12 in cash and government bonds. Weekly donations are made to the new church fund, and we hope to be prepared financially to start the new church as soon as the war siuation will permit. Meanwhile we will continue to hold services in the auditorium of State College.

H. M. McLamb, Pastor.



Dr. A. C. Gibbs



Dr. L. B. Abernethy



Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, Pastor



Mitchell Chapel Church, Elkin District, Will Be Dedicated Sunday

The Mitchell Chapel Methodist church will be dedicated on Sunday, September 27, with morning and afternoon services. District Supt. A. C. Gibbs, Dr. L. B. Abernethy, Rev. Nelson Bumgarner, and Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, pastor will conduct the services.

Rev. A. C. Gibbs will preach the dedicatory sermon at the 11 o'clock hour. The afternoon sermon at 2:30, which is to be delivered by Dr. L. B. Abernethy, will be followed by the fourth quarterly conference of the Yadkinville charge.

Like thousands of other Methodist churches in America, Mitchell Chapel has developed from its original box-frame "meeting house" to one more adequate to modern church needs. Between 1865 and 1869 "some preachers from across the mountain" came to Brendle's Grave Yard, improvised an arbor of brush, and organized a Methodist Episcopal church. The organization was known as Brendle's Grave Yard until several years later when it was called Mitchell Chapel in honor of a minister by that name. It was in 1869 that John Casstevens donated land for the erection of the first of three houses of divine worship to be built on the present site. At a later date additional land was given by Dr. C. M. Holcomb and S. T. Hinshaw. Around the turn of the century the old box-frame building was replaced by a second and more commodious one, which was destroyed by fire in the latter part of 1924.

Under the able leadership of Rev. Nelson Bumgarner the present edifice was begun in January of 1925. On June 27 of that year the first formal worship was held in the unfinished building. All indebtedness on the church was paid in 1938, and specific arrangements were made for its dedication by the pastor, Rev. Y. D. Poole. Owing to an accident suffered by Bishop Wallace E. Brown, who had been invited to conduct the dedicatory service, formal dedication was postponed.

The building committee was composed of the following laymen: S. T. Hinshaw, chairman, Marvin P. Holcomb, secretary-treasurer, M. M. Casstevens, J. H. Pardue, and Nelson M. Casstevens.

THESE LOVES REMAIN

Out of the span of years these loves remain,
Still fresh and whole, like things that one might find
In cedar-scented attics during rain—
The constant ones, to whom the years are kind;
They are the first, the early, early loves—
Robins at dawn; and swallows when the sun
Is foundering gold; and meadow-larks and doves;
Song sparrows over fields; and brooks that run
Out of great woods to water pasture-lands;
The souls we cherish; the child's surety
That she and hers forever rest in Hands
That can sustain all things eternally!
I shall go on without a fear or sigh
If I may keep these loves until I die!

—Katharine Hayden Salter.

Youth at Oxford Look to the World of Tomorrow

By C. W. ROBBINS

From the moment the twelve hundred young people and their leaders, gathered at historic Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, September 1-5, for the first national convocation of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, raised their voices mightily in the opening hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory," also the hymn around which the entire program was built, through the impressive communion service which closed the youth meeting, one felt definitely that he was a part of a new and different world—a world in which the ideals of Jesus were not only talked about but practiced. Perhaps these words of an Oxford druggist tell the story: "Many conferences have come to Oxford, but this one is different." So it was, and so were all different who entered the spirit of this significant conference, which began Tuesday evening and closed Saturday noon.

The program from beginning to end was vital, practical, interesting. Though the atmosphere was always inspirational, uplifting and idealistic, yet one felt that it was real and definitely related to every day living. Bishop Paul B. Kern brought the keynote address on Tuesday evening. Other platform speakers were: Dr. Harold C. Metzner of Providence, Rhode Island, Dr. Albert C. Outler of Duke University, Dr. Walter Van Kirk of New York City, Rev. James S. Chubb of Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas, and Dr. Harold C. Case of Scranton, Penn. Dean W. J. Faulkner of Fisk University brought the morning devotional messages. All messages were profound, challenging and provoked wide discussion in the question period that followed each address.

The worship programs were unusually impressive. Departing from the regular forms, these services made use of drama, pageantry, and varied rituals, and an excellent choir under the direction of A. C. Voran of Centenary College.

Twenty-one commissions, covering a wide variety of subjects, and led by capable youth workers, were offered. The delegates spent two and a half hours each day studying together problems relating to the personal life, the church, the community, and to the whole world.

One of the most striking things about the convocation was its remarkable spirit of fraternity. There was the finest spirit of friendliness among all the delegates representing all the states and many foreign lands. One would never suspect that there had ever been a Civil War judged by the warm friendship among the youth from both sides of the Mason and Dixon line. Negro delegates lived exactly like their white brothers and sisters. One was not conscious of color lines at all. Young people from China, India, Peru, Mexico, Cuba, the Indian Reservation mingled together in complete fraternity. One incident that occurred during an evening service brings out clearly the fine spirit that prevailed among all the delegates when a white girl, observing that the negro girl sitting next to her was becoming chilled, spread her thin coat over the shoulders of her colored friend, keeping it there with consecrated, Christ-like arms until the end of the service. Perhaps the most significant moment came when a telegram was read from 500 Japanese Christian young people, interned in this country, bearing greetings to the young people attending the Oxford conference. This fine expression of love was reciprocated by a free will offering of nearly $500 which was sent to help provide for the spiritual and recreational needs of Japanese internees. Another fine demonstration of community achieved at Oxford is evidenced in the fact that both youth in the armed services and youth in the civilian public service camps spoke on the same program, both showing the highest respect for the conscientious convictions of the other.

Meeting at a time when an atmosphere of strain, hate, and discord prevails around the world, it was inevitable that the war should occupy a large place in the minds and hearts of the young people at Oxford. But they demonstrated quite clearly that they did not come to Oxford in the interest of war, but of peace. Though there was division of opinion and some confusion—their confusion is simply the expression of a confused church which ministers to these youth—there was one note sounded clearly and forthrightly—Methodist youth do not want their church to bless or participate in this war. The issues facing youth were brought out frankly and forcibly by Dr. Van Kirk in his remarkable address, "The World of Tomorrow." Dr. Van Kirk urged Christian youth to demand a voice in making the peace that follows this war. He challenged American Christian youth to offer themselves to go to war-torn countries after the war to engage in acts of mercy and reconstruction and to demonstrate by Christ-like living the spirit of Jesus. On Saturday morning, after lengthy debate, the following resolution was passed by an overwhelming majority: "We believe that it is the responsibility of the Christian church today to be the Christian church. By this we understand it to be the job of the church to preach, teach and exemplify love and not hate. We deplore any violation of any Methodist official agency of the spirit and intent of the General Conference action of 1940." This refers to the clause in the Discipline which declares that the church will not officially endorse, support or participate in war, that the agencies of the church shall not be used in preparation for war, but in the promulgation of peace. But the delegates did not forget their brothers in the armed services. They voted unanimously to send them a message of sympathy and prayer. They recognized that the church must provide a spiritual ministry for the boys in the service and called upon Methodist pastors to volunteer their services in whatever capacity they could serve as spiritual leaders.

Missions was given a prominent place at Oxford. The dramatic group presented a very thrilling and timely play, "The Voice Said Go." Missionaries from Japan, Korea, Malaya, the Philippines and other places spoke interestingly of the work they had been doing and of conditions in foreign lands. Young people from other lands spoke with remarkable understanding of conditions in their own and other lands.

Worthy projects for the new year were outlined, including a watch night service on December 21, a Good Friday fast, a youth devotional manual, and a budget of $6350 to promote the youth program.

Hospitable Miami University furnished a fine setting for the convocation. Its friendly president, Dr. A. H. Upham, and his able staff did a mighty fine job in providing comfortable quarters, excellent food and a wholesome atmosphere in which to work. A capable staff of young people and their leaders did a splendid job both in preparing a well rounded program and in carrying it out. Throughout the convocation one had the feeling that youth was speaking the mind of youth and not simply echoing the thoughts of their adult leaders, which, incidentally, is the highest tribute one can pay to youth leaders.

Someone perhaps has been asking the question, Why such a large, expensive meeting in these difficult days? Well, those who went to Oxford found the answer to that question. First, they discovered that youth found an answer to some of the questions that confront them in a world at war; secondly, they discovered that our greatest resource for these times is Christ; thirdly, they discovered that when youth speaks for Christ their voice will be heard around the world. And one has a feeling that Oxford will be heard around the world. But above everything else, they discovered that Christian youth speaks with an enthusiasm, a courage, and a faith that young and old alike need for these times. One cannot live with a thousand choice, honest,

forthright young people for a week without discovering that his faith in the future is profoundly strengthened.

North Carolina was represented at this meeitng by more than twenty young people and youth leaders, and among its youth delegation was the national president of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, Kempton Jones, who handled his job with dignity, understanding and fairness to all.

CHAPLAIN WATTS TELLS OF OUR STATE PRISON

Two young men walked into my office this morning. They were neatly dressed and were smiling. I immediately recognized them. They had served terms in this prison and were recently paroled.

Each one informed me that they had nice places to stay and good jobs. Each one said that they attended Sunday school and the church services each Sunday. One of them made this statement, and the other agreed thereto: "Before I was paroled I thought every one was against a convict. Now I know differently. Every one has been so good and kind to me I feel that I can't let them down. The people in my community have given me every encouragement and I am making good, and expect to do so in the future."

One of those boys was brought to this prison by the sheriff in chains. The other one has been a very bad boy in former years. Each of them received the inspiration to live a better life while in prison.

During the past two weeks I have interviewed 26 men who have been sent to prison from the courts. These conversations were interesting. Each of them stated that he believed in God, in heaven, and in hell. Each of them said there were times when they were bothered about the "life after death" as well as the present conditions.

Nineteen of them told me they did not know the Ten Commandments, and 11 of them did not know the Lord's Prayer. Each of them gave an intelligent reply when they were asked "Who is Jesus?" and 20 of them said "The Son of God," and the others replied "God."

Sixteen of them stated that their greatest weakness was "drinking" and 21 of them said that their parents were Christians. (Even though they were Christians I have an idea they did not instruct these boys, when they were boys, in Christian conduct. It is very evident that they did not have a family altar in the home).

Eleven of them said that they did not have any future plans. Two of them stated that they wanted to be Christian workers at this time and when they were released from prison. They probably have never had any plans for life. They have simply drifted wherever they could find employment or toward that which attracted them.

Fifteen of the 26 could not name any movie stars and 14 could not name any characters in the Bible. Those who did name movie stars indicated very clearly to me that they had been influenced in life by their favorite stars.

Twelve of them stated that no one had invited them to attend church in the past year, and 14 of them stated that during the past year some Christian person had taken an interest in them.

We are deeply grateful to the 600 persons in North Carolina who are holding services in our 85 prison units. They are reaching groups that need to be taught the Gospel of Christ. Through them Christ is being presented to those who do not know him.

We are indeed grateful to those who are seeking to lead persons to Christ before they have an experience in the court. There are many evil influences in the world. They are attracting persons; however, I feel that the influence of the church can be stronger, and that crime can be reduced as they are won to Christ.

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN AFRICA

A yearly scholarship for $1,000 has been established for a student in the College of West Africa, Monrovia, Liberia, by Dr. E. E. Wiley, pastor of the Trinity Methodist church, Bluefield, W. Va., in memory of his uncle and aunt, the late Rev. and Mrs. S. O. Wright, who followed Melville B. Cox as missionaries to Liberia in 1833. In making possible the scholarship Dr. Wiley wrote:

"I enclose a check for $1,000 which I hope may add something to the program in Africa, turn some boy or girl into a transforming leadership as well as pay tribute to a young missionary whose service turned out to be so tragically brief."

Melville B. Cox died after serving in Africa only 136 days and the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Wright occurred not long afterward.

SENATOR BAILEY'S REPLY

In reply to a poll of public opinion as to drafting young men under 20 for military duty, Senator Bailey said: "I shall not vote for the drafting of men under 20 until it shall have been made perfectly clear to me that the drafting of such men is necessary to the security of the American people."

Text of Bailey's reply:

"My information is that we can provide an army of more than 6,000,000 men without drafting men under 20, and also that we cannot possibly arm and equip and train 5,000,000 men within a year from this date. If this information is correct then the reply is academic. I would not favor the drafting of men under 20 years of age unless and until I shall have been persuaded that so grave an act is indispensable to the security of the American people. Probably in the next several months the data will be laid before us, and I shall be actuated by one single sole consideration, and is the necessities of the national life. Frankly I hope to be spared having to pass upon such a question, and I shall not vote for the drafting of men under 20 unless it shall have been made perfectly clear to me that the drafting of such men is necessary to the security of the American people.

"I know there are people who are calling on us to vote to draft men under 20, but most of those people do not have young sons. No one ought to ask for the drafting of the young men unless and until he himself is willing to offer up his life upon the altar of his country. And if he is not fit to be a soldier he should come forward and offer up his fortune—whether big or little—and even so, he would not have made the sacrifice imposed upon the young men."

NEWS FROM MORNING STAR

Here is news from Morning Star. For over fifty years the annual Old Folks' Day has been observed in this section. It has become an institution. It is a day in which the old people are feted and given special attention. It is a day in which they entertain the young with their experiences and with their singing. One of the big features of the day is the afternoon session when the old folks sing from the Old Christian Harmony. This old hymnal, because of the difference in the arrangement of the music, gives the young and inexperienced quite a bit to worry about. But apparently it was easy for the old. Brother J. B. Elliot of Rutherfordton, at 78, came all the way here just to get into a session with many others of the old school in this old time singing. Mr. Elliot, still young and straight, led the group in several of these numbers. The leader of the Old Christian Harmony for this section, and the man who has presided over many sessions is Brother Asbury Smathers. "Uncle Asbury," as we know him here, is doing much to teach the younger set this type of singing. So through the years to come this will be one of the rich experiences of the day.

As Brother M. T. Smathers so aptly put it, the second Sunday in September at Morning Star is not only "Old Folks' Day, it is the Lord's Day, too." For that reason the committee tries to bring an outstanding speaker for the morning session each year. This year Dr. M. T. Smathers came, in spite of these busy days preceding the annual conference. After Dr. Smathers had delivered his message, and the congregation had been dismissed for the dinner hour, one could hear on every hand, "This is the best sermon we have heard in many days," "It is the best we've had at Old Folks' Day in many years." We must not forget the old people. It has been proved here that they can still do many things that we of the younger generations don't know about.

G. W. Bumgarner.

FOR A PRAYER FRONT

By William T. Ellis

Strangely enough, the Prayer Front in this war has not yet been organized. Of course, people are praying—perhaps more than ever before. But a planned, church-wide, nation-wide prayer front has still to go into action.

True, there have been named occasional national days of prayer; and some countries, like Australia and South Africa, have appointed daily prayer periods, but Christendom as a whole has not yet acted.

The world is in a praying mood. The desperation of the conflict has driven people to their knees, because, as Abraham Lincoln once said, they have nowhere else to go. A soldier in the Philippines said, "There are no atheists in the fox-holes of Bataan."

Most persons need help in formulating prayers; therein lies the great field of usefulness of the church prayer books and of the many special books of prayer lately issued; and of the daily prayers in wartime published by many newspapers. All newspapers would do the same were readers so to request.

A prayer front calls for open churches on week-days; it would be a tragedy were prayer to be dissociated from worship in the house of God.

Daily prayer services, with petitions planned to assure coverage of all prominent interests, should be appointed for stated times. These should be held in churches, shops, hospitals, schools, offices and military and naval units. Noon is the most generally accepted hour, when all business and traffic should stop, and all people pause to pray.

For God waits to be entreated. He has promised to answer united prayer. In turning to him, we turn to victory for those principles which are implicit in his nature.

CHECK-UP MEETING AND RALLY OF THE GREENSBORO DISTRICT

A check-up meeting and rally of the Methodist ministers and laymen will be held at Centenary Methodist church, Greensboro, at 2:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, September 27, according to plans just completed by Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent, Rev. G. R. Combs, pastor of Centenary church, Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of College Place church, and Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, district lay leader.

Although open to all of the churches of Greensboro district, it is especially for the churches of Guilford county. A check-up on the year's work to be reported officially at the annual conference to be held in Charlotte in October will be one of the principal items of business to be considered. Another feature of the program will be an address by Bishop James Cannon, Jr., who will discuss the subject of temperance and morals, especially as they relate to territory surrounding the army camps in this country.

DEATH TAKES REV. J. W. LONG

Rev. J. W. Long, a retired member of the Western North Carolina conference, whose home was in Greensboro, died suddenly September 18 in a Morganton hospital. He had been in failing health for several years.

The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, September 20, in College Place church, of which his family were devoted and active members. These services were conducted by Drs. R. M. Courtney, pastor of the church, and L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district. A large company of friends gathered for the services, the flowers were bountiful and the service impressive.

Brother Long was a son of the late Rev. and Mrs. Miles H. Long. He joined the Western North Carolina conference in 1902 and was retired in 1922. He served pastorates at Dobson, Epworth, Concord, Spring Garden Street (now College Place, Greensboro) and Andrews, and for seven years he served as secretary of the North Carolina State Sunday School Association.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Mrs. Verne D. Walton, Mrs. Paul Scott, Mrs. R. C. Lewis and Miss Margaret Long, all of this city; three brothers, Julian L. Long of Yadkinville, Rev. M. M. Long of Ord, Neb., and John D. Long of Marshalltown, Iowa, and one sister, Mrs. Fred McAnulty of Manville, Wyo.

SERMONS THIS WEEK BY OUTSTANDING PREACHERS IN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, CHINA GROVE

In the First Methodist church of China Grove during this week there is a series of special preaching services in which five ministers are preaching for Rev. Wilson O. Weldon. The general theme, "Preaching the Fundamentals," is being used, and the following preachers are participating: Rev. H. Grady Hardin of Winston-Salem, Dr. Excelle Rozzelle of High Point, Rev. Courtney B. Ross of Misenheimer, Rev. C. W. Kirby of Spencer and Dr. Howard P. Powell of Charlotte.

Recently a Bible conference was conducted by the pastor in the China Grove church. The First Epistle of John was studied and considerable interest was manifested.

The fourth quarterly conference was conducted by Dr. C. N. Clark on September 13, at which time the local congregation gave expressions of appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Clark for their six years of service in the district. At this conference the congregation voted to ask for the return of Mr. Weldon for the fifth year. It was indicated that by conference the budget would be paid in full, which marks a considerable increase over that of four years ago. Minister's salary has been increased from $1800 to $2200; World Service payments have been increased from $300 to $550; the membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Service has been more than doubled, with proportionate increase in gifts for missions; many material improvements have been made, including an organ and chimes, carpet, kitchen with furnishings, heating system, new roof, with the complete payment of the parsonage debt being achieved. Two new circles, a young adult fellowship and a men's club have been organized; 190 members have been received, 100 of which were by profession of faith.

Everette M. Cushman is the elected lay delegate to annual conference.

The people of China Grove had made sacrifices and have achieved progress in the life of their church. They are planning to make even greater strides in the years ahead.

CHARLES BOWLES AND THOMAS LITTLE MASTER WORKMEN IN THE KINGDOM

Charles Bowles is the popular and effective pastor of the Wadesboro Methodist church, and Tom Little is one of the finest young laymen in North Carolina. These two make a great team at Wadesboro. They do whatever needs to be done in that church. The other day they turned their attention to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, which resulted in doubling their quota of new subscribers and every renewal paid up to date or in advance. Charles was in Greensboro last Saturday and reported that Tom Little deserves all the credit for this good work, and we presume that Tom would say that Charles deserves all the credit. The fact is that both of these young men are worthy of all praise. Woosley never ceases to

applaud the work that they do for the Children's Home and their local congregation will tell you that there are none to equal them.

Rev. Charles Bowles last week taught in a teachers' training school in Danville, Va., and preached last Sunday at the Main Street church and at one of the other leading churches—Mount Vernon if we mistake not.

Rev. J. L. Trollinger, pastor at Polkton, preached at Wadesboro in the absence of the pastor.

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Eleven clerical members of the Western North Carolina conference have died since the adjournment of the last conference that met in Winston-Salem. They are: Rev. J. L. Teague of Franklin, Rev. J. E. Abernethy of Rutherford College, Rev. E. N. Crowder of Rutherfordton, Rev. A. L. Rayle of Stanley, Rev. D. A. Bailey of Liberty, Rev. J. M. Wall of Walkertown, Rev. D. V. Howell of Charlotte, Rev. E. K. Whidden of Delwood, Rev. G. A. Stamper of Winston-Salem, Rev. R. L. Melton of Granite Quarry, and Rev. J. W. Long of Greensboro.

Eight deceased wives of ministers have passed from earth. They are Mrs. William L. Sherrill of Charlotte, Mrs. J. J. Edwards of Mount Ulla, Mrs. G. D. Herman of Asheville, Mrs. A. H. Whisner of Washington, Mrs. J. H. Trolinger of Coleridge, Mrs. I. L. Sharpe of Rural Hall, Mrs. G. W. Hardison of Black Mountain, and Mrs. R. S. Abernethy of Rutherford College.

REGULAR ROUTINE AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE

Chapel hour, a church social, and further launching of the year's athletic program marked the second week at Louisburg College. At chapel Friday Dr. Kent, pastor of the local Episcopal church, spoke to students and faculty on starting a spiritual second front here in America and the part the college student should play in it.

The members of the Methodist church, under the leadership of their pastor, Forrest D. Hedden, sponsored a party for the student body and faculty Friday evening at the church. The program consisted of songs, games and stunts and featured a personal touch by involving both students and faculty. After the program refreshments were served.

The Monogram Club, honorary division of men's athletics, recently elected officers: Clarke Stokes, president, Hertford, and Horton Corwin, Ahoskie, secretary-treasurer. Under the leadership of these two officers the club is going all out in assisting the director of physical education and intramural sports, Miss Marjorie Crisp of Grover. Miss Crisp's work as director of the entire program of intramural sports illustrates the nation-wide tendency to place women in positions formerly by men. Before coming to Louisburg in the fall of 1941 Miss Crisp was director of physical education for women at Boiling Springs College, now Gardner-Webb. Her effective work begun at Louisburg last year in the program of physical education for women is developing into a fittingly extended program the current year.

BROTHER MANESS GOES AFTER THEM AND GETS RESULTS

During the past two weeks I have taken some time and the opportunity to do some personal canvassing for the Advocate, and as a result I am mailing you a check for $22 for 11 new subscriptions. I may be able to get a few more before conference. My quota is 13 and I have sent you three, making a total of 14 for the Chadbourn charge, one above par. E. C. Maness.

AMONG THE DEVOTED METHODISTS IN ORANGE COUNTY

Last Sunday in company with Rev. A. J. Hobbs, district superintendent, we spent a full day among the devoted Mehodists of Orange county in attendance upon the quarterly conferences of Carrboro, Orange circuit, and Hillsboro, of which Reverends V. E. Queen, C. P. Morris and S. F. Nicks are pastors in the order named.

At Orange Chapel, three miles north of Chapel Hill, the Carrboro conference was held following the sermon of the morning by Superintendent Hobbs. Brother Queen, who is in fine favor with his people, made a most excellent report for the year. He had everything so well in hand that the session soon ended and all were assembled in that almost perfect hut for the luncheon. We have seen many church huts, but few so well and substantially constructed as that at Orange Chapel. They have a right to be proud of this most useful hut.

It was a delight to be once more with these good men and women in this substantial community. Devoted to their pastor and their church it is not surprising to see the fine way they support their church paper. Read the Advocate report of our young Brother Queen and be convinced.

Before 3 o'clock we were at Union Grove for the Orange circuit conference with Brother C. P. Morris in charge of the exercises of the afternoon. This circuit and people belonged to the former Methodist Protestant Church. So it was a special delight for this editor to preach for them and to come to know them and hear the fine reports made by Brother Morris. All benevolences were secured in the first half of the year and all other obligations are near the finish. They, too, are on a par with the Orange Chapel Methodists in supporting their church paper. The quota for the Advocate is to be secured before the annual conference.

Brother Hobbs cares for every detail and shows fine tact and much patience in presiding over his conferences. These former Methodist Protestants met every demand of the hour. They fit into the order of business of the united church as though they had known no other and were to the manner born. Well done is the showing of Chestnut Ridge, Efland, Hebron and Union Grove this present year. The work so well done this year should prepare them for a better year in the one to follow.

Night found us at Hillsboro for preaching and the third quarterly conference of the day. Brother S. F. Nicks, who has been pastor at Hillsboro once before, had reason to rejoice with his people in the near completion of the church school building and the general overhauling of the entire church. This is going to be a wonderful plant sufficient to meet every need. Some of the classes are already making use of the new rooms. All will be in use before a month.

A good report was made for every cause, but the new building overshadowed all else. Well it may. Brother Nicks is a marvel when it comes to constructing useful and permanent churches. This one will be ready for dedication before long.

This busy day spent on the three charges mentioned found them well to the front with fine reports on every line. If the other charges of the Durham district equal these, other districts will do well to watch their laurels.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Amidst the storm and stress
Of this distracted time,
There is a place of peace
And restfulness sublime—
It is the place of prayer:
The Lord of Peace is there!

—Frederick D. Leete.

A MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE SECRETARY CHILDREN'S WORK

Copies of the following letter, with materials for use in the children's organization, have been sent to 425 children's workers by Mrs. George Hoyle, conference secretary of this important department of our Woman's Society of Christian Service:

Dear Friends:

In addition to the current materials sent you, I want you to have this letter in appreciation of the splendid work done this year with our children and the fine response in reporting it.

There is no specific missionary units occurring during this quarter in either Group Graded or Closely Graded Lessons, but experiences connected with both, Thanksgiving and Christmas, lend themselves to missionary emphasis; and the observance of World Service Sunday each month offers further opportunities to help in various ways in the work which our Methodist Church is doing throughout the world. Reports of your activities will be of interest to me.

Latin America is to be our emphasis during 1942-1943. All materials and plans will be chiefly concerned with the countries of South America and the Caribbean Islands where the Methodist Church is at work. The countries of South America are: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Peru and Uraguay. The countries of the Caribbean Islands are: Cuba, Puerto Rico and Santo Domingo. These units are planned for January and May, and will be printed in "Child Guidance in Christian Living" for the months indicated. Additional resources on these topics will be found in past and future issues of World Outlook and The Methodist Woman. The October issue of Methodist Woman and the September issue of World Outlook will contain eight full page pictures showing the Methodist Church at work in South America. A wealth of interesting information can be found in the files of these magazines, which will be of valuable aid. The W. S. C. S. will also be studying "Latin American Missions," in which I hope you may be able to participate. Read carefully the leaflets sent you and begin now to plan for coming units, including some type of additional sessions. I shall expect your reports promptly the next two quarters, and look forward with interest to our studies the coming year.

Mrs. George A. Hoyle.

LETTER FROM MISSIONARY

We are in receipt of a much appreciated letter from Miss Louise Avett, one of our W. N. C. conference girls, who has been in China for a number of years doing a splendid work. Her letter under date of July 28, 1942, was written from Suining Sze, West China, where she has been located for some time. She says: "I am having a forced vacation in this village. It's nice, however, to have time to rest and answer letters. I get so few home letters now; have had only 20 American letters since last December 8. Our second young people's institute is just over. We had a good institute with 54 delegates (largely students from three schools). There were 12 full time and four part time leaders. We were fortunate to have Miss Amber Van leading, because she is so capable and has had experience in Y. P. institutes. Others adding to the institute programs were Bishop Chen, Dr. R. Y. Le and Dr. Chen (son of Rev. Marcus Chen). Bishop Chen's vesper services were popular, and lectures and decision night meant much to these young people. The four workshops—music, worship, publicity and recreation — furnished an opportunity to learn by doing. (Miss Avett was in charge of the recreation workshop).

One evening the delegates divided into witness bands and went out on the street, in the shops, and in a factory to witness. It was a rich experience for some. In prayer groups some learned and experienced prayer for the first time. The decision service was very meaningful. Three boys expressed a decision to become preachers; four girls pledged themsleves to become full-time Christian workers when they finish school. How we need them for we have only one Sze young preacher and no women workers! The last service on Sunday was a testimony service, followed by the Lord's Supper. It was beautiful to hear these young people express their faith in the Christian way of life and pledge themselves to follow Him. . . . We had our first (in years) Suining district conference July 2-6. It was a real privilege to have Bishop Chen. It was a treat for these district folks to get together for study, worship, play and fellowship. Bishop Chen spoke specifically to 34 girls who were taking their first steps as probationers in the Christian way of living. He baptized 15 girls, one young man and one teacher. I am looking forward to seeing friends in Chengtu and on the mountain this summer. We need each other in these trying days.

I wish I knew where our folks in Shanghai are now. Some say they will get on the boat to Portuguese Africa.

If any are interested in the quickest way for mail to China, insist on sending by Africa Clipper. The route changes but the price seems to be unchanged—70 cents. I wish I could write you individually, but postage at the rate of almost ten dollars a letter prevents that. Please consider this as your letter.

Louise Avett,
Suining, Sze.

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR AT CENTRAL CHURCH, ASHEVILLE

The second of the series of 11 educational seminars of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the districts in the conference was held at Central church, Asheville, Wednesday, September 16, with Miss Amy Hackney, district president, presiding. Due to the gas and tire situation, the attendance was not as large as that of last year, only 60 women, representing 20 churches in the district, being present. The theme of the meeting was "God's Highway" and Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, conference secretary of missionary education and service, asssisted by Mrs. S. M. Garren of Hendersonville, secretary of the same department in the Asheville district, was in charge of the program.

Mrs. Payne explained as the purpose of he Woman's Society of Christian Service to unite all Methodist women in the organization of 1,250,000 members—the largest group of Christian women in the world, in the great work which has been committed to them. "To bring this unity," she said, "education, through conferences and publications, is necessary."

Mrs. J. Dale Stentz of Waynesville, conference secretary of spiritual life, conducted the devotional, using as her topic, "Our Place and Plan on the Highway of Life," presenting her message in a most impressive manner, closing with an earnest plea for the raising of the "Emergency Fund" so needed in our woman's work at this time. Miss Marshlea Cottingham, newly appointed deaconess rural worker for our conference, was presented and spoke of the great importance of the work of the young women, and gave expression of her appreciation of Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn. our training school for missionaries and deaconesses, with its years of splendid and efficient service.

Study group meetings were held by the conference officers present, as follows: Christian social relations and local church activities, conducted by Mrs. J. S. Williams of Asheville; literature and publications, Mrs. Emile Alexander of Asheville; young women and girls, Mrs. Howard Kester of Black Mountain, assisted by Miss Cottingham of Madison, Fla., and missionary education and service, Mrs. Payne.

Latin-America being the current subject of study for the society, a skit on that region was presented during the day's program, with the following participants: Mrs. Clarence Bishop, Mrs. Roy Cagle, Mrs. Reuben Johnson, Mrs. Henry Nash, Mrs. Francis Neal and Mrs. Doyle Keller, all of Asheville.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth, Central church pastor, extended greetings to the representatives of the district churches in attendance, and voiced a plea for their support of the Asheville hospital for colored people which is now being presented to the people of Asheville through pulpits of the various churches.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

THINGS I LIKE ABOUT A CHURCH

The bells that call me unto praise.
The heaven-pointing spire.
Fresh flowers before the pulpit-stand.
The voices of the choir.

Communion Day—a starched white cloth
And cups of wine to sip;
Breaking of bread on bended knee
In Christian fellowship.

—Laura Dickson.

SYMPATHY TO MRS. LAWRENCE

Following a long illness, Mr. Dan C. Lawrence of Sanford, husband of Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Fayetteville district secretary, passed away at Lee County Hospital in Sanford on September 16. Our hearts go out in loving, deep and sincere sympathy to Mrs. Lawrence in her hours of grief. May God's richest blessings of inward calm and peace be hers.

COLONIES OF THE KINGDOM

At the first assembly of the Woman's Division of Christian Service held at Columbus, Ohio, last May, a challenge "that each Society of Christian Service venture to become a vital colony of the kingdom of God bearing the marks of Christ and demonstrating to the world in this religious crisis a group fellowship wholly committed to Him" was set forth. This challenge is an appeal that society fellowships, from the smallest to the largest, place their emphasis upon the QUALITY of individuals and collective giving. The assembly suggested ways of accomplishing the purpose of this challenge: "The commitment of personal life, the discipline and the stewardship of life, and friendship over lines." In the August 1942 issue of The Methodist Woman a story entitled "Colonies of the Kingdom" and a program for a retreat are published. The observance of a retreat is a most appropriate and appealing way in which to give spiritual emphasis upon the acceptance of the challenge to become "Colonies of the Kingdom." Every W. S. C. S. is urged to hold a retreat either some time in September or soon thereafter. What a spiritual awakening would be felt if the members of every society in Methodism should accept this challenge!

A PLEASURE AND PRIVILEGE

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, writes of her impressions of the school of missions and missionary conference at Lake Junaluska on July 27-August 4: "It was a great pleasure and privilege to attend the school of missions at Lake Junaluska, sharing with hundreds of others the splendid sermons by bishops, talks by missionaries and leaders in homelands, and courses of study and forums conducted for the studious and ambitious during the eight days. I took for study 'On This Foundation,' the book chosen for fall study. It was written by Dr. Stanley Rycroft, who was present to assist with the teaching and who has a striking personality. Dr. Hugh G. Stunts, vice president of Scarritt College, taught one class and I was one of 45 or more studying it. He has lived more than 20 years in Latin America, and his teaching brought us first hand many brilliant word pictures of the marvelous lands and peoples in Latin America, their struggles, their ambitions, their abilities are matters of a keen knowledge by Dr, Stuntz, and he made the book as vital and interesting as a study of our own land could be. I am eager for us to launch our fall study, in order that we may learn to know our good neighbors, that we may see our opportunities and responsibilities toward them, and that we may determine anew to share with their teeming millions our Christ, instead of the religion of ignorance, superstition and ritual that has been their chief hindrance the past 400 years. As the study before us I am sure we shall see as never before the privilege it should be to us to exert every effort to bring all of Latin America to Jesus Christ. Let us make that our goal. The forum on Wesleyan Service Guild, led by Miss McDonald, was most interesting and helpful. We have far to go to achieve the goals that are ours in this new field."

CONCERNING LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

All money given for life memberships in the W. C. S. C. is channeled through the regular mediums for the cause of missions; therefore, in donations of life memberships a twofold purpose is accomplished, namely, giving recognition and honor where they are merited and making gifts to missions over and above the pledges. It has been announced by the Woman's Division of Christian Service that life membership gifts may be credited to the Emergency Fund if they are sent to the conference treasurer with that designation. All Emergency Fund gifts, however, are over and above pledges to the budgets of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES

Educational conferences were held in Wilmington district on September 9, 10, 11 in Whiteville, Wilmington and Clinton. At each of these meetings Mrs. B. F. Boone of Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education and service, led the study hour, presenting plans, methods and materials for the fall mission study on "Missions in Latin America." Assisting Mrs. Boone were: Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Whitakers, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, who spoke on missionary education as it relates to C. S. R.; Mrs. D. L. Fouts of Jonesboro, conference secretary young women and girls' work, who discussed missionary education as it relates to Methodist youth, and Miss Mary Gardner of Raleigh, conference secretary publicity and publications, who talked on missionary education as it relates to literature and publications. At Whiteville Rev. J. C. Chaffin, pastor, led the opening devotional. Mrs. Boone spoke on the purpose of the W. S. C. S.; Mrs. E. G. Floyd of Fairmont gave her impressions of a seminar on C. S. R., which she attended during the school of missions at Lake Junaluska; Rev. A. S. Parker, Wilmington district superintendent, and Rev. E. C. Maness offered prayers. At Fifth Avenue church, Wilmington, Miss Mary Nichols led the opening worship; Mrs. O. E. Durant rendered a solo; Mrs. J. M. Lander, former missionary to Brazil, spoke of some of her experiences in that country; Mrs. W. C. Davis talked on spiritual life groups, and Mrs. M. H. Shepherd explained the Emergency Fund; Rev. C. D. Barclift led a noon day prayer for peace and Mrs. C. D. Barclift offered the closing prayer. All of these folk reside in Wilmington. The meeting at Clinton was opened with worship led by Rev. J. R. Edwards, pastor of the hostess church; Miss Irene Rich of Clinton sang "Peace I Leave with You"; Mrs. J. M. Jerome, Rosehill, discussed findings of the seminar on C. S. R. at Lake Junaluska, and prayers were led by Rev. C. T. Rogers, Rev. N. P. Edens and Mrs. N. P. Edens. Mrs. Edens, Wilmington district secretary, was present at each of the three conferences and presided at brief business sessions.

A GOOD BEGINNING

Taking the long view into the needs and opportunities for service in their own city and surrounding areas, the Methodist ministers of Wilmington are organized into a city church extension society. Into Wilmington have migrated thousands of defense workers with their families who are living in the approximately 1500 housing units which have been built by the city of Wilmington and located at least three miles from the churches. The City Extension Society, headed by Rev. A. S. Parker, district superintendent, has secured the services of Miss Mary Nichols, a native of Roxboro and an ordained deaconess, who is seeking to give these migrant folk cultivation and inspiration. Miss Nichols began her work on September 1 and has already in company with Rev. Mr. Parker visited the areas where she will minister. She plans the organization of church groups and is working toward the goal of reaching as many groups as possible. It is a tremendous field of service into which Miss Nichols has come and the women of the North Carolina Conference W. S. C. S. should be much in prayer for the success of her undertakings in the Master's name. Miss Nichols' address is 18 N. Washington Street, Wilmington, N. C.

LET US PRAY

For the churches on the mission filed bereft of the help and guidance that have been theirs in the past. O God, be their guide and helper and grant them grace and wisdom to maintain their work. Amen.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W. N. C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

PASTOR AND PEOPLE

Our grateful thanks are extended to all those friends of ours who during these days are putting forth an earnest effort at raising funds for the needs of our family. Many pastors are telling their people about the Children's Home family and how their people can share with them. Many people are sharing with our boys and girls. Such actions on the part of our friends cause us to live in a spirit of hopefulness. This process of sharing is proving a benediction to the contributors as well as to those who receive the benefit of the contributions. These eventful days prior to the meeting of our annual conference will determine to a large extent what our Methodist people wart to do wih their Methodist Children's Home.

BARKING FOR IT

This scribe has never owned a dog. When he was a boy and wanted one our family was so large and our income so small that we did not have enough food to spare for a dog. In later life attention and affection have been spent on human beings rather than on an animal. As a boy, when the desire for a pet dog was more manifest, I remember frequently visiting a boy friend who had a dog. This boy never fed his dog but that he made him stand up on his hind legs and bark for it. In the run of life this scribe has seen a lot of needed help delayed until some barking was done. We have also seen a lot of help come before barking was necessary. There are many friends of the Children's Home who are willing to share with it before we get in debt and have to bark to get out.

DOERS OF THE WORD

Our honor roll is increasing every week. The bell is ringing more frequently. An increasing number of our congregations are completing their payments on their basal Children's Home apportionment. Look at the honor roll for this week and join us in grateful thanks to the listed congregations and pastors:

First Street, Albemarle, Rev. G. N. Dulin.

Bess Chapel, Cherryville Ct., Rev. J. E. B. Houser.

Green Mountain, Norwood circuit, Rev. W. B. A. Culp.

Flag Springs, Why Not circuit.

Dallas, Dallas circuit, Rev. J. G. Wilkinson.

Providence, Granite Quarry circuit, Rev. C. G. Isley.

Central, Mooresville, Rev. J. W. Moore.

Thrift, Thrift-Moores, Rev. J. E. Rink.

Lebanon, High Point, Rev. O. L. Easter.

St. Paul, Greensboro, Rev. B. A. Sisk.

Wesleyanna, Webster circuit, Rev. B. C. Moss.

West Bend, Richland circuit, Rev. J. A. Howell.

Cullowhee, Rev. McM. S. Richey.

Greers Chapel, Rev. Atlas Ridge.

West Market Street, Greensboro, Dr. J. B. Craven.

China Grove, Rev. W. O. Weldon.

Elm Grove, West Forsyth circuit, Rev. A. Burgess.

Friendship, Shiloh circuit, Rev. T. G. Madison.

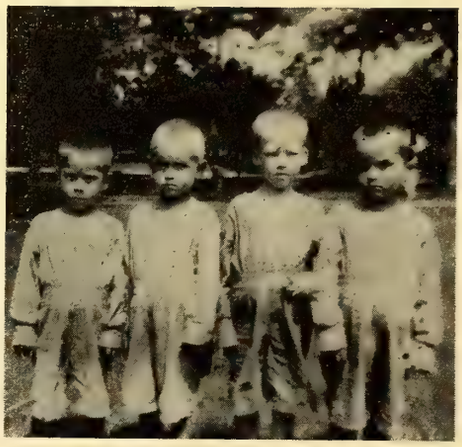
Selica, Rosman circuit, Rev. J. R. Bowman.

Highland circuit, Rev. J. S. Higgins.

Pine Hill, South Davidson circuit, Rev. J. C. Gentry.

Trinity, Mt. Carmel, Lexington, Rev. L. E. Mabrey.

Benton Heights, North Monroe circuit, Rev. E. D. Ballard.



They Were Here Long Ago

"AS LONG AS I LIVE"

"I am Mrs. Fannie Page Luck, one of the first workers in the Methodist Protestant Children's Home when it was begun at Denton and was with the family when they moved to High Point, where I stayed for some time after moving there. I am 74 years old and aim to continue doing my little bit for the Home as long as I live. I know something about the good the Children's Home has done and is still doing for orphan children. I have read with much interest your interesting reports every week in the Advocate. I like to know what the children are doing. You can make the bell ring for Flag Springs on the Why Not circuit."

THE FEW FOR THE MANY

Every time I am reminded of that wonderful statement by Premier Winston Churchill, "when did so few do so much for so many?" I try to evaluate what is going on in the hearts and minds of those wonderful aeronauts who are winning the war for us. It takes a lot of soul stuff to board a plane for a long night mission knowing that many dangers are involved. But the few still carry on for the army. One of our boys, a manly youngster, wholeheartedly engaged in boys' work in a Y. M. C. A., came in one day last week and said, "Pop, I'll soon be in the army. I want to make a good soldier. There's one good thing about going. I have no family to be crying about it. All I have to think about is what I want to do when I get in there." And Bob went away smiling. But there was one left who breathed a prayer for the continued bravery of a stalwart young man who is willing to die, if need be, that others may ilve.

SO DIFFERENT NOW

The picture this week is that of four little boys who lived at the Children's Home during its beginning years. They lived in wooden barracks, there being no substantial brick buildings here then, and their clothing appears to be about as crude as other surroundings connected with their living. These boys have grown up to be young men and are doing well. Two of them have families of their own. If we were to put four of our present day little youngsters beside these appearing in the picture the contrast of bettered conditions of child life in our Home would be more manifest. Orphanage life is not what it used to be at the Children's Home.

GEORGE AND JOE

Rev. Joe S. Hiatt never writes uninterestingly. On a postcard showing a beautiful road scene he makes the following observation with reference to his and Brother George Ivey's coming to the approaching meeting of the board of trustees: "George and Joe, coming with candy, a football for Rufus and bouncing balls for the little folks, are headed towards the Children's Home and should arrive in time for the trustees meeting September 24, 1942. This is to pave the way for the lunch hour."

HE HAS IT NOW

When Rev. A. C. Waggoner was a little boy he lived across the road from the Methodist parsonage at Walkertown. While on a visit to my father and mother I was talking to the lad one day and he confided that on that particular hot summer he needed "urgency" in order to get his work done. The lad is now a successful minister and seems to have plenty of energy. Things happen where he performs. He and his North Wilkesboro congregations are getting along mighty well together this year. Their recent fifth Sunday offering amounted to $150. This is one of the many features of the get-up-and-go spirit attendant to this year's work.

MONDAY MORNING TONIC

It seems that more annoying things can happen on Monday morning than any other time, unless it be Saturday afternoon. In the midst of this Monday morning's challenges the mail brought this tonic from Mr. and Mrs. Jesse W. Brown of Statesville: "This morning we are thinking of the Children's Home and the God-chosen parents for the Home. Our prayer is that God will give you good health and courage for years to come. When we think of the Children's Home a thrill runs

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

CHIN UP—These are times that try souls of men. The acid test is being applied as never before. If we courageously keep our chins up we shall emerge victoriously, both as individuals and as a nation. Trouble either makes or breaks people. In the final analysis of things, the success or failure of an individual depends on the efforts of the individual. By looking unto the hills from whence comes our help we will be victorious and will make a glowing success of our lives.

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A TIMELY SUGGESTION — The Methodist Orphanage is profoundly grateful to friends who have remembered us in their wills. Most of our buildings are memorials to loved ones. I wish that all future legacies might be left to the Orphanage without any conditions. Our board of trustees is composed of 24 outstanding men and women who would use all legacies where the need is greatest. As I see the situation, we do not need any more buildings for some time to come. We do need to improve and make some changes in a number of the buildings that are already here. I want to say to our friends that the Orphanage needs a large endowment, so that the income would help to meet our heavy operating expenses. All legacies are gladly received, and I hope in the future that our friends will leave the disposition of legacies to the good judgment of our board of trustees.

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MAGNANIMOUS — The new financial plan for the Methodist Orphanage that was adopted by the last annual conference reduced apportionment on quite a large number of the charges over what it was the preceding conference year. During the present year our living expenses have increased from 15 to 17 per cent over the previous year. This increased cost of operating the Orphanage was not foreseen when the new financial plan for the Orphanage was adopted. In view of this fact I feel confident that the pastors and charges that have been asked to pay less this year than last year will be glad to help us meet the emergency that has arisen by reason of the high cost of living. I have a feeling that all charges in the conference will be willing and glad to pay as much for the maintenance of the Orphanage this year as they did last year. I want to thank in advance all the pastors and charges for coming to our relief in this emergency.

Dear Friends:

For the past seven years I have lived at the Methodist Orphanage and I appreciate it very much. I am very grateful for everything that you have done to make these seven years such happy ones. As I go out into life I shall always think of you as my friends and I shall be friendly, too.

From the very first day that I saw Mr. Barnes, when he came to visit us before we came up here, I have loved him as my dear father. Hs is a real "pal" to everyone he meets, and I know his 300 children could have no sweeter father. I am very grateful to his staff of helpers for helping to make my life a happy and useful one. It has been a pleasure to do for them whatever I could and I will long remember them.

To the missionary society of Mount Olive I wish to express my sincere thanks. I have enjoyed more than anything else the box of nice clothes those Christian ladies sent me each season of the year, and I hope some day to return their kindness or help clothe some child of this home.

Again to all the friends of the North Carolina conference I wish to express my sincere thanks for all you have done for me, and I sincerely hope that in these trying times you can continue your marvelous work.

Lynn Harris.

MOTHERS OF THE BIBLE

By Daisy B. Miner

Can you name these mothers of the Bible without turning to the references where they are to be found?

What mother left her child to the Lord? (I Samuel 1).

What mother's son became next to a king of a foreign nation? (Genesis 30:14-41).

Of whom did God say: "She shall be a mother of nations"? (Genesis 17:16).

What mother saved her sons by selling oil? (2 Kings 4:1-7).

What mother caused the beheading of John the Baptist? (Mark 6:24).

Whose wife's mother lay sick with a fever? (Mark 1:30).

To whose mother did the beloved disciple give a home and care for as his mother? (John 19:26).

Who was the mother of the wisest man mentioned in the Old Testament? (I Kings 1:11).

Who was called the mother of all living? (Genesis 3:20).

What mother's cruse of oil failed not? (I Kings 17:8-15).

What mother put her child in an ark of bulrushes? (Exodus 2).

Who was the mother of the first twins mentioned in the Bible? (Genesis 25:24-26).

What man lost his power of speech before his wife became a mother? (Luke 1).

Whose mother was at the marriage feast and saw Jesus perform his first miracle? (John 2).

Whose mother-in-law was much loved and who was the mother-in-law? (You will find the answer in the book of Ruth?).

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK

Miss Myrtle Davis and Brother Jenkins have recently rendered a fine service to their young people through a well planned youth activities week. With A. J. Koonce, Sam Moss, Miss Mary Washburn, Rev. O. L. Brown and brother Strickland as speakers, the services were well attended and fine results were achieved at the very beginning of the church school year.

Central, Monroe

Under the leadership of Brother Faulkner and the pastor, Central, Monroe, continues its full program of activities for its own constituency and for many of the soldiers at Camp Sutton. Brother Armbrust writes that a full program has been carried out and that plans are under way for Christian education week.

Church School Rally Week

As a part of numerous activities involved in closing the year, many churches are observing Church School Rally Day. All reports should reach Mr. Dunham as soon as possible, and not later than October 10, in order to be included in the summary for this conference year. The following additional churches had remitted their offering up to September 15:

Bethel (New Hope-Bethel)	$4.60
Long Pine (New Hope-Bethel)	1.55
New Hope	2.25
Moore's (Thrift-Moore's)	8.26
Harmony, Concord	2.30
East Spencer	2.62
Grace Chapel	2.42
Rhodhiss	1.72
Hudson Charge	3.00
May's Chapel	2.00
Centenary (Mooresville Ct.)	3.32
Triplett (Mooresville Ct.)	3.32
Union Grove Charge	3.00
First, Canton	2.00
Pilot Mountain Church	1.50

THE CONFERENCE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Officers for 1942-1943

New officers for the Conference Young Adult Fellowship were selected this summer at Camp Carlyle as follows: President, Miss Marian Craig, Wadesboro; vice president, Carroll Warren, Canton; secretary, Miss Hulda Whiteley, High Point; treasurer, Raymond Clawson, Rt. 1, Kannapolis; dean, Rev. Charles P. Bowles, Wadesboro; study and worship, Miss Ola Stafford, Rt. 3, Liberty; social and recreational life, Zeb Barnhardt, 709 Summit St., Winston-Salem; evangelism and church loyalty, Miss Tressie Mae Cashion, Dallas; social action and World Service, Mrs. Rank J. Shuford, 75 Mitchell Ave., Asheville. The conference-wide young adult camp had an excellent program and a fine increase in attendance over the attendance last year.

Election and Installation of Officers and Teachers

Now is the time to select and install all new church school workers, including leaders for the Youth Fellowship and the Young Adult Fellowship. The new church school year begins with the first Sunday in October.

Fourth Quarterly Conference Reports

In case the form prepared for use at the fourth quarterly conference has been misplaced, extra copies may be secured from the district superintendent or the conference office in Salisbury. Copies have been received from the following persons during the past week: Irving R. Miller, H. R. Cornelius, J. L. Trollinger, W. C. Eastridge, Sulon G. Ferree, E. W. Needham, Otho J. Jones, Thomas P. Higgins, Carl W. Dennis, F. C. Smathers, W. G. McFarland, Wilson O. Weldon, R. L. Forbis, C. F. Tate, Elzie Myers, D. T. Huss, F. H. Price, R. H. Kennington, M. W. Heckard, C. E. Williams, C. O. Kennerly, Harold Robinson.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Each mail brings another record of a vacation school. More than 400 such schools have been held and all indications are the conference record will equal or surpass the number held last year. An effort will be made to acknowledge all schools in the Advocate between now and conference. Some of the schools reported in recent weeks are as follows:

Asheville District

Bethesda (Swannanoa), Mrs. H. C. Miller.
W. Asheville, Mrs. John E. Jones.
Asbury Memorial, Ralph H. Taylor.
Haywood Street, Rose Swofford.
Borings Chapel (Bald Creek), Maphra Byrd.
East Flat Rock, C. M. Boggs.
Edneyville, C. M. Boggs.
Moore's Grove, C. M. Boggs.
Upward-Dana, C. M. Boggs.
Bell (Leicester-Bell), M. R. Shives.

Charlotte District

Myers Park, Sherrill Biggers.
Olivet (Lilesville), H. R. Cornelius.
Wade (Lilesville), H. R. Cornelius.
Lilesville, H. R. Cornelius.
Big Spring, Mrs. Howard Ulsh.
First, Charlotte, Helen Gage.
Hickory Grove, Mrs. R. L. Young.
Pleasant Grove, C. F. Womble.
North Monroe, Charles E. Shannon.
Bethel (New Hope-Bethel), T. G. Highfill.
Long Pine (New Hope-Bethel), T. G. Highfill.
New Hope (New Hope-Bethel), T. G. Highfill.
Moore's Chapel, Jomes E. Rink.
Thrift, James E. Rink.
Wadesboro, Mrs. L. G. Atkinson.

Elkin District

Mocks (Advance), P. L. Smith.
Fulton, (Advance), P. L. Smith.
Dulin (Mocksville Ct.), F. A. Wright.
Longtown (Jonesville), G. C. Graham.
Jonesville (Jonesville), G. C. Graham.
Ronda (Joensville), G. C. Graham.
Ebenezer (Jonesville), G. C. Graham.
Maple Springs (Jonesville), G. C. Graham.
Roaring River (Jonesville), G. C. Graham.
Grassy Creek (Jonesville), G. C. Graham.
Orion-Jefferson, Hugh D. Jessup.
Chestnut Grove (Mocksville Ct.), F. A. Wright.
Union Chapel (Mocksville C.), F. A. Wright.
Friendship (Millers Creek), Albert W. Wellons.
Carter's Chapel (Arara), George Needham.
Chestnut Grove (Ararat), George Needham.
Hatcher's Chapel (Ararat), George Needham.
Hunter's Chapel (Ararat), George Needham.
Maple Grove (Ararat), Geo. Needham.
Sutherland and Peak Grove (Creston), J. R. Short.
East Bend, C. Maness Mitchell.
New Home (East Bend), C. Maness Mitchell.
Union Hill (East Bend), C. Maness Mitchell.
Green Valley (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Martin's Chapel (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Mountain View (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Pleasant Hill (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Rock Creek (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Roundabout (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Synder's Chapel (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Thomas Chapel (Green Valley), W. C. Eastridge.
Arbor Grove (Millers Creek), N. G. Preston, Jr.
Millers Creek (Millers Creek), J. L. A. Bumgarner.
N. Wilkesboro, Beatrice Pearson.
Cox's Chapel (Sparta), Joe B. Cox.
West Jefferson, Hoyt Wood.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

(Continued from page 16)

through our souls. My husband and I love the Children's Home and appreciate beyond expression the good care its children get. The enclosed check is forwarded with the third stanza of hymn 694:

'To clothe the naked, lead the blind,
Give to the weary rest;
For sorrow's children comfort find,
And help for all distressed.' "

The chains of habit are too weak to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.—Samuel Johnson.

The use of money is all the advantage there is in having money.—Benjamin Franklin.

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METHODIST YOUTH FUND

We are publishing this week the list of churches contributing from January 1 through July 31 to the Methodist Youth Fund. The amounts listed are the actual amounts sent to the Conference Youth Fund treasurer, and this means that a like amount has been sent to the treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We think this is a fine beginning for this new project since the first pledges were made in January of this year.

Pledges are now being made for the year which runs from August 1, 1942, to August 1, 1943. More than $100 has already been paid on the new year's pledge and the list of these payments will be given on our page next week. We trust that many other youth groups will send in their pledge cards in a short while and will begin making payments on the pledge. Additional pledge cards may be secured from Miss Elizabeth Myers, Conference Youth Fund Treasurer, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N. C.

Durham District

Burlington, Webb Ave-Fountain Place, Webb Ave.	$ 4.50
Burlington Ct., Camp Springs	5.00
Carrboro, Carrboro	3.25
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove	7:15
Durham, Carr Memorial	7.50
Branson Memorial	10.00
Duke Memorial	8.00
Trinity	29.60
West Durham	12.50
Graham, Graham	2.50
Haw River	1.00
Mebane, First Church	3.00
Person Ct., Concord	5.00
Oak Grove	1.25
Roxboro, Long Memorial	7.50
Swepsonville, Swepsonville	5.00
Yanceyville, Bethel	2.50
Prospect	1.00
Total	116.25

Elizabeth City District

Chowan, Anderson	2.50
Gatesville, Zion	3.00
Hertford, Hertford	10.55
Manteo, Mt. Olivet	2.50
Mattamuskeet, Watson's Chapel	1.63
North Gates, Parkers	10.50
Total	30.68

Fayetteville District

Aberdeen-Vass, Page Memorial (Senior)	3.00
(Int.)	1.50
Carthage	5.00
Fayetteville Ct., Camp Ground	12.00
Jonesboro	7.50
Laurinburg	4.00
Mt. Gilead, Mt. Gilead	2.50
Red Springs, Trinity	5.15
Rockingham Ct., W. Rockinghom	3.00
Sanford, Steele St. (Senior Y. P.)	18.66
Route 4, Fayetteville	6.00
Total	68.31

New Bern District

Atlantic, Atlantic	1.26
Fremont, Black Crek	2.50
Goldsboro, St. Paul	12.75
Goldsboro Ct., Salem	2.00
Pine Forest	2.00
Grimesland, Wharton	5 00
Hookerton, Hookerton	2.10
Rainbow	5.00
Kinston, Queen St. (Int.)	3.75
Mt. Olive Ct., Providence	1.20
New Bern, Centenary	4.73
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel	.75
Total	43.04

Raleigh District

Cary-Apex, Apex	.30
Dunn, Black Chapel	5.00
Divine Street	8.00
Erwin	1.50
Franklinton	3.00
Garner	3.00
Henderson, First Church (Y. P.)	7.50
(Int.)	7.50
Millbrook, Wake Forest	2.50
Newton Grove, Newton Grove	2.00
Raleigh, Edenton St.	30.45
Fairmont	15.00
Person Street	25.00
Tar River, Plank Chapel	7.50
Vance, Harris Chapel	6.00
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell	1.00
Total	125.75

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Bethany	3.00
Conway	2.80
Zion	8.00
Elm City, Mt. Zion	6.50
Farmville	2.50
Halifax, Smith	5.00
W. Halifax, Hollister	1.50
Littleton, Tabor	2.50
Norlina, Zion	2.00
Rocky Mount, First Church	18.25
Scotland Neck, Hobgood	2.40
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	7.50
Seaboard	2.50
Tarboro, St. James	5.00
Whitakers, Battleboro	1.50
McTyrie	1.50
Whitakers	1.50
Total	73.95

Wilmington District

Burgaw, Rocky Point	.75
Fairmont, Trinity	3.00
Faison-Kenansville, Faison	1.25
Garland, Antioch	2.51
Garland	2.50
Epworth	1.00
Lumberton, Chestnut St.	5.00
Rowland	5.00
St. Pauls, Barkers	1.12
Scott's Hill, Seagate	9.00
Town Creek, Bethel	1.50
Whiteville, Whiteville	2.75
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue	10.00
Trinity	15.55
Total	60.93

Summary

Durham	116.25
Elizabeth City	30.68
Fayetteville	68.31
New Bern	43.04
Raleigh	125.75
Rocky Mount	73.95
Wilmington	60.93
Total	518.91

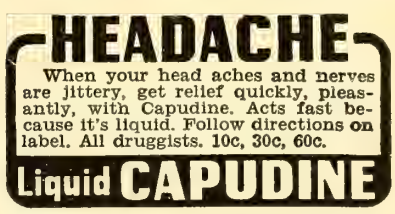
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In her biography of her husband, "Uncle Clem's Boy," Mrs. Will Rogers writes often of horses. No true biographer could do otherwise, since horses played such an important part in the life of the cowboy-humorist. From the days of his childhood on his father's Oklahoma ranch to the time of his tragic death in Alaska, one of his interests and deepest devotion was horses.

But of all the ponies that galloped and raced through his active life, the one that Will Rogers loved best was "Teddy." And Teddy well deserved his master's affection, for it was he that co-acted with Will in his early vaudeville days and launched him on a successful stage career.

Teddy had a heroic namesake to live up to, for Will named him for President Theodore Roosevelt. He was reared on an Oklahoma ranch, and it was necessary for Will to economize for some time before he was able to save the one hundred dollars that was Teddy's purchase price. He was a beautiful little pony—dark bay, with black mane and tail—and as bright as a new dollar. Will would call out to him, "Right!" and he would start instantly, and just as quickly would he stop.

Will bought him a beautiful dark blue blanket, banded with gold, and the name, "Will Rogers," in large gold letters across it. The cowboy who assisted Will in his act would ride the little horse, dressed in his fine blanket, from the stable to the main thoroughfare. Then he would dismount and Teddy, without a halter of any kind, would follow him down the crowded street and up to the stage door.

When Will and Teddy finally separated, the parting was a sad one. Teddy was shipped back to Oklahoma and placed on pasture with the other horses on the Rogers' ranch. There were instructions that he was to have the best of care, but one day the fence was broken down. The ranchmen found that the horses had escaped. Eventually they were all rounded up except one. Nowhere could Teddy be found!

When Will Rogers, far away in the east, learned of the disappearance, he was heart-broken. He wired his nephew to make an immediate and thorough search for the pony. Neither time, trouble, nor expense was to be spared. Teddy must be found!

Months passed and at last Teddy was discovered. In a cornfield, pulling hard at a plow, with an old Indian driving him, they found the little pony that had been the idol of thousands of boys; that had worn the softest felt shoes on his dainty feet and a gold-banded blanket on his back; that had displayed human intelligence in his acting before American audiences, and had played for the King of England.

Will was delighted when he learned that Teddy was safe and back on the ranch again. He ordered that the pony be given the very best of everything, and all possible care taken of him. These instructions were carried out, and Teddy lived in contentment to an old, old age.—Our Dumb Animals.

A VOICE, CRYING

By Marion Catto

Here stands my son, this little, lovely boy.
His cheek is soft, his eyes are brown and deep,
With lashes that lie back, when he's asleep;
When he's awake his face reflects the joy
Of living. His lithe, lovely limbs employ,
Unconsciously, a grace, and now begin
To show the strength they will in manhood win.
His life is pure, like gold, without alloy.

Fair as a straight, young maple—will he grow
To be cut down, and flung into the dust,
While greedy magnates count their blood-stained gold?
Will he lie, stricken, with his brother foe?
Though loud the trumpet's blare, no cause is just,
Which tramples out young life, and leaves it cold.

"CAN'T A GUY DO ANYTHING?"

By Trella Dick

"Bruce, please don't turn the water on the window box. The sun's too hot." Mrs. Bradley's voice held a weary note of irritation. Why must Bruce be so trying on a hot, busy morning like this?

There was, also, a distinctly peevish note in her eight-year-old son's response, "Jimminy, Mom! Can't a guy do anything?"

"Bruce, you've said that twenty times this morning, I do believe. I wish you'd try not to say it so much."

"Have I, Mom?" The small boy stared up through the open dining room window at her. "Twenty times! Whew, that's a lot."

He was thoughtful a moment, then excaimed, "Well, Mom, I've only said it when you told me not to do things, so that proves what a lot of things I'm not allowed to do around here."

With a shock, Mrs. Bradley realized that her son's remark was true. He hadn't repeated his monotonous query any oftener than she had said "Don't."

If his expression had been tiresome to her disciplined, adult mind, how much more so must hers have been to him!

Mrs. Bradley felt that she must do some deep thinking. She couldn't do it with the clear-eyed gaze of her son upon her.

"Bruce, will you go on an errand for me?" she asked. There was no irritation in her tone now.

"Sure, Mom, sure. Where to? May I take Tuck along?" His tone, too, had changed—it was eager and had lost all fretfulness.

"Yes, you may take Tuck. It will be a nice little trip for him. I have a magazine to send to Mrs. Jensen. It's quite a distance this warm morning—"

"I don't mind—honest I don't. There's lots of shade."

There was a mist in Mrs. Bradley's eyes as she watched him step blithely down the street.

"The first 'Please do,' instead of 'Don't', that I have said this morning—and look how he responds to it," she murmured contritely.

She stopped her work and sat down in a chair. "Let me see. What are some of the 'don'ts' that I have handed out so freely to that child this morning?" she said. "There was don't make Tuck growl', 'Don't, come to the table until you have brushed your hair', 'Don't ask for another cent today,' 'Don't—' O, I had better get a pencil and some paper and go at this in a businesslike way!"

Carefully, Mrs. Bradley listed all the "don'ts" she could remember having inflicted on Bruce that morning. Opposite them, she listed the positive requests which she might have made in place of the negatives which had so irked her small son. She now realized how easy it would have been to say, "Please take Tuck out for a little run, Bruce," instead of "Don't get that dog barking, I'm trying to phone."

Instead of telling him not to water the petunias, she could have suggested some use of water which would have been beneficial or at least would have done no harm.

"With a little thought, I could have avoided all those unwise negatives," she decided. "In the future, I shall certainly try to avoid them. But if I forget, when Bruce says, 'Can't a guy do anything?' I'll say, 'Surely a guy can do something, son,' and then I'll suggest something interesting to do. I have a suspicion," with a wry smile, "that it will help my disposition as much as it does his."

And Mrs. Bradley was right, as she soon proved.—The National Kindergarten Assn., 8 W. 40th St., New York.

Sunday School Lesson

SEPTEMBER 27

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By Rolling H. Walker

Joseph: An Example of Forgiveness

Genesis 45 to 50

The story of Joseph is one of the priceless treasures of the race. It is like the glorious paintings that through the centuries have been treasured in the European art galleries. It combines beautiful faith and idealism with the highest literary and dramatic art. What a blessing it has been to the children! If the Bible did not have beautiful stories for the children we would know that it was not in a supreme sense the word of God. But the eyes of the little ones open wide with eagerness as generation after generation they hear this story, and demand that it be told to them again and again.

The most heroic thing that Joseph did was not the forgiving of his brethren, but going before Pharaoh and acknowledging as his brethren low caste shepherds who were an abomination to the Egyptians (Hebrews 2:11). And he proposed not merely to forgive these murderous brothers, but to bring the whole tribe of them down to Goshen and be responsible for them; and he has had many a successor, and doubtless some who are reading these lines are bearing the burden of ungrateful relatives for the sake of some father or mother, or for Christ's sake.

We criticise what we characterize as the fierceness of the Old Testament as illustrated, for instance, in the imprecatory psalms, not realizing that the psalmist in pouring out his wrath in prayer was often simply blowing off steam so that he could control himself and keep from cutting the throats of his enemies. And we forget that here is a story of forgiveness that is on the highest Christian level, and that there are other similar stories; as, for instance, David's refusal to thrust a spear through the heart of Saul when he lay down to sleep in the cave in whose inner recesses David was hidden (1 Samuel 24:1-6; 26-7-20), and Elisha's delightful practical joke on the soldiers of the Syrians who had come to take him, and whom he blinded and led into the center of the city of Samaria, and instead of ordering them slaughtered demanded that they should be feasted and sent home (2 Kings 6:8-25). All this is a faint foreshadowing of him whom the world crucified but who rose again to be the world's Saviour.

It is a peculiarity of the Bible that it keeps coming back with a fresh and profitable message to new times and new conditions. Just as there is a dreadful contemporaneousness in Joseph's prediction of the coming years of famine, so there is a message to new conditions. Just as there is a dreadful contemporaneousness in Joseph's prediction of the coming years of famine, so there is a message to this day in Joseph's example of large hearted ministry to human need, ministry that was not only large hearted but on a large scale. God grant that at the end of the war the resources of some land of Goshen will be made available to each of the starving nations until the years of famine and economic depression are over!

How mysteriously the moral law works! Little did Joseph's brethren think when they sold him to the Ishmelites that ere long they would be bowing at his feet, begging for a little food to save them and their families from starvation. This scene will be reenacted by nations and individuals in these coming days. May the victorious nations be prepared to play the Joseph with the vanquished. Will the modern world allow this old story written centuries before the coming of Christ to shame us who have beheld the spectacle of the Son of God nailed to the cross, and praying, Father, forgive them, they know not what they do?

The world is now receiving terrible, condign punishment for the vindictiveness expressed in the Versailles treaty. Surely it will not again render itself amenable to the wrath of God by repeating its mistake, and lighting a fuse at the so-called peace table which, while it may burn slowly, will in the end inexorably set off the death-dealing explosives.

Meanwhile the church in every possible way should exhort men to combine generosity with their strength and their courage. And especially should we teach the rising generation not to hate. "A war is begun not by soldiers but in the school rooms of a country." The chief crime of Germany was committed not by Hitler's fierce commands to his soldiers, but by his command to the schoolmasters who through the years prepared the future soldiers to believe that any crime committed in the name of the state was heroism rather than savagery.

REVIVAL OF RELIGION REQUIRED

"A real revival of religion, a quickening of the spiritual life of the nation would strengthen our morale for the war effort and would be our sure guide to a just and lasting peace when our enemies shall have been vanquished," President Franklin D. Roosevelt recently wrote to Dr. Douglas Horton of Boston, minister of the General Council of Congregational Churches, in urging the maintenance of regular church activities and gatherings during these days of war. The President continued: "It is a fact that we are now engaged in an all-out war, in which it is necessary for us to marshall every physical resource in the defeat of enemies who threaten our destruction. Until victory is achieved we must meet force with every superior force and vanquish once for all the monstrous tyrannies against which we are arrayed. Althought we are called upon to use force to the utmost we must not lose sight of the strength that lies in the sword of the spirit."

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Calvary, 7:30 24
West Burlington, 11 27
Burlington Ct., Bethel, 3 27
Davis Street, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 29
Brooksdale, Brooksdale, 10:30 30
Long Memorial, 7:30 30

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 11
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3 11
Person, Concord, 10:30 17
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Alamance, Bethel, 2 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

North Gates, Parkers, 11 27
Gatesville, Zion, 3 27

October

Windsor, White Oak, 11 4
Edenton, 3 4
Chowan, Center Hill, 11 7
Hertford, 7:30 7
South Mills, Trinity, 7:30 9
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3:30 11
Ahoskie, 7:30 11
Hatteras, Buxton, 7:30 12
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 13
Plymouth, 7:30 14
Aulander, Roxobel, 11 16
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 17
Bath, Bath, 3 18
Belhaven, Belhaven, 7:30 18
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 7:30 19
Washington, 7:30 21
Creswell, Creswell, 3:00 22
Columbia, Columbia, 7:30 22
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 23
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 23
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 11 24
Moyock Moyock, 11 25
Currituck, Popler Branch, 3 25
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 27
Elizabeth City, First Church, 7:30 28
Pasquotank, Union, 11 30
Elizabeth City, City Road, 7:30 30

November

Roper, Mackeys, 11 1
Williamston, 3 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Red Springs, 11 27
Parkton, Cotton, 8 27

October

Rowland, 11 4
Maxton, 4 4
Gibson, 7:30 4
Hamlet, 11 5
Laurinburg, 7:30 5
Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Jones-Shady Grove, 11 27
Grifton, 8 27

October

Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Moncure, Moncure, 8 25
Cary, 11 27
Erwin, Erwin, 8 27
Louisburg Ct., Piney Grove, 8 29

October

Tar River, Plank Chapel, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 4
Vance, Spring Valley, 3 4
Henderson-City Road-White Mem'l, City Road, 7:30 4
Check-Up Meetings—Franklinton 10 6
Smithfield, 3 6
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 8 6
Louisburg, 7:30 7
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 10
Mamers, Mamers, 11 11
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 11
Selma, 7:30 14
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 16
Millbrook, Millbrook, 11 18
Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30 18
Garner, Garner, 7:30 20
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 21
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 23
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 11 25
Benson, Coats, 7:30 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 10:30 28
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 28

November

Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 1

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27
Fall check-up meetings—Rocky Mount, 10 28
Weldon, 3 28

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November

Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Roseboro, Bethel, 11 27
Carver's Creek, Shiloh, 3:30 27
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 27
Elizabeth, Clarkton, Victory Conf. 30

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 5
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 5
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 19
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 22
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

September

Brevard, 8 24
Fairview, Sharon, 3 27
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, 8 27

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Hickory Grove, 8 25
Wesley Heights, 11 27
Belmont Park, 8 27

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Yadkinville, 11 27
Advance, 3 27
Farmington, night 27

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Reidsville, Main Street, 11 27
District Check-Up, 3—Centenary 27
Ruffin, 3 27
Draper, 8 27
Newlyn Street, 8 28
Mt. Pleasant, 8 29
Carraway Memorial, 8 30

October

Reidsville Ct., Salem, 11 3
Mayodan, 5 3
Stoneville, 8 3
Sandy Ridge, 11 4
Danbury, Pine Hall, 3 4



Flat Rock, Bethany, 7:30 4
Jamestown, 7:30 5
Glenwood, 7:30 7
Lindsay St., Reidsville, 5 10
St. Paul, Greensboro, 7:30 10
Oak Ridge, 11 11
Haw River, 3 11
West End, Greensboro, 7:30 11
West Market, Greensboro, 7:30 12
Grace, Greensboro, 7:30 13
Leaksville, 7 14
Spray, 8 14
Guilford Ct., 11 18
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 18
Summerfield, 7:30 16

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Fallston, Palm Tree, 11 27
West Shelby, 4 27
Lafayette, Shelby, night 27
Trinity, Gastonia, night 28
Cramerton, night 30

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

First Church, H. P., 7:30 24
So. Davidson, C. H., 11 27
West Randolph, P. G., 2 27
Richlands, Browers, 7:30 27
Ward Street, 7:30 30

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C
FOURTH ROUND

September

Lostic, Salem, 11 27
Sunshine, Centennial, 3 27
Spindale, night 27
Morganton First, night 30

October

Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11 3
McDowell, Trinity, 11 4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3 4
Marion First, night 4
Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Norwood Ct., Randall's, 11 26
Norwood, 11 27
Tabernacle, 3 27
Albemarle Ct., 8 27
East Spencer, 8 28
Main Street-Rowan, 8 29
Rocky Ridge, 6:30 30
Kerr Street, 8:30 30

October

Harmony, 6:30 1
Ann Street, 8:30 1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30 3
Central, Concord, 11 4
Epworth, 3 4
Forest Hill, 8 4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30 5
First Street, 8:30 5
Midway, 8 6
Jackson Park, 8 7
Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Lenoir, First, 11 27
Lenoir Ct., S. Lenoir, 3 27
Whitnel, 5 27
Hudson, 8 27
Davidson-Fairview, Fairview, 8 25

October

Hickory, Highlands, 9:45 4
Hickory, First, 11 4
Hickory, Bethel, 3 4
Catawba, Concord, 8 4
Mooresville, Central, 8 6
Mt. Zion, 8 7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Waynesville, 11 27
Jonathan, 3 27
Crabtree, 8 27

October

Macon Ct., Union, 11 4
Franklin Ct., 3 4
Highlands, 8 4

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Morris Chapel, 11 27
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 3 27
Maple Springs, 8 27
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 8 29
Community, 8 30

October

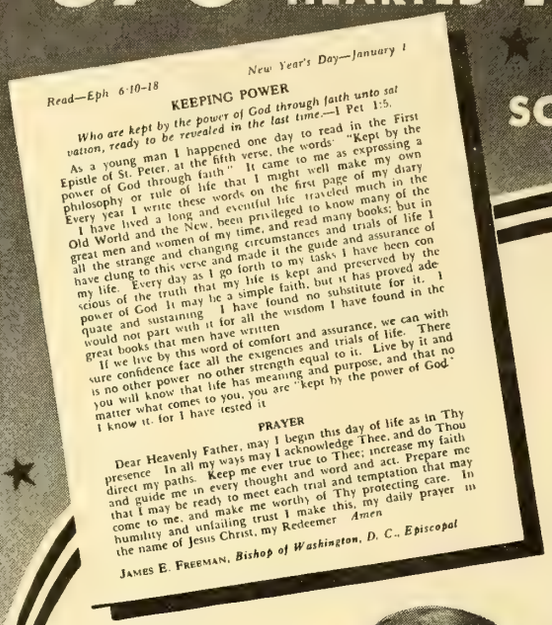
Mount Airy, Central, 8 1
North Davidson, 8 2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11 4
Thomasville Ct., 3 4
Trinity, Bethel, 8 4
Pilot Mountain, 8 5
Pinnacle, 8 6
West Forsyth, 8 7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

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If we live by this word of comfort and assurance, we can with sure confidence face all the exigencies and trials of life. There is no other power, no other strength equal to it. Live by it and you will know that life has meaning and purpose, and that no matter what comes to you, you are "kept by the power of God." I know it, for I have tested it.

PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father, may I begin this day of life as in Thy presence. In all my ways may I acknowledge Thee, and do Thou direct my paths. Keep me ever true to Thee; increase my faith and guide me in every thought and word and act. Prepare me that I may be ready to meet each trial and temptation that may come to me, and make me worthy of Thy protecting care. In humility and unfailing trust I make this, my daily prayer, in the name of Jesus Christ, my Redeemer. *Amen*

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A Going Concern

THE TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS CALLED FOR IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS IN SEPTEMBER SO AS TO CLOSE OUT OUR FISCAL YEAR CREDITABLY IS "CASH IN BANK." The fine response from the many is most heartening. The 86th year of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is coming to a close but the paper goes on. The final report for the year will be made with the meeting of the conferences.

On another page is an exhibit of those who have secured their quotas for the year. Many more will be added to this list with the close of the conference year by October and November. The conferences will mark out the course for next year as the paper continues to carry on into its 87th year.

JUDGMENTS IN WARTIME

Always we should be careful not to judge other people harshly, but especially should we exercise care in wartime. Things are not normal, and people are not normal. Rumors that circulate with speed in peacetime, circulate with double speed in wartime. The mob spirit can be aroused easier. Passion runs higher. If three enemy agents are sought by the FBI, ten thousand clues may be sent in. It is a good thing to be vigilant. It is a bad thing to be suspicious. Especially is it a bad thing to be suspicious of whole sections of our population. The Germanic element in our population is a valuable one—few elements are more valuable. Germans here are solid, able, useful people, and we need them. Not all Germans, or even a considerable percentage of them, are in the disloyal Bund. When we judge Germans in the United States, we should think about Carl Schurz, the Villards, Walter Damrosch, Senator Wagner, and a host of others like them, and not simply about the German agents who are at large.

It seemed wise to clear the Japanese out of the coastal areas along the Pacific. We think it better not to be critical of the military authorities when we are in a situation like that of today. But instead of saying, "All the Japanese are treacherous," we had better examine the record and find out what a contribution the majority of these Japanese have made here. The children of one family, pictured in one of our religious weeklies, have made a record in medicine, in teaching, in laboratory research of which any of our white families would be proud.

An Austrian doctor who left Vienna because he loathed all that Hitler stands for, had a hard time when he first came, because people were disposed to think that every alien was an enemy alien. The fact is that he is not only a fine doctor, a great asset to our country at this juncture, but a noble Christian man.

The fate of thousands of refugees is a hard one. We ought not to make it harder by indiscriminate condemnation.—The Christian Leader.

HELP MAKE DISPLAY HELPFUL

The Town and Country Church Display at annual conference is to be under the auspices of the Conference Commission on Town and Country Work.

Ministers and laymen can help make this display most interesting. How? By sending materials to use in it.

What sort of materials are needed? Bulletins, news sheets, programs, descriptive statements of successful projects, maps of parish, etc.

Last year the maps of many circuits helped a lot. We could use more this year.

Rev. Garland Stafford, Route 1, Forest City, is chairman of the Town and Country Display.

You may bring your materials to the display room of First Methodist church Monday, October 19 ,or send them to Town and Country Display, care First Methodist Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Be sure to write your name and address on materials you want to get back.

We are looking to you to help make this display represent the fine work going on in our town and country churches.

Earl Brewer, Secretary
Town and Country Mommission.

MEMBERS OF FIRST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, TO ENTERTAIN WITH TEA

The members of First church, Charlotte, will entertain with tea Thursday afternoon, October 22, from 4 o'clock until 4:30 at the home of Mrs. J. B. Ivey, 1638 East Morehead. The guests are to be all ministers' wives, wives of superannuate ministers and women delegates who are attending the conference.

Change the meeting place for the Duke banquet from the Charlotte Hotel to Efird's Dining Room.

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Hitler says Germany is fighting for its existance. That was not true at the start of this war. The existence of the weak nations was then at stake as was disclosed by the death and hell that broke upon them. As these peoples suffer on Hitler, at the last, sees the fate that awaits Germany. This is the lot of all who take the sword—they perish with the sword.

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The Chinese gave honor to hats. The medieval church did likewise from popes and cardinals on down the clerical line. Kings had their crowns and knights their helmets. In colleges and universities both men and women wear their "mortar board." Let nobody, therefore, insist that only women are interested in hats and other forms of head dress.

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How rapidly changes come. In 1939 we were killing growing pigs and plowing under growing crops; now, nine years later, men in Washington are talking of putting school children to work on the farms. The words of Henry A. Wallace in which he says, "Certainly none of us ever want to go through a plow-up campaign again," gives us pause and raises serious questions about the curtailment policy.

S S S

New Week says: "Behind the planning for a 13,000,000 man army is preparation for the worst possible eventuality—the U. S. having to fight on without Britain and Russia." This thrust of a keen editor appears to be intended to make the talk of an army of 13,000,000 appear ridiculous to all sensible people. That Britain and Russia will quit the war is absurd but not more absurd than to think that the United States could equip and support an army of that size and at the same time provide supplies for Russia, Britain and China after such a huge draft upon our man power. Much is being said about getting rid of the inefficient who are encamped about Washington, but why not at the same time rid the capital city of the numerous sapheads who infest the place?

H. E. C. Bryant, a Tar Heel born and bred, but for a number of years a newspaper writer who spends much of his time in Washington, says: "I am forced to the conclusion that there are liars—forty liars and more—in the Old North State." We think that Red Buck puts his figures too low. Why didn't he start with 40,000? These figures would have been nearer the mark, but still too low. Mr. Bryant must be homesick for his native state where most men tell the truth.

S S S

"Red Buck" Bryant's complaint about North Carolina being a place where scandal and gossip of all sorts seems to flourish leads Honorable Josephus Daniels to correct Mr. Bryant in the following terms: "It is surprising that 'Red Buck,' having lived in Washington City over a quarter of a century, should think any place or state could compete with the District of Columbia in originating gossip—and scandal, too. Woodrow Wilson once said: 'The only industry in Washington that works overtime is the gossip industry.'"

S S S

Why will some church people make such an ado about trivial things and neglect the weightier matters? Jesus met them in his day. Some of them strained out the gnat and swallowed a camel. These gnat strainers are with us today. Here is an instance: "The much publicized dispute regarding the display of the American flag and the Christian flag in the First Presbyterian church of West Milford, N. J., was settled last week by a compromise between Dr. Lewis Gaston Leary, the pastor, and Police Chief Somers Stites. Chief Stites had protested against the display of the Christian flag on the right of the pulpit, as the preacher faces the congregation, with the American flag on the left. As a solution the national emblem was removed from the pulpit and placed on a standard at the right of the congregation and the Christian flag was left in its original position."

Guard Carefully the Schools

THE blight and destruction of war crowds down upon us threatening to take our youth out of school and thus render non-effective our educational system. Some men have lost their heads and are demanding that the boys be rushed off into military training to help fight this war. That teen-age boys should be drafted into military service should be opposed by all parents and educators. Of course, military men see only the immediate present and the conquest of arms, but the schools have in their keeping the destiny of the age long future. This is to be cared for in the years following the present conflict.

The American schools are expected to train for the normal demands and vocations of peace rather than for war. We are a peace loving people and have always been given to peaceful pursuits. Our fighting men at present come from the adult groups as they have ever done to meet the exigencies of war. It will certainly be a sad day for this nation when we militarize our schools and enthrone the god of war in every school room. Just now there are the suggestions that our high school pupils be organized and trained something after the fashion of what Hitler did for German youth.

Our schools in their organization and in their co-operative efforts for training should use their resources for peace and not for war, if we are to be saved from the threat of war and be able to continue our American way of life for generations to come and thus preserve that for which we say we are fighting. The much detested militarized Germany that made possible Hitler is the result of the military spirit and training that prevailed in the schools of imperial Germany through the long years.

Our present generation is to win this war and the future generations are to carry the burdens of the accumulated billions loaded upon their shoulders. The schools will do well to qualify the coming generations to endure these burdens as they seek to remove the threat and the blight of war—we pray, forever. Only by some such training is there hope.

Cover Crops

GOOD farmers make much in these last years of cover crops so as to get results the year round. It was not ever thus in North Carolina. The one crop system prevailed and this still continues with the shoddy farmer. But men of energy and enterprise are not content for the land to lie idle and exposed half the year. For the well selected cover crop makes possible returns all the year round.

Would it not be well for the Methodist people to learn well this lesson? A century of making the session of the annual conference the end of the year when all returns were in and the plans laid for the year to come did hurt. This often meant a change of preachers and an entire new year's work to begin afresh. There was not a proper sense of continuity. The preachers were much akin to the one year renter who moves on every year. He counts for little. So does the one year preacher. The good farmer with a cover crop and such a man are rank strangers. Are any of us coming to the end of the present conference year with no assurance of a good cover crop?

Message from 4,000,000 Baptists in Russia

CHARITY AND CHILDREN, the good Baptist paper of Thomasville, North Carolina, carries a heartening story that Time magazine gives the American public.

Here is the story:

> From the heart of a country once called godless came a plea for Christians in the U. S. and Great Britain to pray for Russia's victory. If the plea was strange, the source was stranger; it came from 4,000,000 Russian Baptists. The U. S. knew about its own Baptists, but the U. S. had never heard of the Russian Baptist church, which claimed some two-thirds as many members as the Northern and Southern Baptists combined. Gasped the Roman Catholic Brooklyn Tablet: "This mass production of Baptists . . . verges on the incredible." The Russian Baptists are Biblical fundamentalists; they sprang from German Protestantism. Unlike surviving fragments of the appeal to Communist youth, "who have a deep spiritual Orthodox Church, the Baptists, Russian Theologian Geo. P. Fedotov, Visiting Fellow at Yale, have made a great thirst."

Be a Tree of the Lord

WHAT you are is infinitely more important than where you are. In other words, character is more than circumstance. The circumstances of a man are like the hoops of a barrel, they hold the staves in place, while character like the sap in a tree gives life and form and the fruit that is in the sap.

The sacred writer must have had something like this in mind when he admonished men to be a tree of the Lord. That is, a living fruit-bearing tree and not a dead tree without bough, leaf, or fruit.

Fire the Incompetents in Washington

JACOB SIMPSON PATON in his "Capital Comments" writes of the rubber shortage and the causes thereof, as revealed in the Baruch report. Here is what he says and you may rely upon his comments:

The Baruch report makes it clear that the delay in producing synthetic rubber can be attributed to none of the standard alibis with which the national capital is so plentifully soaked. Primarily the situation was created by a clash between the battalions of oil tanks and grain wagons. The oil operators insisted that synthetic rubber be made from petroleum, and in their ardor they descended upon Washington with a retinue of pressure boys who laid down an effective publicity barrage.

The committee explains that had the Soviet offer of the services of famed rubber experts of Russia been accepted last February, production of the synthetic article would now be well under way. Some attribute the refusal to certain higher-ups who spurn rubber made from grain as a Mohammedan turns his back on pork. The truth is that the disgraceful and menacing predicament of the rubber shortage cannot be charged to the factors that usually hold production behind schedule—the government was uninformed, industry was apathetic or that labor was loafing. It has been a clear case of delay created first by a deadlock due to the avarice alike of the grain and the petroleum interests, and seconded by the conflict between the Office of Petroleum Co-ordinator and the Rubber Reserve Company of R.F.C. At long last the President has moved to eliminate the obstruction by appointing a rubber administrator. Some think that if every time the President appoints a capable official, he would also fire a couple of incompetents, progress in the war effort would be doubled.

Is the German a Superior Race?

A LITTLE more than a generation ago the German people sat on top of the world in public estimation. German universities were regarded by many, if not all, as the greatest on the planet. Our best young scholars hurried away to Heidleberg and other renowned universities for additional degrees. German books filled the shelves of specialists' libraries. The last word in theology, science, philosophy and other intellectual attainments was expected from Germany.

Germany led in the Protestant Reformation. From the people came the Lutheran Church, the Moravian Church and the spiritual teachers of John Wesley. It rated high in religion.

But this people which showed itself superior in so many fields of human attainment has fallen from that high estate and great has been the fall. We refrain from even summarizing the unspeakable atrocities of the so-called superior race, because they are too well known by the entire world to be reported here.

Products of the Farm

THE big ado being made over the "farm bloc" in Washington and the vilification heaped upon the Congress just now would lead one to conclude that the farm element of the nation is threatening the welfare of the Republic. Apart from the pending issues sought to prevent inflation, it is well for us not to ignore the essential value of our farms and our great agricultural life.

The perils of the nation are fostered in the city centers and not in the open country. As a class, the farmers have been left to struggle on alone while labor groups and highly organized capital have been able to secure the favors desired. City life is highly organized so that the country populations are at the mercy of the vast multitudes of city centers. Press, radio and other agencies of propaganda are used to override the will of the country people. This means that the farmer is at the mercy of organized capital and labor and political propaganda. Especially notable has been the attacks on "farm blocs" in Congress these last days.

In the midst of the present confusion we would do well to keep in mind the fundamental character of the farms and the farmsrs of America. They furnish the food for the nations of the world and they keep the steady stream of vigorous youth flowing from the rural sections into the towns and cities of the nation. The big cities are always dying at the top and dependent upon the boys and girls who come from the country homes to furnish new life and enterprise. The big corporations that heap up their millions would not be able to keep going but for the supplies and the man power furnished from the farms and farm populations. Legislation has favored capital and city populations in all our American prosperity with little attention paid to the demands of our hard worked rural populations. How perfectly absurd is the present cry against the farmers who are asking for a fair show and the more ridiculous becomes the claim that the farmers are imperilling the outcome of this war. It is the same old demand—though unexpressed—that the farmer must continue to carry more than his part of the load as he feeds and fosters the world.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

W. N. C. Conference, Charlotte ..... Oct. 19-23
N. C. Conference, Wilson ..... Nov. 3-6

The fall check-up meeting for the Durham district will be held at 10 a. m. Monday, October 5, a the West Durham Methodist church.—A. J. Hobbs, D. S.

It takes a carload of blueprint paper in drawing the plans for one of our 35,000-ton battleships, the War Production Board figures.—New York Times.

It is the calling of great men, not so much to preach new truths, as to rescue from oblivion those old truths which is our wisdom to remember and our weakness to forget.—Sidney Smith.

Announcement is made of the birth of William Wood-Rowe Purcell, Jr., son of Captain and Mrs. William Wood-Rowe Purcell, on September 20, in Baltimore, Md. Captain Purcell is located at Fort Meade and is the son of Bishop and Mrs. Clare Purcell, Charlotte.

Scriptures in 25 languages have been distributed, to date, by the American Bible Society, to prisoners of war and refugees. The langauges are Amharic, Arabic, Armenian, Bulgarian, Czech, Dutch, English, Ethiopian, Finnish, French, Galla German, Ancient Greek, Modern Greek, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Serbian, Spanish and Yiddish.

Thirty years! That is the price at which Christ valued home! And over all the earth, through all time, he pleads for all men and women, that they should have what he declared to be so essential a background of quiet peace in which growth of body, mind, and spirit can put forth its own powers; a background of honor, of affection, of personal tenderness, such as can be found nowhere else in all the wide world but in the home.—Canon Scott Holland.

Boston University's school of theology will open its 104th year of training students for the ministry Wednesday afternoon, September 23, when matriculation day exercises will be held in Robinson Memorial Chapel at 2:30 p. m. Greetings by President Daniel L. Marsh of the university will be followed by a talk, "There Must be a Creative Pulpit," by Dr. Rollo Walter Brown of Cambridge, author and lecturer.

Most sermons are generalizations. They are easier to preach. One need not know much to deal in general propositions. They are easier to preach, because it is easier to say than to practice. The average church-goer is honest, he really would like to be religious. He would like to know how to live a good life. He would like to be helpful in this world of wrong and suffering and need. Sermons have value as they show the way of a good life and reveal the graces and powers that aid in Christian living and service.—C. O. Ransford.

Last Sunday evening the First Methodist church of Lincolnton concluded a very inspiring and highly profitable series of revival services. The guest minister was Dr. H. G. Allen, pastor of Broad Street church, Statesville. His sermons were thoughtful, deeply spiritual, logically arranged, and impressively delivered. The subjects discussed were: Christian Leadership, Is Christ with Us? The Victory of Faith, The Gospel of Christ, God's Plan for Us, Jesus' Request for His Family, Why the Church? The Kingdom of God, The Christian Conscience, The Divinity of Christ, The Great Question. Dr. Allen made many friends while in Lincolnton.—Loy D. Thompson.

Dr. Walt Holcomb, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, Atlanta, Ga., has just concluded a series of sermons on "The Gospel of the Grace of God" while conducting "One Day Revivals" in his church. Dr. Holcomb will begin a preaching mission October 11 at Mullins, S. C., featuring "One Day Revivals" with the general theme of "The Gospel of the Grace of God."

Harkness Tower at Yale University, is of exquisite grace and beauty. There is one stone in the lower part of the structure which is different from any other in the structure. It bears an inscription which states that it is a part of the bedrock on which the tower stands, and that it is set there to be a visible witness of the invisible foundation and to bear testimony to the truth that the things which are not seen are eternal.—The Watchman-Examiner.

September 28 Brother J. S. Hiatt, D.S., conducted our fourth quarterly conference at Lenoir First church. Reports given showed that the entire budget for the conference year had been paid in full. The first charge in the district to report out on all items. This has been accomplished under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. J. C. Cornett, with the splendid co-operation of the board of stewards, R. L. Bardley, chariman. There have been 74 names added to the membership this year.—R. T. Greer, Associate Lay Leader.

Rev. A. L. Latham, pastor of Newlyn Street church, Greensboro, invited us to be with him in last Sunday evening' sservice at this young and growing church. The invitation was gladly accepted and we were surprised to see what had been done in the last five years during the pastorate of Brother Latham. The auditorium of the church seems to have been made new, there are now 12 Sunday school rooms, and it is in all particulars a first class church plant. All financial obligations for this year, amounting to over $4,000, have been paid. The pastor has received a bonus of $200 above his salary three weeks before conference. We know of no pastor or church that has done a more outstanding work than have Rev. A. L. Latham and his congregation at Newlyn Street. They are worthy of all honor and praise.

BETHEL CHURCH BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Bethel church has broken all records for the charges of Rocky Mount district, from all available information. Seventeen have been received on profession of faith. All financial obligations were paid in full September 25—five and one-half weeks before annual conference. Fuel bill for winter season paid, and over $2,500 paid on church improvements.

Mr. W. J. Smith, our conference lay leader, is from Bethel and believes in setting a good example for the entire conference. Rev. J. G. Phillips is in charge and deserves much credit for the record of this year.

L. C. Larkin.

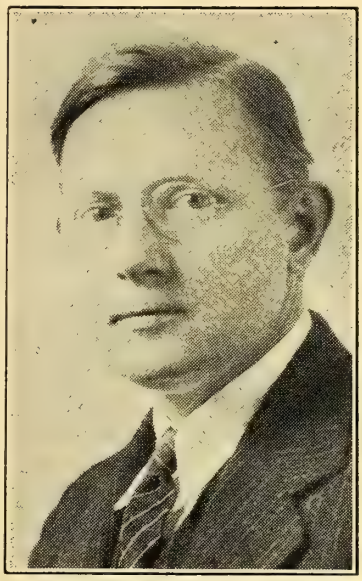
TWO FINE SUPPORTERS

Rev. J. L. Smith of the Oxford circuit and Rev. A. P. Brantley of Sanford remitted $30 and $28, respectively, for the Advocate. These two brethren do not look alike but they can act much alike when it comes to supporting the Advocate. May their tribe increase for they are certain to come again.

DR. RAYMOND SMITH A LEADER IN TEACHER TRAINING

"The Need of Training for Church Membership," an article written by Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion at Greensboro College, appeared in the current issue of Tidings, a quarterly magazine published by the General Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist Church.

For his extensive story of the training problem and his thoroughgoing bibliography of all materials in the field, Dr. Smith was selected to teach the course, "Training for



Dr. Raymond A. Smith

Church Membership," offered to pastors in the Nashville District Christian Workers' School, February 1-6, 1942, in Nashville, Tenn. The success of the course was verified by the pastors present who recommended by unanimous vote that the Division of Leadership Training make such a course available to Methodist pastors everywhere.

At the Leadership Training School at Lake Junaluska in August, 1942, Dr. Smith taught the training course for religious education directors who came from the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church. Besides his work at Greensboro College, he is supply pastor at Midway-Burnett's charge, due to pastoral vacancies in the Western North Carolina conference since various of the younger ministers have volunteered as chaplains in the U. S. Army.

Also in the current issue of Tidings Rev. Blaine Duncan, a member of Dr. Smith's class in Nashville, heartily commends the course in his article, "A Forward Step in Churchmanship."

LOUISBURG COLLEGE DEAN SPEAKS ON JAPAN

Miss Mildred Hudgins, dean of women and recently missionary to Japan, at the Friday chapel hour brought a message of timeliness and worth to faculty and students concerning the background of the present international situation as centered in the Far East.

Out of her experience of more than four years in Japan —a period when the ferment and propaganda were determining the present situation in Japan, in the Far East, and in large measure in the world—out of such a turmoil of events, she spoke calmly, understandingly, and hopefully. She analyzed the factors that have made possible in a small country such as Japan the colossal achievements of the present hour. These factors she found primarily to be two. First there is the superior "thought control" over the Japanese populace, effectually instilling in their minds the idea of altruistic war to save the Far East from Western domination and equally as effectively withholding from press and radio any reports detrimental to Japanese prestige.

The second factor Miss Hudgins discussed was the powerful dominance of the Shinto cult built upon the belief in the origin of the royal line of the emperors in Japan. The influence of this phase of the situation she described as practically impossible for the western mind to conceive.

In sharp contrast to the seemingly destiny-locked situation produced by these factors, the speaker set forth the encouraging factor in the whole situation as the anti-militaristic forces, potentially triumphant. She mentioned the stable element of Japanese people with motives and ambitions humane and peace loving, and she paid a special tribute to those fine Christians of Japan who are the unwilling victims of a regime over which they now see no possible control. Miss Hudgins' remarks were ably reinforced by excerpts from Japanese letters and newspaper articles that showed her statements to be based on substantial proof.

The impressiveness of her message was implied by the attention accorded by the appreciative remarks and inquiries made afterwards by faculty and students. For a period at least East and West seemed to have touched hands and hearts.

R. O. LINDSAY, SR., DIES AT HIS HOME IN HIGH POINT

R. O. Lindsay, a prominent business man, church and civic leader of High Point, died at his home September 29, following a stroke of paralysis that he suffered Saturday, September 26. He was 61 years of age.

He was president of the Guilford Hosiery Mills and of the Lindale Dairy corporation and was a member of the board of directors of the Adam-Millis corporation, the Highland Cotton Mills and the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company.

For many years he has been an active member of the board of stewards of Wesley Memorial Methodist church, and was on the board of trustees of Brevard College and the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at Elkin. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Methodist Children's Home in Winston-Salem and a member of the High Point Kiwanis Club.

He was born June 8, 1881, at Midway, in Davidson county, a son of David Franklin and Mary Cornelia Lowe Lindsay. He was married on June 12, 1911, to Miss Ida Gordon, who survives. Surviving also are one daughter, Mrs. John Austin, Jr., of High Point; one son, Lt. R. Odell Lindsay, Jr., of the Royal Canadian Air Force; one granddaughter, Harriet Austin; seven brothers, J. W. Lindsay of High Point, E. W. and Charles Lindsay of Indianapolis, Dr. Fred C. Lindsay of Greenville, Tenn., Clyde L. Lindsay of Charleston, W. Va., Frank Lindsay of Davidson county, and Lawrence Lindsay of Winston-Salem; two sisters, Miss Clara Lindsay of High Point and Mrs. Reid Dorsett of Davidson county.

Funeral services were held Thursday, October 1, at 11 o'clock in Wesley Memorial church.

OLD SOLDIER OF THE CROSS FALLS

Rev. J. M. Carraway, 93, prayed and preached and sang for fully 75 years. His delight was to hold revivals in the country churches of eastern Carolina. His singing of the old hymns was more effective than his sermons, but better than all else was his devoted Christian life.

Brother Carraway died at Merrimon Sunday, October 27, 1942. He was a member of the North Carolina conference for many years. He retired from the active ministry at the age of 76. During his ministry he served churches at Kinston, La Grange, and in the vicinity of Raleigh.

THE FIGHT IS ON, O CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

And we should be face to face in stern array against the liquor traffic which is overrunning this country as surely but not as swiftly as the Germans overran Europe, and it is just about as conscienceless and as hard to defeat as the Axis powers.

Here in the Greensboro district we have recently fired a Cannon at this old enemy in conjunction with our check-up meeting, which revealed 100 per cent collections from all the churches represented, some of which are already out in full. We held a temperance rally in Centenary church with Bishop James Cannon, Jr., as principal speaker. As they said about the boys on Baatan, this Cannon is "expendable" and he never fires without his facts, and there are very few duds in his ammunition. Altogether it was a worth while meeting, both in tone and in content.

From observation and investigation I am compelled to say that the liquor situation in this country is worse now than it has been in a generation. From the Juke box gang in the city to the behind-the-barn bunch in the country there is more drinking and drunkenness than I have known and the end is not yet, unless some legal check is put on this rioting through the enactment of the Sheppard Bill or similar legislation, and I fail to see why the powers that be over us in the state cannot do some of this regulating as well as checking us up on sugar and gas and many other commodities which are the real necessities of life. I raise the question in all seriousness, are we to become a drunken nation? allowing the inscription to be placed on our institutions, "Our Glory Has Departed."

It so happens that I have more than a speaking acquaintance with most of the towns and cities of western North Carolina, and from personal observation it is inescapable that beer and booze are still the great corrupting force in our land. The boys who thought they could manage their beer and went to it like cats to cream (though they didn't like it half so well) first grew fat and florid of face, then as they increased the amount, or changed to stronger drink, their health started to fail, and many of them of my own age have gone to untimely graves.

It probably will take an aroused conscience and a militant Christian church to arrest this downward trend and re-establish us on the moral fundation of our fathers. No Methodist preacher should be intimidated or hold his peace because a few who for political or other reasons still say the church is meddling outside its realm.

L. B. Hayes.

OCTOBER LOYALTY MONTH FOR CHURCHES OF ROANOKE RAPIDS

The pastors and churches of Roanoke Rapids, assisted by the merchants association and civic clubs, are putting on a united effort to rally all our forces to the church in a new loyalty in attendance move for the month of October. Nine thousand of our twelve thousand citizens are not members of any church. We are supremely conscious that the church is of God. That he is still the arbiter of human destiny, that our times and we ourselves are in his hands, and that a return to God in penitence and faith and the wholehearted support of his church overshadows in importance all our other needs in this our world crisis, even as a basis of hope for a just and permanent peace.

A personal letter signed by all nine of the pastors, including our splendid Catholic priest, Father Peter M. Denges, as a united appeal, was sent to every home in town. Visiting laymen spoke in the churches of town Sunday presenting the appeal and asking for a wholehearted support and to overflow our churches every service. Several spot announcements, and speakers over the radio, and the newspapers are co-operating; also the schools.

A thirty-minute union prayer service is held each Tuesday evening at seven-thirty in the Episcopal church which is the most central.

Daniel Lane,
President Ministerial Assn.

BIBLICAL RECORDER'S NEW EDITOR

Dr. L. C. Carpenter, associate professor of Bible at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, has been chosen editor of the Biblical Recorder, Raleigh, organ of the North Carolina Baptist Convention. Dr. Carpenter is a native Tar Heel; graduate of Wake Forest College, class of 1913; received his Master of Theology and Doctor of Theology degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. In 1927 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Yale University. From 1930 until 1936 he was head of the department of religion at Limestone College, Gaffney, S. C. In 1936 he took the position at Baylor.

Dr. Carpenter is the author of several books.

The new editor will be at home in North Carolina and enters a field of practically unlimited possiblity in serving the great Baptist denomination in the "Old North State."

To him we extend the right hand of fellowship and pass on to him what Honorable Josephus Daniels said to us when asked, as we began editorial work, how to succeed as editor of a church paper. The experienced Raleigh editor instantly replied: "Make it interesting. The people will tolerate anything in an editor but dullness." This was the most valuable advice that we ever got from any source.

HAYWOOD STREET, ASHEVILLE, CLOSES WELL

Haywood Street church is closing a good year. Askings for World Service is overpaid. Church accepted mission special and is now supporting a missionary to the Cherokee Indians. Money is in hand to pay all other claims for the year. Bishop Edwin F. Lee of Singapore, Bishop H. M. Dobbs of Birmingham, Ala., and Dr. C. K. Vliet of New York have been with us one or more services and thrilled our people with their messages.

Organization for next year finds Mr. H. A. Dunham beginning the 47th year as church school superintendent. Fine record of success. Board of stewards with Otis Green, chairman, gives promise of continued success. Miss Bess Swicegood is president of Methodist Youth Fellowship, with fine program for our young people. Twenty-five additions to church membership; 10 per cent increase church school attendance; mid-week services well attended.; W. S. C. S. doing fine work.

A. C. Swofford.

CONFERENCE LUNCHEON FOR MINISTERS' WIVES

The annual luncheon for the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference will be held Thursday, October 22, at one o'clock at Efird's Dining Room. Please send reservations to Mrs. G. Ray Jordan, care First Methodist church, Charlotte, not later than Monday, October 19. Because of the food shortage we would like to have all reservations as soon as possible. The price of the plates will be sixty-five cents.

Mrs. Earl H. Brendall, Sec.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

There will be a pre-conference meeting of the Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes at Queen Street church, Kinston, on Tuesday, October 13, at 10:30 a. m. All members of this board are requested to be present.

A. L. Thompson, Secretary.

This Weeks Leaders in Advocate Campaign

JARVIS MEMORIAL, GREENVILLE, LEADS

The Jarvis Memorial church, Greenville, Rev. G. W. Perry, pastor, is the first of the big churches of the North Carolina conference, if not the entire state, to secure its Advocate quota. The church paper now goes into thirty-three additional homes in this thriving and progessive community.

In a most commendable way does this pastor and people lead all the other leading churches of the conference by being the only one so far to win a star.

This all goes to show what a devoted pastor and an official board can do when they get busy. Brother Perry feels sure that he has the best appointment in the state and the leaders of his church are ready to go all the way with him. We most sincerely congratulate this popular pastor and his people on being able to ride in the Advocate band wagon. Their deeds speak louder than any words of ours.

PHILLIPS AND BETHEL IN HIGH GLEE

The church at Bethel is in the record breaking business, led by J. G. Phillips. In remitting $45 for the Advocate—which gives them a star—Brother Phillips adds, "We hope to push the mailing list up to 50 before conference." Great is the enthusiasm of leaders with the will to succeed.

Brother R. L. Hathcock Wins

Early in the year this good brother said he had a hard field but he was going to get his quota for the Advocate. He has won and has 2 1-2 subscribers to the good over and above his quota. Well done, good and faithful servant! This dear brother is worthy of all praise.

Rev. C. A. Jones May Well Rejoice

The church at St. Paul, after a long struggle to pay a burdensome debt, was dedicated this year and now Brother C. A. Jones wins a star by securing his quota for the Advocate. A new day should dawn for this devoted and heroic people. For their devotion to their church paper we are truly grateful.

KENNETH GOODSON AND MUIR'S CHAPEL

Rev. Kenneth Goodson, the popular and effective pastor of Muir's Chapel, which is one of the desirable suburban churches of Greensboro, last Sunday morning presented the claims of the Advocate to his people and asked for new subscribers. In a little while he had secured twice his quota and a good big check arrived in this office Monday morning. We thank Brother Goodson and his people. And we take the liberty to tell the Muir's Chapel congregation, most of whom are now readers of this Advocate, that many other churches in North Carolina would be delighted to have their attractive young pastor to serve them, because they have learned that he is one of the very best among the many young preachers who are members of the Western North Carolina conference.

A GOOD LAYMAN GETS IN THE GAME

I have been reading the Advocate for many years and thoroughly enjoy it. My father was, and still is, a consistent subscriber. So when I married naturally I began subscribing and the paper has been coming to my home regularly since.

I noticed the drive you have had on and decided a layman might get some subscribers too. As a result I am enclosing $13 to pay for 12 new subscribers for six months and one renewal. Please credit to Cross Mill church, Marion district, Rev. F. R. Barber, pastor.

Curtiss Murray.

TWO STARS FOR J. H. MELZER AT MARVIN

Marvin is a new pastoral charge near Winston-Salem and Rev. J. H. Melzer was the new preacher sent to this new charge at last conference. He went to work to do things worth while and succeeded at the task. Among his good deeds was to secure twice his quota of new subscribers to the Advocate. He now has two stars by his name.

TROLLINGER AT POLKTON

Polkton and Trollinger are high up on the roll of honor with twice their Advocate quota, that is two stars. Brother Trollinger addresses Charles Bowles as follows:

"I just told Charles Bowles he does pretty good in getting subscriptions, but he need not try to get ahead of me. This makes a total of 21 I have sent in this year. I hope to get some more. Please send these new ones this week if possible."

REV. W. J. HUNEYCUTT AT YADKINVILLE

Rev. W. J. Huneycutt not only dedicates churches on his charge, but at the same time he secures his quota of new subscribers for the Advocate. It is not the first time that this alert young pastor has shown that he is determined to win victories wherever he is appointed to serve. We advise that one and all keep an eye on the work of W. J. Honeycutt.

THE SEVENTY SHOULD SOON REACH THE GOAL

Seventy pastors in the two conferences have more than half their quotas. These should certainly secure their quotas and also those who are well on to the half way mark. Many stars are to shine by the assembling of conference.

OF COURSE SURRATT WINS

Rev. H. F. Surratt at Windsor looks after his Advocate list as a lover of flowers attends her flower garden. He is better acqainted with the mailing list of his church paper than most men are with their back yard. His quota was assured, but it is now written in the record and his money helps to keep the wheels turning.

REV. R. L. MELTON

Rev. Romeo Leonard Melton, 70, died suddenly Sunday morning, September 6, in his home at Granite Quarry, North Carolina. Before moving to Granite Quarry last August he resided with his daughter, Mrs. Velna Weaver, at Brooks Cross Roads.

Rev. Mr. Melton, who held pastorates in a number of North Carolina communities during his many years in the ministry, was a native of Rutherford county but spent most of his early life in Cleveland. He attended Fallston Institute in Cleveland county, was graduated from Showalter Normal School of Music and did graduate work at Vanderbilt University.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Jennie Baber of Rutherford county, six children, Mrs. Vela Weaver of Hamptonville, Mrs. Carolyn Poole of Mayodan, Paul T. Melton of Greensboro, and Misses Maude and Mary and Harold Melton, all of the home; three grandchildren also survive.

He retired from the ministry in 1931, after serving pastorates at Plymouth, Edenton Station, Broad River, Worthville, Coleridge, New London, Granite Quarry, Woodleaf, Olin and on the Statesville circuit.

Funeral services were held September 8 at Granite Quarry church. Interment was in the church cemetery. The services were in charge of Rev. C. G. Isley, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Statesville district, Rev. J .E. McSwain of High Point, and Dr. C. N. Clark, superintendent of the Salisbury district. Eighteen ministers served as active and honorary pallbearers.

Brother Melton was first of all a Christian gentleman. He strictly enforced on himself the requirements of a Christian and was firmly convinced that those who profess to be Christians should not lower their standards of moral living under any circumstances. He believed that the vows he took as a minister and a member of the church were to be observed and not trifled with. When he was not in the pulpit he was found in the pew, for he loved his church and was never happier than when present at her services.

C. G. Isley, Pastor.

CHALLENGE FROM HAMLET CHURCH

Are you troubled about your church school people not attending morning worship service? If you are it does not have to be so.

In Hamlet we have our morning worship service at 10 o'clock and follow it with our church school from 11 to 11:40, going directly from worship to the work of the church school. The nursery is kept open from 10 until 11:40.

By a very simple method each class, in which the teacher and all pupils present in that class have attended the morning service, is designated as a Star class for that day and generally published in the bulletin for the following Sunday. Though there was no high pressure it worked so well that soon we were having whole Star departments. For four out of six Sundays just past the junior department has been a Star department with all of the teachers and pupils present having attended the worship service and on the other two Sundays missed by only one or two pupils. The intermediate department has been running a close second in this, while all the departments turned in Star classes. On Sunday, September 13, our adult and intermediate departments were Star departments and the juniors missed by just one pupil, while there were not more than four in all the church school who had not been in the morning worship service.

This different set-up of our Sunday morning schedule came about through the realization of the pastor and members of the church board of education and official board that so many of the children and youth as well as adults who attended church school were not attending the church worship service and that the center of spiritual life is worship and that unless children grow up attending and experiencing worship they do not become spiritually minded or church attending and church supporting adults. I have not found any yet, and would like any pastor that has to give me the specific case or cases.

This set-up has been in use for almost three years now and we feel we are prepared to say "it works," and to challenge any other urban church in this oneness of attendance upon the morning worship and church school and its effectiveness throughout. Jesse H. Lanning, Pastor.

DEAN HOUGH BRINGS BACK FROM ENGLAND OFFICIAL THANKS FOR U. S. A. "BUNDLES FOR BRITAIN"

Dean Lynn Harold Hough of Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., arrived in the United States by plane recently (September 17) after 80 days spent in England in service both to church and state, rendered upon invitation of the British Ministry of Information.

At a farewell complimentary luncheon given by members of the National Liberal Club the Rt. Hon. Ernest Brown, Minister of Health, commissioned the American churchman as the official bearer of the thanks of the English people to his countrymen for the "genuinely vast scale generosity" shown in the flow of aid begun long before Pearl Harbor. Having received these gifts in his capacity of Minister of Health, Mr. Brown, who presided at the luncheon, indicated that he knew probably better than any other person the extent of the gifts received from "Bundles for Britain" and other similar groups.

During the summer Dean Hough occupied the pulpit of City Temple in London, which since the bombing of its sanctuary has been meeting in the Anglican Church of St. Sepulchre. Under the auspices of the Ministry of Information the dean motored nearly a thousand miles speaking before groups of British officers and men, addressing public meetings in Welch mining villages and conferring with groups of clergymen, Anglican and Free. In Nottingham Dean Hough addressed a Christian Front meeting chaired by the Rt. Rev. John McNulty, Roman Catholic bishop of Nottingham. The Anglican bishop of Ely was the other speaker. He also broadcast to America in a program in which he answered questions on religion.

NEWS NOTES FROM PROSPECT

Having been in the conference only one year I do not have a standard of comparison within my own experience for the work done this year, but I do feel we have had a fine year on the Prospect charge. All the finances will be paid in full, some of them being overpaid; there have been 17 additions to the church, and a fine spirit among the people. But there is one thing in particular about which I wanted you to know.

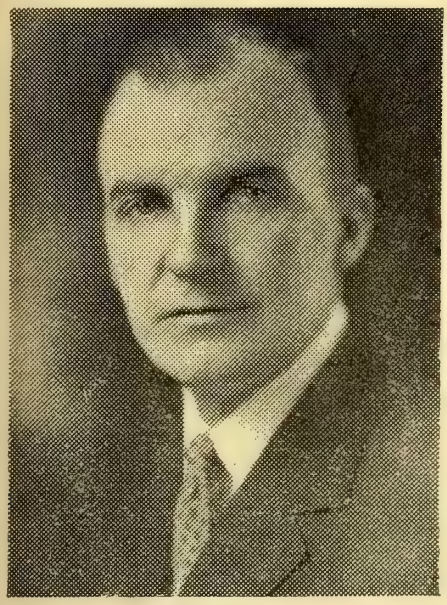
Faith in a vacuum is one thing; faith in action is another and quite a different thing. The people of Bethlehem church have the latter kind of faith. They realize, along with all intelligent Americans of this day, that the war in which we are engaged is one which must be won; that it is a war which, if we lose, might go far toward destroying the visible and physical equipment of the Christian church in America, if it did not seriously impair its spiritual power, which it would undoubtedly do. They further realize that the job of the church after this war will be greater than it is even now and that that job will call for the best of physical equipment as well as spiritual leadership. And, then, they realize in the last place that the intelligent Christian will want his church to profit by the prevalence of money today even as private individuals are looking ahead and laying by for more difficult days. Realizing all this they are, under their own leadership, laying aside in government war bonds made payable to the trustees of the church $1500 to $2000, with which to build a parsonage for their church after the war shall have been won and the government restrictions on building removed. Mitchell Faulkner.

DEDICATION OF DERITA CHURCH

The Derita Methodist church will be dedicated on October 18 at 3 o'clock, Bishop Purcell in charge. We hope that Dr. J. M. Ormond will be with us for the 11 o'clock service. In brief and in general, I place Derita church among the superlatives. (1) In indebtedness to the Duke Fund, Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension, and to friends in Charlotte. (2) The contributions of the membership. (3) Beauty of location and adequacy of building.

Some years ago I counted up about thirty-five financial campaigns from $200,000 down. I have never made or left a bad debt.

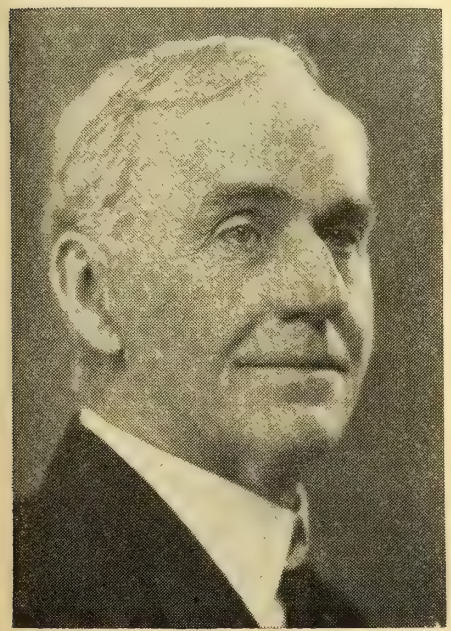
All are invited to this 115th dedication by Bishop Purcell within four years. E. O. Cole, Pastor.



J. G. HANES, Winston-Salem



THOS. C. HOYLE, SR., Greensboro



DR. M. T. PLYLER, Durham

Members of the Executive and Building Committees of Greensboro College

Executive Committee

J. G. Hanes, chairman; Dr Luther L. Gobbel; Thos. C. Hoyle, Sr.; James E. Lambeth; Dr. M. T. Plyler; C. A. Bray, honorary (not shown).

Endowment Committee

James E. Lambeth; Dr. M. T. Plyler; Rev. A. J. Hobbs; J. G. Hanes; W. Y. Preyer.

These officers have rendered excellent service in the recent restoration of the college in this new century of its ever increasing usefulness.

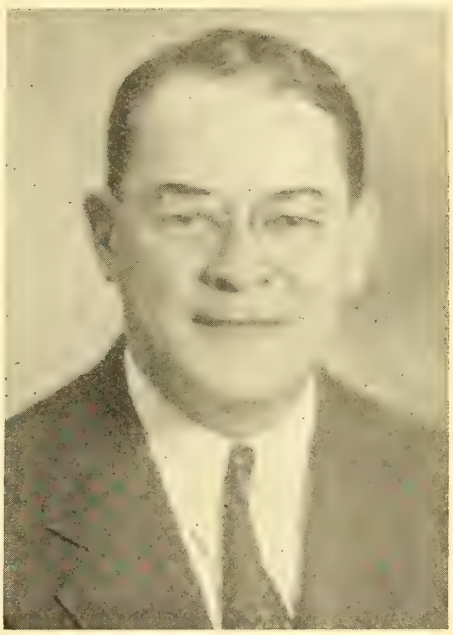
Chartered in 1838, a pioneer for the higher education of women in North Carolina, the college begins in a fine way a new year in its efforts to meet the present day needs of young women.



W. Y. PREYER, New York



DR. LUTHER L. GOBBEL, Greensboro



JAMES E. LAMBETH, Thomasville



REV. A. J. HOBBS, Durham

"TRADUCERS AND INTRODUCERS"

By Richard L. Ownbey

Many years ago an interdenominational laymen's conference was held in Oklahoma City, closing with a great mass meeting at night in the First Presbyterian church, at which hour Dr. William T. Ellis, noted author and lecturer, was the chief speaker. The chairman of the conference, a consecrated but loquacious layman, presented the speaker, consuming exactly 25 minutes in doing so. Before the introduction was completed many persons quietly slipped out of the church, and when Dr. Ellis finally stood up to speak he began his address as follows:

"If ever I should have the privilege of assisting in the revision of the Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church, I would insist upon adding one phrase to a familiar petition in that great collection of prayers. Instead of the petition, 'From our traducers, good Lord deliver us,' I would make it read, 'From our traducers and our introducers, good Lord deliver us.'" This statement was greeted with enthusiastic applause, and having captured his audience with a frankness both apposite and withering Dr. Ellis went on to deliver a stirring address.

Judging from observations in the last ten years the unfortunate habit of long introductory speeches seems to be growing, especially at certain types of religious meetings. I have heard a renowned bishop in a series of addresses introduced each evening by a different speaker, each seeming to vie with the others in long and fulsome introductions. Only a few weeks ago I went to hear a minister known and loved around the Christian world, and whose modesty is recognized as one of his most attractive characteristics. His introducer consumed almost ten minutes in presenting him, the guest minister sitting with bowed head in evident embarrassment while his outstanding virtues and abilities were catalogued in fulsome terms. Why should a mere introducer risk offending the modesty of a great speaker and at the same time bore a waiting audience with words of superfluous eulogy? Let the speaker have a chance to speak for himself!

I was once introduced by a Negro pastor to his congregation somewhat as follows: "Brethren and sisters, we have a young white preacher here tonight, and I want you to help him preach. No matter what he says, I want you to say 'Amen!' and 'Hallelujah!'" and the like, and say 'em out loud. For the more you sic a dog the louder he'll bark and the faster he'll run!" I liked that introducer. Introductions ought not to bore people, and they ought always to help the speaker.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE OPENS WELL

High Point College comes to the end of its third week with an enrollment that equals last year and one of the largest freshman classes in the history of the school. In view of the war situation, enrollment in the mathematics, physics, and chemistry classes, and the department of business administration is extremely heavy both for boys and girls.

Prof. E. C. Glasgow, who was in the English department, is now working in the defense industry in Virginia. He is replaced by Professor Withers, who taught for 17 years at Emory and was head of the English department there for seven years.

The student government has done away with freshman initiation. This year orientation week for the new students was filled with get-acquainted parties, a weiner roast, theater party and many other socials. The football season opened last Friday with the annual parade and game which was with Milligan College. Their next home game will be with Guilford College October 23.

John Owen Gross, who is on the board of education for the Methodist churches, spoke to the student body Monday, September 28, on "Co-operating With the Inevitable."

REV. JOSEPH WALTER LONG

Joseph Walter Long, son of Rev. Miles H. Long and Mrs. Martha Anne Long, was born in Yadkin county, North Carolina, July 31, 1875, and died September 18, 1942, aged 67 years, one month and 18 days. His first years in the ministry were devoted to evangelistic services. Many successful revivals were held in various sections of western North Carolina. At the conference at



Rev. Joseph Walter Long

Monroe he joined the itinerancy. He served the following charges: Dobson circuit 1902-1905, Concord Epworth 1905-1909, Greensboro Spring Garden (now College Place) 1909-1911, Andrews 1911-12. Mr. Long was especially interested in Sunday school work, and at the session of the annual conference in 1912 he was appointed field secretary for the North Carolina Sunday School Association. He devoted seven years to this work. Declining health forced him to give up active work. In 1922 he was given the retired relation.

In 1908 he was happily married to Miss Annie Miller of Linwood. Together these two walked through the sunshine and shadows of the parsonage home. They had some bright days and some dark days. To them were born five girls. The first born, Mary Elizabeth, died when only 21 months old. The others, Ruth (Mrs. Verne Walton, Frances (Mrs. Paul Scott), Anne (Mrs. R. C. Lewis), and Margaret live in Greensboro. There are two grandsons, Michael Lewis and Joseph Scott.

Brother Long was one of God's gentlemen. He was friendly and kind and sympathetic to all, especially to the unfortunate and suffering.

From the time he served College Place church he had a strong attachment to this congregation. When he gave up the pastorate he and his family became identified with this congregation. In College Place church his funeral was held by L. B. Hayes, Greensboro district superintendent, and R .M. Courtney, pastor.

R. M. Courtney.

Report on the Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate

The quota or goal is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

3*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
3*V. E. Queen, Carrboro.
2*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.
*M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
*J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
*C. P. Morris, Orange Ct.
*M. C. Dunn, Carr.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.
2*M. R. Gardner, Aulander.
2*W. N. Vaughan, South Mills.
*T. J. Whitehead, North Gates.
*H. F. Surratt, Windsor.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.
*W. E. Smith, Johnson Memorial.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.
*G. W. Perry, Jarvis Memorial.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.
*F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.
*R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
*R. L. Hethcox, Newton Grove.

Rocky Mount District

*G.W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock. W. Halifax.
*J. G. Phillips, Bethel.

Wilmington District

2*J. D. Stott, Pembroke.
*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.
*M. W. Warren, Garland.
*W. J. Freeman. Bladen.
*E. C. Maness, Chadbourn.
*C. W. Barbee, Elizabeth.
*C. T. Rogers, Wallace-Rosehill.
*C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
*Walter Pavy, Town Creek.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.
*C. W. Bates, Candler.
*J. R. Bowman, Rosman.

Charlotte District

2*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
2*C. P. Bowles, Wadesboro.
*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*C. E. Murray, Spencer Memorial.
*J. W. Fitzgerald, Belmont Park.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

15*Hoyt H. Wood, W. Jefferson.
*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.
*W. J. Huneycutt, Yadkinville.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.
*G. W. Clay, Fallston.
*D. M. Nifong, Cherryville.

Greensboro District

2*W. Kenneth Goodson, W. Greensboro.
*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.
*E. M. Avett, Glenwood.
*E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.

High Point District

2*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
2*C. H. Hill, Liberty Ct.
2*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*J. W. Braxton, Asheboro.
*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.
*T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
*Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
*J. D. Williams, Welch Memorial.
*Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
*J. H. Trolinger, Coleridge.
*C. E. Ridge, Pleasant Grove.

Marion District

7*E. L. Kirk, Cliffside-Avondale.
*M. C. Reese, Henrietta-Caroleen.
*W. J. Plint, Valdese.
*F. R. Barber, Cross Mills.

Salisbury District

6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.
*Chas. Sharpe, Jr., Tabernacle-Palestine.

Statesville District

4*H. G. Allen, Broad Street.
*J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr., Highlands.
*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

4*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.
3*H. D. Garmon, Robbinsville.
2*Melton Harbin, Fines Creek.

Winston-Salem District

5*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
2*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
2*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
2*J. H. Melzer, Marvin.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.
R. H. Lewis, Wanchese.

Fayetteville District

W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.
R. W. Barfield, Troy Ct.

New Bern District

L. A. Tilley, Ayden.
C. E. Hix, Jr., LaGrange.
Leon Russell, New Bern.

Raleigh District

R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
P. O. Lee, Clayton.
J. L. Smith, Oxford Ct.

Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.
B. D. Critcher, Enfield.
J. E. Garlington, Spring-Garysburg.

Wilmington District

F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
P. T. Dixon, Morven.
J. E. Rink, Thrift-Moores.
C. M. Pickens, Oakhurst.

Gastonia District

S. W. Johnson, Grace.
C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.
M. E. Leftwich, McAdenville.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
J. J. Powell, Lee's Chapel.
Paul R. Rayle, Draper.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.
G. C. Graham, Jonesville.

High Point District

T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.

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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

A CALL TO THE W. S. C. S.

Under the heading "Let the Women Aid the Pastors" there is an appeal on page 12 of the September 10 issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate from the editors for the co-operation of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service in securing 1000 new subscriptions (500 from the W. N. C. conference) for our church paper.

We would like to add our appeal to that of the editors and urge our societies to put forth a strenuous effort in this campaign for new subscribers. While the 1000 names are desired by September 30, we feel sure that any names sent in a few days later will be appreciated.

Since 1897 (45 years ago) the women have had a "woman's page" in our Advocate, due to the kindness of the editors during these years, and without any cost to our women. This expression of kindness has been most highly appreciated by all of us interested in our woman's work, and now when the call comes for our co-operation in the subscription campaign, will we not rally to the cause and do our "dead level best" to secure a large number of subsribers? With an enrollment of 24,460 members in 666 Woman's Societies of Christian Service we should be able to send in a gratifying list of new subscriptions or renewals, not only as an expression of our appreciation of the kindness extended us through the years by the editors, but also from a desire to place the Advocate in every home where there is a member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Quoting from the article of September 10: "Can the Woman's Societies of Christian Service get along without their pages in the Advocate each week? How could their work be kept before the women from week to week but for the Advocate? It is only through the Advocate that these interests can be got across to the local society. The Methodist Woman and the World Outlook are most valuable for the work in their fields, but the local approach must be made through the local (conference) paper." Since the next few weeks will be given to the fall zone meetings, will not our secretaries of publications in the 11 districts make a special plea for the Advocate along with the other literature necessary to our work? Let us do all in our power to aid in the campaign to place the Advocate in the homes of all Methodists in our conference.—Mrs. W. R. Harris, Editor Woman's Page.

MISSIONARIES RETURNING TO UNITED STATES

One of the vessels that landed in New York recently, bringing American citizens home from the Far East, carried 283 missionaries and 192 missionary children. These represented over 30 boards and societies. During the long, hard journey, an eye witness states that services were held each Sunday by these religious workers and all combined to make the worship rich in testimony and music. Collections amounting to approximately $185 were taken at the services to be equally divided between the American Bible Society to provide Bibles for men in the service and the Red Cross."

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR, MARION DISTRICT

The educational seminar for Marion district for 1942 was held at First church, Marion, Thursday, September 17, with a large number of women from all over the district in attendance. The conference represenatives present were: Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, secretary missionary education and service; Mrs. J. Dale Stentz of Waynesville, spiritual life leader; Miss Marshlea Cottingham, formerly of Florida, new deaconess rural worker for Y. P. work in W. N. C. conference, and Miss Claudia Harbison of Morganton, district corresponding secretary, Marion district. The meeting opened with the missionary hymn, "Heralds of Christ," and was followed by an inspiring and impressive worship service by Mrs. Stentz.

Mrs. Payne in her discussion of the departments of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service stressed as valuable phases of the work: unity, help and development and support of the church work around the world; development of our own spiritual life; progress in studying needs. After the group meetings Mrs. Stentz spoke on The Emergency Fund, Miss Cottingham on Rural Work, and Mrs. Payne, Methods of Teaching. One of the interesting features of the day's program and its closing number was a skit given by six local women on Latin America.

MARION DISTRICT ZONE MEETING

Zone No. 2 of the Marion district held its fall meeting at First church, Marion, on Thursday afternoon, September 17, following the educational seminar which was held in the morning. In the absence of the president, Mrs. A. T. Abernethy, Mrs. M. C. Mangum presided, and Miss Claudia Harbison acted as secretary. Hymn 483, "The Kigdom Is Coming," was used as an opening and was followed by devotional by Mrs. J. F. Jonas, with comments on the 13th chapter of Acts.

The roll call was answered with reports from the representatives of the societies and showed an interest and progress in the work. The following district officers were present and gave reports of their work: Miss Joyce Decker, secretary Wesleyan Service Guild; Mrs. J. L. Martin, secretary missionary education and service; Miss Claudia Harbison, district corresponding secretary; and Mrs. H. C. Mangum, represenative from district at the assembly meeting in Columbus, Ohio, gave an interesting report of that great meeting. An election of a zone president in place of Mrs. Abernethy, resigned, resulted in the election of Mrs. H. C. Mangum. The next meeing will be held at Mt. Zion church, Drexel charge.

ZONE MEETING ON ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

Sixty women, representing the Methodist Woman's Societies of Christian Service in churches in the northern part of the Asheville district, gathered at Weaverville Methodist church Wednesday morning at 10:30 for a zone meeting, with Mrs. Vernon Hall of Leicester, zone chairman, presiding. The morning worship service was conducted by Mrs. Ralph Taylor of Asbury Memorial church, who used as her theme "Praise Ye the Lord," reading in conection therewith a psalm of praise. Mrs. Taylor's little daughter sang "Open Mine Eyes," accompanied by Mrs. Robert Reagan at the piano. The welcoming address was given by Mrs. John Wright, president of the Weaverville society, with response by Mrs. R. S. Morris. Mrs. Hall announced as the theme of the day's meeting "Our Missionary Education" and presented the district officers in attendance, each of whom gave a talk emphasizing the worfl that could and should be done on the district.

Miss Amy Hackney, president of the Asheville district, stressed some phases of the work and was followed by Mrs. Allen Luther, district corresponding secretary, who urged prompt and accurate reports of the work that had been done in each society. Mrs. J. S. Williams made helpful suggestions as to what might be achieved in the department of Christian social relations; Mrs. Emile Alexander spoke on the three publications—The World Outlook, The Methodist Woman and the North Carolina Christian Advocate, urging the interest of the women in these periodicals which are so necessary to the woman's work.

Miss Jane Sullivan presented the department of the Wesleyan Service Guild of which she is district chairman and spoke of its close relation to the W. S. C. S.

At noon the meeting recessed for lunch served in the recreation room of the church. The opening feature of the afternoon session was a discussion of the fall mission study class to be held in each church, Miss Kate Hackney, missionary emeritus to China, displaying all necessary literature for this class. An "information—please" round table discussion on all phases of the work was led by Miss Amy Hackney. The day's program was concluded with an impressive devotional by Mrs. Fred Dryman, who used as her theme, "She put her trust in God."

In addition to the district officers present at the meeting with other guests including Mrs. W. C. Hammer of Asheboro, former state president of the Methodist Protestant Woman's Missionary Society; Mrs. W. F. Redding, also of Asheboro, secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds of W. N. C. conference; and Dr. Joy Glascock of Greensboro, district secretary of Christian social relations and local activities.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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CHOSEN VESSELS

Christians are chosen of God because they have yielded their lives to Christ and have given their lives to him in service. There is a great need for fruitful Christians today. It is imperative that we make that service count for more than ever.—Mrs. W. C. Chadwick.

A PURPOSE AND A TOPIC

The purpose of missionary education is to give spiritual emphasis, a world vision, a sense of world brotherhood and a sense of personal responsibility and an educational process which should result in a larger interest and a greater knowledge of world needs; a sense of oneness of the human family and a desire to help bring about Christian relationships between the peoples of the world. The ultimate aim of missionary education therefore is to bring in the kingdom of God. The topic for study this fall is "Christian Missions in Latin America," using the text, "On this foundation," by Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft and supplementary materials by other authors. The purpose of this timely and interesting topic is: To learn to know Latin America as brothers, heirs of our own Father God, to understand how our Latin American friends came to be what they are; to discover the place of the evangelical church to opportunities offered by the press and classroom for the evangelism of Latin America; to help the class discover how Christianity can satisfy the hunger of Latin America—a hunger that has been exploited by materialism and totalitarianism philosophies; to discover our opportunities as individual Christians and as evangelical denominations for helping Latin America solve her problems in a Christian way. Is not this lofty purpose enough to create in the hearts and minds of all Christian women a determination to study, learn and act upon this fall mission study. Women of other denominations than Methodists are using this topic for study this fall. In the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. there should be larger and more effective classes this year than ever before.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

More conference workers, particularly in the field of rural work; solving the interracial problem in a Christian way by Christian women; sane thinking and the emergency fund were listed by Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S., as some immediate needs for the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. as she spoke to the members of the executive committee on September 23. The committee met in a two day session at Burwell College on the campus of the Methodist Orphanage on September 23-24. Said Mrs. Hillman: "If we in America do not present to the world the cause of righteousness and truth, it is possible that the church of Christ cannot survive in the world." Mrs. Hillman commended the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. for the way in which it is going forward in the cause of missions. "I have every confidence," said she, "that the cause of Christ is safe in your hands." Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, conference president, presided. Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Fayetteville, conference secretary spiritual life groups, led the periods of devotion. Officers and district secretaries made reports and statements concerning their work. Reports of the school of missions were made by those officers who had attended. Many items of business were transacted and problems discussed. The meeting adjourned with an inspirational address by Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, Raleigh, member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church. Mrs. Coltrane challenged her hearers with thoughts upon theme "We Ought Because We Are." Following the Wednesday evening session, Superintendent and Mrs. A. S. Barnes entertained at a reception at their home on the Orphanage campus honoring the conference officers. Rev. and Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Mary Allred, head matron, greeted the guests and Mrs. B. W. Wells invited them into the dining room. Mrs. Nellie Tull poured punch. Mrs. Clinness Beddingfield and Mrs. Wells served cheese straws, cookies and nuts. Ed Hill, tenor, a graduate of the Methodist Orphanage, sang several selections. Mr. Hill was accompanied at the piano by Miss Mary Ferree. The entire lower floor of the Barnes residence was decorated with colorful garden flowers. The table was beautifully appointed with a lace tablecloth, a centerpiece of mixed flowers in an antique china bowl on a silver stand. Silver candlesticks were also used on the table. Those attending the meeting in addition to Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Hillman, Miss Lamb and Mrs. Coltrane were: Mrs. Gurney P .Hood, Mrs. S. S. Holt, Mrs. B. F. Boone, Miss Mary Gardner, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Mrs. R. B. Hooker, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Mrs. A. M. Gates, Mrs. L. C. Larkin, Miss Florine Robertson, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Mrs. N. P. Edens.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS FOR TWO

It is with a sense of regret that the conference executive committee learned of the death of the father of Miss Priscilla Stegar, conference industrial worker, and the illness of Mr. F. B. McKinne, husband of the conference treasurer. Miss Stegar's father has been ill for a long period of time, as has Mr. McKinne. We pray God's richest blessings of inward peace upon Miss Stegar in her hour of sorrow and upon Mrs. McKinne as she ministers to the comfort of her husband. We are hopeful that soon Mr. McKinne will be much improved.

FOUR EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES

Educational conferences were held on September 15, 16, 17 and 18 for Fayetteville, Durham, Rocky Mount and New Bern districts at Steele Street (Sanford), Cedar Grove, Littleton, and Queen Street, Kinston. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, conference secretary young women and girls' work, and Miss Mary Gardner, conference secretary publicity and publication, talked at each of these meetings concerning missionary education as it relates to the various lines of work on the W. S. C. S. Mrs. Boone gave many valuable suggestions of plans, methods and materials for the fall mission study. At Sanford Mrs. B. Cole of that city led the opening devotional, using the topic, "Unused Talents"; Miss Elizabeth Lamb, conference secretary spiritual life groups, spoke on some needs and opportunities for service in Brazil; Mrs. J. S. Chandler led in a service of rededication; Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, conference secretary children's work, spoke on missionary education and its relationship to that line of work; Mrs. P. L. Johnson and Mrs. A. P. Brantley enacted a skit relating to the fall study. At Cedar Grove, Mrs. Andrew Borland of Durham led the devotional; Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, spoke on "The Approach to Missions"; Mrs. Eugene Chesson told of some of her experiences in Brazil and exhibited an interesting array of curios from that country; Mrs. F. S. Love, Burlington, spoke on "The Spiritual Approach to Missions." At Littleton Rev. H. L. Davis, pastor, led the opening worship; Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway, Rocky Mount district secretary, stressed the purpose of the W. S. C. S.; Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Fouts presented a skit concerning the Good Samaritan. The meeting at Kinston was opened with a devotional by Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern, conference president, using the theme, "Chosen Vessels"; Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Fouts presented the skit "Concerning the Good Samaritan." Each of the conferences were marked by interest and response on the part of those attending.

ANOTHER 100 PER CENTER

The W. S. C. S. of Steele Street Street church, Sanford, has attained the much needed and much talked of goal of "Every Officers of Every Society a Subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook." Congratulations to Steele Street society for having officers with a vision of the needs and the will to learn to do. There is yet time for many other societies to attain this goal and the other, namely, one-third increase in subscriptions.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THE COMING COLD

Outside the sun is shining beautifully and warming up the situation satisfactorily. Inside it is uncomfortably cool. The furnaces have not been started and the dampness from yesterday's rain brings on a a bit of discomfort. The fires will soon be built and the children, little and large, together with their directors will have the comfort that warmth brings on cold mornings. Thanks to our friends' contributions and to our foresight, we have all the coal needed for winter's warmth already placed on our campus. Thanks to our good women, it appears that we have sufficient covering to take care of the children during the cold nights. As the quilts wear out doubtless these good women will replenish them. The cold weather is coming and with it are coming the challenges connected with providing necessary sustenance and comforts. We will all work together in meeting the issues as they assert themselves.

PLENTY OF PUMPKINS

The growing seasons have been very favorable during the past summer. We have produced everything that grows well here except small grain. We do not have sufficient land for wheat fields, oat fields, and the like. But we do have sufficient land to produce all the vegetables we need. We have canned well over 6,000 gallons of these products for winter use. Among other things we have plenty of pumpkins, good pumpkins, yellow pumpkins and highfulutin' pumpkins. Mr. Booze planted a few rows of the highfulutin' pumpkins for Hallowe'en and Thanksgiving use. These small, oval, deep-yellowed pumpkins have thin rinds but they have a beautfiul complexion. The good old-time pumpkin is the one will rely on for such pies as we can get sugar to make. The frost and the pumpkin time is approaching.

THE METHODIST MINISTER

The Methodist minister is more than an institution. He is a warm-hearted man. He is interested in more than preaching. He is interested in serving. One of these Methodist ministers has just made an early Monday morning call upon us. He told about three little pre-school age children whose mother is a member of his congregation and whose father died some months ago. He told us that the paternal grandmother, in whose home the little children lived, has just passed into the beyond, that the grandmother's home had been sold and that this mother, in her bewilderment, was wondering what would become of her and her children. Having previously visited this home, we could understand the minister's mission. The little children will come to the Children's Home while the mother, frail though she is, will secure employment to sustain herself and her own invalid mother until such time as the children can be returned to her.

FINDING FINANCES

The new financial plan for maintaining the work the Children's Home is out to do seems to have worked reasonably well during the present conference year. Speaking collectively, the charges paying the smaller pastoral salaries seem to have done better at raising their entire apportionments than the charges paying the larger salaries. To be sure, the larger congregations had larger increases apportioned to them. Some of them have already attained these new apportionments. Others may do so before conference. The judgment of our board of trustees in recent session was that our present plan should be tried another year and recommendation will be made to the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance that the same apportionments apply for the ensuing year. The conference in annual session will pass on this.



It's funny to have a picture taken

LISTEN TO THE BELL

The basal apportionment bell, and for that matter in a number of instances the supplementary apportionment bell, has rung encouragingly during the past week. The following congregations, whose pastors are herewith listed, have rung the bell. They have paid their apportionment. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

Little Sandy, Teague Chapel and Chestnut Grove, Sandy circuit, Rev. J. D. Pyatt.

Mt. Carmel, Mt. Carmel-Pine Grove, Rev. Byron Nifong.

Whitnel, Rev. R. H. Nicholson.

Linwood, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

Webster, Webster circuit, Rev. B. C. Moss.

Concord and Hardison, Davie circuit, Rev. G. W. Fink.

Unity-Fair Grove, Thomasville, Rev. W. L. Lanier.

Littlejohn's, Lenoir circuit, Rev. W. L. Harkey.

Hickory Grove, Charlotte, Rev. R. L. Young.

Yadkin College, Shiloh, Rev. T. G. Madison.

Ann Street, Concord, Rev. R. J. Barnwell.

Wesley Chapel and Matton's Grove, Pfeiffer circuit, Rev. C. B. Ross.

El Bethel, Concord-El Bethel, Rev. C. D. Brown.

Central, Asheville, Dr. W. A. Lambeth.

Muir's Chapel, Greensboro, Rev. W. K. Goodson.

Cedar Falls, Asheboro circuit, Rev. E. A. Lamb.

Welch Memorial, High Point, Rev. J. D Williams.

Archdale, Rev. G. E. White.

Belmont Park, Charlotte, Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald.

Andrews, Rev. R. T. Houts.

Mills River circuit, Rev. J. D. Morris.

SAME TIME, SAME STATION

Our board of trustees in their recent annual meeting elected the same officers for the ensuing year. Many matters of vital concern to our undertaking were evaluated. An encouraging report having to do with our financial, social and religious welfare was made to the trustees and they seemed to appreciate it. So we will go along with our project at the same place in the same way during the ensuing year, except that we shall hope that past experience may be used for building a better program. So, after the fashion of the radio announcer, our friends are encouraged to believe that the same appeals, the same work, and the same success will be announced from time to time.

GOOD CHILDREN, GOOD SPONSORS

The picture this week is that of William and Marie Wilson, six and ten years old, respectively. While away on an enjoyable vacation trip this summer, these promising youngsters sat down in front of a window and had their picture taken. They brought it back to this scribe with a good deal of satisfaction and with the expectation that it would be used in the Advocate some time. William, better known to us as Billy, is sponsored by the Wesley Builders class of First church, Lenoir. Marie is sponsored by Alton W. Craven of Ramseur, in memory of his beloved wife, who had Marie visit with her before her transferring into the realm of the eternal. These two youngsters are fortunate in their own endowments and in the sponsors who claim them.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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SOMETHING NEW — Prof. B. M. Madison and the Methodist Orphanage high school will edit the Methodist Orphanage page in the Advocate next week. I think I can assure the readers of the Methodist Orphanage page that this new departure will prove intensely interesting to our friends. Prof. Madison has already proven that a wise selection was made when he was elected principal of the Methodist Orphanage school. He has had considerable experience in writing for newspapers.

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FOOTBALL — The Methodist Orphanage football team played its first game last Friday at Apex. The contest resulted in a scoreless tie. It was our first game and our boys made a splendid showing against a team that was much heavier than ours. Due to the tire and gasoline situation, all our games will be played within a few miles of Raleigh. Our team is inexperienced and rather light, but I expect the boys to give a good account of themselves. Mr. Fred Smith, one of our teachers, is a splendid coach and a fine Christian gentleman. He believes in clean playing and good sportsmanship.

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ELECT WOMEN — Last week the Methodist Orphanage had the honor and privilege of entertaining the officers of the Society of Christian Service of the North Carolina conference. These outstanding women were entertained in the beautiful Burwell Memorial cottage. They arrived at the Orphanage a little after noon on Wednesday and returned to their homes Thursday afternoon. They discussed plans and methods relative to their field of service in all parts of the world. This organization is one of the most effective agencies of the church in spreading scriptural holiness over the face of the earth.

These fine Christian leaders are more than welcome at our home. They bring us a great joy and leave us a benediction. They make delightful guests and our entire family looks forward with genuine pleasure to the annual coming of these consecrated women for their work's sake.

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THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE APPROACHES—Our annual conference will be in session within the next four weeks. These are busy days, both for pastors and churches, winding up the year's work. Our conference as a whole has done well for the Methodist Orphanage this year. Such devotion and sacrifices are sincerely appreciated by our board of trustees, official staff and children. However, much remains to be done during the next few weeks. I feel that our pastors and churches will bear in mind the fact that our operating expenses have greatly increased because of high prices, and I hope they will deal generously with us. It is sincerely hoped that in this emergency our friends will go the second mile with us in providing the necessities for our dependent fatherless children. Wages and farm produce will make it much easier this year for our friends to act the part of the Good Samaritan to the Methodist Orphanage.

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SYMPATHY—The Oxford Orphanage has our deepest sympathy in the death of one of their outstanding young men. His tragic death was keenly felt by our boys and girls and workers. The deceased had three sisters and one brother in the Methodist Orphanage, while three or four of the brothers and sisters were in the Oxford Orphanage. Our football team sent a beautiful design to the funeral service as an expression of their sympathy and admiration for this outstanding orphanage boy. The Methodist Orphanage has a fellow feeling for the Oxford Orphanage in their great loss, since we had a tragic death in our home three years ago. Accidents will happen in institutions as well as in private families, in spite of all that can be done to prevent them. I had the privilege of taking a group of our young people, together with the flowers, to the Oxford Orphanage. I found an atmosphere of genuine sorrow among the officers and children of our sister institution. Outside of the immediate family no one felt the loss of Herbert Long more keenly than Supt. C. E. Proctor.

SCOTCH VS. IRISH

The old saying that "you can't get the best of an Irishman" doesn't always hold good. Some time ago an Irishman speeding down one of our mountain highways had a collision with a Scotchman driving his car along the highway.

True to the instinct of the belligerent Irish, the son of Erin leaped from his car, bristled up to the canny Scotchman and dared him to engage in a fight. The Scotchman merely smiled and said: "Hoot mon, dinna ye be angry. Come, let's take a drink and then we can take a look at the situation."

The Scotchman drew a bottle from his pocket and tendered it to the Irishman. The Irishman took almost all the whiskey in the bottle, then returned it to the Scotchman who put it in his pocket.

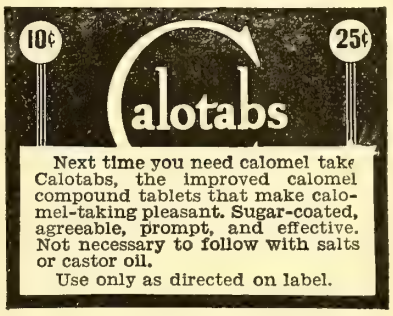
"Ach, but are yez not going to take a swig, too?" asked the Irishman. The Scotchman smiled as he replied: "Hoot mon, no—not until the cops get here to investigate the wreck." And when the cops arrived, they smelled the whiskey on the Irishman's breath and held him responsible for the wreck as well as arresting him for driving drunk.—Selected.

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FROM THE NEWS-HERALD MORGANTON

250 Enroll in Church Course

An enrollment of approximately 250 was reported Sunday night at the opening of the annual leadership training school for Methodist churches in Burke county.

Delegations from throughout the county were present for the first of five nightly sessions which will be held at the First Methodist church through Thursday, and Rev. Fletcher Nelson, host pastor, delivered the inspirational address.

Under the auspices of the Western North Carolina conference board of Christian education three courses are being taught—The Church and Its Work, with Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent, as teacher; Preparation for Christian Home Making, Mrs. E. H. Ould, youth leader in the Virginia conference, teaching; and Use of the Bible with Children, taught by Miss Elizabeth Oliver, conference director of children's work.

BOONE SCHOOL

Dr. E. K. McLarty has recently had Mrs. E. H. Ould of Roanoke, Va., for a class with his local church workers and for a number of meetings with students at the college. This was Mrs. Ould's second visit to Boone. Both Brother McLarty and Dr. Rankin speak in high praise of Mrs. Ould's work in Boone.

Cullowhee

As a further aid to pastors serving churches which minister to students, Mrs. Ould has spent several days during the past week with Brother McMurray Richey at Cullowhee. Both Mr. Richey and Mrs. Ould are giving excellent leadership to our college students.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

The final drive for this observance has been under way for the past two weeks. There is real need for $989.03 to reach the conference goal and to meet the remaining outstanding financial obligations of the board of education for the year. As a result of the new financail plan, funds for Christian education were sharply curtailed last year. The colleges took their cut in a fine spirit. There was nothing else that could be done. In the local church section, however, we have looked to an increased income from rally day to help with the deficit. A number of churches have responded in a most excellent manner. Unfortunately, though, about six hundred churches have done nothing yet on this matter. Churches reporting during the week of September 16-23 are listed below:

Asheville District

Asbury Memorial	$ 4.00

Charlotte District

Chadwick	5.00

Elkin District

Siloam (Dobson)	2.00
Jonesville	2.00

Gastonia District

Main Street, Gastonia	100.00
Grace, Kings Mountain	5.65

Greensboro District

College Place	10.00
Proximity	7.00

High Point District

Bethany (Linwood)	3.05
Cotton Grove (Linwood)	2.66
Linwood	8.04
Macedonia (Linwood)	2.50
Tyro (Linwood)	6.11
Shiloh (Shiloh)	5.00

Marion District

Glenwood(Marion Ct.)	5.00
Bethel (McDowell)	1.00
Nebo (McDowell)	2.16
Pinnacle	.50
Snow Hill	1.65
Trinity	2.00

Salisbury District

Oak Grove (Landis)	2.50
Richfield (Pfeiffer)	1.50

Statesville District

Center (Balls Creek)	3.94
Frienship (Balls Creek)	5.02
Mountain View (Balls Creek)	5.38
Pisgah (Balls Creek)	6.21
St. Paul (Balls Creek)	1.85
Shiloh (Balls Creek)	5.00
Williamson Chapel	3.50
Maiden	5.00
Race Street (additional)	8.00
South River (Stony Point)	2.00
Mt. Bethel (Taylorsville)	2.25
Taylorsville	3.00

Waynesville District

Pine Grove (Fines Creek)	1.50
Laurel Hill (Fines Creek)	1.75

Winston-Salem District

Marvin Chapel	5.35
Canaan (N. Davidson)	4.00
Midway (Welcome)	15.00

Special Mention

The one hundred dollars from Main Street, Gastonia, is just another demonstration of the generosity of these fine people. Under the thoughtful guidance of Brother Moser this entire church is moving along in an excellent way. The contributions of $27.40 from Balls Creek charge, Statesville district, and the $22.36 from Linwood charge, High Point district, are worthy of special mention. Brother Forbis and O. E. Croy, along with their church school superintendents, presented the cause of Christian education in a most effective manner.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

One of the best means of improving the program of Christian education is the vacation school. The number held during the past year has been most encouraging. An effort is being made to acknowledge all reports received in the Advocate before conference. Reports should be sent to Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury.

Gastonia District

Bethesda (Lowell), E. C. Price.
South Point (Lowell), E. C. Price.
Lowell (Lowell), E. C. Price.
Main Street, Belmont, Mrs. James B. McLarty.
Kadesh (Belwood), Mrs. Monroe Dixon.
St. Paul (Cherryville), Mrs. Ralph S. Harrelson.
Mt. Moriah (Cleveland), H. I. Ridenhour.
Kistlers Union (Cleveland), H. I. Ridenhour.
Concord (Concord-El Bethel), Mrs. Addie Eager.
Hills Chapel (Lowesville), C. L. Grant.
New Hope (Lowesville), C. L. Grant.
Salem (Lowesville), C. L. Grant.
Snow Hill (Lowesville), C. L. Grant.
Sharon (Shelby Ct.), R. M. Hauss.
Sulphur Springs (Shelby Ct.), R. M. Hauss.
Iron Station (Stanley), Cecil L. Heckard.
Stanley (Stanley), Cecil L. Heckard.

Greensboro District

Ruffin, John E. Rice.
Hickory Grove (Ruffin), John E. Rice.
Pelham (Ruffin), John E. Rice.
Gideons Grove (Flat Rock), E. Paul Hamilton.
Bethel (Flat Rock), E. Paul Hamilton.
Jameston, C. M. Mc Kinney.
Oakdale, C. M. McKinney.
Lee's Chapel, John James Powell.
Mayodan, Gilbert E. S. Miller.
Mitchell's Grove, W. H. Yokeley.
Moriah, John E. Rice.
Shady Grove, John E. Rice.
Bethlehem (Pleasant Garden), T. F. Higgins.
Pleasant Garden (Pleasant Garden), T. F. Higgins.
Rehobeth (Pleasant Garden), T. F. Higgins.
Main St. and Lindsey St., Reidsville, Mrs. S. B. Hamlet.

FOURTH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE REPORTS

These forms containing valuable information are being received almost daily. Ministers are co-operating in a fine way. Just in case these blanks have been misplaced, additional copies may be secured from either the district superintendent or the conference office in Salisbury. Reports were received from September 18-25 as follows: M. F. Moores, W. H. Benfield, Fred O. Dryman, E. H. Nease, A. Mitchell Faulkner, J. N. Wise, R. C. Goforth, Rollin Gibbs, O. E. Croy, Malcolm Reese, V. P. Crowder, Lester S. Furr, Clegg W. Avett, Courtney B. Ross, Reid Wall, W. A. Rollins, H. C. Freeman, W. S. Smith, O. L. Robinson, H. D. Garmon, and Charles D. White.

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NATION-WIDE BALLOT ON METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Methodist youth throughout the nation are now voting on a benediction, a motto, colors, emblems, and covenant for the Fellowship. Ballots on which to record the vote of the youth of each church have been sent to every pastor in Methodism. These ballots must be filled out and returned before October 15 in order for them to be counted. If for any reason a ballot has not been received or has been misplaced, a copy may be secured from our office as long as our small supply lasts. Each local group must act at once if it wants to give expression in these important matters.

METHODIST YOUTH FUND

Last week we published amounts paid on the Methodist Youth Fund up to August 1. This week we are publishing the amounts paid from August 1 to September 18:

Durham District

Brooksdale, Brooksdale	$ 3.00
Burlington, Webb Ave.-Fountain Place, Webb Ave.	5.50
West Burlington	3.00
Mebane, First Church	1.00
Person Ct., Oak Grove	1.00
Total	13.50

Elizabeth City District

Chowan, Anderson's	2.50
Elizabeth City, First Church	2.50
Hertford, Hertford	1.50
Mattamuskeet, Amity	2.50
Total	9.00

Fayetteville District

Red Springs, Trinity Church	2.50
Rockingham Ct., W. Rockingham	.50
Siler City Ct., West End	8.00
Sanford, Steele Street	4.33
Total	15.33

New Bern District

Fremont, Eureka	5.00
Goldsboro, St. Paul	5.33
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest	2.00
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial	10.00
Morehead City, First	4.00
Total	26.33

Raleigh District

Erwin-Angier, Erwin	2.00
Fuquay Springs, Fuquay Springs	2.50
Henderson, White Memorial	3.50
Louisburg, Louisburg	3.25
Louisburg Ct., Bunn Church	1.50
Moncure, Mt. Zion	.75
Raleigh, Fairmont	2.50
Princeton	3.50
Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell	1.00
Wilson	3.26
Total	23.76

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Zion	2.00
Halifax, Hollister	2.50
Northampton, Jackson	1.25
Rocky Mount, First Church	2.80
Total	8.55

Wilmington District

Fairmont, Bethesda	1.25
Olivet	2.00
Trinity	1.00
Garland, Garland	2.50
Wilmington, Fifth Ave.	7.50
Trinity	7.50
Total	21.75
Grand total	118.22

FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

We are publishing herewith the report of fourth Sunday offerings received in the office of Mr. C. A. Dillon, conference treasurer, since our last report, which includes offerings received up to September 9. We shall receive a final report for the year from Mr. Dillon on Wednesday, October 28. All fourth Sunday offerings should be in the hands of the treasurer by that date if they are to be included in the annual report of the Board of Education. The October fourth Sunday is October 25. If the offering is mailed Monday morning it will be received on time. Those sending in such offerings should be sure to note that it is a fourth Sunday offering.

The report of two districts is given this week. The report for the other districts will be published next week.

Durham District

Alamance, Bethel	$46.60
Center	21.57
Flint Ridge	4.13
Rock Creek	19.24
Sapling Ridge	11.23
Burlington, Front St., Webb Ave.	
Fountain Place, Webb Ave.	33.46
Carrboro, Carrboro	25.00
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove	13.00
Chapel Hill	27.77
Durham, Branson Memorial	4.50
Duke Memorial	42.71
Lakewood	18.00
Trinity	14.58
West Durham	12.56
Leasburg, Salem	4.34
Mebane, First	17.44
Milton, Milton	3.81
New Hope	10.41
Semora	6.00
Mt. Herman Ct., Friendship	22.20
Mt. Herman	6.75
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion	5.32
Person Ct., Warren Grove	4.61
Pittsboro	15.00
Roxboro Ct., Grace	1.27
Saxapahaw	19.00
Swepsonville, Swepsonville	59.63
Yanceyville, Bethel	15.00
Shady Grove	22.50
Total	569.53

Fayetteville District

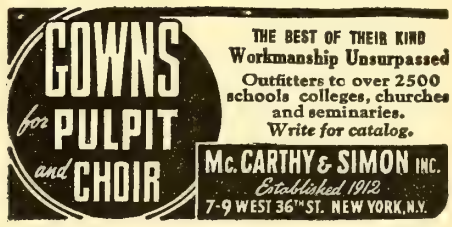
Biscoe, Candor	14.84
Page Memorial	23.78
Carthage, Carthage	16.00
Center	3.19
Fayetteville, Hay Street	19.00
Person St.-Calvary, Person St.	32.53

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11:47 AM Lv.	Hertford	Ar.	2:35 PM
12:12 AM Lv.	Edenton	Ar.	2:15 PM
1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:25 PM
2:06 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:15 PM
3:07 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	11:17 AM
4:27 PM Lv.	Wilson	Ar.	9:53 AM
4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	9:08 AM
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Children's Storyland



HOOT! HOOT!

Ruth and Joe and Marjorie lived on the outskirts of a small town, where they had access to a woods, a spring and a branch. Many happy hours they spent in building dams, making moss houses and gathering wild flowers.

One day they carried their lunch in a little basket, and they told their mother they would not be back to supper because they never had stayed as late as they wanted to stay in the woods. They had intended to spread a little table cloth near the spring, and Marjorie gather wild flowers and moss for the decorations while Ruth made a fruit jar full of lemonade, but by the time all of their plans were made, Joe exclaimed, "It is getting late. We are going to have to hurry like everything if we get home before dark."

Then the children realized that they must simply eat their sandwiches and drink their lemonade without carrying out any of their pretty plans.

"I am so sorry," and Marjorie almost cried.

"We didn't come early enough," said Joe. "I can already see the evening star."

"I guess papa and mama are eating supper now, too," said Ruth. "I'd lots rather eat in the woods."

When about half way through their meal Joe suddenly stopped eating. "Hush," said he. "What is that I heard?"

The girls stopped eating, too. They did not say a word. Their faces had a troubled look as they strained their ears to listen. Presently away off in the distance they heard a distant call.

"What is it?" they asked in whispers as they drew more closely together.

Again they heard the call, but this time it was nearer. They wished they were at home, but they dared not move. They peeped at the mysterious shadows that had gathered about the spring, but they saw nothing unusual

The call came again, nearer; then there was a whirr, and almost immediately right over the table on an overhanging branch of a tree there alighted a small, dark form. They could see its big eyes as it peered down at them.

"Hoot! Hoot!"

"An owl, a baby owl!" cried the children with delight. "He's hungry!"

Then they called very softly, "Come, little owl, we'll give you some of our supper."

But the owl, sitting still a moment, stared down at them, then flew a little farther away and watched them.

Quickly the children cleared their rock table, brushing away the crumbs. On it they spread some of everything they had. Ruth made a sycamore leaf cup, filled it with lemonade. They made haste to go, looking back every few steps to see if the owl was there.

"Come on, little owl, when we are gone, come eat your supper."

"I saw him fly down," said Marjorie.

"It's so dark I can't see very well," said Joe.

"I'm glad he asked us to invite him to supper," said Ruth. "Every time we come, let's bring his lunch, too."—The Presbyterian.

WILL MY ANCHOR HOLD?

By Jack Finley

Why should I through years of striving
And toil to reach my heights
Be forced to leave the ones behind
Which helped me reach my plight?

Shall my will to stand alone
And see the world go by
Become as that of yesterday,
Then pliant and obscure?

Or shall I stabilize my feet
With will and love and courage?
Self-determined shall I be
To march on through the roughage.

My eyes are up to see the light
Which signals unto man,
When memories of the past receive
The thoughts of love and hate,
Which all through life for me has
Made a perfect leaden trait.

Note: Jack is 18, a boy away from home, and he remembers what dear old friends expect of him. So he writes the above and asks that we print it.—Ed.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

"So, you're a young man with both feet on the ground, eh? What do you do for a living?"

"I take orders from a man with both feet on the desk."

* * *

Two boys were quarreling. One said, "Anyway, you're a heathen. You've never been baptized."

"Yah!" shouted the other, "that's all you know about it. I can show you the marks on my arm now!"—Vancouver Province.

* * *

The front door bell was out of repair. Mother instructed John to put up some sort of notice to that effect. John is better at athletic games than punctuation. He finally evolved this sign, which a startled neighbor presently brought in to the mother:

"Please Knock the Door Bell Out of Order."—Selected.

KITTENS IN BOOTS

By Clarence Huffman

A young rural school teacher trudged down the muddy country road in the April twilight. On account of the wretched condition of the highway, he wore heavy rubber boots and carried his shoes in his hand. It was a raw day and he quickened his pace, anxious to reach his home where he could get thoroughly warm again. The distance from his school to his father's home was several miles and he had gone only one of them.

Suddenly he heard a series of cries near a small bridge that he was soon to cross. They were weak, pathetic cries. The teacher hurried more quickly than ever to reach the spot whence the sounds of distress came.

"Lost animals of some sort!" flashed through the mind of the teacher.

Pushing through the bushes and high weeds at the side of the road, he saw four blue and white objects tumbling around helplessly in the grass, now and then falling into a hole and scrambling out in feeble fashion.

The teacher's face flushed with indignation. "Kittens!" he ejaculated. "Somebody has thrown them out to find a home."

It was a long distance to a farm house. The kittens would starve if left there by the roadside. They were too little ever to crawl far enough to find food and shelter. What could he do?

The teacher's father owned a farm and there were already three or four cats at the barn. "There's always room for one more," grinned the young man.

As he looked down at the little creatures, now crawling about his feet and crying piteously, he thought of his lunch box. That would hold only one. None of his coat pockets would hold even one. The teacher went over to the low concrete wall of the bridge. He sat down upon the wall and pulled off his boots. On went his shoes, polished so that they shone. He gave a low whistle.

"Tough on the shoes to plod through this mud and water," he thought. "And three miles yet to go."

Then he grined again. He stooped and picked up the kittens, putting two into each boot. Placing his lunch box under his arm, he grasped a boot in each hand and started on in the dimming twilight. A wagon rolled by, going in the opposite direction, and the farmer pointed to the boots and yelled above the rattle of the wheels.

"Why don't you put them on?"

"Kittens!" the teacher called back, but he knew the farmer did not understand.

The teacher broke into a loud whistle, happier than he had been all day. Soon the kittens would be warm and fed.—Our Dumb Animals.

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 4

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By Rollin H. Walker

Faith in Christ As Our Personal Saviour

Acts 16:13-15; Romans 5:1-11

Paul had seen a vision at Troas, a man saying, Come over into Macedonia and help us. He had obeyed the vision, and now it would seem that the man really meant, Come over into Macedonia and we will beat the life out of you. For there he and Silas were in the stinking inner prison, their feet fast in the stocks, and their backs bleeding from a terrible beating. And yet at midnight they prayed and sang praises to God. They dared to believe that by a divine alchemy God would transmute their affliction into a blessing. Indeed he was doing it already, for the poor wretches in the prison were listening to them with surprise and wonder.

Now when praises go up power always comes down. In this particular case it meant an earthquake, and the frightened jailer rushing in, falling at their feet and crying, What must I do to be saved? Paul answered, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

What did believing on the Lord Jesus Christ mean to the jailer? He rightly took it, first of all, to demand a change in his attitude toward these servants of Jesus. He brought them out of the dungeon and listened to the word of God. He washed their stripes, and then, perhaps with water poured out from the same jar, was baptized, he and all his, immediately. And then he set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, with all his house, having believed in God. On the morrow he would have to inaugurate a prison regime that was more humane. And he must also begin to reform any life habits that were hurtful to himself or to others. And when his associates turned against him for becoming a Christian he must still rejoice in God.

What does believing in the Lord Jesus Christ mean to us today? It means to every one a different thing, for all of our circumstances are different. And yet of course it means the same thing. At heart it is beginning to act as though the almighty Ruler of the universe were as good as Jesus. That implies that he will forgive us the moment we are sick of our sins and turn to him. And then we are to reshape our lives in the light of his love for us and all men, and we are to assume the reality of his gracious presence even amid darkness and affliction. Each forward step is apt to be an adventure in the dark. Indeed we may be greatly afflicted, and at times terribly depressed, but in spite of emotional flat tires we are always to rejoice (2 Corinthians 12:9-10; also 1:3-11).

Paul puts the psychological process in these words: Tribulation worketh patience, a habit of marching on bravely through the jungle. And patience gives us experience the temper of a veteran who is never panic-stricken, and who knows how to act at a crisis. And experience worketh hope, a kind of settled optimism which is the result of having been delivered again and again.

And then will come that wondrous inner experience, the love of God will be shed abroad in our hearts through the Holy Spirit which is given to us. We must first claim God in the dark by naked faith, and then if we hold on amid our tribulation a reassuring sense of the love of Christ will flood our souls. It is a hurtful and unscriptural heresy to say that men are not saved until they have the inward witness. The Bible tells us that we are saved by faith. It says we have salvation whenever we begin to adventure on God's goodness, witness or no witness. But in due time if we are steadfast the witness of the Spirit will be given.

Great harm has been done to young seekers at the altar by telling them that they are not really saved until they have an inner thrill of joy, whereas if they were encouraged daringly to adventure upon God's goodness, and to undertake the social tasks of the Christian life, the inner witness would be sure to come in due time (Luke 17:12-14). On the other hand, great harm is done when we tell them that a good resolution and an adventure of faith is all there is of the Christian life. They must be encouraged to expect enduement of the Holy Spirit, but to know that this grace comes to those who are brave enough to march on singing in the darkness.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Bahama, Mt. Bethel, 11 4
Mt. Tirzah, Mt. Zion, 3 4
Roxboro Ct., Grace 7 4
CHECK-UP Meeting at West Durham, 10 5
Durham Ct., Fletcher's, 7:30 5
Trinity, 7:30 6
Webb Avenue-Fountain Place, Fountain Place, 4 7
Mebane, Central, 7:30 7
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 11
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3 11
Person, Concord, 10:30 17
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Alamance, Bethel, 2 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Windsor, White Oak, 11 4
Edenton, 3 4
Chowan, Center Hill, 11 7
Hertford, 7 30 7
South Mills, Trinity, 7:30 9
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3:30 11
Ahoskie, 7:30 11
Hatteras, Buxton, 7:30 12
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 13
Plymouth, 7:30 14
Aulander, Roxobel, 11 16
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 17
Bath, Bath, 3 18
Belhaven, Belhaven, 7:30 18
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 7:30 19
Washington, 7:30 21
Creswell, Creswell, 3:00 22
Columbia, Columbia, 7:30 22
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 23
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 23
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 11 24
Moyock Moyock, 11 25
Currituck, Popler Branch, 3 25
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 27
Elizabeth City, First Church, 7:30 28
Pasquotank, Union, 11 30
Elizabeth City, City Road, 7:30 30

November

Roper, Mackeys, 11 1
Williamston, 3 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Rowland, 11 4
Maxton, 4 4
Gibson, 7:30 4
Hamlet, 11 5
Laurinburg, 7:30 5
Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Goldsboro-St. Paul, 7:30 1
Fremont, 7:30 2
Mt. Olive Circuit, 11 3
Mt. Olive-Calypso, 11 4
Pikeville-Elm St., Mt. Carmel, 3 4
Goldsboro Circuit, 7:30 4
Greenville-Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 6
Kinston-Queen Street, 7:30 7
Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Tar River, Plank Chapel, 8 1
Granville, Rehobeth, 11 4
Vance, Spring Valley, 3 4
Henderson-City Road-White Mem'l, City Road, 7:30 4
Check-Up Meetings—Franklinton 10 6
Smithfield, 3 6
Four Oaks, Elizabeth, 8 6
Louisburg, 7:30 7
Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 10
Mamers, Mamers, 11 11
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 11
Selma, 7:30 14
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 16
Millbrook, Millbrook, 11 18
Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30 18
Garner, Garner, 7:30 20
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 21
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 23
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 11 25
Benson, Coats, 7:30 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 10:30 28
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 28

November

Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 1

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

September

Littleton (edication), 11 27
Littleton-Tabor, 12 27
Sandy Cross (dedication), 8 27

October

Warrenton, 11 3
Norlina, 11 4
Middleboro, Shocco, 3:30 4
Warrenton, 8 4
Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord, 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November

Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Maysville, Tabernacle, 11 4
Jacksonville, 8 4
Wilmington, Grace, 7:20 5
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8:30 5
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo, Victory Conf. 7
Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolina, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 19
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 22
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 28

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8— Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville
FOURTH ROUND

Only Worship service and Business sessions. Close-the-year meetings will be held at Central Church, Asheville, at 2:30 p. m., October 2nd.

Pastors, Lay Leaders and District Stewards will attend, especially, and all are invited. Pastors will report on Statistics and Charge Lay Leaders will report on Finances. District Stewards will consider matters for next year.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Marshville, Marshville, 11 4
Morven, Morven, 8 4
First Church, Charlotte, 7:30 5
Myers Park, 8:30 5

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Trap Hill, 11 4
Millers Creek, 3 4
Wilkesboro, night 4
St. Paul, night 7
North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin, night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Reidsville Ct., Salem, 11 3
Mayodan, 5 3
Stoneville, 8 3
Sandy Ridge, 11, Snow Hill 4
Danbury, Pine Hall, 3 4
Flat Rock, Bethel, 7:30 4
Jamestown, 7:30 5
Glenwood, 7:30 7
St. Paul, Greensboro, 7:30 10
Oak Ridge, 11 11
Haw River, Mizpah, 3 11
West End, Greensboro, 7:30 11
West Market, Greensboro, 7:30 12
Grace, Greensboro, 7:30 13
Summerfield, 7:30 14
Leaksville, 7 16
Spray, 8 16
Guilford Ct., 11 18
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 18

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Rock Springs, Rehobeth, 11 4
Lowesville, Salem, 3:30 4
Ebenezer, 7:00 4
Lowell, Lowell, 8:15 4
Main Street, Gastonia, night 6
McAdenville, night 7
Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.
Ministers' and Wives' Picnic Rankin Lake, 4 p. m., Oct. 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Welch Memorial, 7:30 1
CHECK-UP, Asheboro Area, 10—First Church 1
CHECK-UP, High Point Area, 10—First Church 2
Trinity, T., 7:30 2
Highland, 11 4
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 4
Farmer, Farmer, 7:30 4
Asheboro, First, 7:30 6
Asheboro, Central, 7:30 7
Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8

Coleridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Marion Ct., Glenwood, 11	3
McDowell, Trinity, 11	4
Gilkey, Thermal City, 3	4
Marion First, night	4
Rutherford College, 11	11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3	11
Glen Alpine, night	11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Harmony, 6:30	1
Ann Street, 8:30	1
N. Kannapolis, 7:30	3
Central, Concord, 11	4
Epworth, 3	4
Forest Hill, 8	4
Central, Albemarle, 6:30	5
First Street, 8:30	5
Midway, 8	6
Jackson Park, 8	7
Trinity, 11	11
Mt. Olivet, 3	11
Bethpage, 8	11
Granite Quarry, 8	12
Central, Spencer, 8	14
Park Avenue, 11	18
Woodleaf, 3	18
Salisbury, First, 8	18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Hickory, Highlands, 9:45	4
Hickory, First, 11	4
Hickory, Bethel, 3	4
Catawba, Concord, 8	4
Mooresville, Central, 8	6
Mt. Zion, 8	7
Mooresville, Broad Street, 8	8
Newton, 11	11
North Newton, 3	11
Statesville, Race Street, 8	12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Macon Ct., Union, 11	4
Franklin Ct., 3	4
Highlands, 8	4
Morning Star, 11	11
Canton, First, 8	11

Note: By action of the Waynesville District Conference we resolved to pay all claims by October 1st.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

	October
Mount Airy, Central, 8	1
North Davidson, 8	2
Thomasville, Main Street, 11	4
Thomasville Ct., 3	4
Trinity, Bethel, 8	4
Pilot Mountain, 8	5
Pinnacle, 8	6
West Forsyth, 8	7
Unity, Fairgrove, 8	9
Rural Hall, 11	11
Lewisville, 3	11
Concord, Sharon, 8	11
Ardmore, 8	13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8	14
Love's, 8	15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8	16
Ogburn Memorial, 11	18
Winston Circuit, 3	18
City Mission, 8	18

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J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr., Seagrove.
O. L. Easter, Lebanon.
G. E. White, Archdale.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.
M. W. Edwards, Mill Spring.
G. L. Wilkinson, McDowell.

Salisbury District

J. L. Ingram, Epworth.
E. M. Graham, Bethel-Boger.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.
J. C. Reichard, Troutman.
J. Max Brandon, Sr., Grace-Rhodhiss.
Reid Wall, Granite Falls.

Waynesville District

J. C. Madison, Waynesville.
W. H. Pless, Beavor Dam.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
Chas. D. White, First.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.
H. M. Robinson, First.



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Troy Ct., Macedonia	2.25
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HALES—In memory of W. J. Hales of Morehead City, who slipped away at night, October 6, 1941.

"Until we meet again before His throne
Clothed in the spotless robe He gives
His own;
Until we know as we are known—
Good night."

MATTHEWS — William Anderson Matthews, son of the late Thomas and Sarah Jester Matthews, was born December 16, 1855; died August 11, 1942. He was 86 years, 7 months and 25 days old.

He united in marriage to Mary Ellen Perry, who died October 2, 1925. To this union were born four sons and one daughter. In sickness or death "Uncle Bill and Aunt Mary," as they were called, were always ready to help others.

Early in life he joined Prospect Methodist church and lived a faithful Christian life for his Lord. He loved to see preachers come to his home. During his illness he would tell his friends that his pastor had been to see him.

He is survived by the following three sons: Tom, Sam and Jack Matthews; one daughter, Mrs. Sallie Angell, all of East Bend; four brothers, J. A., R. L., T. H. and W. M. Matthews; 34 grandchildren and 48 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

He is a man that will be missed in Prospect church and his community. Our loss is heaven's gain.

G. A. Hovis, Pastor.

SINIARD—Columbus Siniard was born near Sugar Loaf Mountain, Transylvania county, N. C., June 16, 1859, the son of Gaston L. and Margaret Wilson Siniard. He died August 27, 1942, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Harvey Sprouse of North Brevard at the ripe age of 83.

Besides Mrs. Sprouse he is survived by six sons: R. G. of Ocala, Fla.; J. C. of Kingsport, Tenn.; and S. H., J. N. and J. A. Siniard of Brevard; an aunt, Mrs. C. A. Shuford of Brevard; 26 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Siniard was converted when quite a young man and was baptized by Rev. Nelson Bowen, a Baptist minister; however, upon his marriage some years later to Miss Lillie E. Mackey, he united with the Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian church. He was the oldest member of that church and had been an elder and dean of the session for many years.

He was a pioneer citizen of this section and was active in the civic and religious development of Brevard and Transylvania county. He was instrumental in securing summer camps for young people and the site of Camp Carolina is part of the homestead where he was born. His father gave part of the land on which the Oak Grove Methodist church was built and he himself taught a boys' class in that Sunday school for an indefinite period.

He wrote a number of articles and poems on religious and educational topics. One poem in particular for which he was widely acclaimed entitled, "The Good Old Bible," was written in defense of the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon, August 28, in the First Presbyterian church of Brevard by the pastor, Rev. E. A. Johnson, assisted by Revs. E. P. Billups, B. W. Thomasson and J. R. Bowman. Interment was in Oak Grove cemetery.

The family and his many friends and acquaintances feel his loss keenly, but they find comfort in their faith that his sufferings are ended and that he dwells with his Saviour above.

J. R. Bowman.

McCLURD—In the passing of John R. McClurd, Central Methodist church, Shelby, has lost one of her most beloved members. Mr. McClurd was born in upper Cleveland county in 1877 and died at the Rutherfordton hospital August 26, 1942. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade McClurd and was married to Miss Tillie Baber, February 15, 1912. Their only son, John R. McClurd, Jr., is stationed at Camp Belvoir, Virginia. During the 35 years that he lived in Shelby he was a devoted member of Central church and served as a steward for the greater part of that time.

At the funeral service at Central church August 28, his pastor, Rev. George B. Clemmer, paid a high tribute to him. His remarks in part were: "When Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, he said, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile. That, in a word, is what I have to say about John R. McClurd. Behold a Christian indeed, in whom is no guile. He was a Christian gentleman if I ever knew one, and a model church member. He was just as fine in all the varied relationships of life as he was in his church relationships—loyal, efficient, capable in his work (connected with the Shelby Cotton Mills for 28 years as office manager); kind, courteous, appreciative, generous, co-operative in his home; devoted to his family; law abiding and public spirited as a citizen. In connection with his passing, I have found myself repeating and finding comfort in this verse of Scripture: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of one of his saints."

Mrs. Wilbur Baber,
Church Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Marvin L. Wade was for many years a member of the board of trustees and the board of stewards of Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, N. C., for a number of years, he served successfully and efficiently as chairman of the board of stewards, and at the time of his death he was chairman of the board of stewards.

Mr. Wade was liberal with his time and money in the administration of the affairs of the church. His sane judgment and wise counsel were a guide in the problems of the church. His manner was gentle, kind and considerate in dealing with each situation that arose. His love for and loyalty to his church will be outstanding in our memory of him.

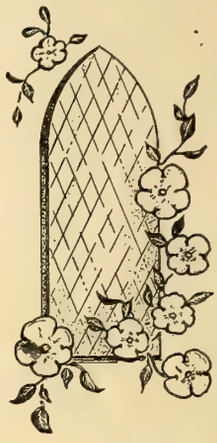
The entire membership of the church, but particularly the board of stewards, sincerely mourn the loss of such a faithful member. Therefore be it resolved:

That we, the members of the board of stewards, accept this dispensation of God's providence as an evidence of his love by which our friend has been called to higher service.

That we hereby express our love for and appreciation of his life, and to his family our sympathy and keen sense of personal loss.

That a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, the Dunn Dispatch, the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and be placed in the minutes of the board of stewards.

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The North Carolina Christian Advocate Has Many Fine Helpers

ADDITIONAL STARS THAT SHINE THIS WEEK

*S. W. JOHNSON, King's Mountain
*L. R. SPENCER, Salem
*J. C. CHAFFIN, Whiteville
*E. O. PEELER, Oakley
4*D. M. SHARPE, Nashville
*R. E. BROWN, Hay Street
*J. L. SMITH, Oxford Circuit
*R. E. WARD, Oak View
*R. W. BLANCHARD, Tryon
3*J. D. STOTT, Pembroke
2*M. W. WARREN, Garland
2*A. C. WAGGONER, N. Wilkesboro
2*W. J. PLINT, Valdese

A LAYMAN WHO REALLY LEADS

Whiteville has a star, with board of stewards and trustees 100 per cent. This is the good news from Brother T. D. Davis who sends check for $26. Here is a paragraph from his letter:

"I am herewith sending a list of 14 new subscribers for the Advocate; also you will find my check attached for $26 which will cover the above list. This is our quota of one subscriber for each 50 members. We have 600 members; 12 new subscribers would meet our quota, but we have two more than quota. We are putting these in for good measure. Whiteville has some mighty fine Methodist folks that you can always depend on. We trust this little station will help the cause of our great church paper along."

HAY STREET CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE, WINS ITS QUOTA

Rev. R. E. Brown, pastor of Hay Street church, has added another star to his crown by making Hay Street the second big church to win its quota for the Advocate. Last week Jarvis Memorial of Greenville won; now this week Brother Brown and his excellent committee puts 36 additional Advocates into the Methodist homes of his church.

A pastor and people of such enterprise and devotion must win victories. They have two new churches enterprised and at work in Fayetteville. The prospect is for another before long. Something of the spirit of the founding fathers must be at work on the Cape Fear.

WHAT A FINE START FOR LEASBURG AND LITTLETON!

Rev. F. A. Lupton sends $14 for new and renewal subscribers from Leasburg. Knowing this people and their pastor as we do that quota and a star is not far off—1 1-2 will do the deed. Thank you, brother.

But watch out for Rev. H. L. Davis at Littleton. He has 7 1-2—1 1-2 will also put him over. This is an unusual situation. Who will come in first in this contest between Lupton and Davis?

D. M. SHARPE CERTAINLY ON THE BAND WAGON

Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor at Nashville, sends $82 for 41 annual subscribers in Nashville. This gives him four times his quota which entitles him to four stars. Four other pastors in the North Carolina conference at present have three stars each, but Brother Sharpe is the only one with four. This is certainly a remarkable showing for a church with 500 members.

The fine feature about this exploit is contained in these words: "I had a lot of fun getting these. Yours for many more Advocate readers."

OTHER HELPERS TO THE RESCUE

Listen as we call the roll:

Rev. S. W. Johnson of King's Mountain sends three new subscribers to be added to the extending roll.

Rev. J. D. Plint, a former district superintendent, mails the cash for five new subscribers from Valdese.

Rev. R. E. Ward, Oak View, High Point, sends five new subscriptions, which is another good deed added to his good life.

Dr. Geo. R. Brown, one of the big men of Methodism, sends us $8 from Liberty. We thank you, Dr. Brown.

SMITH AND OXFORD CIRCUIT WIN

Here comes $24 more from Rev. J. L. Smith of Oxford circuit. This makes $54 for him and entitles Oxford circuit to a star. It is certainly fine to have 27 additional Advocates going into the homes of Granville county. Here is a pastor who believes in using the printing press in helping to make the kingdom come. Well done!

We feel sure others will be reported before conference.

REV. J. W. VESTAL

The Farmington pastor sends $14 to help along the work of the Advocate in its service to the church. Rev. J. W. Vestal is the salt of the earth who never fails to maintain a high standard of piety and whose life has been full of good deeds. Such men are the glory of the Methodist ministry. We thank Brother Vestal for remembering his church paper in such a fine way.

REV. W. S. SMITH GETS IN THE GAME

Rev. W. S. Smith, pastor Mt. Zion, Statesville district, sends us $22 for the Advocate campaign. This is a good report for Mt. Zion and greatly appreciated in this office. Brother Smith makes no great noise in his work, but this great workman never fails to give a good account of himself.

REV. LEE R. SPENCER

$24 from Salem in the Salisbury district set this office to singing. This beautiful check from Rev. Lee R. Spencer, the pastor, helps mightily in this ever growing campaign.

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Again and again we are told, "No time to waste if we win this war." This is true of the Methodists in this state if we are going to win before conference.

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No man in the community is quite so welcome in the homes of the people as the pastor. This is especially true these days when so many homes are broken up and the young men are away in the army or navy. The wise, sympathetic pastor has a wonderful opportunity to cheer and comfort anxious hearts.

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Any one who would conclude that Methodism is a spent force in North Carolina would do well to make a note of the many debts paid on churches and the numerous dedications during the year. The Sunday when Bishop Purcell was not dedicating a church was almost an exception in the general run of things.

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A lady in Dallas, Texas, called up the police station in Dallas and said: "I deliberately ran through a red light. I knew I should stop, but I was in a hurry. I want to come down and pay my fine or go to jail." When the police officer had recovered enough to speak he suggested that the fine be given to the navy or army relief. We call this big news. Conscience is still alive in some people.

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Bishop Hoss, an East Tennesseean himself of which he was proud, was accustomed to say that East Tennessee was a great place to grow men. That section certainly has a great war record. David Crockett was born on the banks of the Nola Chucky. And remembering "the Alamo" carried America to victory in a war long ago. It was Tennessee riflemen who turned the tide at King's Mountain and heartened Washington and his Continentals. The outstanding first soldier of the World War is a Tennesseean—never known outside his district until he was felt in the heart of Berlin.

"In the past," says Dr. John R. Scotford, "we have tried to talk people into the kingdom of heaven. No other religious movement has ever multiplied words on such a scale as have we Protestants. The output per Sunday must reach astronomical heights. Our over emphasis upon the ear has limited our outreach among the multitude. The first qaulification for a good Protestant has been the capacity to sit still and listen—a grace with which nature has been a bit sparing. The sermon was the main attention."

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Rev. C. T. Thrift, the crusading Methodist pastor of Warsaw, N. C., speaks to the point in the following terms: "The most hazardous thing in and around Warsaw is not the danger of fire nor the chance of an air raid. They may never come. But beer and wine shops are here. Every Saturday night a big lot of drunks has to be locked up. What makes them drunk? we asked our chief of police. He replied, 'Where do you suppose? From these beer and wine joints.' Beer and wine confront us with the gravest danger along racial lines in these perilous times. As a matter of public safety and racial peace beer and wine should be banished from Warsaw. The sooner, the better."

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On the front page of this paper appears the "House of McIver" at the center of the campus of Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. It is named in honor of Charles Duncan McIver, founder and first president of the institution. Of the building it can be fittingly said: "May those who enter here recognize in Thy goodness and Thy wisdom the strength which may be theirs as they join, in spiritual communion and fellowship, those who have gone before; may they rejoice in that tradition of sounder scholarship and responsible freedom, bequeathed to them in good faith by these our honored dead; may they count this heritage a challenge to higher and nobler service."

Radio and Airplane

GUNPOWDER revolutionized warfare in the middle ages, the coming of the steam engine brought in a new age for transportation, and the electric telegraph did the same a century ago for the transfer of news. Now in these last days the radio and the airplane are promoting still greater revolutions in air. So fundamental and far-reaching are these inventions that few begin to appreciate the results of these two agencies in the air.

The whole world in a strikingly real sense has become an audience chamber for the nations. All the day long and the whole night through the news comes pouring in from every continent. The industrious news gatherers are busy in camps and on battlefields, in capitals and in far secluded nooks of earth, furnishing bulletins to go on the air. As men sleep and as women watch by the bedside of the sick and dying, the news pours in from the ends of the earth. For a pittance, by means of linotype and power presses this news is laid every morning on each man's doorstep. Not for a bag of golden guineas even two centuries ago could a Croeus have bought this marvelous story of world's happenings—this news of the world.

But far more revolutionary than the radio in peace and war has been the airplane which is now just in its infancy. That day at Kill Devil Hill when Orville Wright rose from the sands of the isolated beach in the first flight of a heavier-than-air machine, the wildest flight of the imagination could not then have visioned such a revolution in four brief decades. War has now become largely a conflict in the air and the future of transportation by air in times of peace tends in the same direction. It does seem that man is in a large way destined to transport his goods above and far across land and water—as now he gets his news out of the air. Air-minded man is going to rule the future and to determine the fate of the nations. Shore lines and mountain chains, desert sands and miasmic lands will no longer set boundaries to peoples and tongues.

The old order is changing and a new age is at the birth. It would seem that the old destinations of "border and breed and birth" are to give place to a recognition of the true brotherhood of man—of all men, even though a man comes from the ends of the earth. This is a wild dream but not more wild and far-reaching than this new future calls most insistently for a world brotherhood. Only the Prince of Peace who taught the brotherhood of man can make the change that has come with the airplane in these last times.

We talk glibly about the "good neighbor policy" in this present world neighborhood. But possible the new order in which the airplane is destined to bear rule following the treaty of good will that must come at the end of this war. Consequently wise churchmen refuse to urge the Christian church to foster hate and to take the sword on the field of battle. They insist that this "body of Christ" must be kept free for the healing of the nations in the new world brotherhood that is to be. So thus far the American churches have shown a far more Christian spirit in this war than in any other we have waged.

The Year of Jubilee at Woman's College, Greensboro

THE fiftieth anniversary celebration of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina embraced Sunday and Monday of October 4, 5, 1942. This college enrolled its first class of students October 5, 1892. The enrollment for the year 1892-93 numbered 223; ten years later (1902-03) the enrollment had more than doubled, being 492. The next decade brought the student enrollment to 615 for 1912-13. The third decade saw a doubling of the enrollment with a total of 1285 in 1922-23. The year 1932-33 had reached an enrollment of 1575 Last year's roll of students reached an impressive total of 2256.

These figures show that the growth of the student body has been constant and gratifyingly large. But this enlargement of the student body fails to tell the whole story of the institution's growth, because there has been a continuous enlargement of the scope of the work. New departments have been added and the activities of existing departments have been multiplied. Libraries and laboratories have been erected and all other equipments that belong to an up-to-date modern college.

But the growth of this college that has reached third place among the colleges of our country that are devoted wholly to the education of women, is not the only mark of distinction as the Woman's College closes the first half century of high service. Because from the first its faculty, its student body, and the quality of its work has been the very best.

The Continunity of Life and of Labor

WE live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths; In feelings, not in figures on a dial. We should count time by heart throbs. He most lives who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.

To cut life into segments seems essential in the modern order of man's life and labors. We reckon time by days, months and years, and our labors follow some such division in the rounds of the cycles. Too often the continuity of life is forgotten, then we fail to view human life as a whole. Even our early career is cut into brief segments, to say nothing of man's continunity here and hereafter. How few of us look on life's plan as a whole embracing both sides of the grave. The old preachers made much of our pilgrim stage here in these earthly days of preparation for the more settled and abundant life in the home on high. This tended to make great preachers who could sweep the vast eternities. Now a youngster burdened with academic degrees works out a religious homily to guide and encourage men here below with little inspiration of God's larger place for the soul of man.

Worse than that, many college men count their graduation day the completion of life's preparation rather than a fairly good beginning in the labors of the years in attaining the high and holy experiences of the eternities. Such men are close akin to the Methodist preachers who consider the work of a conference year as a distinct segment of life instead of regarding it as a few days of high and holy daring in the whole of life's entire process.

These are the men who are apt to move every year instead of their making each year to count for so much that soon they will be wanted everywhere.

Wise is the man who believes the whole of life is the gift of God and is divine.

"Be still, sad heart! and cease repining;
Behind the clouds is the sun still shining;
Thy fate is the common fate of all;
Into each life some rain must fall,
Some days must be dark and dreary."

Congested Bus Traffic

THE bus companies in North Carolina are advising the people to avoid week-end travel. This is certainly good advice to all who can make their trips other than week ends. By so doing they will render a service to the public as well as make for personal comfort. Such is pre-eminently true for all centers such as Durham, Raleigh and Fayetteville. These are crowded beyond all comfortable endurance when the soldiers from nearby camps are on the move. Sometimes there is nothing to do but waste valuable time that might be employed in useful work.

We have been so much tied to the roads and accustomed to go when we chose that it is most difficult for us to come to the demands of war times and suffer the inconvenience of our crowded buses and trains.

A recent week end in Fayetteville with soldiers from Fort Bragg crowding every nook and corner of the old town gave us a fresh impression of what is coming to us in many other places as these camps fill and our citizens are forced to take to the public conveyance. Every one who can should stay at home for the week ends. By this we mean that special effort should be made to avoid a trip for the week end. This is most important.

Little Children in the Arms of Jesus

JESUS when in the flesh was a busy teacher who taught not as the Scribes but with that authority which accompanies the truth when spoken in sincerity and simplicity by a man like Jesus of Nazareth, took little children into his arms and blessed them and said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

William L. Stidger says that Jesus never uttered a profounder truth than he did that day as he held the little children in his loving arms.

"What he meant," said Stidger, "was that the farther away we get from the simple, naive, trusting, loyal, loving spirit of a child, the farther we get from real religion. A little child knows no racial or color barriers. A child will run out and make up with a beggar regardless of his or her ragged clothes, regardless of dirt, regardless of anything. He knows no barriers of race, or color, or creed. A child does not hate; a child intuitively loves. A child is not suspicious of anybody. A child is not cynical, he is trusting. A child is simple and loving. But as we grow older we learn to hate and to hurt; we learn to know differences of creed, color and race; we become hard, cynical, distrustful. That is what life does to us. But to get back into the kingdom we must become as little children."

PEOPLE AND THINGS

W. N. C. Conference, Charlotte ..... Oct. 19-23
N. C. Conference, Wilson ..... Nov. 3-6

One month before conference Zebulon-Wendell paid all financial obligations plus.—Ben F. Boone.

Rev. R. Odell Brown has received 32 new members this year on the Pilot Mountain circuit.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. McKinney, Sylacauga, Ala., twins, William Warner and Mary Patricia. Mrs. McKinney is the younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Bates. Mr. McKinney is in defense work near Sylacauga.

Mr. David Rock, Miss Jean Sutton, and Mr. Ernest Brewer are three members of the board of missions and church extension whose addresses I do not have. Anyone having this information will please oblige by mailing it to me.—Herman F. Duncan, Secretary, 117 Market Street, Elkin, N. C.

Please state in the Advocate that we are extending a hearty welcome to all former pastors and friends to attend the home coming Sunday, October 11, at West Marion Methodist church. There will be preaching at 11 o'clock and dinner will be served following this service. There will be special music in the afternoon. Friends are invited to come and enjoy the day with us in our new church.—F. R. Barber.

The 1942 Public Welfare Institute for North Carolina social workers, the 23rd annual session, has been moved to Raleigh from Chapel Hill because of the difficulty in obtaining rooms brought about by increased naval training work in the Orange county town, Anna A. Cassatt, chairman of the committee on planning and arrangements, announced this week. Dates will remain unchanged from the previously announced October 12 to 15.

One of the Mt. Olive fire department's trucks was called to Dobbersville, 11 miles west of here, about 3:15 Thursday morning in an effort to extinguish a fire which completely destroyed Browning's Methodist church here. Of undetermined origin, the blaze razed all the wood work in the brick building, and destroyed some equipment, although all the pews and the piano, in the main auditorium, was saved. Due to lack of water, the fire department could be of little assistance.—Mt. Olive Tribune.

I am finishing four years here at Farmington. They have been pleasant years, and I am not now at all anxious to move. Farmington charge is made up of some of the best people on earth. They are interested in the welfare of the pastor as well as the entire work of the church. Our parsonage has been refinished inside and a complete water system installed during the last two years. Many things about this charge and people make it not only a delightful place in which to live, but an interesting place to work.—J. W. Vestal.

The International Missionary Council, representing Protestant missionary agencies throughout the world, announces the election of Rev. John W. Decker, Th.D., D.D., as American secretary, succeeding Rev. A. L. Warnshuis, D.D., who retires at his own request because of age limits. Dr. Decker, a former naval chaplain, a former missionary of the Baptist Church in China, and more recently foreign secretary of the American Baptist Mission Society, will assume his new duties on January 1, 1943. He is a graduate of the University of Richmond and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Rev. and Mrs. Courtney Ross announce the birth of a son, Courtney Ross, Jr., at Rowan Memorial hospital, Thursday, September 24. Rev. Mr. Ross is now Methodist pastor at Misenheimer. He formerly served the Rowan-Main Street churches, and later as assistant pastor of First Methodist church here. Mrs. Ross is the former Gertrude Kern of Lynchburg, Va.

The Race Street Methodist church which now has 35 of its boys in the armed service of our country, is sending an attractive New Testament in Surdite Leatherette binding to each of its members now in the Army, Navy, Marines or Air Force. The New Testament also contains greetings from the President of the United States and a number of selected prayers and favorite hymns.—Statesville Daily.

The African Missionary Society has been organized by the ministers and laymen of the Rhodesia annual conference of the Methodist Church. Rev. Ebson Zimonts, a recently ordained African minister from Nyadiri, has been appointed the first missionary of the new society and has been assigned to work among another tribe in a territory east of Nyadiri. His wife is a teacher trained by the Rhodesia missionaries, and she will open a school in the midst of the tribe.

The staff of the Raewind Christian Institute in the Punjab, India, under the principalship of Rev. Earle M. Rugg, has recently been enriched by the addition of Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Olmstead, evauated from Burma after the attack on that country by the Japanese. They are both experienced high school teachers, had previously visited Raewind, and now will remain on its staff "for the duration." The institute also has a new faculty member in Rev. Marion L. Kumler, a minister and teacher of science.

We are closing a good year's work on Randolph-Gray's Chapel charge. The main work of the church has not been neglected—the saving of souls and keeping them saved—so during the year we have had 45 conversions and 39 additions to the churches. All special days have been observed and all financial obligations will be paid in full. New song books have been purchased at Gray's Chapel and Bethany. Vacation Bible schools were held at Shiloh, Bethel and Gray's Chapel. Work on the Sunday school annex at Gray's Chapel is going forward and will soon be completed, costing around $5,000—H. L. Isley, Pastor.

We have had a good year at Oakview. A good revival has been held; nine persons have joined the church on profession of faith and five by certificate. Our people have been good to us. All obligations will be paid in full for the year. They have built a new parsonage and furnished in part. The building is attractive and very comfortable. We have a good water system, with bath room, etc. We enjoy our work and appreciate the kindness of our people. Two and a half hours of personal work got the nine persons to subscribe for the Advocate whose names I am sending herewith.—R. E. Ward, P. C.

Dr. John R. Church, who is one of the general evangelists of the Methodist Church, has been invited by the Free Baptist Church of Novia Scotia to be one of the pricipal speakers at their General Assembly for the year 1943. The assembly will meet this year in New Brunswick, Canada, and Dr. Church has been asked to be the inspirational speaker for their meeting. Dr. Church is a native of Winston-Salem and now resides on the Ebbert Road Extension. He is in great demand as a speaker in all parts of the United States and has received a number of calls for speaking engagements in England, Canada, and as far away as India.—Winston-Salem Journal.

A thing that has never happened before occurred yesterday, October 4, when our two country churches, Zion and Jerusalem, paid up every claim for the year, a month before conference. Norlina itself is close behind them.—W. T. Phipps.

One of the most loyal members who prefers to remain anonymous at this time, gave $10,000 to start a fund for a recreational building. Several others contributed to this fund, looking forward at the conclusion of the war to building a recreational building. The house and lot adjoining the church on Providence Road was purchased for this purpose.—Myers Park Church Bulletin, Charlotte.

NEWS FROM EDENTON STREET CHURCH, RALEIGH

In retrospective view of the achievements of the current conference year and in eager anticipation of fulfillment of plans for future accomplishments in the Master's name, the members of Edenton Street church are humbly grateful for a year of fruitful ministry under the leadership of the pastor, Dr. John C. Glenn, and the director of religious work, Rev. James H. Overton, Jr.

To date more than 200 members have been received. The church has a budget of $28,944; a church school budget of $3,970; a Woman's Society of Christian Service budget of $2,608.50, and a Wesleyan Service Guild budget of $1,500. A debt of more than $1,600 has been paid in full and all physical properties, including the church, educational building, parsonage and another large residence are, for the first time in more than a quarter of a century, free of indebtedness. The official board consists of 97 stewards and trustees. The attendance at church services is excellent. The status of the church in matters of spiritual growth and loyal co-operation is healthful and wholesome. The church school, the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the Wesleyan Service Guild, the Methodist Youth Fellowship and other organizations of the church are going forward with spiritual emphasis and fruitful activities. The junior church, with Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., as leader and a well trained junior choir to assist is meeting a vital need for the children of the church. Junior church services are held each Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour. Rev. Mr. Overton is also doing a noble and needful work with the children at the Methodist Orphanage, where he preaches each Sunday afternoon and ministers on other occasions in various ways.

The fall program of the church will include regular monthly meeetings of the children's division officers and teachers, promotion and rally day on September 27, observance of Christian education week, a united drive for new church school members, and a general increase in interest and attendance and the annual leadership training school on October 18-23. Mary Gardner.

DURHAM DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETING

The Durham district check-up meeting was held October 5 at the West Durham Methodist church. Rev. J. V. Early of Yanceyville conducted the morning devotionals.

Rev. A. J. Hobbs, the district superintendent, introduced R. W. Bradshaw, F. S. Aldridge, J. C. Lentz and W. L. Clegg. These men spoke briefly about the Christian education work, lay activities, the Golden Cross, and the ministers' retirement fund.

Reports were received from all the charges of the district. The district has already paid $11,975 on World Service acceptances, and $989 has been paid on the Golden Cross. The churches of the district have received 483 persons by profession of faith and 625 have been received by letter.

Several charges have already paid in full every item in the church budget. Every indication points to a successful conclusion of the year's work.

A. J. Hobbs, District Supt.
Floyd M. Patterson, Secretary.

NEWS NOTES FROM FIRST CHURCH CHARLOTTE

At the fourth quarterly conference of First church, Charlotte, for the conference year now nearing a close, reports presented showed 336 members have been added to the church, each Sunday throughout the year and the one immediately preceding having been accompanied by additions to the church membership. Of the 336 new members received this year, 86 entered the church upon profession of faith and 250 came by transfers of their certificates. For the year now closing a net church membership gain of 169 has been achieved.

Money raised for the Golden Cross—the hospital work of the church—during the year reached a new high mark, the financial report of First Methodist church shows. Similarly, the church contributed a larger amount to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem than in any previous year. Leaders agreed that the financial report of First Methodist church this year is the best in the history of the church. The return of Dr. Jordan for another year was unanimously requested by the quarterly conference.

Immediately after the quarterly conference session the board of stewards convened, with Dr. A. M. Whisnant, chairman, presiding. Progressive reports concerning the work of the year and the state of the church were submitted.

Excellent progress is being made in preparations for entertainment of the Western North Carolina conference at First church October 19-24. Already a vast amount of work has been completed, and it is expected that the other details of preparation for the annual session will be completed successfully. General Chairman J. Wilson Smith and other committee officials and members are continuing to devote much attention to these plans.

In this program the other Methodist churches in Charlotte and environs also are very active. In the event any local residents who are in position to entertain annual conference delegates in their homes have not yet given notice of such intentions, they are invited to telephone the office of First Methodist church.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NOTES

A number of the college students attended the series of services sponsored by the local Methodist church last week. Leaders in these sessions were Dr. Aline McKenzie, Chapel Hill, and Dr. Fred T. Barnett, Lakeland, Florida.

At the Tuesday chapel hour Dr. McKenzie spoke on the potential worth and high destiny of human life, using the symbolism of a tree not merely growing but planted. On the Friday following Dr. Barnett spoke on the morals of every day life, heightening the force of his message by illustrations and references to his extensive travels.

Intramural sports, both boys' and girls', are progressing enthusiastically. Tournaments in softball, horseshoes and bowling are now at interesting stages, and the old campus spirit is evidently as rich and tense as it was back in the "good old days" of Louisburg intercollegiates.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT CHECK-UP MEETINGS OCTOBER 1-2

All of our 35 charges made reports in our check-up meetings October 1 and 2. The outlook for the closing is most encouraging. There is only one doubtful charge as to a 100 per cent financial showing. All charges will contribute to Golden Cross; rally day offerings have been made on 27 charges. The other eight charges will no doubt make this offering before the final closing. All charges will pay the ten per cent to the Children's Home, and at least 30 will pay the supplementary per cent. A few charges have doubled the supplemental per cent. Improvements have been made on 30 church buildings. Some of these improvements have been extensive. Improvements have been made on 16 parsonages by repairs on buildings and new furniture added. Two new parsonages have been built and a full water system installed in each. The N. C. Advocate goal will be reached on 12 charges with one charge, South Davidson, doubling. Forty-six vacation schools have been held. Accessions 788—468 on profession of faith and 320 by transfer.

S. W. Taylor.

SANDY CROSS METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATED SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

The Sandy Cross Methodist church, Rocky Mount district, was dedicated Sunday, September 27. The services were conducted by Prof. H. E. Myers of Duke Divinity School, Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent, and Rev. Sidney Boone, pastor of Sandy Cross charge.

The first Sandy Cross church was planned in 1858 by a small group who had no convenient house in which to worship. R. D. Wells gave the land where Sandy Cross Methodist church is now located, but he gave no deed for it. The deed for the land was later put into the hands of the trustees by John L. Bailey about the year 1900.



New Sandy Cross Church, which supplants the former church built in 1895

The contract for the first building was given to German Langley and Singleton Langley. Building materials were scarce so much lumber had to be hewed out of the surrounding woods. The people were poor and progress on the church was slow, but in spite of these difficulties the first church was ready for services about the last of the year 1860. Two nearby churches, Mount Zion and Nashville Methodist church, had been destroyed by fire and no effort was being made at the time to replace them, consequently Sandy Cross drew members from these churches and surrounding territory.

In 1861 Sandy Cross Methodist church was received into the North Carolina conference and John Wyche was sent as the first pastor of the church. It was in this year that Cival War came to the states, thus retarding the progress of the church; nevertheless the church remained alive, and in 1865 at the close of the war Rev. N. J. Hunt was sent to serve as pastor.

In 1895 a new church was planned and the contract was let to Richard Bone. On May 13, 1941, workmen began tearing down this church in preparation for building the new church which now stands. It is remarkable that this new brick church was ready for services by December 7, 1941, a little less than seven months after work first began. Much credit for this speedy work is due the building committee which is led by J. Willie Bone. Other members of the committee are Bruce Baker, G. L. Bone, M. L. Bone, Roy Winstead, S. F. Winstead, E. M. Braziel and Sam C. Baker. Rev. C. B. Peacock was pastor when work on the church was begun.

A HAPPY DAY AT PARK AVENUE, SALISBURY

Last fall Park Avenue church started the year's work with high hopes of having a new building to house their church before conference came again. Circumstances being what they were, the government did not grant permission for this building to be started. In spite of this bitter disappointment, however, we have had a fine year. Members are continuing to pay on the building fund, so the money will be in hand when construction starts. About $1500 has been paid this year. In addition to this, the pastor's salary was raised 20 per cent, 165 new hymnals have been purchased, and all financial obligations will be taken care of before conference. The parsonage has been painted inside and out, and many new furnishings added, which contributes no little to the happiness of the pastor's family.

Under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. T. H. Swofford, the general spirit of the church is fine, and there has been a marked increase in attendance both at the morning and evening services on Sunday and at mid-week prayer meeting. Forty-seven new members have been received.

We are very proud of our 50 boys who are in different branches of their country's service. One of these has already made the supreme sacrifice of giving his life for his country. Beautiful large flags have recently been placed in the church, and suitably dedicated at a morning service.

The last Sunday in September there was an impressive installation service of the officers and teachers of the church school. The following night there was a workers' conference attended by the same group. With Mr. G. Q. Miller as our faithful and efficient general superintendent and with the assistance of this splendid group of workers, fine work has been done in the church school. A successful vacation Bible school was held this summer, and the entire church enjoyed the visit of the Youth Caravan the last of July. Our church was well represented at the Intermediate camp and at both the senior and young people's assemblies. Representatives also attended the Leadership conference and Leadership school. A Member.

JACKSON PARK, KANNAPOLIS

The Jackson Park church of Kannapolis continues the very fine progress it has been making since its organization four years ago. Under the able and efficient leadership of the first pastor, Rev. J. J. Holmes, a beautiful stone church was erected. This year the church membership, with a new pastor, was determined to carry on.

In the early part of the year the church advance program, as prepared by the pastor, was launched. Such program included stewardship emphasis, increased subscriptions to church periodicals, church debt reduction drive, new furniture for the parsonage, church lawn improvement, additional tithers, special church services and a number of other things.

Out of such an advance program the following has been accomplished: $2,100 raised toward debt, 33 pledged tithers, new walkways, lawn conditioned, planted 20 maple trees, raised approximately $1,000 toward new auditorium furniture (40 pews and a 9-piece pulpit set), secured 13 new subscribers to the national Advocate and 26 new subscribers to the N. C. Advocate, sent six delegates to youth conference, installed in the parsonage a new electric stove, new bedroom suit and new porch furniture. Thirteen new members have been added with others to come in at the close of our present revival being conducted by Rev. O. L. Easter of High Point. The church budget is fully paid out.

These are a few of the things these very determined church folk set themselves to do this year. While a number of our people are away in some form of national service, still next year is a very promising one for this church.

Albert M. Smith, Pastor.

Anniversary Convocation of Woman's College

The 50th birthday of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, anniversary convocation, was held last Monday beginning at 10 o'clock

Sharing the occasion with the college faculty and students were approximately 190 delegates from colleges, universities and learned societies, from alumnae chapters and graduating classes along with trustees, other alumnae and hosts of other friends.

Dean Jackson, presiding over the program, paid tribute to the founder and first president, the late Dr. Charles Duncan McIver, and recognized Dr. Julius I. Foust, president emeritus, who for 27 years was president.

The principal addresses were by Lt. Commander Mildred H. McAfee, president of Wellesley College, and President Isaiah Bowman of Johns Hopkins University. Brief addresses were made also by President Frank Graham and Governor J. M. Broughton.

Three honorary degrees were conferred. Mrs. Julius W. Cone of Greensboro, Mrs. W. T. Bost of Raleigh, and President Mildred H. McAfee of Wellesley received LL.D. degrees. Mrs. Julius Cone and Mrs. W. T. Bost are so well known in North Carolina that nothing need be said about their work in this place. But President McAfee's work is not so well known in North Carolina, even if she is a national figure in the educational world. Hence we quote in part what President Frank Graham said in conferring the degree: "She was a teacher of English, French, sociology and economics before going into executive work. A native of Missouri, she is former dean of women at Centre College, executive secretary of the associate alumnae of Vassar, and dean of women, Oberlin College. She was graduated from Vassar College in 1920 and received a master of arts degree from the University of Chicago. She holds honorary degrees from Oberlin, Williams, Bates, Mount Holyoke, Wilson, and Goucher colleges, Boston and Wesleyan universities."

Dean Jackson before the close of the exercises announced a gift of $10,000 from Spencer Love, prominent Greensboro citizen, to start a fund for a college chapel.

GOVERNOR HOEY AT MYERS PARK, CHARLOTTE

Gov. Clyde R. Hoey spoke at the annual church meeting of the Myers Park church Monday evening. Dr. Embree H. Blackard, the pastor, presented a report of the year's work, indicating progress along all lines. 199 new members have been received into the church, an increase of 21½ per cent in church school attendance noted, and a new parsonage was bought and furnished at a cost of $21,500. One of the members gave $10,000 to start a fund for a recreational building to be constructed after the war, to which other members of the church have contributed. A house and lot adjoining the church were purchased for that purpose. The World Service apportionment was paid at the Easter season. All financial obligations will be paid in full.

Immediately after the annual meeting a reception was held in the social hall to honor Governor Hoey and Miss Isabel Hoey and the 199 new members who have united with the church this conference year.

On the Campus of Woman's College, Greensboro



Woman's College Music Building



Modern Dormitories





New Guilfrod Hall



Library Reading Room

It Pays to Be Good

By ARTHUR HOPKINSON

Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.—Ecclesiastes 11:1.

There are few people who have been brought up in Christian lands who do not know these words, and few there are, no matter how unselfish they may be, who have not consciously or unconsciously been motivated by them in the doing of some good. It seems such a fair proposition that one's goodness should return to him, if not at once, then at some future time, that many of us are disposed to act as if it would. And there is much to confirm us in this belief. Tangible evidence of its working truth comes to our notice from time to time.

Only the other day I read of an instance in the New York Herald Tribune that bears out the contention. It was dated July, 1942, from Springfield, Ohio, and the story went on to say that "thirty-six years ago David Stockschlader, his wife and seven children were heading from New York to California in a horse-drawn wagon. Penniless and hungry, they were forced to stop at Springfield. A man named J. A. Becker and his family gave them food and shelter for a time. Then they headed West again. When taking leave of the Beckers, Mr. Stockschlader said unto them: 'Friends are few. You have been very good to me. Some day, if the Lord wills, I'll repay you threefold.' Today, Mrs. Bertha Becker Fish, the only living daughter of J. A. Becker, said that she and her husband had inherited $175,000 in the will of Mr. Stockschalder." Thus the "bread" of Christian generosity and kindliness, like seed cast upon the waters of irrigated land, had come back to them in increased harvest. Mrs. Bertha Fish from now on will have no difficulty in believing our text, and she will be pointed out by many who know her and know of the incident, as being "Exhibit A" furnishing conclusive proof that goodness always pays.

But that is just where the rub comes in. Does it always pay? The pleasing evidence that in this instance came to Mrs. Fish after thirty-six years of waiting, often fails to come to others, who are just as worthy and just as kindly, though they wait a lifetime. This fact furnishes one of the enigmas of life, and it is one of the most baffling problems of human experience. In contrast to the case of Mrs. Fish and her munificent reward, I know many good people who, according to this standard of measurement, have reaped no practical benefits from casting their beneficent bread upon the troubled waters of the world. Disillusioned and disappointed, they have become more than a little weary in well-doing. Their souls have shiveled up in baffled resentment under what seems to them the scorching sun of unrequited love. What can we say to these things?

Our answer is: In the first place, we have no right to put a bigger load on these words than they were intended to carry. The writer of the book of Ecclesiastes, in making this statement, merely dipped his pen in the ink of his own experience and wrote down what he found there as an encouragement to others. Doubtless, if he had not actually seen, he knew of the practice of farmers who in the spring of the year cast their rice or other grain into the paddy-fields knee-deep in water, and later, when the water had receded and the wind and the sun had done their work, came along with the sickle and a song reaping a bountiful harvest. And as he ruminated on the scene, the thought came to him that that is just how God's law of beneficence works. We cast the bread of our goodness upon the waters of a troubled and needy world, and God causes it to come back to us with interest in later years.

But he did not mean, and he could not have meant, that it always came back to us in the way of material reward. And this for reasons we can readily understand. For, if kindliness and generosity and other forms of goodness always paid in dollars and cents, it would make all our efforts seem mercenary. Genuine goodness would be well nigh impossible. Returns being sure, there would be no risk of loss in anything we could do. Sacrifice would lose its significance, and no amount of it could bring us any credit. But that is not to say that our text is untrue. God will remain in debt to no man! The "bread" of goodness is never cast upon waters in vain. It may not come back to us in the form of material prosperity, but come back to us it will, and with interest, but mostly after its kind.

The text—properly understood—is a picturesque way of proclaiming the moral stability of the universe. It is a poet's testimony to the faithfulness and dependability of God. As St. Paul reminds us, in the world in which we live, we reap what we sow. If we sow to the flesh, we reap the things of the flesh. If we sow to the Spirit, we reap —not necessarily dollars and cents—but the fruit of the Spirit. And what is that? "The fruit of the Spirit," says Paul, "is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." These character values, then, represent the currency of the spiritual realm. They are the "medium of exchange" God uses to repay us for our sacrificial service and investments. In comparison with these values, the riches of Croesus are as nothing. It is this principle we need to keep in mind; for, with this clearly understood, we shall have no difficulty with our text. In this glorious scene, "bread" cast upon the waters does return to us after many days.

That this is so is illustrated in many ways, and has been proved in countless lives. For instance, those who have read Sir James M. Barrie's delightful biography of his mother, "Margaret Ogilvy" (that was her maiden name), will recall the opening chapter, entitled "How My Mother Got Her Soft Face." In it he draws aside the curtain of privacy and tells of a deep sorrow that came into her life through the death of one of her beloved children. It was the opinion of this gifted and affectionate son that her kind face was chiseled and etched by the spirit of resignation that a life of prayer and faith produced in her. But he also goes on to relate that, after she had made this pilgrimage through the shadows, every family in the valley where they lived felt the healing touch of her sacrificial and sympathetic spirit. She lived twenty-nine years following the experience, "such active years until toward the end," says Barrie, "that you never

knew where she was unless you took hold of her. Not a baby was born in the neighborhood, and not a baby died, but my mother was there to help and to comfort. She gave away all she had, and what pretty ways she had of giving it!'' And in this service for others ''her face beamed and rippled with mirth as before, and her laugh . . . came running home again. A laugh gleeful as children at play and born afresh every morning.'' Thus did God repay this faithful servant of his, and thus did the ''bread'' of her Christian faith and philanthropy come back to her after many days.

I am also reminded of another, whom I know quite well, whose experience adds weight to our testimony. His avocation has been to make a reasonable living for his family. His chief interest—and therefore one could call it his vocation—has been to spend and be spent for the good of others. He has not become wealthy. No easy emoluments have come his way. Misfortune and bereavement have not passed him by. And yet he is supremely rich in the number of friends he possesses and the esteem in which they hold him. He may not be as financially successful as some other men I know, but whatever disadvantage that may be is more than made up for by the genuine goodness that enwraps him as with a garment. He is one of the leading laymen of the church he attends, and is well nigh indispensable in the community where he lives. His influence is a benedicton, and any young man who gains his endorsement possesses the open-sesame to any coveted position he can fill. The ''bread'' this layman has cast upon the waters of community need has resulted for him in a recompense not to be measured by stocks or bonds or gold.

In declaring all this, we are not unaware of the seeming debit side of the ledger. We admit there are times when our unselfish acts seem to be ''born to blush unseen,'' and waste their sweetness ''on the desert air.'' But that—as far as we ourselves are concerned—is of minor importance. The big thing for us to remember is that there is a law of moral and spiritual compensation in the world that returns our goodness to us in kind. It is as operative as the law of gravitation and as dependable as the tides. In this sense, goodness pays. In all the world of facts, nothing is more true.

''Then give the world the best you have,
And the best will come back to you.''

Zions Herald.

RACE STREET CHURCH HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

At the fourth quarterly conference of the Race Street Methodist church held at the church this week, and conducted by Rev. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of the Statesville district, reports showed that the church has had a successful year under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. F. H. Price, who is rounding out his third year. The church is closing the year in good financial shape, and there have been 20 additions to the membership during the year. A Boy Scout troop was recently organized with Mr. Max Hayes, scoutmaster, and the following troop committeemen: Messrs. H. M. Hill, Carl Robbins, Glen Wiley, Etheridge Robbins, and J. R. Rives.

Officers elected by the Race Street Methodist church for the new year are: Stewards, N. E. Brown, N. L. Boggs, A. L. Sides, Sterling L. Smith, Jesse H. Cline, H. M. Hill, Walter F. Chester, Glenn Wiley, Clinton M. Mencer, A. E. Armour, Clyde B. Lackey, L. G. McLean, Everette A. Mayberry, Victor Rudeck, Horace L. Thompson, Thomas M. Whitlow, John Campbell, Carl M. Robbins, W. Glenn Harrison, Jesse P. King, Charles F. Campbell, J. R. McHargue, W. Ross Morrison, and Haskel P. Lackey.

The district stewards are Messrs. N. E. Brown and Glenn Wiley. Mrs. W. C. Sykes, Jr., was elected recording secretary, and Mrs. C. M. Robbins, communion steward.

The trustees of the church property: One year, Coy Sykes, Sterling L. Smith, and L. G. McLean; two years, W. A. Howard, W. H. Kunkle, and K. L. Miller; three years, N. E. Brown, Glenn Wiley, and D. I. Beatty.

Mr. Victor Rudock is the church treasurer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1942

Financial Statements Western North Carolina Conference, September 30, 1942

Receipts

General and Conference Benevolences—		
Regular payments	$91,788.99	
Fourth Sunday offerings	29,280.84	$121,069.83
General Administration Fund		1,968.77
District Superintendents' Fund		40,879.59
Episcopal Fund		9,964.56
Conference Claimants Fund		38,755.57
World Comradeship Fund		600.82
Accumulated for Conference expense		3,060.75
Miscellaneous accounts		10,571.24
Total		226,871.13

Disbursements

General Benevolences (World Service)	$ 60,465.17
General Administration Fund	1,968.77
District Superintendents' Fund	40,879.52
Episcopal Fund	9,964.56
World Comradeship Fund	600.82
Conference expense	4,334.72
Certificates of deposit	26,000.00
Miscellaneous accounts	10.711.19
N. C. Council of Churches (distribution)	100.00
Wesley Foundation (distribution)	1,000.00
Total disbursements	156,074.75
Balance W. B. and T. Co.	66,676.60
Checks on hand	4,119.78
Total	225,871.13

Other Ministerial Support Funds

Districts—	Total Rec'd	Dis. Supt. Fund	Episc'pl Fund	Conf. Clm'ts
Bgt. forward	$ 6,226.98	$ 5,771.35	$ 93.19	$ 362.44
Asheville	7,090.79	2,985.93	839.56	3,266.30
Charlotte	7,100.00	2,989.81	840.64	3,260.55
Elkin	3,343.49	1,407.93	395.88	1,539.68
Gastonia	9,401.41	3,958.92	1,113,13	4,329.36
Grensboro	8,564,79	3,606,65	1,014.06	3,944.08
High Point	7,353.37	3,096.50	870.64	3,386.23
Marion	6,798.72	2,862.94	804.97	3,130.81
Salisbury	11,498.32	4,841.96	1,361.39	5,294.97
Statesville	8,297.94	3,494.25	982.49	3,821.20
Waynesville	3,810.13	1,604.45	451.11	1,754.57
Winston-Salem	10,113.78	4,258.90	1,197.50	4,657.38
Totals	89,599.72	40,879.59	9,964.56	38,755.57

Report of District Superintendents' Fund

Total paid to date	$40,879.52
Balance on hand	.52
	$40,879.59
Paid each District Superintendent	3,716.32

General and Conference Benevolences (World Service) and General Administration Fund by Districts

Asheville	$ 5,672.33	$ 94.76
Charlotte	19,827.18	274.87
Elkin	3,233.21	35.96
Gastonia	13,525.05	170.33
Greensboro	12,921.81	117.14
High Point	12,427.43	259.43
Marion	5,974.39	112.35
Salisbury	15,526.44	231.37
Statesville	9,441.63	291.69
Waynesville	3,772.31	49.82
Winston-Salem	18,748.05	331.00
Totals	121,069.83	1968.77

Respectfully submitted,

E. O. Cole, Treasurer.
By Carolyn Eargle, Assistant.





Rev. Charles E. Vale, pastor of Winton Methodist Church, to be dedicated by Bishop Purcell, Sunday, October 11th.

WINTON METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATORY AND HOME COMING SERVICES SUNDAY

Bishop Clare Purcell will dedicate Winton Methodist church at Winton on Sunday, October 11, at 3 p. m.

All former pastors, wives of former pastors, former district superintendents, members moved away, Dr. J. M. Ormond, the editors of the N. C. Advocate and any interested friends are invited to be present for the day.

A morning service at 11 a. m. and lunch at the church will precede the dedicatory service in the afternoon. Immediately following the dedication, Rev. T. M. Grant, superintendent of Elizabeth City district, will conduct the fourth quarterly conference of the Murfreesboro charge.

The original Winton Methodist church was destroyed by fire in 1927. The present structure was erected in 1930 through the untiring efforts of the late Rev. W. C. Merritt, and his wife. With heroic loyalty the faithful members and friends of the church, with the assistance of the Duke Foundation and the board of church extension paid the indebtedness on the church in November, 1938, during Mr. Vale's fifth year of service here.

The members of the church are looking forward to meeting and welcoming their friends on this occasion.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY IN FAYETTEVILLE

A crowd that filled the big Hay Street church which overflowed into the church school annex assembled last Sunday for this special day of communion and fellowship. The congregation reminded one of Sunday at the annual conference, with this difference: instead of the many in ministerial attire were the men in soldier garb. What an inspiration to meet with such a worshipping congregation!

This editor counted it a high privilege to lead the service on this world communion Sunday and thus render a service to Rev. R. E. Brown, the pastor, who was in a fine meeting with Rev. B. B. Slaughter in Rockingham. Rev. J. W. Bundy and Rev. Paul Carruth assisted in the service. The singing of the choir and the attentive hundreds who gathered reverently about the altar added much to the success of the hour.

We have known Hay Street church and its loyal congregation for many years. However, the impression gained at this time is that Methodism never was more aggressive than under the leadership of Brother Brown. He is certainly in the midst of his best pastorate. What a burden and responsibility it is to lead in church affairs in that crowded city with the thousands that pour in from Fort Bragg. But in it all the entire Brown family are happy and full of the spirit of service. Much would we like to say about things incidental, but space does not permit. It will be a joy to pass that way again.

TRIBUTE TO BROTHER CARRAWAY

The passing of Rev. J. M. Carraway at his home, Merrimon, N. C., September 27, at the ripe age of 93 years removes from North Carolina one of its most useful citizens and outstanding pioneer ministers of the Methodist Church.

It could be said of Brother Carraway, as of Enoch, "He walked with God," who was his bosom companion until the end. He was a true ambassador of his Lord and was never happier than when preaching or singing the gospel, which were two in one with him. I don't recall having heard one who could sing the gospel more effectively than he did. He truly lived the gospel he preached that gave his ministry a permanent value that is reflected in the useful lives of many today who bear testimony of same.

Eternity can only reveal the real contribution this faithful ambassador of his Lord made to his state and church morally, spiritually and numerically. His friends and admirers were numbered by his acquaintances.

He has left to his loved ones a legacy in a life well spent worthy of emulation more valuable than silver and gold. All honor to his memory and ministry, which will live as a memorial many years after the marble that marks his last resting place has crumbled to earth again.

T. C. Ethridge.

NEWS ITEMS FROM FIRST STREET CHURCH, ALBEMARLE

Our conference year ended at First Street on last Sepday in September. According to officials of the church this has been the most successful year in the history of the church. We have not had a death in our membership or in any of the immediate familes of our membership this year. We have lost only two members this year—they were by letter —and both of them are now back in the membership here. We have added 33 other members during the year.

Our church budget for the year has carried an increase of over 13 per cent on pastor's salary and over 10 per cent on all other items of the budget and benevolences. We have accumulated a good amount in stamps and bonds toward an educational building. The church school has raised over $1200 this year. All organizations and departments have functioned in full co-operation and complete harmony.

On the last Sunday in September our church paid out and left a good amount in the treasury for beginning another year. When all accounts were paid up to date, coal bin filled and envelopes printed for three years, and all paid for, we still had a good nest egg for the new conference year. In addition to all of this, the board then graciously presented to the pastor a nice check as a gift. This to groom the pastor for conference—or perhaps to get him in good "trading condition." No, brethren, First Street isn't open for another year. We shall be glad to have you visit us, provided you are not prospecting.

Our church school has gone through this year like a streamlineed Disel-motored train on a grand excursion. When you hitch J. L. Taylor, R. L. Kiser, Paul Cranford and their co-workers to anything, that thing is going to move forward to success. Our official board has moved with that same precision headed up by D. A. Fry as chairman, C. L. Holt as treasurer. Men like these backed up by 20 others of their kind and by a fine people like those at First Street, work becomes play and impossibilities resolve into accomplishments.

It has been a year of joy to be privileged to be on the grounds here and watch this band of Christians do things in their fine way. We have a dandy parsonage to live in, good neighbors on all sides, best town we know of, fine schools and other conveniences to enjoy. All of this and such fine people to serve! What could be finer!

Another year shall see greater things at First Street. Plans are under way for improvements of our physical equipment, our organizational set-up and our financial system. As we go forward in the doing of these things, we shall be growing in grace—we shall be accomplishing spiritual things.

Young people's work, led by Tonsie Smith and H. A. Perry, Jr., and woman's work led by Laura Deane and her co-workers have had a good and successful year.

It is a pleasure to work with these fine people who believe in doing the work of the church and kingdom in such a great way. G. N. Dulin, Pastor.

RENEWED ACTIVITY BY CHURCHES

Our churches feel responsibility for the country and for the world. Always this has been true but it is especially true now. Instead of saying, "We have failed, the war shows it," churches and church leaders are saying, "We must redouble our efforts: we are needed as never before."

Ministers who are in the habit of taking two or three months' vacation are taking one and ministers in the habit of taking one month are giving it up altogether. We doubt the wisdom of a policy of "no vacations" but we honor the men who show such a spirit.

The burden and horror of war is pressing down upon people more heavily with the passing of every month. The amount of work to be done increases. There is a work of instruction to be done and in that work there must be answers to the questions that people ask as they try to reconcile the existence of a good God with the evils in which we are immersed.

In this new work there is need of tactful, intelligent comfort for people in sorrow, there are the activities created by the war, and the church is providing channels for service—opportunity for war-relief work and opportunity for works of friendship among the boys in camp.—Selected.

NOTES FROM GREENSBORO COLLEGE

John Everington of Orlando, Fla., outstanding lecturer, traveler and artist, spoke at Greensboro College last Saturday evening in the college auditorium. Mr. Everington is a native of Lincoln, England, and has traveled extensively throughout the world, making photographic studies of scenic and historic places of his tours. All pictures of his illustrated lectures are personally hand-tinted in natural colors. In relation with his lecture "In the Gardens of Old England" about which the lecturer-artist spoke, he showed tinted pictures of scenic England. After the lecture some of his best pictures were placed on exhibition.

At the regular monthly meeting of the two societies Monday night, Miriam Doub, Aberdeen, was crowned queen of the Emerson society, and Betsy Atkins of Smithfield simultaneously "married" into the Irving society as the Irving bride of the year. These two Freshmen were elected to this honor two weeks ago, soon after they had joined their respective societies. The Emerson queen and the Irving bride are the highest honors a Freshman can have in her society and the "wedding" and the coronation programs were among the most outstanding events of the year.

The Baptist students of the college were entertained Tuesday evening at an informal outdoor supper given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Clyde Turner on West Market street. Dr. Clyde Turner is pastor of First Baptist church. Twelve students from the college attended the supper.

The first regular students' meeting was held at noon Tuesday in Odell auditorium. Margaret Skinner of New Bern, president of the students' association, led the meeting during which various regulations and rules of the school were discussed.

PORTRAIT OF FOUNDER PRESENTED TO CHURCH

Special services were held at McKendree Methodist church four miles north of Lincolnton last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, at which time a portrait of Samuel Lander I, founder of the church, was presented to the congregation. Rev. William L. Sherrill of Charlotte, a grandson of the founder, who donated this portrait, made the presentation and also preached the sermon.

Samuel Lander, who was prominently connected with the early history of Lincoln Methodism, was converted at Robey's camp meeting in 1828 under the preaching of Malcolm McPherson and Hartsell Spain and joined the Methodist church. He was licensed to preach in 1833 and was soon recognized as a power in the pulpit. The McKendree church was organized in 1836 and about the same time Rev. Mr. Lander organized Lander's Chapel, which is six miles south of Lincolnton.

CENTENARY CHURCH, WINSTON-SALEM, HAS NEW DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

Miss Ethlene Sampley is new director of Christian education at Centenary church, Winston-Salem

Miss Sampley is a native of Georgia and daughter of an active pastor of the South Georgia conference. She completed her undergraduate work at Wesleyan College in Macon, Ga., and has since done graduate work at Emory University, Columbia and Chicago University.

She was in Winston-Salem several years ago in connection with training schools held there and worked a great deal in the Western North Carolina conference previously as a member of the training department of the general board of education of the Methodist church. Earlier this summer she attended the annual conferences held at Lake Junaluska.

Miss Sampley is making her home at the Gray Court Apartments.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL

On October 26-30, 1942, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will observe the annual week of prayer and self-denial. Many will participate in all day retreat when, as individuals and groups, members will seek to deepen and enrich their spiritual lives. The culminating acts of worship during these days will be the presentation of gifts made possible through self-denial, and the rededication of our own lives to the glory of God and the service of our fellowmen. The special objects of our giving at this time are both interesting and challenging, and generous offerings are desired.

For foreign work: A new building, new furnishings and equipment for Crandon Institute, Montevideo, Uraguay; Land and a Girls' Dormitory at Granberry Institute, Juiz De Fora, Brazil; American School, Lins, Brazil; new furnishings and equipment for Bennett College, Rio De Janeiro, and American School, Porte Allegre, Brazil.

Home work: Building of Wesley Communty House, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and buildings at Wood Junior College, Mathiston, Miss.

Our conference treasurer's report for 1941 shows $3,006.57 contributed to week of prayer specials, and it is hoped that our offering for 1942 may be still more generous. Program materials for the week have been distributed throughout the conference, and additional materials may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, or 150 Fifth Avenue, New York. Prices of materials listed on page 32 in The Methodist Woman for October.

A GRATIFYING RECORD

It is most encouraging to find from the report of the division treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, as given in the October Methodist Woman, that our own Western North Carolina conference stands third among the 17 conferences of the Southeastern Jurisdiction, in the amounts contributed for the second quarter of 1942. We hope that this means that the year's record may be such as to maintain this standing in our woman's missionary work.

IMPRESSIVE SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

From Mrs. J. C. Whitesell, corresponding secretary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Spruce Pine, we have the following account of recent interesting meetings:

"An event of great spiritual worth to those attending was the luncheon of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Spruce Pine Methodist church, held at the home of Mrs. Frank Fortner on Wednesday, September 23. The meeting was under the leadership of Mrs. M. T. Hipps, spiritual life chairman, who opened the morning session with an inspiring worship service.

Messages of great value concerning our obligation as women for the extension of Christ's kingdom in this time of chaos were presented by Mrs. W. C. Young, Mrs. Claude McClure, Mrs. Fred Smith and Mrs. A. N. Fuller. Soft music interspersed the morning program, which was led by Mrs. J. C. Whitesell.

A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by the 16 members present at one o'clock, after which Mrs. Hipps, in a most efficient and impressive manner, led the women in an informal discussion rich in value to our spiritual lives."

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR, BROAD STREET CHURCH, STATESVILLE

"Building God's Highway" was the theme of the morning session of the educational seminar of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Statesville district which convened in Broad Street church Tuesday morning, September 22, at 9 o'clock, with Mrs. W. H. Myers of Lenoir, district president, presiding, and with approximately 100 in attendance.

Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, conference secretary missionary education and service, was in charge of the program and was assisted by Miss Marshlea Cottingham, rural worker in Western North Carolina conference with headquarters at Boone. Mrs. C. C. Weaver, conference president, spoke on "The Emergency Fund," and Mrs. D. M. Davidson of Gibsonville, secretary of literature and publications, Mrs. R. M. Andrews of Greensboro, secretary Christian social relations and L. C. activities, spoke briefly of their work and its relation to the theme.

Mrs. E. L. Rice and Miss Leila Tuttle, returned missionaries, were introduced and an entertaining skit entitled "Three Countries" was presented by members of the local group of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, under the direction of Mrs. H. G. Allen. The various roles were portrayed by Mrs. J. E. Dooley, Mrs. Dan Rigby, Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, Mrs. E. L. Rice, Mrs. Paul Scarborough and Mrs. James Weber.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. Myers, with Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, secretary of spiritual life, giving the opening devotional. "No time for retreat" was the theme of the afternoon, and the address by Rev. E. W. Fox on this theme was a splendid contribution to the day's program. Following the reports of the officers, Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, spoke briefly, stressing three thoughts she wished her hearers "to take home with them": "Christ Needs You," "Is Christ Sufficient?" and "Service."

Following the day's meeting a called meeting of the officers was held.

AN ENJOYABLE OCCASION

Mrs. Ralph C. Sherrill, Statesville district recording secretary, sends us the following relative to an event of Monday evening, September 21, prior to the educational seminar the day following, in which the district officers were the participants. Mrs. T. V. Goode, district secretary, had an inspiring spiritual retreat at her home for the district officers, all of whom were present excepting two, and with Miss Marshlea Cottingham, Mrs. J. W. Payne and Miss Nellie Holland as visitors and who added much to the retreat. This group met at 4 o'clock and enjoyed together an informal hour, after which Mrs. Goode served a delicious dinner, which was followed by the retreat, with Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, as leader, using as her theme, "Colonies of the Kingdom." Assisting in the service were Mrs. George Greer, Mrs. G. E. Hayes, Mrs. Roy Lazenby, Mrs. H. A. Poston and Mrs. W. W. Washam.

A most impressive dedication service was led by Mrs. Hayes, assisted by Mrs. Hornbuckle, who used three white candles, the center one representing the "Spirit of God," the left one, "All That I Have," and the right one, "All That We Are," with each one present dedicating her life anew to her work. Personal experiences were heard and Miss Holland sang "Be Still."

In the closing minutes of the evening program Mrs. Goode discussed the district business. Nine of the 18 ladies present remained for the night with Mrs. Goode and we were a better group the next morning, because of this retreat and its inspiration stayed with us through the seminar and district meeting which followed. The five zone meetings for the district will be held during October.

MISSIONARIES ARRIVE IN BELGIAN CONGO

The September World Outlook has the following anouncement of arrival of missionaries in Africa:

"There is great rejoicing in the four stations of the Central Congo conference over the arrival from furlough in America of Rev. and Mrs. Alexander J. Reid, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Lewis, and Miss Lorena Kelly. They were delayed more than six months going and returning from furlough, due to war travel conditions. The Bible and normal schools at Wembo-Nyama had been going on in their absence by adding heavier burdens to the missionaries there. For months only one of the three doctors had been on the field, yet the two leper camps and three hospitals were continued as best they could be by one doctor, the nurses and the faithful African workers.

The normal school had been conducted for the past 27 years in all sorts of makeshift centers, but ground was broken recently for a new building by the side of the Bible school. Space has been left between the two for a chapel to be used jointly. It is hoped that the needed chapel will be given by some one, some time as a memorial.

In a personal letter from Miss Kelly under date of July 16 reaching Ashe-

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North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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LET US PRAY

For the churches on the mission field bereft of the help and guidance that have been theirs in the past. O God, be their guide and helper and grant them grace and wisdom to maintain thy work. Amen.

MRS. SLAUGHTER'S IMPRESSIONS

Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Rockingham, conference secretary children's work, and one of the eight conference officers attending the school of missions at Lake Junaluska, writes of her experiences: "The most heartening experience I have had recently was during my attendance upon the school of missions and leadership school at Lake Junaluska. Like Elijah of old, I had begun to feel, I fear, that there were only a few interested in the advancement of the kingdom. My doubts were dispelled when I saw the large group of interested and enthusiastic women gathered at one place with one accord to discuss and learn more about this great work. As I beheld the natural beauty of the scenery all about me I felt as did Edna St. Vincent Millay when she wrote, 'Lord, I do fear thou hast made the world too beautiful this year. My soul is all but out of me.' It was an inspiration to watch the expressions of those of our group who had not been to Junaluska before as they looked with silent reverence upon the beauties of the sunset, the grandeur of the surrounding mountains of the lighted cross. It was indeed a holy place, and the reverence of these friends made it seem more so. A little thing that touched my heart was the placing each morning by 'the side of the road' by one who grew them, a container of large beautiful dahlias and the two words posted beside them, 'take one.' It was in keeping with the friendly, gracious spirit of the place. These intangible things meant more to me than classes or lectures, however much the latter meant. The contact with missionaries and deaconesses—those persons who have given their all for the cause of Christ—created in my heart a new dedication of self. The class room work with Mrs. Helen Bourne as teacher and the members of the class on The Work of the W. S. C. S. was well worth while. The seminar with Miss Oscie Saunders on Program Building gave new and valuable ideas. It was indeed good to be in this place."

WEEK OF PRAYER

Sometimes the observance of the week of prayer and self-denial becomes a lackadaisical sort of thing because we fail to build it into the program of the W. S. C. S.. The week of prayer and self-denial is an attempt to refresh people spiritually, enrich them emotionally, grow in horizons, increase in giving. Whenever we drop the last portion of the name "self-denial" we weaken the meaning spiritually. The observance of the week of prayer and self-denial may be held in the form of an all day retreat, a series of services or a combination of both. The important thing is that the observance is held in the most spiritually helpful way possible and that the giving for the designated projects shall be cheerful and sacrificial. Incidentally the emergency gifts made during September should not in the least curtail the giving for the week of prayer and self-denial causes. The week of October 26-30 has been set aside as the time for the 1942 week of prayer and self-denial. It is time therefore that each member of each W. S. C. S. begin to prepare her heart for this holy time of learning, spiritual enrichment and opportunity for giving to needy causes in the missionary enterprise. More about these causes and other features of the week of prayer and self-denial on later dates.

ENRICHMENT MATERIALS

Last week we apprised our readers of some facts concerning the fall mission study on "Missions in Latin America" for which the text book, "On This Foundation," by Dr. Stanley Rycroft will be used. In addition to the text there are many reference books and sources of enrichment materials, all of which may be found either in the public libraries, the missionary libraries of the church, in personal libraries, or may be ordered from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati. These books and other materials include Good Neighbors, by Herring; Tales from Latin America, Mead; That Other America, Mackey; Latin American Backgrounds, Hulbert; Inside Latin America, Gunther; Broad and Alien Is the World, Algeria; Fun and Festival from That Other America, Wright; The Outlook Pamphlets on Latin America; Focus on Latin America, McConnell; Survey Griffic, March 1941; Trailing the Conqustadors, Inman; Rim of the Caribbean, Morgan; Up and Down South America, Halladay; Discussion and Program Suggestions for Adults on Latin America, Taylor and Carr; Latin America Wall Map; Map of the Methodist Church in Latin America; The Latin America Circuit, Wasson and Lee; Pamphlets, A Good Neighbor and Methodism in Latin America.

SUPPORT PLEDGED

At the meeting of the executive committee of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. which was held at the Methodist Orphanage recently Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president of Southeastern Jurisdiction, stated that there are more than 3459 churches in this jurisdiction in which there are no organizations of W. S. C. S. At the end of the second quarter 1942 there were 248 unorganized churches in the N. C. conference. Mrs. Hillman urged that in this conference a goal of 200 new societies be attained by the end of 1942. This can be accomplished if the interest of the pastors of the unorganized churches is awakened and if the organized churches will adopt the "big sister" plan of going into these unorganized fields and helping to effect an organization. Many pastors will be happy to use their cars and their time in taking the women to the places where women's work is so vitally needed. The conference executive committee has pledged to Mrs. Hillman its support in the achievement of the goal of 200 new societies. Will the societies in the N. C. conference "Go thou and do likewise"? thus making this pledge to be fulfilled.

A COMMENDABLE EXAMPLE

A few months ago at Charity church on the Wallace-Rosehill charge, a Woman's Society of Christian Service was organized with six members and with Mrs. T. R. Murphy as president. When the Wilmington district W. S. C. S. conference met at Rosehill on March 26 this society had not even had its first meeting. Despite the brief time in which it has been organized and the small group who compose the organization, this society has already had two mission study classes, one Bible study class and is planning to have the fall mission study on Missions in Latin America. Such earnest and enthusiastic attitudes and endeavors on the part of these few and noble women are worthy of commendation and truly God will bless them in all their efforts to help bring in his kingdom on earth.

NEWS FROM EVANSDALE

A member of the Evansdale society who desires that her name not be disclosed sends us some interesting and encouraging news of her society: "The Evansdale society," writes she, "was organized in May, 1941, with 17 charter members, with Mrs. Luther Jones as president and Mrs. Kinsey Amerson as vice president. The society attained all efficiency aims in 1941 and at present has around 30 members. Delegates have been sent to all district and zone meetings—to the annual conference in Raleigh and to the spiritual life meeting in Louisburg. Seventy-five dollars was donated for repairing the church building, the money being raised by gifts of chickens and eggs, with only a few cash donations. One of the members recently raised $9 in one day with commissions from subscriptions for a magazine. We are planning to adopt an orphanage girl this fall and to entertain the Quinn county zone in October. All, with the possible exception of one or two, are share farmers, and we are asking the prayers of all of our Christian friends that we may continue to go forward and that we may create a great spiritual awakening within our midst and in the mission fields."

"Without the Protestant movement there would not have been any Good Neighbor policy." "We are not in Latin America as missionaries to combat the Roman Catholic Church, but to be evangelical witnesses of Jesus Christ." —From Junaluska Assembly Daily.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Throughout the entire conference year we have been calling attention to those congregations which had up to the stated time paid their Children's Home basal apportionment in full. It may have been noted that the number attaining this good record has very materially increased in recent weeks. A constantly growing number of congregations has not only paid their basal apportionment but the supplementary apportionment. They are our magna cum lauds accomplishers. Soon after conference we expect to publish in our favorite newspaper, the Advocate, a fitting display of those congregations which have paid their entire Children's Home askings. Let the number be large.

INFORMATION AND ASSURANCE

We recently sent a form letter to the pastor of every charge in the Western North Carolina conference listing the total charge payments to the Children's Home through September 30, these payments including apportionment, fifth Sunday offerings and special contributions. In response to this notification we have received a number of letters thanking us for the information and assuring us of their purpose to do as much as is possible for the Children's Home family. Such encourage us greatly.

THE BELL RINGERS

Note this week's joy bell ringers, the congregations which have completed their basal apportionment to the Children's Home. Some of them have gone the second mile. Others will. They make us happy. Join us in grateful thanks to them and their pastors:

Lafayette Street, Shelby, Rev. J. S. Gibbs.

Mt. Carmel, Reidsville circuit, Rev. Byron Shankle.

Roberta, Concord, Rev. W. E. Rufty.

Race Street, Statesville, Rev. F. H. Price.

Providence, Broad River circuit, Rev. J. B. Fitzgerald.

Albemarle circuit, Rev. E. A. Bingham.

Davie circuit, Rev. G. W. Fink.

Asbury, Boger City, Rev. H. E. Stimson.

Mt. Olivet, Concord, Rev. F. W. Kiker.

Central, Canton, Rev. W. R. Kelly.

Central, Asheboro, Rev. J. W. Braxton.

Matthews, Rev. W. Douglas Corriher.

Mt. Tabor, Winston-Salem, Rev. A. J. Cox.

Abernethy Memorial, Rutherford College, Rev. J. R. Duncan.

Biltmore, Asheville, Rev. E. J. Harbison.

Mt. Vernon circuit, Rev. T. E. Strickland.

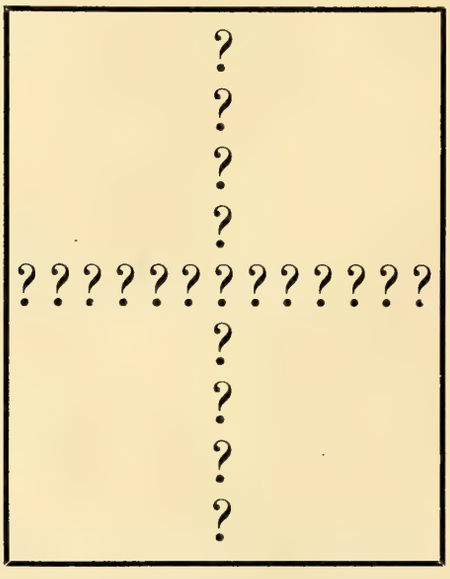
Westview, Hickory, Rev. H. C. Freeman.

Hendersonville, Rev. D. E. Camak.

Beaverdam, Canton, Rev. W. H. Pless.

OUR SECOND PRESIDENT

Bill Crews, better known to us as "Cruso," was last week elected president of the Richard J. Reynolds high school senior class. Cruso is a credit to the Children's Home and will be to his graduating class. Last year one of our boys, Jim Reed, now matriculated in High Point College, was president of his class in Reynolds High. Last year's class numbered 300 young men and women. The class this year is of similar size.



YOUNG COTTON PICKERS

One of the farms we rent has a cotton allotment and one of the conditions with rening this farm is that the cotton allotments must be kept up. So we have a couple of cotton patches. Last Saturday afternoon we took 100 young boys and girls over to pick the cotton, and what a time we had! Most of the youngsters had never seen any cotton before. Some others could tell tales of how much cotton they picked before they came to the Children's Home, how big their grandfather's cotton fields were and what they did with the cotton after it was picked. Our young cotton pickers did well for a couple of hours, and then we brought them home before the newness of the venture grew tiresome. They want to pick cotton another Saturday afternoon.

RIGHT OR WRONG?

The work connected with the rearing of our family is so voluminous as to make it necessary to work under the departmental plan. The fitting of clothing cannot be entirely done in cottages, since other groups of our family are affected. So we usually begin with the older children with the seasonal fitting in such way that garments which no longer accommodate the size of a larger child may be handed down to a smaller child. It sometimes happens that the same garment will have several names marked on it, meaning that it has been sent to the cleaners and then used on another child, and maybe another and another. We buy good materials and take care of them. Last Sunday, a rainy Sunday afternoon, the question was propounded by Mrs. Woosley as to whether it would be right to take a group of our boys whom she had failed to get from their play and their work for several weeks in the fitting room for checking on their clothing. The answer was, "In the abstract it is wrong, but in the concrete, get the boys and get some clothing fitted on them."

A GOOD MAN GONE

Our good friend, R. O. Lindsay, is dead. We could hardly believe it when the news was flashed upon us. Only a few days before we talked with him about the Children's Home interests, about the dairy herd, and about our boys and girls. R. O. Lindsay was never half interested in anything. His interest was enveloping. While his interests were voluminous they were never diluted. As a trustee and as a friend of the Children's Home R. O. Lindsay stood foursquare. When a few years ago he was telling us about his life insurance policies made in favor of the Children's Home, we suggested to him that we'd much rather have him than his money, as much as money was needed then. A good man is gone but not forgotten.

HEALTH IS RESTORED

At the recent meeting of our board of trustees Fred N. Tate of High Point, a long-time member of our organization, came walking into the meeting after having been prevented from being with us for a number of times. Everybody gave Brother Fred a glad hand, a pat on the back and soul stirring statements of joy over a reasonably restored health. A younger member of the board, T. Austin Finch of Thomasville, was prevented from being present because of impaired health, who in addition to the tremendous load he carries with his own business activities had assumed heavy responsibilities for our government to such an extent that a temporary breakdown came. A recent letter from Brother Austin states, "I am thankful to say the doctors agree that I am thoroughly recovered from my recent attack. You can bet I am following instructions very carefully. Good wishes to you and Mrs. Woosley."

THE QUESTION MARKS

The question marks in the middle of the page stand for curiosity. They stand for more than that. They raise the question as to how our many friends in the Western North Carolina conference will come along with their financial support for the needs of our boys and girls during the next week, the time elapsing before the meeting of the session of our annual conference.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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(Edited by B. M. Madison, Principal of Methodist Orphanage School)

SCHOOL DAYS—Our school has been in session now for a month and the educational program for the year is definitely under way. The educational life of our boys and girls does not confine itself to the three R's but accepts the task of teaching boys and instead of teaching subject matter. To be sure, subject matter is very important, but its chief purpose is to improve and enrich the total life of the students. It is a tool and a means to an end. The basic and fundamental objective of education is good citizenship; the school must teach boys and girls to be good neighbors, to learn to give and to take, to make sacrifices and to make a worthwhile contribution to the total community life. It is an accepted truth that the best citizenship is an intelligent and informed one. Our school program makes every effort to keep the academic standards high. We are justifiably proud of our membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. We are trying to make the educational life of our boys and girls as rich as well-balanced as that afforded by the regular public schools of North Carolina.

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION—The boys and girls at the Methodist Orphanage live an active life. A significant area of that active life is play. At this season of the year football is in the spotlight with practically all of our boys from the fifth grade up belonging to one of the teams of various sizes. Coach Fred Smith is doing an excellent job with the boys. The girls do not play football, of course, but they are definitely interested in supporting the team in every way possible. Mrs. A. W. Pridgen is in charge of physical education for the girls. During the warm weather the girls are engaged in hiking, softball, bowling and various other outdoor activities. The younger girls play games suitable to their age and size. Our high school students have been the guests of the Raleigh high school athletic association to see two football games at Deveraux Meadow. We are indeed grateful for these invitations and we have enjoyed the games very much.

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VOCATIONAL TRAINING — Our school provides for all of our senior boys to participate in a vocational training program. The business and professional men of Raleigh have been very co-operative and understanding in helping the school with this undertaking. The boys select certain business and industrial fields in which they have definite interests and aptitudes. We have been able to arrange with the men in these fields to provide half-day employment for the boys. The boys work half of the day and go to school the other half. Out of the earnings received from such employment the boys keep a minimum spending allowance and buy war stamps and bonds with the balance. The stamps and bonds are kept on deposit by the school and will be available for the boys upon graduation.

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MUSIC—Our instrumental music is confined pretty largely to the piano, but in this field we are getting along very nicely. Mrs. Nellie B. Rives, who has rendered this institution an excellent and faithful service for several years, is teaching piano. Many people of the Methodist congregations in this part of the state will remember pleasantly the sacred concerts brought to them by the Methodist Orphanage under the direction of Mrs. Rives. The pianos have been tuned and the students are enthusiastic about both lessons and practice. All of our piano students are girls. It seems that the boys direct their energies toward other activities. The music here contributes a great deal to our way of life. It seems that it makes us a little happier and a little friendlier. We hope that it makes us a little more refined and a little more gracious with all people whom we work and live; music is inspirational and helps us to look up and not down; it helps us to smile instead of frown and it helps us go forward instead of backward.

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PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC — Our public school music is taught by our classroom teachers with the assistance of Dr. F. S. Smith who is the supervisor of music for the Raleigh city schools. This arrangements makes music available to every one of our students in the elementary school and in high school. We have two high school glee clubs and various singing groups in the elementary school. No one is neglected in music and an effort is made to give those who do not have such a positive aptitude for music some appreciation of its place and value. Every one is urged and given an opportunity to participate. Many times, however, we can be good listeners and have a very fine sense of appreciation when we are unable to be performers. Music has a very functional and significant place in the lives of the people of a great nation.

I believe that in religion we can find the unifying influence we so greatly need, but it must be religion of a liberal type. That is, it must be rational, ethical religion purged of superstitious fear, of all obscurantism and reliance on authority and dedicated to the moral ideal which men share because they are men, not because they are Christians, Jews, Aryans or Semites.—J. S. Bixler.

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ASHEBORO SCHOOL

For the first time ever the Methodists of Asheboro and nearby communities united in a successful training school at First church the week of September 27 to October 2. In spite of rationed gasoline, diminishing rubber tires, and a state-wide blackout, the school was a success. Paul Hardin, Jr., J. W. Braxton, Dr. J. E. Pritchard, W. A. Underwood, Brother McRary and Earl E. Henley assumed responsibility for the school and stayed with it throughout the week. Dean P. E. Lindley, Miss Elizabeth Oliver and Wilson O. Weldon were the instructors. Central church and First church, Asheboro, are both fortunate in having the full time services of Miss Doris Wharton and Miss Margaret Brannon,, graduates of Westminster Choir School, who are rendering excellent service in the field of church music.

Antioch, Rural Hall

Brother I. L. Sharpe has submitted an excellent report on the training class held recently at Antioch church on his own charge. Twenty-four people enrolled and attended most of the sessions.

Lee's Chapel and Morehead

Training classes will be taught at Lee's Chapel and at Morehead by F. E. Howard. These classes will bring to a close our formal training activities for the year.

Hawthorne Lane

Early in September the church school staff at Hawthorne Lane launched its fall program with a period of Bible study under the leadership of Dr. Ray Petry of Duke University. This class was an outgrowth of the training school held in Charlotte last February. Mrs. G. G. Adams, Brother Nease and Mr. Haliburton liked Dr. Petry so well they wanted him for a class for their church school staff.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY

Returns from this observance are still being received daily by Mr. Dunham. Many churches are responding generously but there are several hundred that have not yet made a report. Offerings received during the week ending on October 1 are listed below. We are grateful for these contributions and hope the list will be much longer next week. At the time of this writing only two districts have met their quotas. The amount of $817.89 is needed to meet the conference goal for this year.

Asheville District

Tryon	$ 2.00
Fletcher	5.00

Charlotte District

Lilesville Charge	9.00
Mount Zion	3.00
Belmont Park	12.50

Elkin District

Boonville (Yadkinville)	3.25

Gastonia District

Central, Kings Mountain	5.00
Lowell	12.60
West Shelby	2.50

Greensboro District

Fairfield (Guliford Ct.)	3.00

High Point District

First, Asheboro	24.00
Central, Asheboro	15.00
Seagrove	2.00
Rankin Memorial	4.00

Salisbury District

Bethlehem (Gold Hill)	2.00
Gold Hill (Gold Hill)	2.50
Liberty (Gold Hill)	3.50
Rockwell (Gold Hill)	4.25
Zion (Gold Hill)	2.25
Bethel-Boger Charge	6.00
Salem	5.68
Ann Street	2.11

Statesville District

Providence (Cool Spring)	2.00
Union Grove-Zion Charge	3.00
Broad Street, Statesville	10.00

Waynesville District

Waynesville	10.00

Winston-Salem District

Mount Tabor	5.00
Green Street	10.00

FOURTH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE REPORTS — CHARGE DIRECTORIES

This is open season for quarterly conferences, and the charge directories are being received on every mail. Pastors sending in reports during the week ending on October 2 are as follows: C. B. Way, P. S. Kennett, C. W. Bates, K. G. Holt, D. L. Earnhardt, J. Max Brandon, Jr., P. T. Dixon, M. G. Ervin, C. F. Womble, J. R. Warren, W. D. Corriher, James E. Rink, P. L. Smith, G. W. Fink, H. O. Huss, James B. McLarty, D. Moody Nifong, L. P. Barnett, P. W. Tucker, J. Garland Winkler, S. W. Johnson, Loy D. Thompson, George B. Clemmer, J. Sam Gibbs, R. M. Andrews, J. P. Hipps, W. H. Yokeley, Wilson Nesbitt, Atlas Ridge, N. L. Oliver, Van B. Harrison, W. Harold Groce, F. W. Dowd Bangle, R. L. Bass, Charles Sharpe, Fred L. Setzer, H. L. Creech, Jr., J. Max Brandon, Sr., J. C. Cornett, W. L. Harkey, J. Clyde Auman, J. E. Hipp, Roy T. Houts, W. H. Pless, C. O. Newell, Wm. H. Neese, L. C. Stevens, Melton Harbin, G. M. Carver, D. H. Dennis, William E. Andrews, Abram J. Cox, W. Reid Harris, W. M. Smith, W. B. Thompson, Joseph T. Shackford.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

While the record on these schools is now well ahead of achievements last year, we feel that there are still a few schools that have not been reported. This information should be directed to Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Box 828, Salisbury. Schools not acknowledged in the Advocate before of listed below:

High Point District

Pleasant Hill (Seagrove), Jas. P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
Seagrove (Seagrove), Jas, P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
Mt. Zion (Coleridge), Alice J. Simmons.
Mt. Vernon (Mt. Vernon), T. Strickland.
Ebenezer (Mt. Vernon), T. E. Strickland.
Cedar Falls (Asheboro Ct.), Eugene A. Lamb.
Central Falls (Asheboro Ct.), Eugene A. Lamb.
Maple Springs (Coleridge), Mrs. Esther C. Hodgin.
Mt. Olivet (Coleridge), May Wrenn.
Piney Grove (Central, Denton), Wilson Nesbitt.
Farmer (Farmer), J. O. Ervin.
New Hope (Farmer), J. O. Ervin.
Oak Grove (Farmer), J. O. Ervin.
Greer's Chapel, Atlas Ridge.
Main Street, High Point, Sam B. Moss.
Oakview, R. E. Ward.
Ward Street, Horace M. Stephens.
Macedonia (Linwood), O. E. Croy.
Pleasant Grove, C. E. Ridge.
Level Cross (Randleman Ct.), Y. D. Poole.
New Salem (Randleman Ct.), Y. D. Poole.
Bethel (Randolph-Gray's Chapel), H. L. Isley.
Shiloh (Randolph-Gray's Chapel), H. L. Isley.
Alleghany (S. Davidson), J. C. Gentry.
Chapel Hill (S. Davidson), J. C. Gentry.
Lineberry (S. Davidson), J. C. Gentry.
Trinity, Hopewell, Fairview, Clark Benson.

Marion District

Wesley's Chapel (Broad River), J. B. Fitzgerald.
Tanner's Grove (Broad River), J. B. Fitzgerald.
Kistler's Chapel (Broad River), J. B. Fitzgerald.
Salem (Morganton Ct.), F. W. Dowd Bangle.
Mt. Pleasant (Morganton Ct.), F. W. Dowd Bangle.
Denton's Chapel (Morganton Ct.), F. W. Dowd Bangle.
Salem (Bostic), Mrs. A. E. Guyer.
Providence (Marion Ct.), H. W. Bell.
Newland (Elk Park), J. N. Snow.
Linville Park), J. N. Snow.
Elk Park, J. N. Snow.
Thermal City (Gilkey), McRae Crawford.
Abernethy Memorial, J. R. Duncan.
Mt. Hebron (Gilkey), McRae Crawford.
Gilboa and Gilkey (Gilkey), McRae Crawford.
Rutherfordton, Mrs. W. P. Dorsey.
Bethel (Old Fort Ct.), C. R. Rose.
Piney Grove (Old Fort Ct.), C. R. Ross.
Providence (Broad River), J. B. Fitzgerald.
Bethel (Drexel), Thad McDonald.
Bethlehem (Drexel), Thad McDonald.
Zion (Drexel), Thad McDonald.
Central, Caroleen (Henrietta), Malcolm Reese.
Caroleen (Henrietta), Malcolm Reese.
Henrietta, Malcolm Reese.
Bethel (McDowell), G. L. Wilkinson.
Nebo (McDowell), G. L. Wilkinson.
Pinnacle (McDowell), G. L. Wilkinson.
Trinity (McDowell), G. L. Wilkinson.
First, Morganton, Mrs. Ralph Harbison.
Spruce Pine, M. Teague Hipps.
Oak Hill (Table Rock), Mrs. Bennett Rhyne.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

We are publishing herewith the report of fourth Sunday offerings received in the office of Mr. C. A. Dillon, conference treasurer, since our last report, which includes offerings received up to September 9. Last week we published reports for the Durham and Fayetteville districts and this week we are completing the report with the report for other districts.

Elizabeth City District

Ahoskie, Basnight Memorial	$ 12.66
Aulander, Aulander	1.50
Colerain	8.00
Roxobel	2.00
Bath, Asbury	9.03
Bath	3.35
Bethany	3.06
Belhaven, Belhaven	8.00
Chowan, Center Hill	.90
Columbia, Cedar Grove	1.25
Wesley Chapel	8.61
Wesley Memorial	10.88
Currituck, Ebenezer	2.69
Hebron	5.05
Elizabeth City, First	33.38
Hatteras, Hatteras	26.89
Kinnakeet, Clarks-Bethel	3.50
Fair Haven	13.90
St. John	7.50
Kitty Hawk, Colington	2.46
Duck	1.49
Kitty Hawk	11.20
Mattamuskeet, Amity	3.39
Bethany	1.14
Watson	5.60
Moyock-Pilmoor, Moyock	8.11
Pilmoor Memorial	8.66
Murfreesboro, Harrelsville	15.00
Union	9.00
North Gates, Kittrells	9.83
Savages	11.42
Pasquotank, Eureka	10.00
Mount Herman	8.88
New Begun	7.80
Union	12.00
Perquimans, Epworth	11.62
New Hope	13.50
Oak Grove	22.10
Woodland	7.00
Roper, Roper	5.26
South Camden, Wesley's	25.04
South Mills, Newland	16.20
Sharon	4.94
Trinity	15.38
Stumpy Point, Mt. Zion	.80
Wanchese	15.00
Williamston	21.59
Windsor, Cashie	3.00
White Oak	5.00
Windsor	7.36
Total	461.92

New Bern District

Aurora, Aurora	12.00
Ayden, Ayden	35.34
Beaufort, Beaufort	30.00
Dover, Dover	29.29
Goldsboro, St. Paul	63.38
Goldsboro Ct., Daniels	16.00
Pine Forest	9.36
Salem	9.09
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial	139.07
Grifton, Grifton	6.00
Hookerton, Hookerton	6.81
Maury	9.82
Rainbow	3.71
Jones, Cypress Creek	1.50
Maple Grove	1.25
Kinston, Queen Street	39.65
Marshallburg, Trinity	11.00
Ocracoke-Portsmouth, Ocracoke	30.02
Oriental	6.03
Pikeville-Elm Street	3.92
Pink Hill, Pink Hill	4.86
Webbs	5 04
Woodington	2.73
Woodland	1.98
Riverside-Bridgeton, Reelsboro	3.64
Seven Springs, Beston	5.50
Snow Hill, Calvary	20.00
Tabernacle	2.44
Straits-Harkers Island, Tabernacle	5.00
Walstonburg	4.01
Total	518.44

Raleigh District

Apex-Macedonia, Apex	7.61
Cary	27.31
Creedmoor, Banks	15.00
Erwin	34.72
Four Oaks	18.80
Franklinton	16.26
Fuquay, Cokesbury	4.84
Fuquay Springs	26.86
Lillington	20.00
Mamers, Spring Hill	5.00
Newton Grove, Hopewell	4.08
Maple Grove	1.89
Oxford	12.00
Raleigh, Edenton Street	134.00
Fairmont	80.08
Hayes-Barton	34.85
Jenkins Memorial	4.68
Pleasant Grove	1.00
Selma	10.00
Tar River, Plank Chapel	6.50
Vance Ct., Harris Chapel	1.59
Total	347.37

Rocky Mount District

Conway, Severn	6.07
Elm City, Mt. Zion	6.00
Farmville	28.40
Halifax, Halifax	9.19
Smith	17.93
West Halifax, Hollister	6.96
Kenly, Holden Memorial	6.00
Norlina, Jerusalem	.75
Norlina	12:00
Northampton, Jackson	9.54
Marvin-St. Paul, St. Paul	6.00
Seaboard, Pleasant Grove	19.43
Sharon	1.25
Stantonsburg, Stantonsburg	10.50
Tarboro	4.58
Warren, Bethlehem	6.20
Prospect	11.72
Providence	1.80
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Children's Storyland



"BOB AND DAD ARE SUCH GOOD CHUMS"

By Theodora Brownfield

"Your boy and father seem to be unusually good friends!,' said Mrs. Wright, as she watched Bob Trenton helping his father carry bulky luggage into the Trenton's automobile.

"Yes," agreed Mrs. Trenton, "Bob and dad are such good chums, it makes me very happy."

"Now with Will and his father," Mrs. Wright explained, "it's different. For one thing his father doesn't have the time to spend with him, traveling as he does so much of the time."

Mrs. Trenton's face lighted up at this remark. "Oh, Mrs. Wright," she broke in, "that's just how Bob and his father have had the chance to be together so much. Haven't you noticed Bob has been going with his father several days a week all this summer?"

"Does Mr. Trenton bother to take Bob along with him?" Mrs. Wright looked surprised.

"He says it's not any bother. Bob helps him. He's sort of a partner, a silent partner, so to speak!"

"How does he arrange it?" Mrs. Wright looked perplexed. "I know Mr. Trenton calls on customers in nearby towns, just the way Mr. Wright does. I'd think Bob would be in the way."

Mrs. Trenton explained that Bob started out with his father the first day of vacation just as an experiment.

"You see," she continued, "the girls and I like to have a little fun together in the summer. Bob, being only ten, doesn't care for teen-age activities. And he does like to be with boys or men."

"So you persuaded Mr. Trenton to take Bob out of the way?" laughed Mrs. Wright.

"Well, you might call it strategy. However, I did feel that Bob and his father had too little time together. At home the girls always claim about as much of their father's time as is available," Mrs. Trenton replied. "So one morning I suggested that Bob go over to Mercerville and help his father carry the bags of samples whenever it was necessary to show them to customers. You should have heard Bob's whoop of delight, and dad, who gets pretty tired some of these hot days carrying all his sample cases to and from the car, assented at once."

"And you say it has worked out successfully?" Mrs. Wright asked eagerly.

"I have never seen two persons get acquainted more thoroughly or be happier together than these two," Mrs. Trenton answered. "It's a case of father and son having a chance to be themselves by themselves, and Mr. Trenton says it's amazing how quickly Bob has learned to take responsibility, and he has become more punctual. He enjoys the rides, too."

"Doesn't he get tired waiting in the car while his father is taking orders?" Mrs. Wright looked a little dubious.

"Oh, he usually takes a book or a puzzle with him, and he can always listen to the radio in the car," Mrs. Trenton explained. "Then at noon he and his father have lunch together. Of course, he doesn't go every day in the week, but just often enough to value the chance to be with dad."

"I think I'll try it with Will and Mr. Wright," Mrs. Wright broke in. "Will and his father have so little time together. At night Mr. Wright's too tired to enjoy talking with Will."

"Bob has just asked his father to take him on Saturdays when school begins, and dad didn't hesitate a minute," continued Mrs. Trenton. "I think that shows that they have grown to be pretty good chums."—The National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th St., New York City.

WHICH SWORD?

A sword, a sword, and a sword;
Which sword will you draw, my son?
For one is of steel with its blind appeal
Till the folly of war is done.
'Tis an honor to fight for God and the right,
But justice is seldom won.

And one is the sword of truth,
God's swift and naked blade
That puts to flight the lies of night
And the hatred of falsehoods made.
We are cowards all when lies appeal,
But in truth we are unafraid.

And one is a flaming sword
Whose work is but begun;
Its glorious part is to change the heart,
Its victories always won.
Draw this and smile with all thy might—
'Tis the sword of love, my son.

—Jason Noble Pierce in Michigan Advocate.

WHEN BETTY CAME TO BIDE-AWEE

Bide-Awee Cottage was the loveliest place in the world, Betty Lane thought, the day she arrived there to spend a fortnight. The cottage was fairly smothered in vines and set in the middle of a riot of flowers; and on the porch stood the sweetest-faced liittle lady who just matched the cottage, for her smiling eyes and outstretched hands seemed to welcome you to "bide-awee" in her home.

And Betty was so glad that she had been sent there, instead of to the big house a little way up the street, where a group of merry children were playing in the yard. For Betty's home was the big orphanage where three hundred lived in a number of cottages, each with a house mother. The house mothers were very good to their large families; but Betty had often thought how nice it would be to have a mother all to herself instead of having to share Miss Smith with fourteen other little girls. Miss Smith was very kind to Betty, but naturally she had not much time to give to one girl; so nobody ever knew how Betty wanted a mother to hold and rock her, and listen when she wanted to talk, and to kiss her and love her.

So when she arrived at Bide-Awee Cottage, and little Mrs. Ray came running down to the gate to meet her little visitor with open arms, Betty just ran into them and put both arms around her neck and felt herself welcomed home for the first time in her life.

That was a wonderful two weeks to Betty. Her little white and flowery room, "all to herself," seemed to her the loveliest place on earth. In the evenings they sat in the twilight, and Mrs. Ray took Betty on her lap and rocked as they talked. Betty wanted nothing more. The only trouble was that the two weeks would come to an end. And all too soon the last day came. On the last evening Mrs. Ray felt tears on her shoulder as they sat in the big porch rocker together. "What is it, Betty?" she asked anxiously. "Is anything wrong?"

"I—I don't want to go back," sobbed Betty.

Then Mrs. Ray hugged her and cried too. "Why, Betty, I was afraid you would find it so dull, being used to a crowd of children, as you are. I almost thought I should have let you go to Mrs. Brown, who has five of her own. Have you really been happy here with me?"

"Oh," sobbed Betty, "I don't b'lieve heaven is any nicer!"

"Then," said Mrs. Ray decidedly, "you shall just stay here with me. I have always wanted a little girl of my very own; and I want you. Betty, I am going back with you tomorrow and explain to the matron that I can't spare you, and you will come back with me to Bide-Awee—to bide forever—as long as you want to stay."

"Oh," whispered Betty, "I'm glad!" —The Child's Gem.

"Johnnie," said a teacher in physiology class, "can you give a familiar example of the human body as it adapts itself to changed conditions?"

"Yes-sum," said Johnnie, "my aunt gained fifty pounds in a year, and her skin never cracked."—The Watchman-Examiner.

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 11

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By Rollin H. Walker

Loyalty to Christ

Mark 2:14-17; John 6:66-69; Phil. 3:7-11

Why should we be loyal to Christ? First, because he comes to us in our sins when we certainly do not deserve the honor of a call to service. Matthew when called was engaged in the sordid business of collecting revenue from his fellow Jews for their oppressive Roman conquerors. Paul was on his way to Damascus to arrest all that he could find of the faithful followers of Jesus, and drag them back to Jerusalem to meet their fate. As he himself says, God commended his love toward us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

Another reason for loyalty to Christ is the undoubted fact that he has the secret for which men everywhere are longing, the secret of life and peace and power. There is no doubt about this whatever. And best of all, he incarnates all that he taught. He embodied it in flesh and blood under circumstances far more difficult than we are facing. That shows that his way of life is feasible.

Another reason for a wholehearted and loyal response to Christ is that his demands are reasonable. As Paul says, they appeal to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

But Jesus not only shows us the way, he imparts to us his own life. In a deep spiritual sense we can partake of his body which was broken for us, and drink of his blood which was shed for us. Through him we can actually feed upon God (John 6:41-59). And as God is infinite and eternal, this source of vitality and strength is inexhaustible.

Another reason why we should respond with undivided loyalty to the demands of Jesus is that if we do he always makes our lives significant. Think of what he did for Matthew. When he called him he was a despised publican; behold him now enrolled with the immortals as an apostle of Christ. What a marvelous promotion has come to him! Jesus said at the last supper concerning all of his apostles, Ye shall sit upon thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel; and he more than fulfilled it by enthroning them as the authoritative interpreters of his teaching for all the centuries.

Another reason for reckless loyalty to this same Jesus is that he will give us life beyond the grave. He says of his flock, They shall never perish, neither shall any one pluck them out of my hands.

And finally, the constitution of the human personality is such that we are never quite ourselves until we have a supreme loyalty. After the World War in Germany there was a nation-wide movement called the Revolt of Youth. They felt that they had been wrongly led, and they were determined to lead themselves; and they threw away old conventions and cast aside old loyalties. But men are built for a great loyalty, and it was not long before the German youth reacted and gave themselves to Hitler. A young German was shot down in England, and fatally hurt. Finally he succeeded in making them understand that he wanted to have a picture of Hitler in his hand. And so, just as our Roman Catholic friends die with a crucifix in their hands, he died clasping the likeness of Adolph Hitler. If we do not maintain an utter loyalty to Christ, ere long we will have another loyalty, and although our ideal may be on a higher plane than that of Hitler, or a Japanese emperor, it will nevertheless be sure to limit and warp our character. Jesus is the only one who calls out everything good, and represses nothing but the brutal, selfish and silly tendencies of our nature.

And it is notably true that the longer we serve Christ the surer we are that we are on the right track. Peter said to Jesus not merely, We have believed that thou art the Holy One of God, We have believed and know that thou art the Holy One of God. First it was an adventure, with some misgivings, but the longer the loyalty was maintained the surer Peter was that his faith was found on the firm rock of reality. And why was he so sure? Because the glory of Christ's character was increasingly imparted to him, and as he followed Christ he had more life, more self-control, more ability to do things. In a word, in every sense he was more and more of a man.

IN DANGER

Many years ago, in the circuit where one of my readers resides, a minister went through a storm of rain to a country appointment, and was drenched when he arrived. So was the chapel keeper, who said: "Surely you won't preach tonight. Nobody will be here, and I'm going home, because I'm wet through." For a time the minister waited, but no worshipper arrived. Then, saying to himself that he had come to conduct worship, and would do so, even if he were both preacher and audience, he entered the pulpit, anounced a hymn, and read out the first verse. It was Charles Wesley's masterpiece that he selected, and with a stentorian voice he read:

"Come, O Thou traveler unknown,
Whom still I hold but cannot see!
My company before is gone,
And I am left alone with Thee;
With Thee all night I mean to stay,
And wrestle till the break of day."

At this point an individual who, unknown to the preacher, had been seated in a dusky corner of the gallery, reached for his sodden hat, and exclaimed: "By gum, but thou isn't," fled from the place in obvious fear, and resumed his tramp, probably with the conviction that Methodist chapels are not the safest places in which to shelter from rainstorms.—Methodist Recorder.

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North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
A. J. Hobbs, D. S., 114 Watts Street, Durham, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 10:30 8
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 3 8
Mebane, First Church, 7:30 8
Yanceyville, Locust Hill, 10:30 10
Bynum, Ebenezer, 11 11
Pittsboro, Pleasant Hill, 3 11
Person, Concord, 10:30 17
Mt. Hermon, Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Alamance, Bethel, 2 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 10:30 20
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

South Mills, Trinity, 7:30 9
Murfreesboro, Winton, 3:30 11
Ahoskie, 7:30 11
Hatteras, Buxton, 7:30 12
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 13
Plymouth, 7:30 14
Aulander, Roxobel, 11 16
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 17
Bath, Bath, 3 18
Belhaven, Belhaven, 7:30 18
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 7:30 19
Washington, 7:30 21
Creswell, Creswell, 3:00 22
Columbia, Columbia, 7:30 22
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 23
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 23
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 11 24
Moyock, Moyock, 11 25
Currituck, Poplar Branch, 3 25
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 27
Elizabeth City, First Church, 7:30 28
Pasquotank, Union, 11 30
Elizabeth City, City Road, 7:30 30

November

Roper, Mackeys, 11 1
Williamston, 3 1

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Aberdeen-Vass, Roseland, 10 9
Pinebluff, 2:30 9
Siler City, 2:30 10
Goldston, 11 11
Siler City Ct., 3 11
Broadway, 7:30 11
Troy Ct., Uwharrie, 10 17
Troy, 2:30 17
Mt. Gilead, 11 18
Mt. Gilead Ct., Hebron, 3 18
Ellerbe, 7:30 18
Rockingham, 4 19
Rockingham Ct., Pee Dee, 7:30 19
Raeford, 11 20
West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Ayden, 11 11
Grimesland-Salem, 7:30 11
Aurora-Warrens, 11 15
Hookerton, 7:30 16
Snow Hill-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Walstonburg-Mt. Hermon, 11 18
Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Newton Grove, Hopewell, 11 10
Mamers, Mamers, 11 11
Dunn, Divine Street, 7:30 11
Selma, 7:30 14
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 16
Millbrook, Millbrook, 11 18
Creedmoor, Creedmoor, 7:30 18
Garner, Garner, 7:30 20
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 21
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 23
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 11 25
Benson, Coats, 7:30 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 10:30 28
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 28

November

Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 1

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
L. C. Larkin, D.S., Rocky Mount, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Stantonsburg, 10 11
Kenly, 12 11
Wilson, 8 11
Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
Conway, 2:30 18
Seaboard, Concord 4 18
Rich Square, 8 18
Tarboro, 8 19
Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
Clark Street, 8 21
Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November

Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Bladen, Bethlehem, Victory Conf. 8
Garland, Ingold, Victory Conf. 9
Fairmont, Trinity, 11—Victory Conf. 11
Pembroke Parish, Pleasant Grove, 3 11
Lumberton, Chestnut St., 8 11
Clinton, 8 14
Faison-Kenansville, Goshen, 11—Victory Conf. 15
Warsaw-Magnolia, Warsaw, 8 15
DISTRICT CHECK-UP CONF., Wilmington, 10 16
Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 7:30 19
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 8 20
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 21
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 22
Scott's Hill, Seagate, 11 25
Town Creek, Zion, 8 25
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 28

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

Western North Carolina Conference

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Box 507, Elkin, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

North Wilkesboro, 11 11
Moravian Falls, 3 11
Jonesville, night 11
Helton, night 13
West Jefferson, night 14
East Bend, 11 18
Mocksville Ct., 3 18
Elkin night 18

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

St. Paul, Greensboro, 7:30 10
Oak Ridge, 11 11
Haw River, Mizpah, 3 11
West End, Greensboro, 7:30 11
West Market, Greensboro, 7:30 12
Grace, Greensboro, 7:30 13
Summerfield, 7:30 14
Leaksville, 7 16
Spray, 8 16
Guilford Ct., 11 18
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 18

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., 606 S. York St., Gastonia, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Vale, White Zion, 11 11
South Fork, Plateau, 3 11
Boger City, night 11
West End, Gastonia, night 14
Lincoln Ct., Pisgah, 11 18
Rhyne Heights, night 18
District Check-up meeting October 5.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D. S., High Point, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Shiloh, Shiloh, 7:30 8
Celeridge, Concord, 2 11
Ramseur-F., F., 7:30 11
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 12
Liberty, First, 7:30 13
Calvary, 7:30 14

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Rutherford College, 11 11
Drexel, Bethlehem, 3 11
Glen Alpine, night 11

Pastors, please see that nominations for next year are ready at the fourth quarterly meeting.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
C. N. Clark, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Trinity, 11 11
Mt. Olivet, 3 11
Bethpage, 8 11
Granite Quarry, 8 12
Central, Spencer, 8 14
Park Avenue, 11 18
Woodleaf, 3 18
Salisbury, First, 8 18

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D. S., 240 Walnut St., Statesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Mooresville, Broad Street, 8 8
Newton, 11 11
North Newton, 3 11
Statesville, Race Street, 8 12
Statesville, Broad Street, 8 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D. S., Waynesville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Morning Star, 11 11
Canton, First, 8 11

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Unity, Fairgrove, 8 9
Rural Hall, 11 11
Lewisville, 3 11
Concord, Sharon, 8 11
Ardmore, 8 13
Hanes, Clemmons, 8 14
Love's, 8 15
New Hope, Oak Summit, 8 16
Ogburn Memorial, 11 18
Winston Circuit, 3 18
City Mission, 8 18

WITH THE ROMANTICS

They were chatting, as young men will, about marriage. Some of them argued that love alone should induce a man to marry, while others said that the idea of a marriage that did not, so to speak, feather one's nest, was repugnant to them. "But you wouldn't marry a girl just for money?" one of the former group asked one of the latter. "Of course not," he replied, "but I wouldn't have the heart to let her die an old maid just because she had money, either!"

If we have not quiet in our minds, outward comforts will do no more for us than a golden slipper for a gouty foot.—Bunyan.

IMMORTAL WAR SLOGANS

War slogans have played an important part in American history. Stirring phrases seem to produce an emotional disturbance in man and to instill in him the determination and courage to overcome obstacles.

The first war slogan coined since hostilities with the Axis powers started was used recently by the Office of Production Management. It is "Remember Pearl Harbor." Immediately the phrase was snapped up and is being used on the air, in the press and is sweeping across the land.

Many other famous slogans have been used by Americans in times of national crisis. Some of them are:

"Give me liberty or give me death." Patrick Henry in the Virginia Provincial Convention, March 28, 1775.

"Taxation without representation is tyranny." This saying was in common use during the period preceding the outbreak of the Revolution.

"Millions for defense, but not one cent for tribute." Attributed to Robert Goodloe Harper, congressman from South Carolina, at a dinner given in Philadelphia on June 18, 1798, in honor of John Marshall's return from a diplomatic mission to France. The naval war with France followed soon afterward.

"Don't give up the ship!" Immortal words uttered by James Lawrence, commander of the American Frigate Chesapeake, after falling fatally wounded in an engagement with the British, June 1, 1813.

"We have met the enemy and they are ours." Oliver Hazard Perry's dispatch to Washington after the engagement with the English at the Battle of Lake Erie in 1813.

"Our country! In her intercourse with foreign nations may she always be in the right; but our country right or wrong." Stephen Decatur in a toast given at Norfolk April, 1816.

"Remember the Alamo!" Battle cry of the Texans in memory of the massacre at the Alamo, San Antonio, March 5, 1836.

"Fifty-four-forty or fight." William Allen used this phrase in a Senate speech in 1844 in connection with a boundary dispute with England.

"Damn the torpedoes!" Reply by Admiral Farrabut to a warning of the danger of submerged torpedoes (now called mines) at a critical juncture of the Battle of Mobile Bay in 1864.

"Remember the Maine!" Battle cry resulting from the sinking of the United States battleship Maine in Havana Harbor February 15, 1898, which precipitated the Spanish - American War.

"Fire when you are ready, Gridlye!" An order given by Admiral George Dewey to Captain C. V. Gridley at the opening of the battle of Manila Bay May 1, 1898.

"Make the world safe for democracy." Taken from President Wilson's message to Congress asking for a declaration of war against Germany, April 2, 1917.

"Lafayette, we are here!" From a speech of Colonel Charles E. Stanton at the tomb of Lafayette in Paris, July 4, 1917.—New York Times Magazine.

N. C. BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Live Oak	15.17
Windsor	12.35
Burgaw, Burgaw	55.67
Rocky Point	1.00
Carver's Creek, Council	5.48
Chadbourn, Cerro Gordo	6.50
Chadbourn	4.00
Evergreen	10.00
Fair Bluff	9.62
Clinton, Clinton	31.49
Keener	3.65
Elizabeth, Singletary	4.61
Trinity	24.34
Union	2.00
Fairmont, Olivet	20.00
Trinity	30.00
Faison-Kenansville, Faison	26.28
Garland, Antioch	5.23
Centenary	2.26
Johnson Chapel	5.15
Hallsboro, Hallsboro	4.90
Pembroke Parish, Fairview	4.26
First Church	7.44
Prospect	6.17
Richlands	27.10
Roseboro, Bethel	3.89
Scott's Hill	10.43
Shallotte, Concord	2.43
Southport	25.00
St. Pauls, Barkers	11.00
St. Paul	8.45
Swansboro	16.30
Town Creek, Zion	5.41
Wilmington, Fifth Ave.	63.00
Grace	21.00
Trinity	31.67
Wesley Memorial	14.39
Total	532.02

Summary

Durham district	569.53
Elizabeth City district	461 92
Fayetteville district	267.64
New Bern district	513.44
Raleigh district	347.37
Rocky Mount district	220.23
Wilmington district	532.02
Total	2947.15

W. N. C. WOMEN

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ville about the middle of September she says: "I have been very busy since my return to the field; however, now school is out and conference just over, so I hope to write my friends a long letter soon."

Miss Kelly, one of our W. N. C. conference missionaries, volunteered for service in 1932 and was in home mission work for three years, going to Africa in 1935, where she has done a great work. Her many friends were interested in her return trip to Africa, following her furlough in the United States, and will be glad, we are sure, to know of her safe return to her chosen field of service.

AN OLD PROPHECY

From a tombstone in Essex, England, five hundred years old, is taken the following remarkable prediction:

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When ships like fishes swim below the sea,
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1:02 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:25 PM
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4:52 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	9:20 AM
5:04 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	9:08 AM
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A TRIBUTE

In the death of Mrs. Jeanette Newsome, Ebenezer church lost one of its most faithful and loyal members. She truly loved her Lord and his house. Nothing gave her as much joy as attending any service held there as long as her health would permit her to do so. We loved her and shall greatly miss her, but expect to meet her again in the heavenly home.

We deeply sympathize with her family and loved ones, but can only point them to the God she loved and served so faithfully.

Mrs. Elton Rose,
Mrs. J. O. Baker,
Mrs. J. C. Thompson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Denver Methodist church wish to pay tribute to one of its most faithful members, Mrs. Ella Howard Mundy, who departed this life February 28, 1942.

Mrs. Mundy possessed an admirable Christian character and was devoted to her church, her family and friends. As long as she was able she attended church and Sunday school regularly and was an inspiration to all who knew her. We thank God for her life and our association with her. Therefore be it resolved:

That we extend to her family our sincere sympathy and assure them of our love. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy be placed in the minutes of the society.

Members W. S. C. S.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Divine Street Methodist church, Dunn, wish to express our sorrow at the passing from us on August 24, 1942, of a loyal and devoted member, Mrs. W. O. Johnson. Her life from early childhood was one of love and service for her church and all its interests. Her memory will abide, especially in the hearts of the members of this society. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to the will of our God who doeth all things well.

Second, That we extend to all of her loved ones our sympathy and prayers. May God's blessing and comfort be with them.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one to the N. C. Christian Advocate, one to the Dunn Dispatch, and one placed on the records of our society.

Mrs. L. J. Best,
Mrs. J. W. Whithead,
Mrs. O. W. Dowd.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Our church, our board of trustees, and our board of stewards have lost one of our most faithful, loyal and devoted members in the death of Brother George W. Gardner, Sr. We remember with love and appreciation the many services he has rendered his church and community. His work in organizing and directing the Associated Charities of this community, his untiring efforts toward paying off our church debt, his long and faithful service in our choir and in the Sunday school, and his willingness to really work wherever needed, made him a most valuable member of our church and official boards; therefore we, the members of the board of stewards of Divine Street Methodist church of Dunn, resolve:

That his life was one of loyalty and devotion to his home, town, and church.

That we sincerely mourn the loss of this energetic, loyal and enthusiastic brother, and extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, the Dunn Dispatch, the North Carolina Christian Advocate and be placed in the minutes of the board of stewards.

Z. V. Snipes,
H. W. Prince,
Mrs. H. C. Turlington.

BROCK — Furnifold Brock, born April 7, 1873, passed to his eternal reward August 12, 1942, at the age of 69 years, 4 months and 5 days.

Brother Brock spent his entire life in Jones county; he attended Trinity College, and an engineering college in Ohio, from which he held a degree in engineering.

He has been a life-long, loyal Methodist, having united with Cypress Creek church when just a lad, and later transferring his membership to Trenton, where he lived after his marriage.

He was elected a steward in his church at the age of 21 years, and has held office in the church constantly since that time as steward, trustee, Sunday school superintendent, teacher of the adult Bible class, a number of times representing his charge as delegate to the annual conference, and at the time of his death he was delegate-elect to the next annual conference; also teacher of the adult Bible class, trustee of the church and parsonage, steward and district steward.

Brother Brock was the state senator from his district for two terms. He joined the Masonic Lodge as a very young man soon after he reached his majority, and held all of the offices of the local lodge and many district offices. He was also a Shriner, and was instrumental in the organization of the Trenton chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and at the time of his death was Worthy Patron of the Order, a position he filled with distinction for 27 years.

Brother Brock was one of the largest farmers in the county and a large business man as well, being interested in a number of business enterprises in the town and community.

He was quiet and unassuming, kind, courteous, public-spirited, most generous, and a sincere Christian, and to know him was but to love him. He will be greatly missed in the community the town, church, but most of all in the home.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Myrtle Foscue Brock, and the following children: Lois Brock of Trenton; Furney I. Brock of New Haven, Conn.; Dr. M. Foscue Brock of Norfolk, Va.; Myrtle Brock of Trenton; Evelyn Brock of Gastonia; Mrs. Sue Brock Jones of Trenton; Frank K. Brock of Trenton, and Eleanor E. Brock of Washington, D. C.

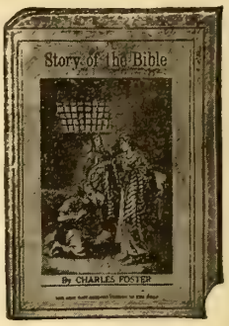
His funeral was conducted from the residence on August 14, 1942, by his pastor, Rev. E. G. Cowan, assisted by Rev. Jack Rountree, the Episcopal minister from Kinston, in the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives, with interment in the cemetery in Trenton.

Servant of God, well done,
Thy glorious warfare is past,
The battle's fought, the victory's won;
And thou art crowned at last.

E. G. Cowan, Pastor.

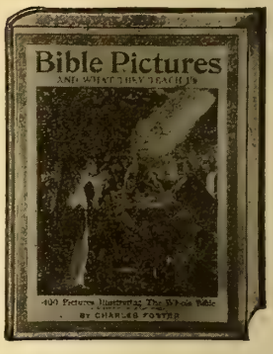
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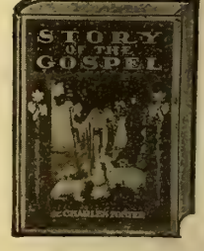
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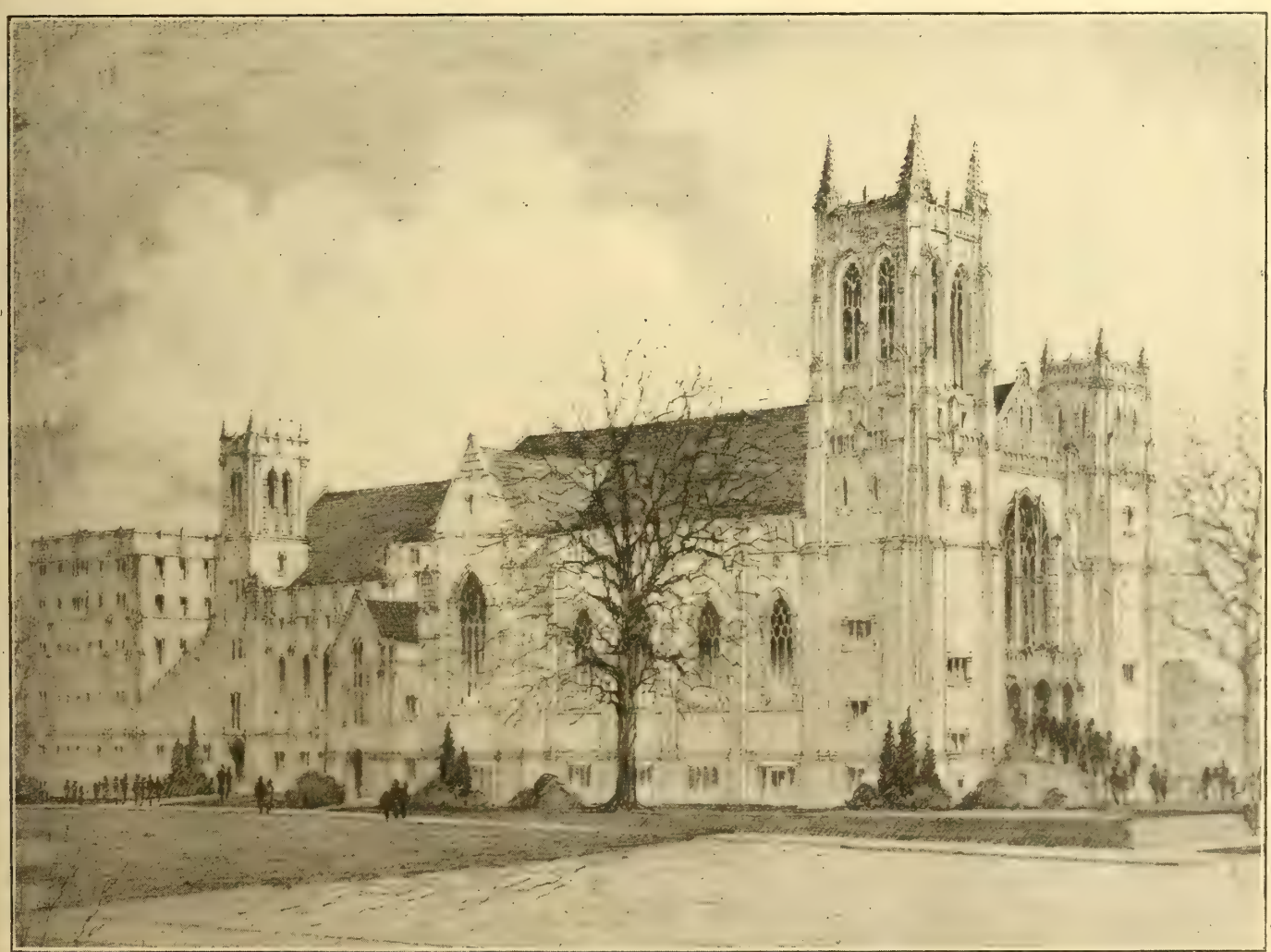
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★ Western North Carolina Conference Will Meet in Charlotte October 19-23



★ FIRST METHODIST CHURCH HOST TO CONFERENCE BODY

PROGRAM OF 1942 SESSION OF W. N. C. ANNUAL CONFERENCE, THE METHODIST CHURCH

First Methodist Church, Charlotte, October 19-23
Bishop Clare Purcell, Presiding

Monday, October 19

2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards, commissions and committees.

7:30 p.m. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by the Charlotte Methodist pastors and District Superintendent G. T. Bond. The conference will be convened by Bishop Purcell and organized.

Meeting of the Conference Historical Society. Speaker: Dr. A. W. Plyler, editor N. C. Christian Advocate. Subject: "An Inside View of Methodist Journalism."

Tuesday, October 20

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Completion of organization and business.
9:30 a.m. Opening address: Bishop Purcell.
10:00 a.m. Conference business.
11:30 a.m. Memorial service. Speaker, Dr. E. K. McLarty, Boone.
1:00 p.m. Rural Church Lucheon: Dilworth church. Speaker, Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt, pastor Northfield and Northfield Falls, Riverton, Vt.
2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards, commissions and committees.
3:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Temperance. Speaker, Hon. Cale K. Burgess, Raleigh.
5:30 p.m. Duke University dinner: Hotel Charlotte.
7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Education. Speaker, Dr. G. T. Rowe, Divinity School, Duke Uinversity.

Wednesday, October 21

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Conference business.
10:00 a.m. Service of recognition for retiring ministers and admitting class into full membership.
1:00 p.m. High Point College luncheon.
2:00 p.m. Meetings of boards, commissions and committees.
3:00 p.m. Meeting of the Conference Brotherhood. Speaker, Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby.
5:30 p.m. Layman's dinner: Efird's Dining Room. Speaker, Hon. Clyde R. Hoey.
7:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Speaker, Bishop Edwin F. Lee, Singapore and Manila.

Thursday, October 22

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Business session. Bishop Robert E. Jones on "Harry Hosier Memorial Association."
1:00 p.m. Retired ministers' luncheon with Bishop Purcell: Efird's. Speaker, Dr. George R. Brown, Liberty. Ministers' wives' luncheon: Efird's Dining Room.
2:30 p.m. Business session.
3:15 p.m. Conference Love Feast. The Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., leader.
5:30 p.m. Emory University dinner.
7:30 p.m. Ordination service. Preacher, Dr. W. A. Smart, professor Biblical Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.

Friday, October 23

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Business session. Reading of the appointments. Adjournment at will.

A SOLDIER WRITES OF HIS HOME CHURCH IN NORTH CAROLINA

I feel that such pride as I have in my home church should be known by the Advocate.

On my recent visit home, and while on maneuvers in Louisiana and Texas, I failed to see anywhere a rural church that has the beauty of grounds and buildings that Hickory Grove Methodist in the Charlotte district has.

While home on furlough I could not help but notice the many improvements that have taken place under the pastorship of Rev. R. L. Young. He is really responsible for bringing out the true beauty of this beautiful church.

Pfc. Henry V. D. Alexander,
Co. A, 76th Arm'd Med. Bn,
Camp Chaffee, Ark.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES

SUPPLY PASTORS COMMITTEE

All accepted supply pastors and all local preachers who wish to be placed on the list, meet G. R. Stafford and C. W. Kirby in the room designated between the hours of three and five on Monday. The committee on accepted supply pastors will meet at five o'clock Monday.

E. P. Billups.

COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The Commission on Evangelism will meet in the First church in the room designated Monday afternoon at three oclock.

E. K. McLarty, Chm.

TO TRUSTEES OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Mr. Ivey, chairman, has notified me to call a meeting of the board on Tuesday, October 20, at 3 o'clock.

George D. Finch, Treas.

CLASS OF THIRD YEAR

The class of the third year will meet at the appointed place Monday, 4 p. m.

Cecil G. Hefner, Chm.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS

The committee on conference relations and ministerial qualifications will meet at 3 p. m. in the room designated. Candidates for admission on trial and into full connection, and others required to come before this committee, please take note.

George B. Clemmer.

BOARD OF TEMPERANCE MEETS

The Board of Temperance will meet in the room designated in First Methodist church, Charlotte, Monday afternoon, October 19, at three o'clock. Each member of the board is urged to attend this meeting, since we are asked to present our report on Tuesday morning.

R. M. Hanes, Chm.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference will meet in the room designated at First Methodist church, Monday afternoon, October 19, at 2 p. m.

G. Ray Jordan, Chm.

BIBLE BOARD TO MEET

The Bible Board as listed on page 7 of 1941 Journal is called to meet at First church, Charlotte, Monday, October 19, at 2 p. m. All members are requested to be present and help formulate a report which is called for Tuesday morning, October 20.

C. M. White, Chm.

NOTICE OF BOOK EXCHANGE

Rev. Olin P. Ader will manage the Conference Book Exchange, and all our preachers are invited to bring a package of books on the first day. Mark and list them. A thriving exchange should help in many ways.

CONFERENCE LUNCHEON FOR MINISTERS' WIVES

The annual luncheon for the ministers' wives of the Western North Carolina conference will be held Thursday, October 22, at one o'clock at Efird's Dining Room. Please send reservations to Mrs. G. Ray Jordan, care First Methodist church, Charlotte, not later than Monday, October 19. Because of the food shortage we would like to have all reservations as soon as possible. The price of the plates will be sixty-five cents.

Mrs. Earl H. Brendall, Sec.

MEMBERS OF FIRST CHURCH, CHARLOTTE, TO ENTERTAIN WITH TEA

The members of First church, Charlotte, will entertain with tea Thursday afternoon, October 22, from 4 o'clock until 4:30 at the home of Mrs. J. B. Ivey, 1638 East Morehead. The guests are to be all ministers' wives, wives of superannuate ministers and women delegates who are attending the conference.

Change the meeting place for the Duke banquet from the Charlotte Hotel to Efird's Dining Room.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

The Board of Ministerial Training will meet in the room designated Monday afternoon, October 19, at 2:30 o'clock. Classes for the First, Second, Third, Fourth years, and Admission on Trial will meet in rooms designated at 3 o'clock the same afternoon of October 19. All men concerned will kindly be on hand at the hour named.

Wm. A. Jenkins, Chairman.

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Soon everything to eat and drink will be rationed but liquor. Drunks on the highway increase. The first week in October 229 driver's licenses were revoked, making a grand total of 46,168.

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An editorial in the Charlotte Observer on "Drafting Adolescents" has this arresting paragraph:

> More and more as the reserves of youth are sucked into this maelstrom of destruction, more and more must a nation and a world watch its seed corn of the future pitched into fires, leaving the future of that leadership of competent mental power and capable personality without which any society may lapse into mediocrity, or worse. And the lower the age division into which a government reaches in order to assemble its fighting forces, to that extent that government compromises and imperils the future of its people and their country.

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The Methodist hosts of Western North Carolina will assemble next week in Charlotte for the annual conference. It will be a huge assembly which becomes guests of the Queen City and they will lack for nothing. The people of Charlotte never fail to meet the demands of the occasion in a delightful manner. The conference met there four years ago and the occasion remains a pleasant memory for all who attended. It will be, also, a busy week for those engaged in the transaction of the business of this great body of militant Methodists.

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The proposed education amendment to the constitution seems to be a source of confusion rather than a remedy for the present situation. With many others, we are more than confused. Why not hold fast to what we have until an amendment can be offered that is clear and basically sound? We are for the school men and the teachers who do the work in the school room. The exclusion of educators provided for in the proposed constitutional amendment for membership on the Board of Education seems to be aimed at those who strive to provide educational opportunities unhampered by class legislation. In other words, it seems to be a threat to the teachers of the state and through them to the freedom of the schools to do what the best educational understanding may propose. Since the burden of proof always rests upon those who change an existing situation, why not hold to the status quo until the teachers of the state convince the electorate that this is what the school men and citizens of the state need? The teachers do more for the oncoming generations than any other group.

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The pressure on all the people in these war days is simply terrific. The demand for taxes is only one element in these national demands. Only by all the people holding firm and each one helping to carry the load can we hope to win in the end. The same is true in all the present undertaking of the church in its efforts to carry on. This is certainly no time to waver or to try out new expedients. These are days to hold steady and exercise the fullest co-operation in the work before us. Faith, endurance and the will to win are most essential for all who labor and wait for the better day—the long looked for day.

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Chiang Kai-shek thanked Roosevelt and Churchill this present week for their move to relinquish extra territorial rights in China. Well may old China rejoice! For a century or more the nations have been making their demands of the Chinese. This was one of the shameful dealings with the people of the Orient. Then, too, the action of America and of England gives assurance of the day when Japan and all the other nations will relinquish their ancient claims. More than this. Let us hope that the day of empire has ended in which nations bear rule over others that should be free. The white man must quit talking about the "white man's burden" and leave the yellow man to work out his destiny, among whom the Chinese should be chief.

Loins Girded—Lights Burning

PRESENT day war demands are: Let every one tighten his belt and make the sacrifice. This means more and more taxes, rationing the necessities of life, the drafting of boys and men and making ready for the heartbreaking casualty lists. Such are the inevitable demands of a nation at war. But just now we are far more concerned about the spiritual demands upon those who are to build anew on the ruins of a desolated world.

Jesus told the men of his day to be ready when desolation came. "Let your loins be girded about you, and your lights burning." Their loose garments were to be bound about their loins and their lamps trimmed and burning, ready for the advance. He is saying to his followers at this hour, "Be ye also ready." The hour of desolation has come upon the nations. Only the alert and wise and faithful servants can save the day when fire falls upon the earth.

How applicable are those words to the Methodists who are meeting together the next few weeks at Charlotte and at Wilson to lay plans for the year ahead and seeking to be girded afresh for a spiritual ministry to a shattered, broken world. God said to Jeremiah, "I ordain thee a prophet unto the nations." Oh, how we need prophets such as he today! Men of God with a fire in their bones and a stirring sense of God in their hearts, so that they cannot rest until they have delivered the message divine. This makes the prophet able to speak for God—to give forth a message from God.

The present day minister is to be a prophet to his own people. Such should be every Methodist preacher in every church and community of this state as each one goes out from Charlotte and from Wilson. He will then rebuke entrenched evils and sins and wickedness in high places and in low. He can then cause sinners to tremble and turn pale among the high and low.

Prophets of old denounced kings and princes and rulers in high places. This was dangerous business then; it is not free from peril yet. Are we going out as leaders in the church and as prophets of God to make a better world in this new age of which we hear so much. Not if the salary we get and the prestige we are able to maintain become the measure of our success. God pity the man in the prophet's office for a piece of bread who hopes to keep his place by soft words and keen manipulations of church machinery. This spirit resulted in the leaders whom Jesus met in his day—those which he denounced with words that burned and judgments that began at the house of God.

God cannot set men over the nations and over the kingdoms to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy until he can have his way in them. Whenever and wherever this takes place there will be great preachers and outstanding leaders in the church of God. In early Methodism men from the fields, the shops and the coal pits, fired within and thrilled with messages from God, went forth with loins girded and lights burning to redeem a continent.

Prophets of God, with a message from God, can be a mighty power in rebuilding upon the wreckage of this present world. Methodist preachers and Methodist laymen who go out from Charlotte and from Wilson can lead a new crusade for righteousness and justice and peace and clean living if they will pay the price. So be sure that this end can be secured by burning hearts and flaming words that will cause rulers to wince and sinners to turn pale.

Prayer and Intoxicating Liquor

THIS question of prayer as related to liquor is a rather interesting topic. A Greensboro man in one of the liquor campaigns of the state asked a friend who favored liquor why they did not open their meetings with prayer. He was a jocular sort of individual and replied: "So few of our fellows know how to pray." That was not literally true, but there was an element of truth in it. It is true that nobody in North Carolina ever heard of a meeting held to promote the legal sale of liquor that began its work by asking God's blessings upon what they were trying to do. But the folks who are fighting the evils of strong drink believe that God is on their side and they call upon him for help. This began back in the days when the good women would go into the city slums and before the saloon doors and sometimes even enter within and hold prayer meetings. Sometimes they were treated with respect, other times they suffered indignities, but they persisted in their campaign for temperance and social betterment.

Whenever people get into a liquor campaign they go to praying because they know that God is on their side even if they do not com-

mand the strongest battalions. His word says so. Listen: "Woe to him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth the bottle to him and maketh him drunken." "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whoever is deceived thereby is not wise." "At last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."

Prophetic Quality in Young Ideas

DR. FRANK S. HICKMAN in Duke Chapel last Sunday morning spoke in a most illuminating way on the subject, "Young Ideas in an Old World." He made it clear that these young ideas are not by any means all in harmony with each other. These young ideas of world wide import are splitting the world apart. This world war is not so much a war between races and nations as it is between antagonistic ideas. So all sorts of ideas and idealisms keep struggling with each other for a place in the sun. There are young ideas that tend to split generations apart—the younger and the older generations.

Dr. Hickman pointed out certain characteristics of young ideas in these words:

"Young" ideas are, for the most part action ideas, rather than those of contemplation. It is the normal thing for youth to want to live, and it has always been so. Take, for example, these well worn but typical sentiments of youth: "Who wants to be dead?" "This is the life!" and "Live while you live, for when you're dead you're dead a long while."

There is a strangely prophetic quality in young ideas. Young life has the feeling that it is going somewhere, and it wants an open road to get there. Every young person nurses his own private idea for life. He feels his life must somehow be significantly different from everybody's else. He simply must work out what life means to him.

Men, nations and races are reaching out today for new life. That is what is behind the whole revolutionary push in our present world. But we have to face this grim fact, that we live in a world operating under universal law; and no reach for life which violates that law can ultimately succeed. God's spiritual law is as inviolable as his physical law. He who violates the spiritual law dies as surely as he who violates the physical law, and he dies more horribly. Young ideas must be law-abiding if they are to last. Christ's idea of the abundant life will endure long after Hitler's has perished.

One question always stands before the alert young mind: What is life good for? A restless young mind raised this question in Jesus' presence one day. He was a well favored young Jew, of high social rank, known to us merely as a young ruler of the Jews. Presumably he was a very sophisticated young fellow who traveled with a fast set who knew all the answers. They had outgrown the old virtues of their fathers and mothers; they had their own lives to live, and they would live by their own ideas.

But this young aristocrat knew what a meaningless and insipid mess he and his crowd had made out of life. If he was a well read Jew he must have begun to see that their ultra-modern idea of life was sprouted from the same kind of seed that another aristocrat centuries before had cultivated. He was a celebrated wise man among his people, and he wrote a book which we know as Ecclesiastes, which is a masterpiece of skepticism and world-weariness. His way of life, which tried out every pleasure with which he could experiment, came out at the pronouncement: "All is vanity and vexation of spirit." And the young ruler of Jesus' day came out at the same point. He came into the vitalizing presence of the young man of Nazareth with the bewildered question, "What lack I?"

Over Emphasis on the Practical Side of Religion

IN the Methodist Recorder J. Norwood Sanderson makes this observation: "We find amongst us a false worship of the Utilitarian —an excessive emphasis of the pratical side of religion at the expense of its devotional life. Today we are manifestly substituting propaganda for prayer; organization for spiritual culture; the committee room for the Holy of Holies. We are engaged in 'running the church' rather than 'seeking the kingdom.' We are maintaining an institution rather than finding God. We are, in fact, ecclesiastics rather than saints; and so we are strangers to that rapture of experience which led Paul on one occasion to wonder whether 'he was in the body or out of it'; or Thomas Erskine to say once, 'That night I got my head out of time into Eternity'; or Charles Kingsley to cry joyously as he lay dying, 'How beautiful God is!' We are missing these experiences because we are missing God, and all our outward busyness can never atone for the thinness and poverty of our inner life."

"The Noisome Pestilence"

THIS familiar phrase found in the King James Version of our Bible is perfectly descriptive of the slanderer with a tongue that is controlled by neither truth nor charity whose one occupation is to assassinate character. And the gossip that disseminates every evil suspicion and idle rumor belongs to the same class.

"He who steals my purse steals trash, but he who filches from me my good name, robs me of that which enriches not him, and leaves me poor indeed." There are few more dangerous than he, and none more contemptible. Above all, shun "the noisome pestilence" that walks in darkness and spreads destruction at noonday.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

W. N. C. Conference, Charlotte ..... Oct. 19-23
N. C. Conference, Wilson ..... Nov. 3-6

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Malcolm Reese of Henrietta, a daughter, Leslie Raleigh, October 9, at the Rurtherford hospital, Rutherfordton.

Rev. O. P. Ader will manage the conference Used Book Exchange, and all the preachers are invited to bring good books to the book room.

Rev. John E. Brastrup, missionary of the Methodist Church in Jadotville, Belgian Congo, Africa, is in the Methadist hospital, Brooklyn, following an operation. Mr. Brastrup plans to return to Africa as soon as he has fully recuperated.

Each pastor of the North Carolina conference is requested to mail tables 1 and 2 of his statistical report to Rev. W. C. Wilson, Rowland, N. C., by October 20. Table 3 should be surrendered when he registers at conference.—T. M. Grant.

In the report last week from Edenton Street church, Raleigh, by Miss Mary Gardner the debt of the church paid should have been $16,000 instead of $1600—two years ago the debt was $19,129. The error was with the type and not the reporter.

The young people's union of the Burlington Methodist circuit will have its monthly meeting in Mount Vernon church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Full attendance expected. The stewards of the Burlington circuit will have their meeting in the new cafeteria in the Altamahaw-Ossipee high school building on October 23 at 7:30 p. m. A fellowship meeting. The male quartet of Fairview will sing; other interesting features. All stewards expected.

We are coming to the end of our second year at Walnut Cove. We have seen the parsonage and Palmyra church painted. Palmyra closes the year with a bountiful pounding. Stokesburg, Bethlehem and St. Mark began the year with poundings. We have received 16 on profession of faith this year. The stewards have voted an increase in salary for the pastor who is sent here from the approaching annual conference.—W. Reid Harris.

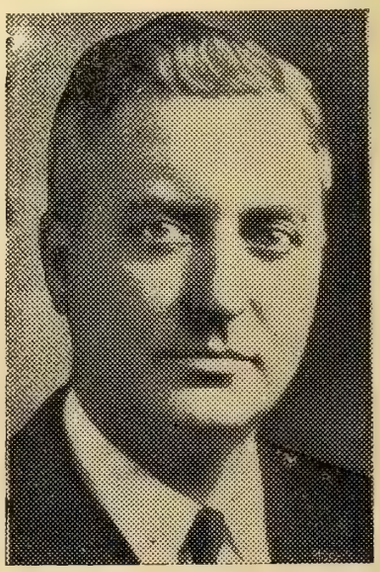
Rev. Odell Brown received 92 instead of 32 additions to the church this year on the Pilot Mountain charge as stated last week. We are proud of this as well as the fact that our entire budget was paid in full before the fourth quarterly conference. There are 46 new Advocate subscribers. Many improvements were made on the church and parsonage. It has been the best year in the history of our church, for which we humbly thank God.—Mrs. C. W. Paten, Pres. W. S. C. S.

After a very pleasant pastorate with the good people of the Prospect charge, Charlotte district, we came to Trinity the first of last November. We were given a warm reception. The people have shown us great kindness, especially during the serious illness of my wife. We have had fine cooperation. The charge has made some progress. The indebtedness on the parsonage has been paid and extensive repairs made. New furniture has been added and a complete water system installed. We had "open house" last Friday evening, when all three congregations were invited. Everybody seemed to have a good time and appreciate the improvements that had been made on their parsonage. We have raised our quota for the Advocate and all financial obligations will be paid in full.—R. F. Huneycutt.

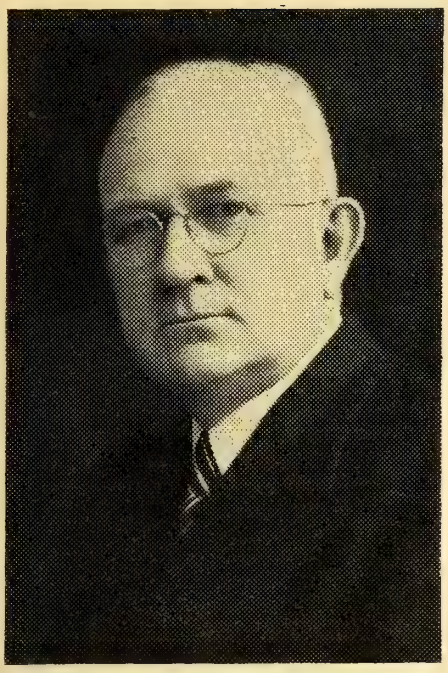
In reading my Advocate this week I noticed that W. T. Phipps asserted that "a thing that never happened before had occurred in two of their churches." Well, on the Mills River charge two very unusual, unheard of things have transpired. First, a month before conference we paid all our financial obligations, and secondly, I am remitting subscription price for my Advocate before it is due. Here's hoping others will do likewise, and with every good wish.—Mrs. S. E. Greenwood.

We have just closed a wonderful meeting at Oak Grove church on the Rosman circuit with Mrs. C. L. Steidley of High Point as the evangelist. The meeting ran from September 28 through October 9. Mrs. Steidley's preaching is fundamental in the basic sense of that term, yet is altogether balanced and sane. She had a service each night for the children and young people and supervised a program put on by the children at the closing service. There were around 30 conversions and reconsecrations during the meeting. Fifteen united with the church on profession of faith and 13 by certificate, making a total of 28 accessions to the church membership. A baptismal service for the immersion candidates was held Sunday afternoon, October 11, at Camp Sapphire Lake. Four candidates were baptized by sprinkling on the closing night and ten were immersed at the lake service. Oak Grove church is looking up!—J. R. Bowman, P. C.

Plans are already under way to rebuild Browning's church which was destroyed by a fire of undetermined origin early Thursday morning, October 1, according to the pastor, Rev. W. E. Howard. The beautiful brick structure, built about 12 years ago and one of the six churches of the Mt. Olive circuit, was partly covered by insurance. Located 12 miles west of Mount Olive at Dobbersville on the Mount Olive-Newton Grove highway, this church has served a prosperous and growing community, and many friends have joined the members in their efforts to rebuild. Temporarily, services will be held in a nearby vacant building. Browning's was one of the four churches on the Mount Olive circuit to report the budget paid in full for the year at the fourth quarterly conference Saturday, October 3. This was a notable record in view of the fact that the charge had had three different pastors during the year, two of whom left to enter the chaplaincy.—C. W. Robbins, Reporter.



Bishop Edwin F. Lee, Singapore and Manila, will be the speaker at the Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension on Wednesday evening at 7:30.



BISHOP CLARE PURCELL
Conference President



DR. G. T. BOND
Charlotte District Superintendent



DR. G. RAY JORDAN
Conference Host

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

To Annual Conference Delegates:

As you know, the entertainment committee of the annual conference is always a heavy task, and the stress of the times makes it far more difficult than usual.

The Morris Air Field, the Quartermaster Depot, the Shell Loading Plant, and Camp Sutton are in or near Charlotte. It is also the center of multitudinous military activities. Because of these conditions, we urge each delegate to be prompt and careful in furnishing information requested by the local committee and earnestly strive to save the local people every unnecessary trouble and expense.

No delegates, except the cabinet, will be placed in hotels at conference expense, except that some individuals may entertain their own delegates at a hotel.

Meal tickets are provided for delegates only. Please do not embarrass the local committee by making requests for others.

Use only the eating places designated on meal tickets. Some eating places are opening for the evening meal with an understanding that a certain number of meals are to be furnished.

Please remember that the cost of meals comes out of our Benevolent Fund and every penny saved is added to this sacred fund.

All delegates within a reasonable distance will furnish their own lodging, and, so far as possible, take care of other delegates. Any delegate, however, within such area may make request for entertainment for special reasons. The local committee will co-operate in every possible way.

Deep appreciation is due First church and the other Methodist churches of Charlotte for inviting us when no other door was opened.

C. S. Kirkpatrick, Chairman.
J. E. Pritchard, Secretary.

INFORMATION IN REGARD TO CLERGY RATES ON RAILROADS

Changes governing the use of railroad clergy certificates have been announced by Rev. W. M. Cassetty, Jr., executive secretary of the Methodist Transportation Bureau, as including the following:

Clergy coach rates in the Southeast, West and Southwest (the only sections in which they were effective) were discontinued September 1.

Coach rates were made uniform throughout the United States at 2.2 cents per mile, effective October 1. This means an increase from 1.5 cents per mile in the Southeast, Wes and Southwest.

Round-trip coach tickets carry a ten per cent reduction from one-way tickets and are good for 90 days instead of 15 days as heretofore.

The round-trip 30-day limit first class fare has been discontinued, its place being taken by a 90-day limit round-trip ticket at a slight increase in cost.

Dr. Cassetty recommends that all holders of clergy certificates purchase regular first class clergy tickets instead of coach tickets, even when coach service is desired. The cost of coach tickets is approximately 2.2 cents per mile, while the cost of first class tickets purchased with clergy certificates is only 1.6 cents per mile.

A new regulation regarding reservations for Pullman and coach space on streamlined trains requires that tickets must be purchased before five o'clock of the day following the making of the reservation.

REV. M. F. MOORES DIES IN ASHEVILLE HOSPITAL OCTOBER 13

Rev. Millard Fillmore Moores, pastor of Black Mountain Methodist church, and a member of the Western North Carolina conference for 35 years, died in an Asheville hospital Tuesday, October 13. He was 70 years old. He and his wife, several months ago, were injured in an automobile accident from which he had not recovered.

Mr. Moores' pastorates included Ardmore church in Winston-Salem, Brevard Street in Charlotte, and churches in Asheville, Franklin, Waynesville, Concord, Reidsville, Statesville, Forest City, Glen Alpine, New London-Badin, and Black Mountain, where he had been the past two years.

Survivors include the widow, the former Miss Ada Buttrick of Asheville; three daughters, Mrs. Ralph W. Mitchell, Spartanburg, S. C.; Mrs. Robert T. Pitts, Glen Alpine, and Mrs. C. W. Stuart, Jr., Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala; and three grandchildren.

Funeral was held at Black Mountain church Thursday at 2 p. m. and burial was in Hendersonville.

OPENING HOUR OF N. C. CONFERENCE

The N. C. conference will open in Wilson 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, November 3. This is to accommodate voters on election day. Let every one interested take note.

Clare Purcell.

THE QUESTION OF CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

By Embree H. Blackard

One of the "burning" questions which has been discussed wherever our brethren have gotten together during the past year is the problem of entertaining our annual conference.

There are those who refer to the fact that there are over 1,000 possible delegates to be cared for by the host city. This is not as bad as it sounds, for many of the delegates do not attend, some prefer to entertain themselves at their own expense at the hotel, some arrange their own entertainment with friends and relatives, and still others return home at night. The minutes reveal that at the last conference only 730 delegates registered, including those who returned home over night, those who were present for only one day, and those who furnished own entertainment. Six hundred persons are certainly the very most that will request lodging.

It has been argued that the entertainment of the annual conference places a heavy financial burden upon the entertaining church and its members. This is not necessarily so. The local church is only asked to furnish the place of meeting for the sessions of the conference and its committees. The only expense is heat and light. The conference always takes a collection to make the janitors happy. The individual members who entertain delegates in their homes only have to furnish a couple of sheets, a few towels, a cake of soap and breakfast for four mornings at the most. This is certainly not an unreasonable request upon any Methodist home with a spare room. The conference pays for the lunch and supper tickets of all delegates and the hotel bills of the bishop, the district superintendent and a few others whose duties demand that they be at the hotel. The conference pays all other necessary expenses.

Some have suggested that we let the delegates pay for their own entertainment. There is nothing in the present set-up to prevent any preacher or layman from entertaining himself at a hotel at his own expense. Some have been doing this for years. If the majority of delegates were in favor of this plan, then the task of entertaining the rest of the delegates would be exceedingly simple even upon the smaller cities. Judging by the very few who have entertained themselves at the hotels not many of our delegates favor this plan.

A persistent suggestion is that we hold the conference at Lake Junaluska. A great deal of work and planning would still have to be done. The objections, however, are many. We would have to change the time of our conference to a period which would have many drawbacks. The great majority of our members would have to travel to the extreme edge of our conference, and very few could return home at night. The burden upon the public transportation facilities would be too heavy. Some city with its many thousands of souls would miss the great spiritual blessing which a Methodst conference brings.

The present plan, in which a group of churches in one of our larger cities entertain those delegates who wish entertainment, has many advantages which have been proven in experience. The saving in expense to the conference, or to the local churches, is among the least of the points to commend it. A great conference coming to a city is a blessing beyond measure to all of the churches and to the homes of the city. In each of my two ventures in entertaining a conference I have found my own church richly blessed, and willing to take its turn in entertaining the body again. The fellowship of working with laymen and ministers in preparation for the conference binds our hearts together.

The Charlotte churches are not only not finding the task too difficult, but are really receiving a blessing out of anticipating the entertaining of the conference. We estimated that we would need homes for 600 delegates, but have already secured places for 800. The smaller churches have co-operated beautifully in securing nearly twice as many homes as was expected from them. Charlotte Methodism, both ministers and laymen, is united in assisting First church in entertaining the conference as it has been in no other project this year. I had the privilege of sitting in with the general committee and was thrilled by this fine and eager spirit of men and women seeing to render a service to their church.

Of course it requires some hard work. A few must be inconvenienced and some must make sacrifices. Anything that is worth while costs some effort.

It will be a sad day if Methodist homes ever lose the old spirit of Christian hospitality, which not only characterized early Methodism, but also early Christianity. Some of the warmest friends I have are those in whose homes I have been entertained, or those whom we have entertained in our own home during the sessions of the annual conference. One of the most enthusiastic persons in Charlotte over the coming annual conference is a woman who plans to move her family to the first floor and turn over the entire second floor of her home to her five delegates. She rejoices that her home can be called "the preacher's home" as her parents' home before her was called.

All of our delegates should co-operate to make the task as easy as possible on the local entertainment committee. I believe that the churches in our larger cities should be challenged with the privilege of entertaining in their homes this select group of Methodist laymen and ministers. I have confidence that the good Methodist people in the larger cities of the state will continue to entertain in their homes the delegates to the annual conference when the proposition is enthusiastically presented to them.

CHARACTERISTICS THAT A PASTOR MUST HAVE

By Benjamin Urquidi

The faith of Abel, the piety of Enoch, the perseverance of Noah, the obedience of Abraham, the meekness of Moses, the prudence of Isaac, the persistence of Jacob, the character of Joseph, the patience of Job, the intrepidity of David, the wisdom of Solomon, the vision of Isaiah, the courage of Elijah, the calmness of Elisha, the fidelity of Daniel, the energy of Ezekiel, the strength of Samson, the endurance of Jeremiah, the consecration of Samuel, the heroism of John the Baptist, the boldness of Stephen, the sincerity of the Apostle Peter, the fervor and devotion of the Apostle Paul, the eloquence of Apollos, the tact of Barnabas, the love of John the beloved disciple, the compassion and purity of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit. Who is able?—Selected.

DR. W. F. QUILLIAN TO PREACH THE PRE-CONFERENCE SERMON SUNDAY AT MYERS PARK, CHARLOTTE

Dr. W. F. Quillian, one of the secretaries of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, will preach at the Myers Park Methodist church in Charlotte next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Dr. Quillian in addition to preaching an inspiring sermon will bring fresh news about the missionary movement and our missionaries. Dr. Quillian makes his home in New York City.



Dr. Wm. F. Quillian

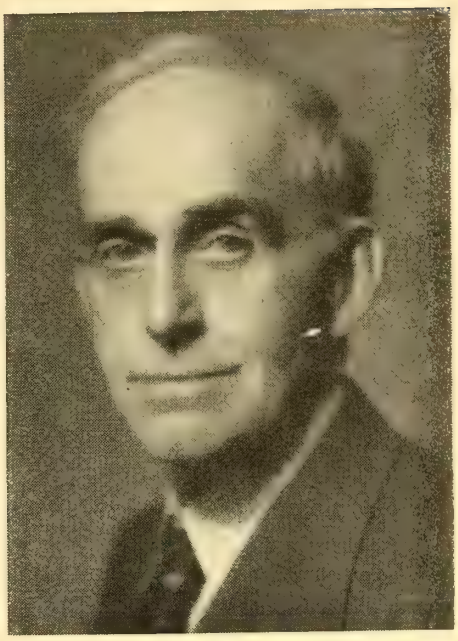
Conference Speakers



Gov. Clyde R. Hoey



Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe



Dr. A. W. Plyler

THE METHODIST RURAL FELLOWSHIP

The Methodist Rural Fellowship of the Western N. C. conference will have its annual luncheon on Tuesday, October 20, with Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt, noted author and rural minister, as the principal speaker. All the delegates to the annual conference are invited to the luncheon.

At the last session of the W. N. C. conference the Methodist Rural Fellowship was organized under the leadership of Rev. G. R. Stafford. It is a part of the larger Fellowship organized at Atlantic City in April, 1940, for the rural Methodists of America. Brother Stafford is vice president of the national organization.

Some are asking what the Methodist Rural Fellowship is and what is the purpose of the organization. It is composed of those who serve and live in country areas, and those urban Methodists who are interested in the progress of the countryside. It seeks to unite ministers and laymen in the task of building the kingdom of our Christ in "our templed hills." Not forgetting the valleys, the plains and the mountains.

Of the 46,000 Methodist churches in America, 39,000 are rural, that is, in communities of 2500 population and under. These rural Methodist churches felt the need of a voice, a medium through which their needs and convictions could be expressed. The Methodist Rural Fellowship was the answer.

This fellowship can supplement the able official leadership of our churches and in some instances approach vital problems with greater freedom. It seeks above all to be a fellowship of those working in rural areas. It is not set up to divide rural and urban groups, but to draw them together in mutual understanding of their interdependence.

Jesse G. Wilkinson, President,
W. N. C. Conf. Methodist Rural Fellowship.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE GOES FORWARD IN WAR RELIEF EFFORT

A special war relief effort was made at Louisburg College during the chapel hour on last Friday. J. E. Norris, Columbia, was leader, conducting a worship service and introducing the speakers, Charlotte Boone, Castalia, and McNeil Ipock, New Bern.

Charlotte's speech particularly emphasized the dire needs of the besieged country of China. Using as a background the President's radio appeal to the nation last week for war relief. McNeil set forth the compelling opportunity and need for unselfish giving, and offered a challenge to Louisburg students to respond with gifts for war relief.

Students in the audience presented the plan of giving a dope shop period for the cause of relief. Then Miss Mildred Hudgins, dean of women, informally gave an impressive description of the ruin and destitution she had seen in the Chinese sector of Shanghai after the Japanese bombing of 1938.

On Friday night at the regular ten o'clock hour the dope shop was opened—not, however, for its usual sale of drinks, ice cream, and the like, but for offerings to relieve human need. Just outside the shop was a table with white cover, on which was placed a white marble offering bowl between white candles in Korean brass candle holders. For about 30 minutes hymns were sung and sacred record music was played. In manner unformal but meaningful, numerous students appeared to give the sum (and in many cases more than the sum) that they usually spent for refreshments at this hour.

The offering came to $23.70, four times the usual dope shop spending at that hour. The effort had proved so successful and worth while that the suggestion has come for other "eatless" and "drinkless" dope shop periods for the sake of those who can be served in the scripture spirit of "inasmuch."

WAYNESVILLE CHECK-UP MEETING

The meeting opened at 10 a. m. October 6, with Supt. W. L. Hutchins presiding, and after he conducted a devotional service a business session was held. The business consisted mostly of reports given by the pastors of their year's work on their charges. These reports revealed that more than half of the charges were paid out in full, and the rest lacked just a little which would be forthcoming before conference. These reports also revealed a year of splendid progress along all lines of church activities. The most notable progress was in accessions to membership by profession of faith and by certificate, number of daily vacation Bible schools held, revivals held, buildings and improvements. Quite a few reported that they had exceeded their quotas for the Advocate.

A resolution was passed by unanimous action as follows:

"In consideration of the tireless, sympathetic, aggressive, and most effective servce of our district superintendent, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, and his capable assistant, Mrs. Hutchins; in consideration of the widespread approval of their work in the Waynesville district; and in consideration of the numerous demands for their continued service in the district; therefore be it resolved by the officials and members of the Waynesville district, in session at Sylva Methodist church on October 6, 1942, that:

First, Genuine appreciation be extended to Supt. and Mrs. Hutchins for their faithful service to the Waynesville district.

Second, Bishop Clare Purcell, president of the Western North Carolina Conference, be apprised of the high esteem in which Brother and Mrs. Hutchins are held in the Waynesville district, and that he be urgently requested to return them to the district for the coming conference year.

Third, This resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and that copies be presented to Brother and Mrs. Hutchins and Bishop Purcell."

Miles A. McLean, Secretary.

British Methodism "In the News"

An Interview With Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk

By RALPH STOODY

"If the concept of an ecumenical church is ever to become a reality, an impartive preliminary step must be a closer acquaintance across the Atlantic between the spiritual children of John Wesley."

This is the conclusion of a distinguished American church leader and Methodist minister, the Rev. Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk, who has just returned from a month's mission to church groups in England where, at the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, he has shared in representing the American point of view on questions of the church and the post-war world. Dr. Van Kirk is a secretary of the Federal Council of Churches and the promoter of the historic Delaware conference on the study of the bases of a just and durable peace. His voice is known to millions who hear his "Religion in the News" each Saturday evening over NBC's nation-wide hook-up.

When we observed that Dr. Van Kirk's visit to England was to cover the days of the annual session of the British Methodist Conference, we felt certain that the English church leaders would put its meeting in Manchester on his itinerary. This was confirmed by Dr. Van Kirk in his answer to our first question after the greetings were over upon his return by clipper the other day. He had attended the conference, spoken at a session over which Lord Rochester had presided and had enjoyed informal exchanges of views with the officials, ministers and some of the local preachers attnding.

Mentioning the local preachers reminded Dr. Van Kirk of the deep impression that those devoted laymen of the British Methodism again made upon him. It was in this connection that he described what seems to have been the spiritual high point of the month. Not in Canterbury Cathedral or St. Paul's or even in the Methodist conference sessions did it occur. It was the simple pastor's room of the Methodist church in Newcastle-on-Tyne. Here Dr. Van Kirk was the Sunday pulpit guest. Shortly before the service, two local preachers entered, introduced themselves, suggested that they would like to pray with the visiting preacher, and then, on their knees, offered moving and fervent petitions that God might speak through him in that hour. "I was deeply touched," said Dr. Van Kirk. "It is an inspiring custom."

That English Methodism is primarily a church of the laymen is soon evident to the visitor, Dr. Van Kirk observed. Their circuit system, with one or two ordained men on a many-point charge and a rotation of lay preachers to supplement their labors, is perfectly adapted, because of its flexibility to meet the current shortage of ministers occasioned by three hundred British ministers in the chaplaincy. Another advantage he noted in the use of laymen is the training in public speaking that they receive. This has equipped many local preachers for important responsibilities. Two, he found, were on the town council of Newcastle. Many hold places of leadership in the Trade Union movement gained by their facility in speech. In Parliament and otherwise prominent in the government are many more, such as Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Isaac Foote, Mr. George Tomlinson, and Mr. Arthur Henderson. The local preachers in positions of public trust are quite out of proportion to their numbers.

While there are more rigid standards of training for conference membership in England than have prevailed in the United States, the variation in ministerial salaries is much less than in this country, Dr. Van Kirk learned. Yearly allowances range between three hundred and fifty and four hundred pounds with a retirement pension after forty years of service of one hundred and fifty pounds a year.

"What about church attendance in the United Kingdom?" we asked Dr. Van Kirk. "I did not learn that the numbers worshipping show an appreciable increase," he replied. But he then hastened to point out that with the complete mobilization of the country, the seven-day work week in the armament industries, the millons of men in the service and the multitudes of women and children who have been evacuated from urban centers it would be surprising if the churches could keep to anything like normal levels. While the end of the war will bring back most of the absentees from the classes mentioned, Dr. Van Kirk noted one group which seems to have been more permanently estranged. Once the labor movement, he was informed, had found its leadership and in many cases its meeting places in Methodist churches. Opposition on the part of employers has had a tendency to push the trade unionists out of the fold and consequently to diminish the influence of religion among the workers. Whether this group with which Methodism was once so influential can be won back from its secular spirit seems to be a question.



DR. WALTER W. VANKIRK
Puts "Religion in the News"

Fifteen hundred Methodist churches have suffered from enemy action, Dr. Van Kirk was told. The war spirit is strong in the church, and no communion has come out quite as unqualifiedly as the Methodists in their statements in its support. Although Mr. Henry Carter, who for thirty-one years has been the Methodist temperance and social welfare secretary, has given devoted service to those whose consciences have forbidden participation in war, this activity has been more personal than official and his sympathy with their point of view is not typical of the average British Methodist. Canteens in 750 churches have been established, and relief and other morale-building activities have been organized in hundreds of others. There has been some protest on the action of the recent conference relaxing the standing order which banned certain amusements on "Metho-trust promises," but the majority seemed to regard the move as recognition of the special demands of a changed world. On the positive side, the conference set up a "Youth Department," which has for its purpose the saving of "British youth from the tragedy which has overtaken the youth of Germany and Italy."

The conference, Dr. Van Kirk reported, voted hearty approval of the now forming British Council of Churches, but temporized with proposals looking toward organic union of the Free Churches. This rejection, he was assured, was not to be interpreted as opposition to the principle of further union, but was simply to postpone such consideration until more time had passed in which to consolidate the gains of the union of Methodist bodies in 1932.

Unlike American conferences, Dr. Van Kirk noticed that the climax of the English Methodists' session is not in the reading of the appointments. The conference comes in July, while the connectional year begins in September. The stationing committee in the meantime prepares the draft of appointments. During the war years the last-of-August

move-around has been characterized by less than the usual number of changes, and those necessary have been confined within as limited geographical areas as possible.

The new president of the conference who succeeded the Rev. Robert Bond is the former mission board secretary, the Rev. W. J. Noble. The first half of his ministry was spent in Ceylon. The lay vice president is a Yorkshire attorney, Mr. Herbert Ibberson. Because of travel difficulties and occupation with essential war work only about a quarter of the usual thousand delegates were able to attend the session. Unlike an American Methodist general conference, only four ladies were voting members. Other women were there in ex officio relationships and including a number of lady missionaries. Increases over last year's missionary giving were reported. The Methodist women of the United Kingdom raised during last year one hundred thousand pounds.

In his contact not only with Methodists, but with British churchmen of all classes, Dr. Van Kirk described himself as being constantly disappointed not to find a more thorough understanding of the organization, life, work and outlook of American churches. In his address to the Methodist conference he stressed the necessity of a closer fellowship based on better information concerning the programs and ideals of the respective Methodisms on one side of the Atlantic, and he has returned to the United States intent on developing more two-way traffic of information between the churches of the two sister nations.

PERSONAL TRIBUTE TO DR. H. C. MORRISON

Dr. Arthur J. Moore's Tribute to Dr. Morrison at Memorial Service

Dr. Henry Clay Morrison received the crown of eternal life on March 24. We who linger behind are lonely. It seems impossible to realize that his abounding personality, his golden voice, his persuasive sermons are to be with us no more in this life. The memory of his gracious presence, his powerful preaching, his strenuous labors for the salvation of men will linger with us forever and make us braver, and better servants of Christ. By any standard he was an extraordinary person. His name must be forever enrolled among the great preachers of the Christian church. By the vigor of his faith, the intensity of his devotion, the passion of his enthusiasm and the scope of his achievement, he deserves to be called great. His was a long life entirely devoted to God's will. Now that he has gone from among us we are able to appreciate more fully the amazing list of his labors and accomplishments—preacher of righteousness, faithful ambassador of Almighty God, builder of college and seminary, prophet of spiritual religion, brilliant editor, true, noble and genuine Christian. His was a quickening spirit which in uncounted ways vitalized the life of our nation and brought many to righteousness.

For nearly thirty years I enjoyed an intimate association with Doctor Morrison. The difference in age never seemed to become a barrier to our friendship. His interests were varied, his talents were many, his aim was single. The Christian pulpit was his throne. To the high calling of the ministry he gave himself with singleness of purpose. He had extraordinary ability in leading men into the knowledge of God's redeeming power and to inspire in them loyalty to the principles of Christian living. He was a spiritual and intellectual genius. No one who knew him could doubt the sincerity and the simplicity of his pietv. Christ was a very real and present person to him, and he lived in the consciousness of vital fellowship with the living God.

Dr. Morrison was throughout his life an evangelical and evangelistic preacher. He carried about with him a sense of the divine presence; divine power endued him; the eternal voice speaking through him made him indeed one of the prophets of God. His preaching convinced the mind, convicted the conscience and compelled the will. He brought home to men a sense of the eternal and the invisible. He might have said of himself without irreverence, "I am come that they might have life, and have it more abundantly."

He was a tireless worker. Since I first knew him he has carried the duties and the responsibilities of at least three busy men. As editor of The Pentecostal Herald, as builder, friend and sometimes president of Asbury College and Seminary, as an evangelist with a nation-wide ministry, he gave himself without reservation to the performance of these duties. Yet he found time for his friends and occasionally for a brief season of relaxation for body and mind. Some of my loveliest memories of Dr. Morrison are associated with these days of rest in God's great out of doors.

No man could know him and doubt his sincerity. There was nothing artificial about him. He wasted no time on non-essentials. Christianity for him was infinitely more than a ceremony. It was a life to be lived, an experience to be enjoyed, a message to be preached, a kingdom to be built. He had but one work and that was to preach Christ. His sane judgment, his dominating conscience, his strong faith were all instruments to be used for the glory of God and the salvation of men.

He was by nature a warrior. His intense convictions, his fiery earnestness, his dramatic and oratorical ability were all powers which he used to turn back the forces of wickedness and make Christ the master of men. He had thought his way through to some great convictions and he stood ready to defend those convictions against all opposition. While always ready to defend the faith once delivered to the saints his passion was not to defend but to promote Christianity. However, he stood against every effort to compromise Christianity. He was the unrelenting foe of low ideals, comfortable and complacent attitudes.

I shall always remember the following excellencies which were so evident in him: First, his overmastering sense of God's presence and power. Second, his intimate fellowship with Christ as his Saviour. Third, his abiding consciousness of full pardon and complete cleansing from all sin through the shed blood of Christ. Fourth, the inner victory and outward success which were his through the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Fifth, his ability to live conspicuously for the unseen. Sixth, the transparency of his sincerity. Seventh, his indefatigable labors for the salvation of men. Eighth, the spontaneity of his humor. Ninth, his chivalry toward women and children. Tenth, the clearness of his vision and the strength of his courage.

Throughout his lifetime he was the exponent and champion of the Wesleyan doctrine of entire sanctification as a second work of grace. He not only proclaimed but exhibited in his life the doctrine of perfect love. To him, more than to any other one man, we are indebted for keeping this original standard of Methodism alive in the modern church. There was a time when controversy surrounded the proclamation of this message, but during the last thirty or more years of his life the general and annual conferences, as well as many of the leading churches of the nation, have eagerly sought his presence and waited for his message. All the magnificent powers of his intellect and soul were used in the presentation of his experience to those who heard him. Everything else was subsidiary and comparatively insignificant. Because of the faithfulness of this man Methodism is infinitely richer.

It is hard to think of his exit from our earthly scene, but he will be much at home in the heavenly company. It is inconceivable that the grave should be the finish of a life like his. He is this morning in full possession of his faculties standing in God's presence, feeling in every fibre of his being the immortal life which Christ gives to those who love and serve him.

His golden voice now hushed on earth, is living still in the hearts of a vast company to whom it brought words of comfort and command. Some of us can almost see his noble head, his white hair, his arms outstretched, as he sought to gather us all to his heart and, on the wings of his prayer, lift us up to God for consecration and cleansing. I bade him goodbye just a year ago here at Indian Springs camp meeting. Then we talked quietly and confidently about his home going. After awhile I shall greet him on the other shore.

A NEW START

I will start anew this morning with a higher, fairer creed;
I will cease to stand complaining of my ruthless neighbor's greed;
I will cease to sit repining while my duty's call is clear;
I will waste no moment whining, and my heart shall know no fear.

I will look sometimes about me for the things that merit praise;
I will search for hidden beauties that elude the grumbler's gaze.
I will try to find contentment in the paths that I must tread;
I will cease to have resentment when another moves ahead.

I will not be swayed by envy when my rival's strength is shown;
I will not deny his merit, but I'll strive to prove my own;
I will try to see the beauty spread before me, rain or shine;
I'll lovingly preach your duty, but be more concerned with mine.

—Author Unknown.

MRS. E. A. ALLISON HONORED BY PROSPECT CHURCH

Last Sunday night Mrs. E. A. Allison was honored by the members of Prospect Sunday school, Yanceyville charge, when she was presented with a silver loving cup by the school. For the past 31 years she has served as superintendent. During her term in office the school has grown from a very small beginning to the present membership of 176, while at one time it numbered 225. The pastor, Rev. J. V. Early, in presenting the gift said in part: "Because of your great number of years of faithful, unselfish, untiring service to this church and Sunday school, and because of your spiritual vision, uplift, and influence for good to this community, I am very happy to present you with this loving cup in behalf of the church, as a token of our love, admiration, esteem and appreciation of you and the service you have rendered us." In response Mrs. Allison said, with great emotion: "If all of you could but look into my heart you would know I am unworthy of this, but you would see that I love all of you, and I thank you so much for this gift." Then turning to the vested choir she concluded, "My heart's desire is to see these splendid young people grow up to take an active part in the work here." Mr. Luther Hicks is the new superintendent of Prospect church. J. V. Early.

The pastor, in reporting the honor done Mrs. Allison, adds: "I am today forwarding a check to Dr. O. W. Owman for $105.64, which is for 'Overseas Relief and Camp Activities' given by the churches of the Yanceyville charge on World Communion Sunday. Naturally I am very happy over the fine response given ths appeal."

ACTIVITIES IN DRAPER CHURCH

A word from Draper Methodist church as we close out our fifth year with some of the best people of the world. Lots of things have happened during the five years, but I will only attempt to mention a few of them.

The Marshal Fields and Company has spent quite a sum of money in making the parsonage the most comfortable one we have ever lived in; then gave the church a clear deed to it. The Woman's Society of Christian Service began furnishing it soon after we arrived here and have furnished it practically throughout with the best furniture they could buy.

The membership of the church has been increased more than one third. Pastor's salary has been more than doubled from what the church alone had been paying. All other askings have been taken care of accordingly. The congregation has raised over $6000 toward a new church and have it on savings. A large hut has been built and paid for to take care of the Sunday school. It has also been seated with comfortable chairs.

We have just one Methodist church in Draper now. The other one decided that another denomination would be better. Six of the members came over with us, and are proving themselves faithful and happy. Unification just would not work in Draper. Our district superintendent, Brother Hayes, and Dr. L. B. Abernethy did all in their power to consummate unification in Draper but all in vain.

Paul R. Rayle, Pastor.

NORTH WILKESBORO CHURCH HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The First Methodist church of North Wilkesboro is closing an excellent year with the outlook for the future definitely good. The organization is based on a solid foundation and there seems to be a new and increased interest in the church as a whole. The board of education, board of missions and workers' council meet regularly. A fine vacation Bible school was held for two weeks in June, which closed with a church school picnic, which was well attended. The church roll has been completely revised. There are 17 new subscribers to the N. C. Christian Advocate. Many improvements have been made on the church property, including a new electric refrigerator and stoker for the parsonage. All of the church causes have been presented and splendid offerings received, with increased offerings for the Children's Home and the Golden Cross. Blue prints have been drawn for the new building project, and $27,000 has been pledged for this purpose. With Rev. A. C. Waggoner and Rev. Paul Hardin working together in perfect harmony, one of the best and most effective revivals that the church has ever experienced was held during early summer. Forty-six members have been added to the church roll during the year. The church budget is paid in full. The board of stewards at the last regular meeting of the year voted unanimously for the return of Mr. Waggoner, with a nice increase in salary. The co-operation of the membership as a whole is most inspiring, and there is every reason to believe that the church will continue to grow spiritually, and that great things can be accomplished. W. D. Halfacre,

Chirman Board of Stewards.



Dr. W. A. Smart, professor Biblical Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga. Dr. Smart is conference speaker at the ordination service on Thursday evening at 7:30.

AN APPRECIATION REV. J. H. ARMBRUST

By Rev. H. C. Peinger

His sermon last Sunday was a masterpiece of mind. The entire sermon was hinged around the altar. The speaker went on to show how altar fires used to burn so brightly, not only in the homes of this land but in all of our churches as well. He then pointed out why altar fires have ceased to send forth their radiant glow and how, as a consequence, not only the home but the church has suffered. Brother Armbrust is a spiritual giant among men. He really knows how to do things. He seems to be possessed with some kind of spiritual magnetism. He has received more members and put more people to some kind of church work than any other minister of the same duration of time that I know anything about. All the other churches of the city, both white and colored, love and honor him.

On the streets: Unlike many other ministers when not in his study or office he is on the streets among men. A few days ago this writer saw him on the street with his arm around a half drunken man trying to point him to a better life. Unusual for a preacher in Monroe. Yes, he is in every nook and corner of this city. He knows both the good and the bad. He leads every recreation movement in the city. He is chairman of the inter-area committee which promotes and supervises recreation activities for soldiers in Monroe, Wadesboro, Albemarle, Concord and Charlotte and in many other smaller localities. In fact he is in some way mixed up with every army and recreation movement in Monroe. To lose him at this time would mean death to it all. And if these lines chance to fall under his keen eyes, I hope that he won't think that I am beside myself when I say that I feel sure I can speak for all of us Methodist people, with other denominations as well and all other auxiliaries with which he is connected that he be sent back to us a second term. We can't do without him.

DR. LOUIS R. WILSON HOME AGAIN

Dr. L. R. Wilson was called to Chicago more than ten years ago to found and develop a great library school in the University of Chicago. He has retired with honor and returned to Chapel Hill to take a place in the University of North Carolina. A leading librarian and noble soul is he. The state is enriched by his return.

In a personal letter this week, filled with old time friendliness and good will, Dr. Wilson, among other things, says:

"I am back again in Chapel Hill and am slowly getting re-established in the house and university. The house has to be overhauled somewhat and that is slow business because of labor shortage and lack of supplies. I have an office in the library and am at work in the library school for part time. I have plenty to do, however. I shall not be as much in the thick of things as I was formerly, but I hope to have a part in a number of activities such as the Press, Library, and the Library School.

"I want you to know that we have a beautiful church here. It is as lovely as can be, the organ is excellent, and, whether there is a preacher in the pulpit or not, the form and beauty of the structure, both within and without, awakens the spirit of worship. You and Patten have your reward in knowing that you created something that will always contribute to the fineness and enrichment of the human spirit."

JUBILEE DAY IN BREVARD METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 11, was observed by the Methodists of Brevard as Jubilee Day, the occasion being a celebration of the fact that all indebtedness on the church and parsonage had been paid. When Dr. E. P. Billups and his board of stewards looked at the situation several months ago, they saw that it would be necessary to raise $5194 on the debt before the end of the conference year. The total amount was raised and in a service last Sunday the notes and mortgages were burned in the presence of a large congregation.

Several former friends and members of the church were present to participate in this jubilee service. Dr. M. T. Smathers, superintendent of the Asheville district, delivered one of his excellent sermons, and suitable talks were made by Dr. Billups and members of the official board.

Dr. Billups is completing four years of a very successful pastorate. Raising the church debt makes a suitable climax to his highly acceptable work in Brevard. Without his inspiring influence and incessant labors the debt would not have been paid. Credit must be given to the official board, however, and to the entire membership of the church, and at all times Dr. Smathers has stood solidly behind Dr. Billups in his efforts to free the church of indebtedness.

Brevard Methodist church is now in position to move forward to still greater achievements. With a steadily expanding membership and a good congregation composed of local people and the faculty and members of Brevard College, this charge becomes one of the best in the entire conference. Dr. Billups and Dr. Smathers are to be commended for the excellent program of constructive leadership which they have provided for the church and the community.

E. J. Coltrane,
President Brevard College.

NEWS FROM MT. PLEASANT CHARGE

The last quarterly conference for the Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs charge was held September 20 at Mt. Pleasant church. Dr. C. N. Clark, district superintendent, presided. All reports were excellent. The finances were practically paid in full for the charge and everything was ready for the annual conference. The pastor, H. L. Creech, Jr., reported that this had been his best year in the ministry. Outstanding revivals were experineced in each of the three churches on the charge—about 50 new members were added this year. Brother Creech and his very fine wife have done an excellent work on this charge and we are looking for their return.

Brother O. A. Swaringen, district and charge lay leader, brought a wholesome report about the excellent work done on the charge by Brother Creech, and also that of the district (Salisbury) under the leadership of Dr. Clark.

The conference gave Dr. Clark a rising vote of thanks and appreciation for his very fine work in the Salisbury district.

Dr. Clark reported that Cold Springs church was the only church in the district that paid the benevolence acceptance in full at the district conference which was held in May. This has been a good year for us. Good leaders, superintendent, pastor, and lay, usually get a good company of workers; therefore a good job will be done.

S. R. McEachern.

DR. C. N. CLARK CLOSES SIX YEARS ON SALISBURY DISTRICT

During the six years in which Dr. C. N. Clark has served as superintendent of the Salisbury district five new churches have been built and five new parsonages have been erected. Perhaps the most notable item in the record of those six years is that every financial item has been paid 100 per cent, with each year being an increase over the preceding year. In the interest of Christian education, church school rally day has been observed and an offering made by every charge during the last three years. Also a large number of persons have been received into the membership of the churches throughout the district.

Honoring Dr. and Mrs. Clark on Monday, October 12, the ministers 'wives of Rowan county assembled with Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland at the Coburn Memorial parsonage in Salisbury and enjoyed a delicious luncheon together. Pieces of beautfiul luggage were presented to both Dr. and Mrs Clark and appropriate remarks were made in appreciation of their service during these years. A program of fun and fellowship was enjoyed by the following: Rev. and Mrs. Walter B. West, Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. King, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Kale, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Swofford, Rev. and Mrs. W. G. McFarland, Rev. and Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Kirby, Rev. and Mrs. George Williams, Rev. and Mrs. Lester Furr, Rev. and Mrs. Clegg Avett, and Miss Elizabeth Oliver.

VICTORY ALL ALONG THE LINE AT CHADBOURN

Enclosed herewith I am mailing you a check for six dollars for two more new subscribers and one renewal. This makes the Chadbourn charge 16 new subscriptions for the year. We have had our Victory quarterly conference. The entire budget for the charge is paid in full with a supplement of $122 on pastor's salary. The quarterly conference voted to set the salary for another year at $2250 and some of the officials are working to supplement this year's salary to the same amount. We have raised $15.11 for church school rally day offering and have $10 for Golden Cross. Nineteen persons have been received on profession of faith and 13 by letter and one by restoration by church conference. We have had some very fine people to serve these four years and as a result we are having a good report for the annual conference.

E. C. Maness.



The Derita Methodist Church, E. O. Cole, pastor. To be dedicated by Bishop Purcell (his 116th) on Oct. 18, 1942.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER

Dear Saviour:

'Mid all the traffic of the ways,
Turmoil without, within,
Make my heart a quiet place
And come and dwell therein.

A little place of mystic grace,
If self and sin swept bare,
Where I may look upon thy face
And talk with Thee in prayer.

—John Oxenham.

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

By Ian MacLaren

What does your anxiety do? It does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow; but it empties today of its strength. It does not make you escape evil, it makes you unfit to cope with it when it comes. It does not bless tomorrow but it robs today. Every day has its own burden. God gives us power to bear all sorrows of his making; but he does not give us the power to bear all the sorrows of our own making, which the anticipation of sorrow assuredly is.

PASSING OF MR. F. E. BRANSON

The many friends of our conference of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Branson will regret to know of the passing of Mr. Branson at his home in Canton, N. C., in the early hours of Wednesday morning, October 7, after an illness extending over many months. Mr. Branson was one of Canton's prominent business men, having been associated with his brother for 20 years in the Branson Motor Company as its senior member. He was also a member of the Civitan Club, and Masonic Lodge, and a charter member of the Chamber of Commerce of Canton. His funeral was conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Central Methodist church, of which he was a loyal member and also a member of its board of stewards. The officiating ministers were Rev. W. R. Kelly, his pastor, and Rev. D. E. Camak of Hendersonville, a former pastor. Beautiful and numerous floral offerings attested the high esteem in which he was held.

Surviving besides Mrs. Branson are a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Glover of Albany, N. Y.; a grandson, Clarence Glover, Jr., and two brothers, C. H. Branson of Canton and B. L. Branson of Asheville.

Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to the bereaved ones in their great sorrow.

BANQUET OF WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILDS

There has come to us the following relative to a recent interesting meeting: "On September 25 the Wesleyan Service Guilds of Greensboro district held a banquet in West Market Street church, Greensboro, which proved to be a most enjoyable and interesting occasion. Guest speakers were: Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., of Asheboro, conference secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, and Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., pastor of Grace Methodist church in Greensboro.

The meeting opened with the singing of the Guild hymn, 'This is my Song, O God of All the Nations.' Mr. Walter Vassar, head of the voice department of Greensboro College, sang 'The Lord's Prayer' and 'Before the Crucifix.' About 75 were present with most of the churches in the district being represented. After the benediction by Rev. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street church, Master John Rich played taps while the group stood with bowed heads in silent prayer."

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR, FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, ASHEBORO

Mrs. L. Herbert Smith, Secretary

The educational seminar for the Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the High Point district, held an all-day session in First Methodist church, Asheboro, September 23. The morning session was under the direction of Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, conference secretary of missionary education and service.

A luncheon was served by the ladies of the hostess church in the social rooms with approximately 100 present. At 2 p. m. the members of W. S. C. S. convened for zone meeting No. 2 of the High Point district, with Mrs. C. A. York presiding. Mrs. Harris Coffin extended a cordial greeting, after which hymn 456, "We Give Thee Thine Own," was sung and was followed by a most helpful devotional by Mrs. E. A. Lambe on stewardship, using Matthew 6:31-33 as her scriptural reference. The roll call of societies showed 99 representatives present. Mrs. Cleve Williams, treasurer of the district, submitted a most satisfactory report. Mrs. George Brown, secretary missionary education and service, stressed the importance of her department and urged attendance upon mission and Bible study classes. Mrs. H. W. McCain, spiritual life chairman, emphasized the thought that each society should have a spiritual life group.

Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr., conference and district secretary of Wesleyan Service Guilds, reported a new Guild at Randleman and urged organization of other Guilds. In a most interesting manner Mrs. E. A. Lambe discussed her work on young women and girls, reminding us that we cannot reach the efficiency aim without enlisting the work of the young people. She urged interest in the Methodist youth fund, only six churches in High Point district making pledges in this line of work.

Mrs. Charles Weaver, president of W. S. C. S., W. N. C. conference, was a welcome visitor and gave some interesting highlights on college life of our boys and girls. She asked that the members of the societies listen to the radio at 6 p. m. each day to the spiritual life hour. Mrs. G. W. Lindsay gave information on the children's work—primaries and juniors—and asked that copies of World Outlook be saved that their beautfiul illustrations may be used by the children in making scrap books. Mrs. J. E. Pritchard, chairman of literature and publications, requested that at least each officer in every society subscribe to the World Outlook, The Methodist Woman, and the N. C. Christian Advocate. Mrs. R. M. Andrews presented the C. S. Relations work in an interesting manner. Mrs. Coy Kerns introduced Mrs. Helton, who had the misfortune to lose a limb recently, but the good fortune to have it replaced by a new one through the donations by the different societies, for which she was extremely grateful. Mrs. York announced that the district pledge of $4500 had been more than pledged, which was most gratifying news. In an impressive service Mrs. George Brown of Liberty was presented with a life membership pin by the W. S. C. S. and the Wesleyan Service Guild of Liberty Methodist church. Mrs. George Helton made the presentation, expressing gratitude for the long years of usefulness of Mrs. Brown to her church organizations, to which Mrs. Brown replied that the service she had rendered to her church work was a joy. Several visitors were present for the day's meeting, which was dismissed at 3:30 p. m. with Rev. Glenn Madison pronouncing the benediction.

ZONE MEETINGS IN ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

Mrs. B. H. Cole, assistant zone leader, presided at the meeting of zone 3 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service which was held at Montmorenci church Wednesday, September 30, and Mrs. Arthur E. Dunn served as secretary. Seventy or more representatives of the eight churches comprising the zone were in attendance with the following district officers and chairmen, who gave reports of their work during the morning: Miss Amy Hackney, district president; Mrs. Allen Luther, corresponding secretary; Miss Kate Hackney, chairman of study groups; Miss Jane Sullivan, chairman Wesleyan Service Guilds; Mrs. J. S. Williams, chairman Christian Social relations; Mrs. Leo Bagwell, student chairman; and Mrs. Emile Alexander, publications chairman.

The group was welcomed by the pastor of the Candler charge, Rev. C. W. Bates. Mrs. T. C. Robertson conducted the worship service and Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Bolick sang as a duet, "Tell Me His Name Again," by George Barnard.

Miss Kate Hackney talked on mission study and reviewed "On This Foundation," a book on Latin America which will be used for the fall study course. For supplementary reading she suggested "What Our Church Is Doing in Latin America" and "Latin America, U. S. A." Mrs. T. C. Robertson was unanimously elected leader of zone three.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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PUBLICITY AN ASSET

The N. C. conference woman's page in the N. C. Christian Advocate is one means of disseminating missionary news, both of a general nature and that of our own conference. The women of the N. C. conference are grateful for the privilege of having this page and the editor of the page is always pleased to have news of the activities of the various societies for publication on the page. The secular press is another means of propagating missionary news, and truly today, when the forces of evil are so rampant, it is needful and helpful to have published in the newspapers interesting and pertinent items concerning church affairs. Every Woman's Society of Christian Service should be a regular contributer to the secular press of the city, town or community nearest it. Let folk know that the women of N. C. conference are loving, caring, working and praying for the cause of Christ. Having done this, send all clippings of same to the editor of the N. C. conference woman's page, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh. The purpose of this request is that she may begin at once a scrap book which will be interesting and worth while both now and in years to come. It will contain items of historical value which shall be preserved. Your editor has been serving as conference historian and as such has scrap books of news items from the N. C. conference woman's page since August 1938, when she began her work as editor. Also she has a scrap book of conference news beginning with the Greenville organizational meeting in September, 1940. Most of the latter news is composed of stories of the annual conference meetings and meetings of the executive committee. The new scrap book will contain news clippings of the individual W. S. C. S. At the meeting of the conference executive committee at the Methodist Orphanage recently Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, appointed Miss Elizabeth Lamb, Mrs. A. M. Gates and Mrs. S. S. Holt to serve on the conference historical committee with your editor.

THOSE WHO ARE ABLE

Baby, junior and adult life memberships honor the recipients and put into the treasury of the Woman's Division of Christian Service more funds for promoting the cause of missions. We have been informed that money donated for life memberships may be applied on the emergency fund gifts. Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S., and Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, president N. C. Conference W. S. C. S., are urging that between now and December 31 as many societies and individuals as possible shall honor friends and loved ones with life memberships and that the money for them shall be applied on the Emergency fund. All gifts for the Emergency fund should be sent to Mrs. F. B. McKinne, 201 S. William Street, Goldsboro, properly marked.

RADIO PROGRAM RESUMED

It is pleasing to note that the very intresting and timely radio program, "The Churches Make News," has returned to the air after an absence of three months. "The Churches Make News," sponsored by the N. C. Council of Churches representing ten Protestant denominations, is heard each Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, originating in Station WPTF. Rev. Allyn P. Robertson, Jr., pastor United church, Raleigh, is editor and commentator. We commend this program to you.

MRS. HOLT HONORED

At the meeting of Durham district, which was held on May 27 in Chapel Hill, it was announced that Mrs. S. S. Holt, conference recording secretary, would receive a life membership certificate and pin. When the conference executive committee met on September 23-24, Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, fittingly made the presentation to Mrs. Holt. The life membership is a gift of Durham district and Mrs. Holt is most worthy of the honor which has been bestowed upon her.

WHAT WILL IT MEAN?

October 26-30 has been designated week of prayer and self-denial. Every W. S. C. S. should observe it in the form which seems best suited to its local situation, a series of meetings for worship, study, prayer and giving, or a retreat. During the school of missions at Lake Junaluska last summer, some valuable experiences of week of prayer and self-denial observance came from various women in the Southeastern Jurisdiction. One society met on the first two days of the week of prayer for definite and intensive prayer. All women of the society were invited but the invitation was not insistant, thus making it a spontaneous occasion. The second two days were spent in study of the week of prayer and self-denial program material, which gave the women an insight into the needs of and the work done at the institutions and other causes to which the week of prayer offering was directed. On the last two days a retreat was held, using the retreat service and serving a sacrificial meal. At the sacrificial meal the women brought gift boxes into which had been placed money over a period of time. These boxes were opened and the result proved that more and larger gifts had been made than ever before in that society. One woman who had been giving $2 found in her gift box $11. Another society planned a retreat and closed it with a communion service. There is something about the week of prayer and self-denial that, if we put ourself into it, will put something into our individual life and into our society that nothing else will. Out of the week of prayer observance in this time of war can come a sense of oneness with each other and with the Builder of the Christian church. It can give to individuals a sense of corporal quietness with God, but in this week of prayer observance with each other it strengthens our own relationship with God. It gives the individual time to check on motives for being members of the W. S. C. S. and for giving. These things are of so much value that in this time of war we are justified in taking this week for a time of prayer and self-denial. What will the week of prayer and self-denial mean in your life and in mine, in your society and mine?

OUTLINE AND REFERENCES

A suggested outline for four sessions of the mission study on Missions in Latin America has been carefully and helpfully made. Using the text book "On This Foundation," by Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft, and some of the approved supplementary materials, lessonone may have the topic Latin American Backgrounds, using chapter one of the text, "On This Foundation," chapter three in "That Other America," and Survey Graphic, March 1941, Outlook pamphlets. Session two: Topic, "The Relationship of the Americas," chapter 1 of the text; Survey Graphic, March 1941, Peace Without an Empire. Session three: The Evangelical Churches at Work with Latin America. Chapters 4, 5, 6, 7 in text; chapter 5 in "That Other America"; Latin America Circuit and Latin America U. S. A.; World Outlook, June 1942, "Are Protestants Good Neighbors?" "Tales from Latin America," by Meade; Outlook pamphlets. Session four: Topic, "Needs and Opportunities for More Effective Work." Chapter 8 in text; Second Annual Report of Woman's Division of Christian Service, pages 280, 286, 287; Outlook pamphlets.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE TO MEET

"Our Prayers and Our Offerings" will be the theme of Northampton zone meeting which is to be held at Concord church on Thursday, October 22, beginning at 10 a. m., according to announcement by Mrs. Henry Maddrey, zone leader. Miss Mildred Hudgens, missionary to Japan, and Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess, will be the principal speakers. Others on the program will include Mrs. M. L. Martin, Severn; Mrs. Overton Suiter, Garysburg; Mrs. Ernest Guthrie, Jaskson; Rev. and Mrs. P. F. Newton, Rich Square; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barbee, Seaboard; Rev. W. L. Maness, Northampton; Dr. Walter Patton, Louisburg; Mrs. J. G. Long, Concord, and Miss Maggie Blow, Sharon. Mrs. Maddrey is urging a large attendance.

Contentment consists not in heaping more fuel, but in taking away some fire.—Fuller.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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STIRRING TIMES

Many opening paragraphs in letters have to do with introspective remarks. Oftentimes the writer wants to get his own situation before his reading prospects before getting into the real value of the missive. All too often this applies to this scribe as he begins to write his weekly letter to the Advocate friends. More frequently than not the writer has to shut the door to the many distracting influences and hastily dictate a few scattering remarks. Such is our situation this morning. The office help is depleted. The auditors have come to check on us and the children are buying war stamps. We seem never to have a dull moment.

WE ARE WELL

With the exception of Mrs. Helen Campbell, our clothing supervisor, who has been out for several months with a serious hospital experience, all our staff and all but six little youngsters are well. We have some colds but not enough to go down with them. The fine weather has brought a good state of health. The rains have come frequently enough to keep down the dust and to dampen the germs. We take time out every once in a while to give grateful thanks for our health situation.

FOOTBALL INTEREST

The boys are playing football for all they are worth. Each afternoon various squads are doing hard work in the name of play. Each afternoon's work carries with it the expectation of good accomplishment towards the end of the week when the match games are played. To date the varsity team has won three and lost one, the 125 pounders lost their only game so far played, the 100 pounders have won their only game and the 85 pounders have won both their games. Many more games are scheduled and much more playing will be coming along.

GASTONIA GRACIOUSNESS

The board of stewards of Main Street, Gastonia, unanimously voted soon after last conference to contribute $800 this year to our athletic enterprises. Every cent of this has been paid. All of our teams have been outfitted and we have been greatly blessed. Last Thursday night we took our 125 pounders and our 85 pounders over to Gastonia to play similar teams with the Victory School team, so finely directed by Mr. M. A. Parrish, principal of the school and a great boy developer. The men's Bible class of Main Street sponsored the attendance and a large crowd was present for the evening games. Our 85 pounders put on a show, winning 35 to 0. The Victory 125 pounders put on a show, winning over our team 20 to 0. Return games are scheduled.

BIT BELL RINGING

Our joy bell has been working overtime. It has given us a great deal to be happy about. The celebration is encouraging. Those congregations eligible for pulling the bell cord because of having paid their basal apportionment in full, and in many instances the additional apportionment, are listed with their pastors as follows. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

First Church, Canton, Rev. J. B. Tabor.

Centenary, Greensboro, Rev. G. R. Combs.



A friend, sir, a friend

Badin, Badin-New London, Dr. E. C. Widenhouse.

Randleman circuit, Rev. Y. D. Poole.

Macedonia, Linwood circuit, Rev. O. E. Croy.

State Street, Black Mountain, Rev. M. F. Moores.

Pine Hall, Danbury circuit, Rev. J. L. Love.

First Church, Cherryville, Rev. D. M. Nifong.

Trinity, Kannapolis, Rev. W. A. Kale.

Davis Chapel, Crabtree circuit, Rev. W. H. Neese.

Oak Grove and Mt. Pleasant, Cleveland circuit, Rev. John H. Green.

Pilot Mountain circuit, Rev. R. O. Brown.

Beulah, Center, Hiddenite, Liberty and Pisgah, Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

Helton circuit, Rev. R. J. Starling.

Rockford-Harmony Plains, Rev. V. A. Morton.

Mt. Pisgah, Bethel - Battleground, Rev. R. M. Andrews.

Hebron, Gilkey circuit, Rev. McRae Crawford.

Shady Grove, Rutherford College, Rev. J. R. Duncan.

East Marion, Marion Mills, Rev. J. O. Banks.

Shooting Creek circuit, Rev. D. H. Dennis.

Bethel and Hanes, Hanes-Clemmons circuit, Rev. J. M. Barber.

Brown's View, Laurel Hill and Piney Mountain, Pisgah circuit, Rev. C. M. White.

Lilesville circuit, Rev. H. R. Cornelius.

Martin's Chapel and Hampton Memorial, Murphy circuit, Rev. Alfred Smith.

Marshall, Rev. H. L. LaFevers.

Asbury Memorial, Asheville, Rev. R. H. Taylor.

Asheville circuit, Rev. J. J. Wood.

Hazelwood, Jonathan circuit, Rev. G. M. Carver.

Bessemer, Greensboro, Rev. R. M. Laughlin.

Franklin Station, Rev. J. L. Stokes.

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West End, Gastonia, Rev. J. C. Grose.

A LAYMAN'S CONCERN

A good loyal Methodist layman writes as follows: "I find that our board of stewards seems to be ignorant of the new request of our church to pay more than the ten per cent on the pastor's salary for the Children's Home. I have seen the listing of the new apportionments in your page in the Advocate and in the Home Chronicle. My impression is that this recommendation by your trustees was adopted by our last annual conference. Please let me know by return mail if this regulation has been adopted by the conference and where I can show our stewards the authority. I know the Home needs and deserves this additional amount."

We have written the good friend to look on page 62 in the conference journal. We hope his concern, and, for that matter, our own deep concern, may bring results.

BROTHER TOM

The picture this week is that of Rev. T. B. Johnson, whom this scribe is pleased to call "Brother Tom." Elected a member of the board of trustees of the Children's Home in 1914, Brother Tom has never missed a meeting. During the forty-six years in the active ministry he never missed a conference roll call. Since 1938 Brother Tom has been an honored superannuate. It was on May 8, 1890, with my father as his pastor and Rev. P. F. W. Stamey as presiding elder that Brother Tom was licensed as an exhorter. In 1892 he was admitted into the Western North Carolina conference, then held at Winston-Salem, my father still being his pastor. They were great friends. Brother Tom was most successful as a revivalist and as a pastor. He, along with his good wife, is keenly interested in the welfare of the Children's Home.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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RATHER UNUSUAL — During the last year and a half nearly all the applications which have come to us have been for the admission of boys. Our boys' cottages are full and running over. In the past we have always had more applications for the admission of girls than boys. We could take care of several more girls, but not any more boys for the present.

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HIGHLY GRATIFYING — Practically all of the charges in the conference are paying their Orphanage obligations in a generous way. Every mail brings us funds with which to carry on. Several charges have already paid their six per cent Orphanage apportionment, while others are on their way toward meeting their full obligation to the Orphanage. I feel confident that others will raise all of their Orphanage apportionment and send it to us before the meeting of our annual conference. I want all of the pastors and churches to know that I appreciate such a generous response.

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RUNNING OVER—The Good Book says "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." Since the Orphanage does not have a balanced budget, I feel confident that the pastors and churches will bear this fact in mind and give us "good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over." Our pastors and churches are vitally interested in the welfare of our children, and do not want them denied any of the essentials of life.

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ATHELETICS—Every afternoon at the close of school our large boys are out on the football field practicing under Coach Fred Smith. After the evening meal the middle sized boys are in training under Coach Smith. Each afternoon at the close of school our girls are practicing basketball in the Graham Woodard gymnasium under Mrs. A. W. Pridgen. Our girls have had very successful seasons in basketball under coaching of Mrs. Pridgen. Week before last our varsity football team played the Raleigh B. football team, resulting in a scoreless tie. Last week our football team played the Garner high school team, winning by a score of 13—0.

TRUE PATRIOTISM—The Methodist Orphanage is endeavoring to teach her boys and girls good citizenship as well as facts from text books. The appeal which has come to us from our leaders for scrap iron and keys is meeting with a patriotic response on the part of our boys and girls. Several days ago our children sent Mr. Fulton Lewis, Jr., at Washington, D. C., 600 keys. In front of the Vann Administration building there is a large pile of scrap iron which our boys and girls have picked up in the buildings and on the campus and farm. This pile of scrap iron is increasing every day. I think our boys and girls will have several thousand pounds collected within the next few days. Our entire official staff has joined our boys and girls in this patriotic service.

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INSPIRING SERVICE—on the first Sunday morning in this month I had the privilege of worshipping with the congregation of the Raleigh Fairmont Methodist church which is located in West Raleigh. The congregation is worshipping in the Pullen Hall on the campus of State College until their new church is erected. The congregation nearly filled this large auditorium. It was communion Sunday and nearly everybody present participated in the communion service. Brother McLamb made a very appropriate communion talk for the occasion. Under his leadership the congregation is growing by leaps and bounds. I do not know any young preacher in our conference who is doing a finer piece of work than Brother McLamb. I considered it a great privilege to have had some little part in the communion service.

"TAKE CARE OF THE BODY"

"Take care of the body" is a text we all need in the common sense health instruction of the present. With our body we must live and with it our work must be done. The strongest factors in history have been men and women who have used their mature and senior years in vigorous and wise leadership. Counsel is sought from those who have long known the field of conquest. Youth is enthusiastic and virile, but age should brings its increasing capability, not a diminution of serviceability; and if the laws of health have become a habit of life this is the natural result.

Recently, in commenting on the splendid health and vigor of a man past fifty, who looked as young as his grown-up sons, his friend replied: "Yes, but for twenty years he has taken care of himself. He is in as good physical condition today as when he was an athlete in school—yes, even better."

God demands our best. We cannot do our best with a neglected body. No man can fail in common sense precautions against disease and vitality-weakening old age without finally reaping his sorrowful harvest.

At least make the effort. We cannot all be notably young at fifty, but certainly most of us, if we begin in time, can avoid being notably old at sixty.—John Timothy Stone.

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WORLD SERVICE AND CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES IN THE CHURCH SCHOOLS

Two years ago the fourth Sunday offering in our Sunday schools was changed from the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise to World Service and Conference Benevolences, with credit on the amount accepted by each church for these causes. The amount received from the conference this year is $31,142.26. This is an increase of $8,540.34 over the previous year and is more than double the amount contributed to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise during the last year of its existence. The results here are just another demonstration of the important place of the church school in the church.

Enrollment in the Church School

The conference journal for 1941-1942 showed a wholesome increase in church school enrollment in the conference. This was a rather significant achievement. With the shifting of population that has taken place during the past year some people may have been lost from our Sunday school and church rolls. Careful attention at this point may result in keeping these persons or in transferring them to active service in some other church. Because of the transfer of so many of our people, church and church school statistics should be compiled more carefully every year. A check and double check with the conference statistical secretary may be worth while.

On Profession of Faith

This column in the minutes is always interesting and is also a further demonstration of the importance of the church school. Evangelism in vacation schools and Sunday schools is a fruitful field for any aggressive church. Let us hope that the harvest has been properly gleaned from these groups throughout the conference.

Fourth Quarterly Conference Reports

With annual conference only three days away these reports should have been mailed or should be ready for mailing from every charge in the conference. We much prefer that these forms be mailed before you leave for conference. When turned in at annual conference they sometimes get misplaced. When held till after conference, we seldom get them. We are glad, however, to have them at any time that is most convenient to you. We are grateful to the following persons who sent their directories during the week of October 3-10: A. C. Swofford, Z. V. Arthur, H. L. LaFevers, G. Ray Jordan, T. G. Highfilll, C. J. Winslow, Chas. P. Bowles, J. W. Vestal, J. L. A. Bumgarner, S. N. Bumgarner, C. D. Brown, Robert H. Stamey, Geo. W. Clay, W. L. Scott, R. M. Courtney, E. M. Avett, Kenneth Goodson, A. L. Latham, E. L. Ballard, Thos. R. Wolfe, Eugene A. Lamb, T. G. Smith, N. C. Williams, C. E. Rozelle, T. E. Strickland, H. L. Isley, J. N. Snow, McRae Crawford, H. W. Bell, G. L. Wilkinson, Fletcher Nelson, R. C. Nimon, G. N. Dulin, J. E. Yountz, E. A. Bingham, Ernest C. Widenhouse, Roy J. Barnwell, C. C. Herbert, Jr., James T. Bowman, W. E. Rufty, R. A. Taylor, R. C. Stubbins, Lee R. Spencer, Wade R. Bustle, Everett H. Lowman, E. Marvin Hoyle, Vernon A. Morton, J. Sylvester Higgins, Robert G. Tuttle, J. Clay Madison, W. M. Rathburn, Byron Nifong, O. B. Mitchell, E. E. Snow, Lee F. Tuttle, C. O. Plyler, A. A. Kyles, Cecil G. Hefner.

Church School Rally Day

Three weeks ago a final drive was started to secure approximately $1200 more for church school rally day and thereby reach the conference goal of $3000. About $700 of this amount has been received, and the other $500 is is still needed. The response has been excellent from more than 300 churches and we express our graitude for these contributions. There are enough churches that have paid out on everything else and have a balance, to take care of the other $500 by meeting their obligations to this cause. It is not too late yet. Designate your check for Church School Rally Day and bring it to conference. It can be given to Bro. E. O. Cole, Mr. H. A. Dunham, or handed to any member of the conference board staff. No charge has a right to say "everything in full" unless some conrtibution has been made to this cause.

A SCHEDULE OF YOUNG ADULT MEETINGS, OCTOBER 25-30

These meetings are under the auspices of the Conference Young Adult Fellowship and the Board of Education. Directly responsible for arrangements are the district directors and the young adult officers (conference and sub-district) in the area involved. In some cases (Charlotte, for example) the Young Adult Fellowship in the local church is the host group for the meeting.

Principal attraction on the program will be Dr. F. L. Gibbs, national director of the Young Adult Fellowship of the Methdist Church.

Pastors, general superintendents, superintendents of adult divisions, teachers of adult and young classes, young adult officers in local churches and sub-districts, and all interested young adults are invited and urged to attend the meeting nearest them. Schedule of the meetings follows:

October 25, Sunday—Main Street, Gastonia, 3 p. m. First church, Salisbury, 5:30 p. m.

October 26, Monday—Wesley Memorial, High Point, 7:30 p. m.

October 27, Tuesday—West Market Street, Greensboro, 7:30 p. m.

October 28, Wednesday—Thomasville, 10 a. m. Mt. Airy, 3 p. m. Centenary, Winston-Salem, 7:30 p. m.

October 29, Thursday—First church, Charlotte, 7:30 p. m.

October 30, Friday—Broad Street, Statesville, 7:30 p. m.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

Nearly 600 such schools were held during the year, with an enrollment of approximately 28,000 children. This is by far the largest number ever held in this conference and is perhaps an all time conference record in the Methodist Church. An effort has been made to acknowledge all schools in the Advocate. If there is a school that has not been reported we would still like to know about it.

Salisbury District

Mt. Pleasant (Mt. Pleasant-Cold Spgs.), H. L. Creech, Jr.
Cold Springs (Mt. Pleasant-Cold Spgs.), H. L. Creech, Jr.
Ffriendship (Mt. Pleasant-Cold Spgs.), H. L. Creech, Jr.
Palestine (Tabernacle-Palestine), C. C. Sarpe, Jr.
First, Salisbury, Mrs. Fred Henry.
Bethel (Friendship), W. C. Sides, Jr.
Oak Grove (Friendship), W. C. Sides, Jr.
North Kannapolis, G. L. Curry.
Bethpage, Bill McCulley.
Ann Street, R. J. Barnwell.
Mt. Carmel (Rocky Ridge), LeRoy Scott.
Rocky Ridge (Rocky Ridge), LeRoy Scott.
Central, Spencer, C. W. Kirby.
East Spencer, Helen Waller.
Yadkin (East Spencer), Ruby Safley.
Tabernacle (Tabernacle-Palestine), C. C. Sharpe, Jr.
Stony Hill (Albemarle Ct.), Robert H. Kesler.
Union Chapel (Albemarle Ct.), R. H. Kesler.
Porter (Albemarle Ct.), R. H. Kesler.
Kerr St., Concord, Mrs. H. A. Polk.
Roberta, W. E. Rufty.
Westford, T. W. Hager.
Bethlehem (Gold Hill), L. S. Furr.
Gold Hill (Gold Hill), L. S. Furr.
Liberty (Gold Hill), L. S. Furr.
Rockwell (Gold Hill), L. S. Furr.
Bethel (Granite Quarry), Mrs. C. M. Grant.
Midway (Kannapolis), R. A. Taylor.
Trinity (Kannapolis), W. A. Kale.
Norwood, R. C. Stubbins.
Mt. Zion (Norwood), W. B. A. Culp.
Randall (Norwood Ct.), W. B. A. Culp.
Love's Chapel (Stanfield), Mrs. John R. Hamilton.
Love's Grove (Stanfield), Mrs. John R. Hamilton.

Statesville District

Cool Spring (Cool Spring), Chester Steele.
New Salem (Cool Spring), Chester Steele.
Fairgrove (Highland), J. P. Hornbuckle.
Highland (Highland), J. P. Hornbuckle.
Collier's (Hudson), R. E. Hunt.
Hudson (Hudson), R. E. Hunt.
South Lenoir (Lenoir), W. L. Harkey.
Maiden, Mrs. J. C. Auman.

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NATIONAL YOUTH EMPHASIS FOR NOVEMBER PLANNING TOMORROW'S WORLD

Join Christians Everywhere in Planning Tomorrow's World

Tomorrow's world is being built today. Each act of the armies of the world, each attitude of citizens at home is shaping its structure. When the last bomber has been returned to its hangar and the last submarine to its port, then men will turn from guns and tanks to take up the spade and trowel to complete the framework which has been begun. What kind of a world will they build? Will it be a world in which peace can endure and justice can be established?

The answer to that question will depend upon the preparation we are making now. It will depend upon a public opinion that is powerful enough and intelligent enough to press for a constructive peace. Because it is so important for Christians to prepare their attitudes many denominatinal and interdenominational groups, various Methodist agencies, including both adult and youth groups of the board of education, and local churches across the country are making the study of the bases of a just and durable peace one of their major emphases. The national conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship urges local youth and student groups to adopt an intensive program in this area.

During the month of November local church youth groups everywhere are asked to unite in an eight point program:

1. An appropriate service of worship on Armistice Day Sunday, to be published in the November issue of Workshop.

2. In each local Methodist Youth Fellowship a study unit on the basis of a just and durable peace. Recommended are:

a. "Toward a Christian Durable World Order," by Bishop Paul B. Kern (the elective unit appearing in the November issue of Highroad, 10c a copy, to be ordered from your branch of the Publishing House by October 1).

b. "Making This Our Last War," by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam (an elective in pamphlet form; 20c from The Methodist Publishing House).

3. A presentation by young people, or by youth and adults, to the entire church, perhaps in a Sunday evening service. For suggestions see the packet mentioned below.

4. A continuing interest group in this field to study the subject more intensively, using such materials as Walter Van Kirk's Religion and the World of Tomorrow ($1.50 from The Methodist Publishing House). A more complete bibliography if included in the packet announced below.

5. A continuing project chosen by the group in its local community definitely related to this theme.

6. Invitations to other denominational groups in the community to co-operate in this emphasis.

7. Sub-district and district meetings devoted to this theme.

8. Conference or district teams or flying squadrons to present the subject to local groups.

A packet on "Planning Tomorrow's World" including suggestions and resource material is available for 10c from the National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

OFFERINGS ON SPECIAL DAYS

We are listing herewith offerings for Church School Rally Day, Methodist Student Day, and Race Relations Sunday that we have received since our last report. Churches which have not sent in offerings that they have on hand should do so not later than October 24 if these offerings are to be included in our annual report. These offerings go to Rev. C. K. Proctor, Treas., Oxford, N. C.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS

Durham District	
Alamance, Center	$ 5.08
Mebane, Central	6.74
Milton, Milton	3.42
Yanceyville, Shady Grove	2.00
Total	17.24
Elizabeth City District	
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk	3.36
Fayetteville District	
Broadway, Morris Chapel	5.50
Siler City Ct., Hickory Grove	2.00
Hope	5.00
West End	5.00
Zion	1.50
St. John-Gibson	8.03
Total	27.03
New Bern District	
Hookerton, Maury	3.75
Raleigh District	
Princeton, Ebenezer	3.80
Tar River, Plank Chapel	5.42
Total	9.22
Rocky Mount District	
Halifax, Ebenezer	3.00
Smith	3.00
Total	6.00
Grand total	66.60

METHODIST STUDENT DAY OFFERING

Elizabeth City District	
Plymouth	8.16

RACE RELATIONS SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Elizabeth City District	
Plymouth	2.16
Raleigh District	
Selma	6.00
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Children's Storyland



BETTY AND THE LADYBUG

By Frances Ann Fiske

Dinner was over. Betty helped mother carry the dishes out to the kitchen. Then, very carefully, she brushed the crumbs from the tablecloth. She liked this tablecloth best of all. The center was white. It was the yellow border that made it so attractive to Betty.

"It looked like yellow sunshine and daffodils, and the yellow stripes on my kitten," she said to mother.

Mother smiled. "You and your kitten may go out into the sunshine for a while," she said. "I will frost the cakes before I wash the dishes. When I am ready I will call you and you may wipe the knives and forks and spoons for me again."

So Betty and the kitten went out on the lawn. Betty tied a small stick to a string. This she drew across the ground and the kitten ran after her, trying to catch it, until they were both tired. Then Betty sat down under the apple tree and laughed at the kitten's surprise to find the stick had disappeared. Then she tossed the string to the kitten and because she was warm and sleepy, she stretched her arm out on the smooth grass and laid her head upon it.

It was restful to lie there in the shade of the tree and listen to a pair of young birds chirping to each other in a nearby tree.

Presently a ladybug flew on to Betty's hand. She was a pretty ladybug, too. She wore a red robe with black dots on it. Betty sang softly:

"Ladybug, ladybug,
Fly away home,
Your house is on fire,
Your children are gone."

Betty did not wish to frighten the ladybug away, so she kept very still and watched it crawl about on her hand. It tickled some and she laughed, trying not to mind it. Probably the ladybug would fly away soon to look for its children. The warm sun made Betty very sleepy.

Next thing Betty knew, she was in front of her mother's rose bush.

The ladybug was on the rose bush, but Betty did not brush it away. She looked at it more closely than she had ever done before. She saw that it had two shiny black eyes. Between the eyes two feelers grew. She counted the dots on its back. There were just seven. She counted its legs. There were just six. There were dots on the legs, too.

"Look," said the ladybug, in a tiny, proud voice, and she waved one of her six legs.

Betty looked closely. There on the rose bush lay twenty queer little balls all stuck together.

"What are these, Ladybug?" Betty asked.

"Why," replied the ladybug, "those are my eggs. You sang to me that my children were gone, which reminded me that I did not have any, anyway, so I thought I would do something about it."

"But what have these queer things to do about children?" Betty wanted to know.

"Gracious!" laughed Ladybug, "don't you even know that my eggs will soon turn to grub, and that after a month each grub will turn into a chrysalis?"

"What's a chrysalis?" questioned Betty.

"Oh, a chrysalis looks something like a caterpillar," explained Ladybug patiently, and, deciding that Betty did not seem to know much about ladybugs anyway, she continued: "After a while my children will have wings and look like me. Perhaps then they will fly away, but before they get ready to do that they will feed on the little green insects that would destroy your mother's roses if left on the bush."

"W-h-y!" exclaimed Betty, "how do they do that, Ladybug?"

"Easy enough," said Ladybug proudly. "Just use them for food to grow big and strong on, just as you use potatoes and carrots and oranges and milk."

"Oh!" Betty clasped her hands eagerly. "Now I know who you are. You are one of the helpful bugs that mother read to me about the other day. I hope you have a great big family, so that there won't be a single naughty green insect left to spoil mother's lovely roses."

"I hope so, too," said Ladybug.

Betty heard someone calling. She tried to run. Then she woke up. She had fallen asleep under the apple tree.

When Betty told her mother what had happened, her mother smiled.

"In your sleep you remembered what I read to you about the helpful bugs, didn't you, dear?"

"Yes," agreed Betty. "And it seemed so real that now I shall always remember to protect the helpful little ladybugs."—Zions Herald.

COLLECTIN' STAMPS

By Silas Wetherby

A feller isn't thinkin' mean,
Collectin' stamps;
His thoughts are mostly good and clean
Collectin' stamps;
He doesn't knock his fellow men
Or harbor any grudge then;
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The rich are comrades to the poor,
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All brothers of a common lure,
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The boy—the joy the reprints bring—
Can chum with millionaire and king;
Vain pride is a forgotten thing
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A feller isn't plottin' schemes
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He's only busy with his dreams,
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His livery is a benzine pan,
His creed to do the best he can,
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—Alabama Christian Advocate.

"VISITORS RESTING"

At a small Alabama lumber mill, the sign was lettered with red crayon upon a strip of cardboard. It said simply, "Don't Disturb—Visitors Resting." Perhaps by curiosity was overly evident, for such a sign seemed out of place amid the raucous noise of saws and the thuds of heavy boards. The tall, broad-shouldered man who had been feeding lumber into the planer walked over to where I was standing.

He laughed a little, saying, "That's for our pets. We had them here last year, and now they're back."

I nodded, still looking at the sign, and he went on, "They're robins. They have a nest up there back of that four-by-eight piece of timber. It's a safe, comfortable place."

"It's a fine thought," I said, "looking after them this way."

He was thoughtful for a moment, kicking slowly at a small head of sawdust. Then he replied, "We sort of owe it to them, you see. Last year, before we knew they were up there, we had an accident. One of the men scared them unknowingly and, in the excitement, a couple of eggs were broken. He put the sign up. He was sorry for what he had caused."

Only a strip of cardboard, crudely lettered, and tacked up under a robin's nest. But the thought of it and of the hard-working men who respected it lifted my feelings immeasurably.—
—Jack Kytle in Our Dumb Animals.

Boss: "No, son, I'm afraid I can't hire you. We can't use much help just now."

Boy (determined to please): "That's all right, sir, I wouldn't be so much help."

"Jimmy," asked the teacher, "why is it that lightning never strikes twice in the same place?"

"Because," replied Jimmy confidently, "after it hits once, the same place ain't there any more."

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 18

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By Rollin H. Walker

Growth in Christ

Luke 2:40, 52; 2 Peter 1:1-8

At first sight it seems incredible that the Son of God should need to grow in wisdom, but thus saith the Scriptures. Men increasingly wondered at the added signs of the divine presence in his life. Then, too, the 40 days in the wilderness were filled with intense growing pains as his views of his mission and life policy enlarged and crystalized.

He grew also in his knowledge of the stupidity and sinfulness of men. When he was twelve years old Jesus went in to the doctors in the temple to inquire of them in boyish wonder about the things of God. There was something so imposing about these great rabbis. But alas, in time he learned that their insight into the Holy Scriptures was tragically limited, and often seriously distorted. It is said that he marveled at the unbelief of the Nazarenes. And a dreadful revelation of their furious hatred of the Gentiles came to him on that day when in the synagogue he referred to the fact that, unlike the Jewish lepers, Naaman the Syrian had faith enough to be healed of his leprosy; and the fires of hell suddenly flashed out of their eyes and they rose up as one man to lynch him.

The apostle Paul in stating his own life principle, said, Brethren, I count not myself to have laid hold, but one thing I do, forgetting the things that are behind, and reaching for the things that are before, I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. And he adds, Let as many as are perfect be thus minded. Perfection, then, according to Paul, is the fixed habit of always progressing.

What are the conditions of growth? One of them is constantly to bask in the light of the exceeding great and precious promises, that through these we may become partakers of the divine nature. Just as the wild flowers peep up through the earth under the warmth of the spring sun, so men grow who dwell perpetually in the sunlight of God's promises. It ought to be an important part of religious education to encourage our children to memorize as many as possible of the promises of Holy Writ.

Then we are to add to our faith in the promises virtue. The word in the original means robust character. It is faith cleansed of all sentimentality, and bravely applied to life. And then, says the Scripture, in your vigorous application of your faith to life add knowledge. Some fools put faith and knowledge in opposition, but in the scientific laboratories knowledge comes from faith. Edison had faith enough in a surmise to spend time and money in experimenting on the phonograph, and as a result the nations are listening to talking pictures. Columbus dared to believe that something was to be discovered by sailing west, and as a result he came back with the knowledge of the new world.

And then in our knowledge we are knowledge applied to life. By the time a man is forty he is either a fool or a physician. He has discovered what is good for him, and what is not. But that is not enough. Only self-control can keep him from harmful indulgences. But self-control is not merely that quality that puts a bridle on our passions and our appetites; it also bends itself persistently to one's providential task. Self-control is manifested in patience, and steadfast patience is rewarded by a double portion of the Spirit of God (2 Kings 2:1-15; Isaiah 40:30-31).

The spiritual man sees God in little things. He scans everything that happens for indications of the divine leading, and minds the inner checks (Acts 16:6-7). And of course the leadings of the Holy Spirit are largely leadings to forget ourselves, and sympathetically to read the hearts of our fellow men and do for them the kindly and helpful things at all times. In his godliness the good man develops brotherly kindness. First of all the Spirit teaches him to be tender and tactful with the brotherhood; then in due time God so enlarges his heart that, like Jesus, his sympathy goes out to all sorts and conditions of men. He adds to his brotherly kindness love. And, thank God! no matter how old he may be, and how failing his physical and mental faculties, there is no limit to the possibilities of his growth in love.

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Two men, members of the same church, were partners in road contracting. One of the men got a second contract and made a profit of $40,000 on it. The other partner claimed that he should divide the profit with him and give him $20,000. He went to his lawyer and he told him his partner did not have a leg to stand on as it was made before the partnership was formed. But rather than go to law with his brother he gave him $20,000. Then they dissolved the partnership. The man who claimed the $20,000 took a contract and lost $40,000 on it while the other made a profit of $20,000 that he had sacrificed.

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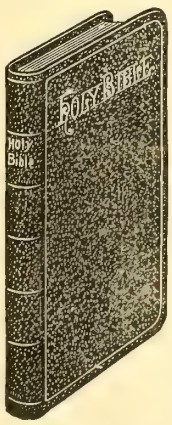
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Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 20
Milton, New Hope, 10:30 9
Leasburg, Hebron, 2 9

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FOURTH ROUND

October

Aulander, Roxobel, 11 16
Perquimans, Oak Grove, 11 17
Bath, Bath, 3 18
Belhaven, Belhaven, 7:30 18
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 7:30 19
Washington, 7:30 21
Creswell, Creswell, 3:00 22
Columbia, Columbia, 7:30 22
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 23
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 23
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Currituck, Poplar Branch, 3 25
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 27
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November

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October

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Jonesboro, 7:30 25
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Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

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FOURTH ROUND

October

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Hookerton, 7:30 16
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Riverside-Bridgeton, Riverside, 7:30 18
Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

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October

Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 16
Millbrook, Millbrook, 11 18
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Garner, Garner, 7:30 20
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 21
Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 23
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 11 25
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November

Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 1

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FOURTH ROUND

October

Northampton, New Hope, 12 18
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Rocky Mount, First Church, 8 20
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Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
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November

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October

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Shallotte, Concord, 11 18
Southport, 8 18
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November

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October

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October

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Bethpage, 8 11
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OCTOBER

By James Courtney Challiss

October, with a lavish hand, now spills
Her wine of flame and gold upon the hills:
It splashes on the slopes and blends into
Rich colorings of almost every hue:
Deep red and russet, orange, yellow, jade,
Grape-blue and green and brown of every shade.
And in the valley hang, like film mist,
Her veils of opal, blue and amethyst,
Rose-gray and violet, until it seems
All earth is drowsy with the wine of dreams.

I think that somewhere up around the throne
God's cup of glory must have overflown.

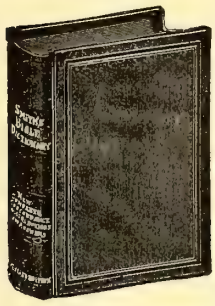
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In Memoriam

PEELE—God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst Mrs. S. J. Peele, a member of Trinity Methodist church at Belhaven. She was before her mariage Miss Lona Midgette. She was married to S. J. Peele in 1915.

Mrs. Peele was very active in church work, and in the W. S. C. S. and S. S. and choir, and will be greatly missed in all her church work. She was also active in social and civic work. At one time she was a member of the Belhaven board of education, and was also president of the Parent-Teacher Association of Belhaven school.

She is survived by her husband, S. J. Peele; her mother, Mrs. Ludie White Midgette; two sons, Lt. (jg) Staten J. Peele, Jr., of the U. S. Navy, and Lt. Joseph Peele, who is stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.; two sisters, Mrs. Lee Andrews, Belhaven, and Mrs. C. C. Duke, Washington, N. C.; two brothers, Harry and Cecil Midgette of Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Peele had been in declining health for the past year, and passed away in the hospital in Richmond, Va., on Sunday, August 23.

The funeral service was conducted on Tuesday afternoon in the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives, after which she was laid to rest in the cemetery here beneath a large mound of flowers to await the resurrection.

The service was conducted by the writer ,assisted by the pastors of the other churches of Belhaven.

C. L. Spencer.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church of Forest City wish to pay tribute to one of its faithful and loyal members, Miss Nell Young, who passed away August 5, 1942.

We ,the members of the society, do therefore resolve:

First, That her life was on eof loyal service, and we wish to pay tribute to one who was held in highest esteem and respect by all her associates.

Second, That we tenderly condole with the family of our deceased member in their time of sorrow, and commend them to the keeping of Him who looks with compassion upon those who mourn.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy be sent the N. C. Christian Advocate and a copy be written in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. Parker Holmes,
Mrs. N. F. Adkins,
Mrs. C. C. Erwin.

A TRIBUTE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mt. Vernon Methodist church wish to express a deep sense of loss in the passing on August 25, 1942, of Mrs. Pearl Orsborne, wife of the late T. J. Orsborne, who preceded her in death some three years ago.

Mrs. Orsborne was a faithful member and co-worker not only in the auxiliary but the church, the Sunday school and the community. She was faithful in attendance upon all religious services and willing to perform any task assigned to her in church work. She served her community as she did her church with willingness, faithfulness and efficiency. May her life of Christian service be an example to all who knew her.

She leaves to follow her example three sons: Thomas, Eugene and Billy; two daughters, Rachel Orsborne and Mrs. Dorothy Canoy, and a host of relatives and friends.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will always cherish her memory, and wish to express to the family our heartfelt sympathy in this their great loss.

May God comfort them and help them to carry on where she left off.

The golden gate was opened
And a gentle voice said come.
With her farewell unspoken
She calmly entered home.

Mrs. June Peace, Pres.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the untimely death of Dr. D. J. Johnson, each member of the Seagrove Methodist church and Bible class has sustained the loss of a true and faithful Christian co-worker and friend, Dr. Johnson having served this community for nearly 50 years as a medical doctor.

Whereas, the unheralded death of Dr. Johnson allowed us no time to show or express to him our final appreciation of his fine and outstanding contributions to us in his day; but believing him safe and secure in our Father's mansion ot builded by hand, we, the Seagrove Methodist church and Bible class do now therefore resolve:

First, That the Seagrove Methodist church and Bible class and all its best interests have sustained a great loss in the passing of Dr. Johnson.

Second, That the contribution of his life's efforts in home, church, Sunday school and community has made of this community a better place in which to live.

Third, That we extend to the members of his family our heartfelt sympathy and assure them of our abiding love and affection, who will miss him most.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, a copy to The Courier-Tribune, and one be recorded in the minutes of our class book.

D. A. Cornelison.
L. A. King,
C. H. Russell,

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his wisdom, on September 9, 1943, removed from her earthly labors Mrs. Alberta Johnson Chevault; be it resolved:

First, That the Society of Christian Service of the Wallace Methodist churh has lost one of its most beloved and active members. Her Master's work always came first in her life.

Second, That her special interest in the church work was the beginners' class of the Sunday school, of which she was a faithful and devoted teacher. These liittle ones have long missed and yearned for her gentle and loving presence.

Third, That through months of suffering her chief concerns were the welfare of her church and the salvation of her family.

Fourth, That we express to her family our thankfulness for the life that has enriched us all, her saddened friends and our sympathy to those who miss her most.

Fifth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy be filed in the minutes of this society.

Mrs. W. F. Murphy,
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PROGRAM OF 1942 SESSION OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE, WILSON, NOV. 3-6

Bishop Clare Purcell, Charlotte, Presiding

Tuesday, November 3

2:00 p.m. Meeting of boards, committees, and commissions.

7:30 p.m. Conference called to order by Bishop Purcell. Organization completed.

8:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Christian Education. Speaker, Henry Dwire, Duke University.

Wednesday, November 4

9:00 a.m. Devotional: Bishop Purcell.

9:20 a.m. Conference business.

12:15 p.m. Meeting of Conference Historical Society. Prof. H. E. Speance, speaker, Duke University.

1:00 p.m. Luncheon. (Organization of The Methodist Rural Fellowship at the First Methodist church at the lunch hour). Dr. A. J. Walton, speaker.

2:30 p.m. Meeting of boards and committees.

3:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Conference Board of Temperance. Speaker, Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, Winston-Salem.

4:45 p.m. Conference Brotherhood.

6:00 p.m. Duke University alumni dinner, Atlantic Christian College. Speaker, Dr. Albert Outler of Duke Divinity School.

8:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Speaker, Bishop Edwin F. Lee, missionary bishop of the Methodist Church.

Thursday, November 5

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.

9:20 a.m. Conference business.

11:30 a.m. Memorial service. Speaker, Dr. F. W. Paschall, pastor Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington.

1:00 p.m. Luncheon. Members of the Board of Lay Activities, Bishop Purcell and cabinet will lunch together at the Cherry Hotel.

2:30 p.m. Conference reconvenes for business.

3:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Conference Board of Lay Activities. Speaker, Prof. B. G. Childs, Duke University.

7:00 p.m. Conference love feast, Rev. E. H. Davis presiding, assisted by Revs. J. H. Shore, J. T. Draper, C. P. Jerome.

8:00 p.m. Ordination service. Ordination sermon by Dr. H. E. Myers of the Duke Divinity School.

Friday, November 6

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.

9:20 a.m. Conference business.

1:00 p.m. Luncheon.

2:00 p.m. Business session. Reading of appointments. Adjournment.

PROTECT THE YOUTH

Reducing the age of draftees to 18 years should be followed by the enactment of laws as to the liquor traffic which prevailed during the World War. It was bad enough to have liquor flowing freely when only men were in the armed forces, but now that boys are to be taken in it is the duty of state and federal governments to shut up places where liquors offer a temptation which many youths do not resist. The federal government should act promptly and enact the Sheppard measure, pigeonholed for over a year, and the state government should put an end to ABC (Alcohol Brutalizes Consumers) and all places where intoxicants are sold.

Napoleon thought and Marshall thinks youth in the fighting forces are brave, daring and they are also more reckless. It is because while, having physical vigor and valor and adventure, they also lack maturity, that government ought to surround them with wholesome surroundings, free from the temptations that all youths do not resist.

There are many who do not approve the drafting of 18-year-old youths. The mothers, who must yield to the law, are entitled to demand that places that debauch be closed for the duration.

It should be done now.—Editorial, News and Observer.

DR. HUBERT M. POTEAT AND THE SCHOOL AMENDMENT

An appeal to the voters of North Carolina to defeat the proposed school amendment to the constitution and join with the real friends of educational progress in an effort to get the 1943 legislature to submit to the people an amendment more in line with what the school organization really wanted in 1941 was made today in a statement issued by Dr. Hubert M. Poteat, chairman of the state-wide committee for a Sound Educational Amendment.

"It has now become clear," Dr. Poteat said, "that the amendment which the people will pass upon on November 3 is not what the special committee on education, after a very thorough investigation, asked the general assembly to submit.

"It is, instead," the Wake Forest educator explained, "a hodge-podge of provisions which, if it were accepted by the people, would write into the state constitution some very dangerous school law.

"As I read the amendment, it would transfer all school administration to an appointive board of 15 members, a majority of whom must be, under the amendment's expressed porovision, persons trained in business and finance. This rank discrimination against the professions—such as lawyers, doctors and teachers—and also against farmers and laborers.

"There is an even more dangerous provision in this amendment and that provides that 12 of the members shall be selected from the 12 congressional districts of the state. If this means anything, it means that every school district in North Carolina would be at the mercy of a politically-chosen super-district superintendent. For example, it is possible that the member from the Eighth congressional district might be a resident of Wilkes county and charged with the district supervision of the schools in Scotland county, in the lower end of that district.

"It is very unfortunate that the amendment has not been discussed more publicly so that the people of North Carolina might know what it would do. For that reason, if for no other, it seems to me the proposal ought to be defeated this time and the energy of its proponents turned to getting the legislature to submit an amendment which would not be so objectionable, unsound in principle and so marked by partisan politics that it would menace the public schools for many years to come."

IMPORTANT NOTICE: NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Because November 3 is election day, the hour for convening the North Carolina conference has been fixed at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, November 3. Chairmen of all boards, commissions and committees will take notice.

Clare Purcell.

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The apostolic church fasted in the upper room. The modern church feasts in the basement room. Over-indulgence tends to bring on indigestion.

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Many Methodist preachers these coming weeks will be in new fields and others will be amid familiar scenes, but let them all realize that they are face to face with fresh tasks. This will give life a new zest and gird every devoted worker for a closer walk with God.

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The good old word home is of wide and tender significance. The hut in the hills or the cabin on the shore is as truly a home to the family group as is the mansion on city street. "Home is where the heart is." And the heart is too delicate and sensitive to be held to gross standards or bound about by material fixtures. "Where we love is home; home that our feet may leave but not our hearts."

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The church is our one concentrated force. The religious press is the one assured stability in the publication world—the voice like that of the prophet that must continue to be heard. Great evils are not secular. Right living is the core of human happiness; justice its safeguards. If the religious press hesitates to become a crusading force it has forgotten Christ. He did not fear to drive the money changers from the temple.

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Has North Carolina lost her moral convictions and old time stamina? Not so many years ago the women could pray and the men could lead crusades against the liquor evil. Then the women could plead with the men and send prayers heavenward. Now they can also make themselves felt at the ballot box. Would that we had a few outstanding leaders such as were Governors Jarvis and Glenn to lead us in this hour—men who could preach a crusade.

Visitors to our annual conferences are proving an embarrassment if we are to rely on statements in our church papers. These war times constrain us to confine our attendance at conference to ministers and delegates. Others should not request accommodations. Wilson is apt to be overrun this year with the many visitors accustomed to attend conference in these towns of eastern Carolina. But there is a limit to hospitality even in the tidewater country. May we be allowed to suggest that all visitors stay away from conference during the "duration."

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To draft for the army eighteen-year-old boys is an outrage on parental devotion and a peril to the future of the Republic. But the pressure is on and propaganda is at work for urgent action. Since youth must go will every protection possible be provided about the camps? The unanimous action of the Western North Carolina conference this week that the free flow of liquor be stopped indicates the will of the best people in the land. Will Congress act and give relief by closing the places that debauch? Give our youth more wholesome surroundings.

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"The United Nations cannot win this war unless the people of India are given their freedom. The United Nations cannot lose this war if Indian freedom is granted in time. Since victory for the United Nations depends upon timely action in India, the government of our own country is justified in taking any action which reasonably promises to end the deadlock between the Churchill government and the Indian National Congress." These are the opening sentences of an editorial in the Christian Century on the theme, "No Victory Without India." The editorial closes with these sentences: "President Roosevelt should speak without delay in behalf of the United Nations. Only he can break the present stalemate."

Life in the Open

THE above caption is of significance whether taken literally or figuratively and applied to life in any of its forms. Vegetables do not thrive well in close, dark cellars, and flowers bloom best in the open light of day. Animals retain vigor and red blood where oxygen and sunlight are abundant. Even man, who boasts of his ability to rise above and live superior to his environment, comes not to best and fullest maturity in the congested centers where he lives deprived of fresh air and sunlight. It is a cramped and dwarfed kind of existence compared to the life lived in the open in touch with old mother earth fed by all the vital forces that sweep in from mountain, sea and sky. The same truth holds when applied to man's mental and moral existence. The soul-life longs for the open as truly as the lark seeks the upper ether. Man must live in the open.

The Perfect Man did not spend his days in a cloister nor do his work in a corner. He lived in the broad day under the open heavens and spoke openly to the multitude. Disclosures of things in heaven and on earth among men characterized his days and nights by wayside, on the seaside, and upon mountain side. He opened tombs, sealed hearts and hidden lives, bringing freshness and new vigor everywhere. Darkness and death give place to light abundant and life everlasting. His days passed in the open indicate man's truest and best life.

How far is this from the ways of evil and the forces of unrighteousness! The bad must wear a mask and seek the dark, the hidden ways off from the face of the world and the broad open ways of the world's life. Wild beasts delight in the dark and secluded dens in obscure places of the earth. The business that must be carried on behind screens and closed doors brands itself. It has the germs of death and makes not for public health. The deviltry in our cities thrives best under cover of darkness. "When night darkens the streets, then wander forth the sons of Belial, flown with insolence and wine." The dark, obscure hidden ways are ever the ways of disease and death. Let the life of husband and wife, each to the other, cease to be an open book, doubts and misgivings arise to endanger the peace and prosperity of the home. Its security is gone and its very life threatened. Why the great demand in the business world, swelling into a mighty volume from sea to sea, for the books to be opened and the public informed? Turn on the light and let men come out into the open and there is promise of public health. Life in the open is the only guarantee of health and vigor.

It is well for men to leave the crowded street and close hot office behind and take to the deep wood and listen to the clear note of the timid thrush in the solemn stillness of the wide woods, or wander along the illimitable sweep of breaker-beaten sands as unfettered in mind as the seabird upon the wing. To grant a weary body rest and allow a jaded spirit opportunity for expansion is good religion. The body and the spirit can grow only by living the unfettered life.

The Spirit That Makes America Great

THE Duke football team last week on its way to play Colgate in Buffalo, N. Y., was stopped in Richmond by high waters. They made a round-about trip from Richmond to Washington in station wagons and private automobiles, with the prospect of an all night ride in day coaches in order to reach their destination in time for the game.

Coach Eddie Cameron asked the squad in Washington: "Do you want to play Colgate under these conditions?" "On to Buffalo" was the answer. Any other good football team would have made the same reply. That is the very answer that American youth have been making since the days of the Pilgrim fathers. And young Americans of the present days are as eager to answer the challenge as has been previous generations. It is the spirit that wins victories not only in the halcyon days of peace, but also in the terrific struggles of battle.

The New Pastor

THE Virginia Methodist Advocate in last week's issue offers some timely advice in regard to the new pastor. It is timely, appearing as it does at the beginning of a new conference year. We take the liberty of quoting the paragraphs that follow:

"Nothing is more unfortunate than for gossip-mongers to circulate idle and usually poorly-founded rumors about the new minister. To tell it around that one hears he is not a strong preacher, or that he does not visit, or that his children are not exactly little angels, or that his wife is sickly, is to do the church as well as the incoming preacher a serious injus-

tice. If the new pastor is to do his work well, he needs all of the backing and support he can receive; and the psychological attitude of the people toward him is a vitally important factor in the kind of work he can do.

"Even if the new-comer is not all that one could wish a pastor to be, it is entirely possible that the church to which he has just been assigned is not one hundred per cent perfect! Not all of the limitations in the picture belong to the pastor. Why cannot this fact be recognized at its face value and why cannot pastor and people purpose in their hearts that they will work together and strengthen one another and together become more efficient in the Master's service!"

Life in the Larger Freedom

JESUS broke the shackles that bound and sent him forth to be free indeed? The religion that does not make men free in body and soul is not the religion proclaimed by One who broke from Pharisaical exactions, burst the bars of the grave, opened wide the heavens, with the assurance "if the Son shall make you free ye shall be free indeed." Blessed be the heritage granted us of living an open life, guided by the open Book, through an open grave up into the open heaven!

Nothing good ever dies, and the best is yet to be in its sweetness and fullness, when once the gross fetters of earth are no more. We do not understand the subtle philosophy of it, but we know that it is true. The larger and fuller appreciation of those we love comes in the after times with the limitations and the restraints of the flesh removed. Youth certainly can not fully comprehend the fine qualities of sacrificial service as do those who have come to maturer years.

How true this in our most intimate associations? The dear, tired mother that labored for us and watched over us through the years was known far better and filled a larger place after she went into the skies than while on earth. Like her Lord, it was necessary that she go away. When all the accumulated goodness of life is once free from the limitations human, and we cease to see through a glass darkly, how splendid will be the fullness! Doubtless the things that do appear and are so eagerly sought after now will be given their true estimate in that realm where a virtue outshines a diamond and only the good bear rule.

October

ONCE again the autumn is here. "Green forests are yellowing upward into gold" and the scarlet of the maple thrills us like the cry of bugles. There is something in October that sets the blood astir. The yellow and purple, the crimson and gold, the russet and brown are all striving to robe field and forest in a beauty that defies artist's brush or the pen of the poet for these glories cannot be transferred to canvas or printed page—they are enthroned in "God's great out of doors." Yet Bliss Carmen has done right well in the lines that follow:

"Now that the time of fruit and grain is come,
When apples hang above the orchard wall,
And from a tangle by the roadside stream
A scent of wild grapes fills the racy air,
Comes autumn with her sun-burnt caravan,
Like a long gypsy train with trappings gay,
And tattered colors of the Orient,
Moving slow-footed through the dreamy hills—
The maples glow with their Pompeian red,
The hickories with burnt Etruscan gold:
And while the crickets fife along her march
Behind her banners burn the crimson sun."

She Got Her Man

THE ways of the world are past finding out, like the ways of the Almighty. The fortunes of people, which might be called the unexpected fortunes of the unfortunate, are beyond the expectations of most people.

To illustrate these and similar generalizations and the sundry estimates of people, we cite the story of the school girl who was urged to do her home work. The next day her teacher received the following reply from the child's mother:

"Dear Miss:

"My granmaw didn't know no geography and she got her man. My maw didn't know no geography and she got her man. I don't know no geography and I got my man. You know your geography and you aint' got no man."

Congress is moving to draft adolescents for the army. The welfare of the nation as well as the urge of parental hearts say, "Do not draft eighteen-year-old boys." We have not yet reached the desperation of the Southern Confederacy in 1865.

Western North Carolina Conference

In Annual Session October 19-23, First Methodist Church, Charlotte

UNDER the presidency of Bishop Clare Purcell the Western North Carolina conference opened its annual session in First Methodist church Monday evening, with adjournment scheduled for Friday.

Starting at 7:30 o'clock, the opening session program was presented in three phases: ((1) sacrament of the Lord's Supper; (2) organization of the conference; (3) annual meeting of the Conference Historical Society, with the address by Dr. A. W. Plyler of Greensboro, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Sacrament was administered by Bishop Purcell, assisted by Dr. Grover T. Bond, superintendent of the Charlotte district, and these Charlotte Methodist pastors: Dr. G. Ray Jordan of First church, Dr. Embree H. Blackard of Myers Park church, Dr. Howard P. Powell of Dilworth church, Rev. Edgar H. Nease of Hawthorne Lane church, Rev. S. M. Needham of Calvary church, and Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald of Belmont Park church.

Rev. Edgar H. Nease was elected secretary to succeed himself.

"An Inside View of Methodist Journalism" was the subject of Dr. Plyler at the meeting of the Conference Historical Society. Dr. Paul N. Garber, dean of Duke divinity school, presided. Dr. J. E. Pritchard of Ramseur and Franklinville was elevated to the presidency from the the office of vice president.

Granbery Dixon, reporting for the Charlotte Observer, quoted Plyler as follows: "John Wesley, who founded the Methodist Church, was termed 'the great father of Methodist journalism.' With the world as his parish, he regarded the printing press as his chief ally in world evangelism. He wrote voluminously. It is said that he gave to the press from his own pen 371 publications.

"In addition to his authorship of books and pamphlets, John Wesley established the first American magazine. Among contemporary publications, Dr. Plyler spoke particularly of The Methodist Recorder, issued in London. Despite bombings which have occurred in its area, The Methodist Recorder each weeek has reached Greensboro, and continues to arrive regularly as a mute testimonial that the traffic lanes of the Atlantic have never been closed. And it is likewise a sort of parable teaching us that German bombs and world wars cannot stop a church paper.

"Dr. Plyler referred to a number of Methodist publications, including, among many others, Zions Herald of Boston, which began in January, 1828. 'It has remained until this day, and is one of the great weeklies of American Methodism,' the speaker observed. He spoke of The Christian Advocate, the first of a long and distinguished line. It was founded in New York in 1826. Attention was called to many of the Advocates which have followed, among these the North Carolina Christian Advocate, which had its inception in 1856. Freedom of expression was cited as a marked characteristic of these journals.

" 'Those saints who are able to swallow the church paper whole are few in number,' Dr. Plyler reasoned, 'but the loyal, intelligent church members who support the periodicals of their church year after year constitute a majority of the subscription list of every ongoing church periodical, and are a guarantee of its perpetuity.' "

Meetings of a number of commissions, boards and committees of the conference were in progress all afternoon, and similar sessions will continue at intervals during the next couple of days. Three sessions were held by Bishop Purcell and his cabinet, composed of the 11 district superintendents.

Tuesday, October 20—Second Session

Increased faith in God was urged by Bishop Clare Purcell in his morning message at the annual session of the Western North Carolina conference as tremendously urgent in this cataclysmic period in world affairs.

"We are in grave peril of losing the sense of God's immediate presence in our own world," he said. "We must have faith in God. We must make him so real that all these tempests that beat about us cannot separate us from him and his love."

In furtherance of increased intimacy with God in these troublous days, Bishop Purcell counseled: (1) Silence and solitude in obedience to the injunction, "Be still and know that I am God," and in assurance of God's responsiveness to such methods; (2) Devotion to the commonplace duties and tasks, including the practice of human courtesies, kindness and attentiveness; (3) Active ministry of practical religion in execution of God's will; and (4) Sacrifice of treasured things in fealty to the concepts and decrees of God.

At the conclusion of these exhortations the conference elected Rev. J. G. Winkler, pastor of Central church, Kings Mountain, as conference statistician. Other secretaries elected are: James B. McLarty, Rev. W. Kenneth Goodson, and Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr.

Bishop Purcell read a cablegram containing greetings from Lieut. John H. Carper, who left the pastorate of Thrift-Moores to become an army chaplain, the message having been sent "from a foreign land." Already, the president of the conference said, 18 men have gone from the body to chaplaincies in the armed forces; 16 have been chosen for such positions from pastorates in the North Carolina conference, also a part of the Charlotte area of which Bishop Purcell has charge. "Thirty-four out of a quota of 60," he reported. Others will go to chaplaincies. Approximately 1200 Methodist chaplains are needed, with only one-half so far obtained. Soon it is expected that one million Methodist boys will be in the armed forces.

"We must bring messages of comfort and hope," said Bishop Purcell. "No faltering of faith must develop. We will walk with our people in this war through the dark valleys. The good pastor, with the shepherd's heart, will ever be in demand."

Methodism was termed "the implacable foe to the liquor traffic." Between them, no truce can be reached. "Perhaps," said Bishop Purcell, this is not the proper time to launch a campaign for further prohibition amend-

ment to the constiution while so many thousands of our citizens are away on duty in the army and navy. It is, however, the time for us to insist upon protection for our sons in camps and overseas. It is, moreover, time for us to continue a sane and wise campaign of education in the nature of alcohol. We should insist on high school courses to give the student knowledge which will strengthen him in his later years of temptation.

Alcohol, Vice Assailed

"Perhaps the most dangerous saboteur in America is the axis of alcohol and vice." Failure to cope successfully with such conditions "could mean the difference between victory and defeat" in the present world war.

Liquor, which received considerable attention from Bishop Purcell in his address, was discussed at greater length at the annual meeting of the Board of Temperance by Cale K. Burgess of Raleigh, president of the United Dry Forces in North Carolina.

"The liquor traffic is the most destructive saboteur in America," asserted Mr. Burgess, who said that the liquor business in this country produces an economic loss of 15 billion dollars. In the military camps it is proving terribly costly, he charged, and he urged that hundreds of telegrams be sent to members of Congress urging adoption of legislation outlawing "liquor and vice" from such camps.

At the business session of the conference the names of a group of ministers were presented and referred for retirement from active service as follows: Rev. A. O. Lindley of Route 2, Liberty, Rev. W. F. McDowell of Asheboro, Rev. J. N. Randall of Connelly Springs, Rev. C. M. White of Pisgah, Rev. E. D. Ballard of North Monroe, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Sr., of Boone, Rev. L. B. Abernethy of Elkin, Rev. R. M. Andrews of Bethel-Battleground, Greensboro, Rev. J. D. Williams of Welch Memorial High Point, Rev. George R. Brown of Liberty, Rev. C. H. Hill of Liberty circuit, Rev. A. W. Plyler of Greensboro, Rev. J. H. Barnhardt of First church, Marion, Rev. J. R. Warren of Indian Trail-Stallings, and Rev. L. W. Colson of Oteen.

Nine young ministers were elected to elder's orders. They are Rev. C. W. Avett, Rev. Earl D. C. Brewer, Rev. J. W. Fowler, Jr., Rev. H. D. Garmon, Rev. J. J. Holmes, Rev. E. H. Lowman, Rev. J. E. Rink, Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., and Rev. A. W. Wellons.

Dr A. W. Plyler presented the report of the Board of Publication, which issues the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Election of Dr. S. B. Turrentine of Greensboro to succeed himself on the board was anounced, as was the choice of officers, Rev. A. J. Hobbs of Durham, president; Judge N. L. Eure and Thomas C. Hoyle, Sr., both of Greensboro, as vice president and secretary. Sabbatical leave for a year was granted Rev. C. B. Way of Bald Creek, and Rev. K. G. Holt of Fairview.

Check for Retired Men

Dr. A. R. White, manager of the Richmond branch of the Methodist Publishing House, presented a check for $3,514.65 for the retired ministers of the conference as their share of the profits of the house during the year.

Dr. E. K. McLarty, Sr., of Boone delivered the address at the annual memorial service honoring ministers and ministers' wives who have died during the year. Memorial addresses for deceased preachers were presented as follows:

For Rev. J. E. Abernethy of Rutherford College by Rev. L. B. Hayes of Greensboro; for Rev. D. A. Bailey of Liberty by Rev. George R. Brown of Liberty; for Rev. E. N. Crowder of Rutherfordton by Rev. Frank C. Smathers of Rutherfordton; for D. V. Howell of Charlotte by Rev. Embree H. Blackard of Charlotte; for Rev. J. W. Long of Greensboro by Rev. W. L. Hutchins of Waynesville; for Rev. R. L. Melton of Granite Quarry by Rev. J. E. McSwain of High Point; for Rev. M. F. Moores of Black Mountain by Rev. M. T. Smathers of Asheville; for Rev. A. L. Rayle of Stanley by Rev. E. M. Jones of Gastonia; for Rev. G. A. Stamper of Winston-Salem by Rev. W. M. Smith of Winston-Salem; for Rev. J. L. Teague of Franklin by Rev. W. L. Hutchins of Waynesvile; for Rev. J. M. Wall of Walkertown by Rev. B. A. Culp of Winston-Salem; for Rev. E. K. Whidden of Delwood by Rev. G. M. Carver of Jonathan.

At the same time honor was accorded these ministers' wives who died during the year: Mrs. R. S. Abernethy of Rutherford College, Mrs. J. J. Edwards of Mount Ulla, Mrs. G. W. Hardison of Black Mountain, Mrs. G. D. Herman of Asheville, Mrs. I. L. Sharpe of Rural Hall, Mrs. William L. Sherrill of Charlotte, Mrs. J. H. Trollinger of Coleridge, and Mrs. A. H. Whisner of Washington.

Dr. G. Ray Jordan, president of the Board of Education, presided over the annual meeting of the board at night when Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe of Duke University divinity school spoke. Under the leadership of Walter Vassar, director, Miss Ella Troy Woodson of Salisbury as accompanist, several numbers were given by members of the Greensboro College Glee Club. Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary of the board, presented a printed report on the work done during the year.

"The church, through its policy and program of Christian education," said Dr. Rowe, "has long been preparing for such a time as this. Local churches have been taking children at the cradle and following them through life with instruction centered in Christian living. Colleges and universities have provided teachers whose philosophy of life remains supreme devotion to an everlasting kingdom and an atmosphere of communion with God in the spirit of Jesus Christ. Now that the world is in commotion, our people are able to grapple with the forces and meet the dangers of the hour . . . .

"Vile and wicked substitutes for acceptance of the good will of God, such as the will to power and might makes right, are recognized for what they really are when they are examined by men who have learned and practiced the truth of the Christian religion. Such men are profoundly convinced that the Bible is true, and they know that those theories which would destroy freedom radically contradict the truth. The only guarantee that our country will not be victimized by dictators or succumb to the temptation to destroy the liberties of other people lies in a continuation of the educational program of the church."

Dr. Frank S. Hickman of Duke divinity school spoke at the annual Duke University dinner. Rev. Earl H. Brendall, pastor of Trinity church, presided. Dr. Arthur W. Hewitt, pastor of Northfield and Northfield Falls Methodist churches, Riverton, Vt., spoke at a "Rural Church Luncheon" at Dilworth Methodist church under sponsorship of the Methodist Rural Fellowship.

SO YOU ARE COMING TO WASHINGTON!

By Marlowe A. Anderson

Dear Betty:

The hometown paper reports that you have passed your Civil Service Exam. Congratulations! You are as good as here already.

We hope when you come that you will be like thousands of other girls who "adore" living in Washington. We would be disappointed if you would be like that pretty little girl from Dodge City who wailed, "Why did I ever leave Dodge City just to pay my own way to see Gable?"

Please write or wire us just as soon as you know you are leaving. We will be glad to help you find a place to live, but one simply cannot draw rooms out of a hat in Washington as a magician does a bunny.

If any of those others taking the exam when you did haven't friends here, ask them to have their minister write to one of his Washington colleagues in their behalf. Our Washington ministers have helped so many to find rooms. But ask them, please, to send at least twenty-four hours notice.

Before you come, Betty, be sure to make a date with Dr. Marshall for a final physical check-up. Let Dr. Corey have a look at your teeth. Put Field's on your list of "musts," too. Buy at least for your immediate future needs. Prices are invariably higher here. I need hardly tell the "best dressed girl at Northwestern" that "Whoopee Socks" and "saddles" together with afternoon Tea Dresses have no place during working hours. And while you are downtown be sure to stop in at the bank and check out seventy-five dollars to carry you over until you yet your first pay check. You may not get paid for several weeks after your first pay check is due.

It may be that I will be tied up when you arrive and cannot meet you as I should like. Go to the Travelers' Aid Desk in the station. They are wonderful at answering questions.—Advance.

ACHIEVEMENTS AT AYDEN

During our ministry of 13 years we feel that we have been exceedingly fortunate in having such fine people to live with and serve. The memory of all these fine friends is an abiding joy to our hearts and a constant inspiration to our lives.

We are closing four happy years of service at Ayden, and in justice to these fine folks here, I should like to review briefly some of the achievements during this time.

Ayden is a small church, having only 225 members on its roll. More than one-fourth of these are non-resident members. But Ayden achieves many worth while things. We believe this is true largely because her members do not magnify their limitations. They co-operate more than they complain and they work more than they wrangle.

Sixty-one new members have been added during our ministry here. Thirty-three of these have come by vows and 28 by letter.

The church has been greatly improved by the addition of light fixtures, the installation of a new Wicks direct-electric pipe organ, painting of the inside walls, vestibule, doors, window frames and roof, and repairing the front steps and entrance to the church.

The parsonage has likewise been greatly improved. Two coats of paint have been added both inside and outside. The garage and storage house were also painted and the board fences rebuilt and painted. Three rooms were re-plastered and one wall papered. The bath room and back porch were re-worked and needful changes made. New living room furniture was added and a new rug for the living room floor. Some new pieces of kitchen equipment were added, including a Florence oil stove and china cabinet.

Ayden is good to its preachers, too. Many things have been done during our stay here to convince us of this fact. Poundings have been administered from time to time, to say nothing of the almost continuous stream of "good things" that find their way in at the front or back door or across the fence from our good neighbors. The salary has also been increased $350.

We make these statements not just "to make an impression" but to give credit where credit is due. Frankly, the pastor has had little to say or do with these achievements. No coercive methods were used and no constant reminding was necessary. These good people saw the needs and arose to meet them in a very fine way. They are just that kind of people, which makes it the more pleasant to serve them.

We sincerely hope and earnestly pray that when our cabinet makes the appointment about three weeks hence, it may send to Ayden the very best man, preacher, and pastor available, for it is our firm conviction that these people deserve no less. They are among the very best folks to be found aywhere.

Lester A. Tilley, Pastor.

AN APPRECIATION OF THE WORK OF REV. R. M. HARDEE AS PASTOR OF MOCKSVILLE CHURCH

By P. J. Johnson, Publicity Chairman

Brother R. M. Hardee came to our church last fall and entered aggressively into its activities. He gave us vigorous leadership from the beginning and followed through with great enthusiasm until he was called into military service as chaplain the first of August.

One of the first things Brother Hardee had us do was to put our budget obligations on a quarterly basis. This plan was successfully followed with the result that no financial strain has been felt during the year.

Thirty new members were added to the church during his pastorate—15 upon profession of faith and 15 by letter. A successful vacation Bible school was held with the largest community-wide attendance ever experienced. A training school with 34 credits earned was conducted in the spring. Other churches in the community participated.

The parsonage was repaired, painted and made generally more attractive. About $800 was spent in doing this work. Plans for improving our church building were adopted during Brother Hardee's stay with us, and these plans will shortly be carried through. They include a water system, exterior painting and improvements to heating plant. Brother Hardee had other plans for our church that we feel would have been realized if he could have continued with us for a period of time.

Our membership deeply appreciates the service and leadership rendered by Brother Hardee. It was with regret that we gave him up.

Our church feels extremely fortunate, however, in having been able to secure Brother H. G. Sprinkle to complete the year's work. Brother Sprinkle has preached inspiring sermons and has shown great concern for the total program of the church. Under his leadership we have continued to move forward.

NEW CHURCH UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT SHARON, SEABOARD CHARGE

We are glad to be able to report that practically a new church has been built at Sharon church, on the Seaboard charge, this year. This church is located on the Severn-Margaretsville highway, nine miles east of Seaboard.

It was an old fashioned one-room frame structure, but now it has new windows all around of frosted glass, new flues, new pulpit and choir space, a vestibule, a steeple, two class rooms in front with large frosted glass windows opening to the auditorium, two rooms with folding doors between them in the rear, and new sills under the main building.

The improvements to this church have been made at a cost of over $3000, including painting inside and out, and some additional furnishings. The Duke Endowment has given us $600 of the above amount. Several friends, not members of Sharon church, have made contributions also. We appreciate beyond measure what Duke and the other friends have done in making this building program a success. There is no debt on the church.

For many years some of the Sharon members dreamed that some day these improvements would be made. Now their dreams have come true. The decision was made last year when definite plans were made and adopted. We made our plans and raised most of the money before the work started. The building committee was composed of the following members: M. B. Garriss, H. L. Coggins, L. D. Garriss, Mrs. Annie Carpenter and R. A. Bridgers. Mrs. L. D. Garriss was the treasurer and J. G. White the contractor.

The pastor wishes to take this means of publishing the good news to the conference, as well as the fine co-operation the people have given him, and for which he is sincerely glad and grateful.

J. Bascom Hurley.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

N. C. Conference, Wilson ..... Nov. 3-6

Twenty-five round note (unused) New Methodist Hymnals, 1935 edition, with your church name in gold free, at 90 cents each f.o.b. Write Mrs. Boyd Harrelson, King's Mountain, N. C.

At the recent session of the Virginia conference in Richmond, Bishop W. Walter Peele appointed Dr. Edward J. Rees to the pastorate of Ghent church, Norfolk. Dr. Rees goes to Ghent church from the pastorate of Belmont church, Roanoke.



J. Wilson Smith

Chairman of the entertainment commitee of the Western North Carolina Conference, in session this week in Charlotte

"Rev. and Mrs. Hubert Lee Powell of Mooresville, N. C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Leslie, to Staff Sgt. John V. Edmiston of Greenville, Miss., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Edmiston of Mooresville. The wedding will take place in the near future."

Dr. Ralph W. Sockman continues as officiating minister of the "National Radio Pulpit." His subjects for the month of November are: 1st, "Our Unwritten Law"; 8th, "The Belief That Makes Us Brave"; 15th, "Religion's Third Front"; 22nd, "The Tie That Binds"; 29th, "Living Below Par."

Will you give me space in your good paper to express my appreciation to the person who was so kind to send me the Advocate for six months. I assure you that I will read it. It reminds me of an article I saw in your paper of October 8 inst. The title, "It Pays to Be Good," written by Arthur Hopkinson; text, "Cast thy bread upon the waters." I hope the giver will receive manifold blessings.

A leaflet "Christian Aid to China," portraying some of the results and plans of relief activities carried on in China through the Church Committee for China Relief—using funds contributed by American Protestantism—had been made available for circulation. It may be had in individual copies, or in numbers sufficient for pastors to distribute among members of their congregations. Copies may be had free of charge by requesting the Church Committee for China Relief, 105 East 22nd St., New York, or the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief (which co-operates with the church committee) at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

On yesterday I was out with tank maneuvers. One 30-ton tank spent 15 minutes running after a jack rabbit. It reminded me of a great preacher chasing a miser. It made me intensely homesick because it reminded me also of the great Methodist conference soon to be in session spending a week running down financial statistics. The planes came over dropping bags of flour for bombs and one major got whitewashed. That reminded me of a preacher that got hit in the belly by a loaf of bread.—Ed Earnhardt.

A beautiful picture on the front page of last week's North Carolina Christian Advocate, the "House of McIver," named in honor of Charles Duncan McIver, founder and first president of the great Woman's College. We knew Dr. McIver back in the 90's when county institutes were held throughout the state. He was of splendid physique, fine personality, and ready wit and humor. When Dr. Charles Duncan McIver breathed his last a great statesman, citizen and pioneer in the educational realm passed from the stage of action. His works do follow him.—Mrs. Nettie deFord.

The new brick church building at Tabernacle, Laurel Hill charge, is nearing completion. The present plan is to complete the work, with only a small debt, before conference meets in Wilson, November 3. This beautiful new brick structure was erected at the cost of $10,000, through a generous donation by the Duke endowment, gifts of friends, and the sacrificial giving of the membership. The church is located on the Hamlet-Gibson highway in Ghio. We are closing our fourth year on the Laurel Hill charge and feel that each year has been better than the preceding one. Our members have progressed from "hit-and-miss" to systematic giving. As a result all obligations have been paid in full two weeks before conference. The pastor has enjoyed for four years the loyal support of a good people.—E. H. Measamer, Pastor.

The Home Missions Council of North America will hold its annual meeting in Cleveland from December 5 to 10 in order to share in a conference of American Co-operative Christianity. Other organizations participating in the joint sessions in December are the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the Foreign Missions Conference, United Council of Church Women, United Stewardship Council, and certain divisions of the International Council of Religious Education and Missionary Education Movement. Among subjects to be considered will be "Religious Work in Defense Areas," "Japanese Work in the United States," "Race and Culture," "War Emergency and a Post-War World," and "Religion in Education in a Democracy." On Sunday, December 6, representaives of the council will occupy pulpits of Cleveland churches.

At the first quarterly conference, January 11, among the aims adopted as goals to achieve during the year was this one: "October as 'V' for victory month, everything paid in full by October 15." One church reached the goal by the last Sunday in June, another by the first Sunday in September. Others have been following, and by the first Sunday in October the entire budget was paid in full. So at the fourth quarterly conference, October 18, everything was paid in full, with a respectable bonus for the pastor. Sixty-five additions have been made to the churches on the charge —33 by certificate and 43 by profession of faith. Four schools of missions and five daily vacation church schools with a total enrollment of 186. Oh yes, there have been 17 new subscribers to the N. C. Advocate and three to the Chicago Advocate. Too, immediate plans are getting under way for building an education unit to the Beech Grove church.—W. A. Tew, Pastor.

Souls Nobody Knows

By HOWARD L. MANNING

In my mind I dream of a book of experience which I hope some time to gather together and name "The Souls Nobody Knows." For day by day I am discovering that there are multitudes of souls ready to open to God if only someone would pass their way with sympathy and with the Word. I am discovering that often a conversation with a hitchhiker will reach deeper than a sermon well prepared. (Perhaps it only seems that way). When the CCC camps were still in existence around Moab, Utah, the boys often rode with me to and from town. How many times a lonesome youth opened his heart to me! And often I have found that casual contacts with the mountain men of Colorado have meant more for God than the sermon which they would not have heard without those contacts. One man in McElmo canyon still remembers that I helped him unload his corn before I ever told him who I was. I had forgotten it long since.

I will put into my book the story of Mrs. D— ——. A mere boy of a preacher took me to her so that she could tell my fortune. That was her hobby. The fortune telling began. She asked questions and I wrote the answers on paper because she could not hear a word. Suddenly she stopped. "You have something to tell me," she said. After that she talked no more of fortunes, but we talked of God. And when I left she said, "Will you pray for me?" Of course there was but one answer to that. I promised to pray for her. I also promised that I would call upon her again before I left town. Eight days later I did call upon her again. She seemed most surprised that I should have remembered to keep a promise to an old lady. "Did you pray for me?" When I assured her that I had done so she said: "I knew you did. For the pain in my back left me that night and I have slept like a baby every night since." "But I did not pray for your pain." Instantly she was all earnest curiosity. "What did you pray for?" "I prayed that you might have peace in your soul. You need that much more than any release from pain." (Remember that I had to write my responses while her eager mind plied me with questions). Suddenly her face lightened. "Yes, that's what I need. Tell me about it." Then I wrote to her of how Jesus said: "Let not your heart be troubled. . . . Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." And I told her of the many things that he had packed between those two sentences, which were the heart of a faith that would bring peace. She was up and gone in a minute, returning with a Bible which showed signs of having been much used once, but which now had the stamp of disuse upon it. "Mark those verses," she said, "so that I can study them after you are gone." I still visit her. She is desperately afraid that she will show herself orthodox. But one of these days she is not going to be able to avoid Jesus and his way.

Then in my book I would tell about something that happened in a mining camp. I had been welcomed into the home of an Italian family there. Far from their priest, the parents were anxious to get whatever help they could in training their two children. I took Home Department materials to them. A few weeks later, after an evening service in a bit of a schoolhouse, the little girl plucked my sleeve. "Mr. Manning, you remember that Prayer Book you gave me? I have read every word of it." She has gone from the camp now, with her family, but once in a while as I look back over work left behind, I have faith that a seed was sown there which will bear fruit in years to come.

I am thinking of E———. He hated preachers. He would have nothing to do with them if he could avoid it. But he found himself in circumstances in which he could not avoid this particular missionary. Things began to happen in his life. Now he believes. He is present at every service. And because he has changed, his home life has changed. His wife, who was a persecuted Christian before, now walks in happiness. Out of his meager wages E——— insists on paying for more than his share of the expenses of the men's group to which he belongs.

And I will put A——— in that book. He is the man who five years ago fought the establishment of a Sunday school in his community. He is the man who later ridiculed his wife and children when they went. But he is the same man who, after a talk with the missionary, permitted the Friday evening Bible class to meet in his home because he could not deny his neighbors the use of the only piano in the vicinity. He is the same man who, a few weeks afterward, came to the road to tell me of the new insight he had received into his Bible. One morning his wife walked into Sunday school with smiles wreathing her face and told the superintendent that on that day her husband had read from the Bible before the family for the first time in their married life. A——— is now a Christian and a trustee of his mission church.

Much more I could add to these bits of stories. But they will serve to show something of the entrance of the fragrance of Jesus into lives which are touched by the Gospel through the work of our church.—The Presbyterian Tribune.

OVER THERE AND OVER HERE

By Charles A. Wells

Every additional report of increased persecution against religion in the Nazi dominated areas brings cries of denunciation from the lips of many Americans. But these same Americans are often guilty of another kind of persecution against religion—the persecution of indifference. They have not sent their pastor, priest, or rabbi to a concentration camp but they have just as effectively walled him in by neglect and inadequate support. We are fighting in a war to protect religion "over there," while we destroy religion "over here" by our worldly unconcern for the spiritual values that are the foundations of a decent society. Moreover, persecution does not really destroy religion; it only drives its roots deeper under ground. Neglect and indifference can kill religion at its roots.—Advance.

The measure of a man is not the number of his servants but the number of people whom he serves—Dr. Paul D. Moody.

EXCERPTS FROM NEWS LETTER OF CONFERNCE LAY LEADER

The anniversary of the laymen has been set for three o'clock Thursday, November 5. At this hour the Board of Lay Activities of the N. C. Conference will present its report to the annual session of the conference.

An outstanding feature of this program will be an address by Dr. G. B. Childs, professor of education at Duke University, and associate lay leader of the Durham district. We are most fortunate in having Dr. Childs to talk to us at that time.

On the same day at one o'clock the Conference Board of Lay Activiies will hold its business session. All members of the board are requested to be at the Cherry Hotel at one o'clock. Bishop Purcell has been invited to attend this meeting and it is sincerely hoped that he can arrange to be present.

The Plyler brothers—Drs. M. T. and A. W.—are rounding out fifty years of service to our church. Methodists in both of the North Carolina conferences, in appreciation of this fine record of devotion to the affairs of the church by these two Christian leaders, are rallying to the urgent need of more subscribers (and more readers) to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Laymen, here is an opportunity to share our appreciation! Nothing would please these two brethren more than to see the Advocate in every Methodist home.

Attendance upon forty-three annual conferences! Lay leader of the Durham district! Secretary of the Board of Lay Activities of the N. C. Conference! Chaplain at Duke hospital! Years and years of Christian service to the Methodist Church! Such, laymen, is the record of Prof. F. S. Aldridge of Durham. Mr. Aldridge's health is not as good as we would like to see it, and he is unable to visit as much as in past years. As director of the Golden Cross, he is continuing his good work. Surely such service, such loyalty, and such leadership deserves our appreciation. Let's put the Golden Cross over BIG this year as a tribute to Brother Aldridge!

The conference lay leader was privileged in having a part in services at Lumberton and Wilmington on the last Sunday in September.

The harvest day service at Lumberton, with the church decorated in keeping with a bountiful harvest was inspiring. Laymen had charge of the program and, with Pastor Fisher's help, did a grand job.

At Fifth Avenue in Wilmington a joint meeting in the interest of a home church for thousands of war workers in the Wilmington vicinity was held. The Wilmington Methodist society for the extension of our church deserves our support. Supt. Parker, the pastors, lay leader McGirt, and scores of other laymen are working hard on this project—and getting results. We commend their efforts! W. J. Smith, Lay Leader, Bethel, N. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NEWS NOTES

The annual meeting of the board of trustees was held Thursday at 2 o'clock following a luncheon at 1 o'clock in the college dining room, at which time members of the board were invited to be guests.

Rev. R. S. Truesdale spoke to the students at their noon chapel service in Odell auditorium last Thursday. Mr. Truesdale declared that when we accept life on terms of service, it is then that we use life rightfully and we are never absolutely free until we have met our Master and until we have made our life useful and worth living.

Dr. Raymond Smith presided over the meeting and an anthem was sung by the college glee club, under the direction of Walter Vassar.

Rehearsal began last week as the Greensboro College Players started preparation for their first production of this season, "Mr. Pim Passes By," a three-act comedy by A. A. Milne. The play will be presented Friday evening, November 6, in Odell Memorial auditorium.

The Greensboro College Players, organized in 1925, present a series of dramas each year, the productions last year being "Ladies in Retirement," by Percy and Denham; "The Late Christopher Bean," by Sidney Howard; "Rip Van Winkle," adaptation by Ruthenburg, which was presented also in Winston-Salem; and Totheroh's "Moor Born."

At a meeting of the International Relations Club Monday night, members of the club completed plans for sponsoring Red Cross knitting at the college. The students expect to begin knitting this week for the army and navy such things as sweaters, helmets, watch cups, gloves, socks and mufflers, which will be made throughout the year.

The art club held its first meeting Monday night in the east drawing room of Main building. Wilhelmina Stroud of Cooleemee, president of the club, presided over the meeting which closed with a business session. Plans were discussed concerning the club's sponsoring a fashion show soon.

November 1 will mark the end of the six weeks' period of fun intermingled with work as the first group of home economics complete their period of housekeeping in the practice house and return to the dormitories to live. Housekeeping has been lots of work for these seven girls but it also has been fun galore—planning meals, entertaining, being hostess, and doing all the routine duties of a model housekeeper.

NEWS ITEMS FROM ROCKWOOD CHARGE

We are nearing the close of our second year on the Rockwood charge. They have been two enjoyable years. We feel that we have been making some progress during the two years. When he came to the charge two years ago there were five different churches in three different communities. In each of two of the communities there were two Methodist churches, a former M. E. Church and a former M. E. Church, South. During our first year we gave much of our attention to the problem of making unification effective in these two communities. At the close of that first year two of the churches in one community, Amon Plains church and Harmony Grove church, were merged into one congregation, known this year as Harmony Plains church. This newly united church and the Rockwood church decided that they would like to have a two-point charge, and so agreed to assume the financial responsibilities of the charge. So during the past year Rockwood charge has been a two-point charge.

The other two churches that were on the Rockwood charge have been supplied this year by Rev. W. H. Pless, a retired minister. Soon after conference last year these two churches, Brown's Chapel and Liberty, were united into one congregation known as Beaver Dam.

The past year has been a very good year on the Rockwood charge. In the beginning of the year the charge assumed a ten per cent increase in pastor's salary and other claims in proportion. This made a total of 20 per cent increase during the past two years in pastor's salary and other claims in proportion. The charge has a habit of meeting all claims in full each month.

Our revival services this year were good at both churches. Brother Clay Madison, pastor of First Methodist church of Waynesville, did some unusually good preaching for us at the Harmony Plains church. Through the services and through our visits in the homes a number of persons were led to renew their relationship with God. Some of these were already members of the church. As a result of our services and through our daily vacation church school six persons joined the church on profession of faith.

Brother Roy Houts and his wife of Andrews proved to be unusually good help in our revival services and daily vacation school at Rockwood. As a result of these services approximately 20 persons were led to Christ. Eleven persons joined the church on profession of faith at the close of the services. Some of the converts joined the Baptist church in the community and some were already members.

Our daily vacation church schools were well attended at both churches. At Harmony Plains our enrollment was 53 boys and girls and eight helpers, making a total of 61. At Rockwood our enrollment was 85 boys and girls and seven helpers, making a total of 92.

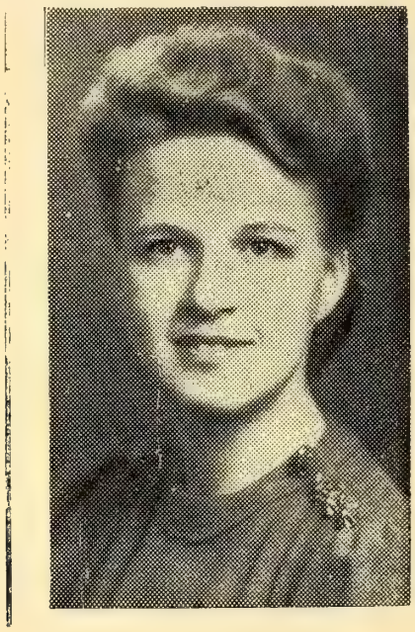
Rev. William Merchant, a Duke Foundation student, taught our two training schools for Christian workers. The course he taught was on Christian Worship. Brother Merchant also helped in our daily vacation church school at Harmony Plains. We were well pleased with his services.

We co-operated with the other Methodist churches in and around Canton in a school of missions in which we studied "The Methodist Meeting House," by Dr. Garber. The school was held at Central Methodist church in Canton.

Each of our two churches has recently observed Christian education week, including among other things church school rally day, church loyalty day, and a fellowship dinner for the whole church. V. A. Morton, Pastor.

MISS MEYER NEW DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH INSTRUCTOR AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Miss Florence Meyer of Williamsport, Ohio, has recently come to Greensboro College as an instructor in the department of speech and dramatic art, replacing Rush T. Wray, who has returned to his home in Burnsville because of illness. An A.B. graduate cum laude from Ohio State University, Miss Meyer also did graduate work at the university, receiving B.S. in education and M.A. degrees. She has



Miss Florence Meyer

taught one year of high school English and public speaking in New Madison, Ohio, three years of dramatic art and debate in the high school of Alliance, Ohio, and one year as assistant instructor in the department of dramatics at Ohio State University.

In Odell auditorium students of the college presented the first of a series of skits to be given by each class during the next few weeks for the purpose of obtaining money so the four classes can purchase a war bond. The seniors presented the first skit, showing a typical senior's everyday life. The Junior class has charge of the next production, which will be given soon.

President Luther L. Gobbel announced last week that Christmas holidays this year will begin at 11 a. m. December 16 and extend to January 5. This decision slightly changes the original time for the holidays, December 19-January 4, because of existing difficulties in transportation.

A series of radio programs presented by the Greensboro College school of music began last week with an entertainment over one of Greensboro's stations. Eight programs have been planned, extending until November 25. For the first presentation Mark Hoffman, dean of school of music at G. C., and Kurt Victorious, professor of economics at Guilford College and a member of the orchestra, played a piano and violincello duet.

DR. GEORGE R. BROWN HONORED

At the Liberty town hall on the evening of Friday, October 16, the members of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist church were hostesses at a reception honoring Dr. and Mrs. George R. Brown. This year completes Dr. Brown's fifty-sixth year of service as a pastor in the Methodist Church, and he will retire as an active minister at this year's annual conference. During these years he has held many responsible positions, and is now a member of the Judicial Council. For the past few years Dr. and Mrs. Brown have lived in Liberty and have endeared themselves to every one with whom they have come in contact in both religious and civic activities.

The guests were welcomed by Mrs. N. K. Haynes and Miss Eula Lee Beale, after which Miss Marie Ward introduced them to the receiving line composed of Miss Florence Owen, president of the Guild, and Dr. and Mrs. Brown.

The rooms of the hall, artistically decorated with fall flowers, autumn leaves and ferns, made an attractive setting for the occasion. Mrs. Mary Pattishall directed the guests to the lovely table at which Mrs. Fred Buckle poured tea. On the table was an Irish lace cloth over a shade of yellow which brought out the richer tones of the centerpiece made up of ageratum, ivy and tiny marigold, contrasting beautifully with the silver candlesticks and tea service.

During the evening Mrs. T. R. Wall, Misses Frances Smith and Varna Mae Peyton, Rev. and Mrs. James Dickert, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Stamey, Roy Moffitt, Charles Carter, and Richard Staley gave a musical program which was highly enjoyable. Goodbyes were said by Mrs. J. H. Wylie.

TRINITY CHURCH, RALEIGH, HOLDS OPENING SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

The new Trinity Methodist church holds its first service Sunday, October 25, with Bishop Clare Purcell to preach the sermon. This is more than an ordinary day for Methodism in our Capital City. The new Trinity is a most attractive building of brick—adequate for all church purposes.

Next Sunday the members of Trinity church (formerly Central and Epworth churches and then Person Street), will move into their new church building on the corner of Sasser and Bloodworth streets. The church school will open at 9:30 a. m. with a special program in which the entire school will take part. At 11 o'clock Bishop Clare Purcell will preach, and the doors of the church will be opened to receive new members. Following the morning service picnic dinner will be served on the church grounds. In the afternoon from 3 to 5 the congregation will hold open house, to which the entire city is invited. The evening service at 7:30 will mark the beginning of a week's series for thanksgiving and revival services. All former pastors and members, editors of our church paper and friends of the church are cordially invited to attend any or all of these services.

We feel sure that many will want to join with Brother R. G. Dawson and his people on this auspicious occasion, in which they will be able to enjoy the results of their labors and to see something of the realization of their dreams.

A CALIFORIAN ENJOYS THE ADVOCATE

Mr. L. A. Cowper, reared in Gatesville, N. C., and for a number of years in business in Norfolk, Va., is a man of many interests in California. But through all the years he has not lost his interest in all good causes ..back home."

His contributions to hard pressed churches and other good causes have spread joy and gladness in many hearts. In a personal letter, with interesting enclosures, this good and devoted layman speaking for himself and Mrs. Cowper, writes:

"Let me also enclose the article 'Beyond the Shadow,' written by Robt. G. Tuttle. Margrethe and I enjoyed it very much. We certainly enjoy the Advocate and see some article in each paper that makes us feel that that one article is worth a year's subscription to the paper, so you see at that rate the paper would be worth $100 per year. You see I value things spiritual highly. Yesterday we enjoyed our Communion more than usual, for it was World Communion Sunday and we felt as if we were really Christ's guests at his table."

DUKE ARMY HOSPITAL UNIT ACTIVATED

Pictured below in their army uniforms, are some of the 57 physicians, dentists, and administrative personnel of Duke Hospital who this week reported for active duty with the 65th General Hospital of the United States Army. In the process of organization for more than a year, the General Hospital eventually will have a personnel, including enlisted men, of 715 persons and will care for 1,000 beds. Forty-seven of the officers are North Carolinians.

The group shown here attended a farewell ball in their honor.

They are: (kneeling, left to right)—1st Lt. S. Grayson Brothers, Durham; 2nd Lt. Eugene Brown, Durham; Capt. Gordon Axelson, Boston, Mass.; Capt. Trogler Adkins, Durham; Capt. Robert Lincicome, Durham; Maj. Samuel Upchurch, Durham; Maj. T. T. Jones, Durham; Maj. William Farmer, Greensboro; Capt. Chester Waters, Omaha, Neb.; Capt. William Hollister, Durham.

Second row: 1st Lt. Joseph Hiatt, Durham; 1st Lt. Ivan Brown, Durham; Capt. Hugh Swingle, Johnson City, Tenn.; Maj. Louis Roberts, Durham; Maj. Leo Alexander, Durham; Lt. Col. Elbert L. Persons, Durham; Col. Gordon Clapp, Fort Bragg; Lt. Col. Clarence E. Gardner, Durham; Maj. C. C. Erickson, Durham; Maj. William Schulze, Durham; 1st Lt. Harold B. Kernodle, Durham; Capt. Will C. Sealey, Durham.

Back row: 1st Lt. William E. Branning, Durham; Capt. Robert L. Craig, Durham; 2nd Lt. Archie Millis, Durham; Capt. James Cherry, Asheville; 1st Lt. Paul Schanner, Durham; 1st Lt. Glenn Newman, Durham; 1st Lt. Woodrow Burgess; Capt. Norman Ross, Durham; Capt. Julian Jacobs, Charlotte; Maj. P. B. Whittington, Greensboro.

NEWS FROM OXFORD METHODIST CHURCH

On October 4 we observed World Communion Sunday. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw brought the morning message on the subject, "The New Birth." Rev. C. K. Proctor, Rev. R. D. Daniel and the pastor assisted in the service. The pastor read the names of 45 men serving in the armed forces of our country. The communicants left their offering of $43 on the altar for the "Fellowship of Suffering." The local officers of the M. Y. F. came to the first table, together with their superintendent and adult counselor, Miss Carrie Fuller and Mrs. C. Freeman Heath, and Mr. Bradshaw dismissed the group with the prayer of dedication.

During the afternoon the annual Granville sub-district rally was held in the church. Those taking part on the program with Rev. Mr. Bradshaw were Harris Proctor, Ralph Rogers and Miss Nell Rees.

Picnic supper was served at 6:15. Evening worship with sermon by Mr. Bradshaw on the theme, "Things a Christian Knows," closed the day's program.

The Oxford Methodist church was the third charge in the rally district to pay her world service obligation in full. She has raised in full her asking for Golden Cross, has 60 additions to the church and will send her delegates to the annual conference with all obligations paid in full.

D. S. Johnson, Lay Leader.

LOUISBURG TO OBSERVE HOME COMING

Louisburg College alumni will observe home coming on Saturday and Sunday, October 31 and November 1. Miss Lula Mae Stipe, alumni secretary and consultant dean of the college, is in charge of plans.

The program for the week-end celebration will be inaugurated by intramural athletic contests. At 6:30 a banquet will be held in the college dining hall. Mrs. James Malone, Louisburg, president of the alumni, will be toastmistress, and Rev. B. C. Reaves, Henderson, will be guest speaker. At 8:30 a play will be staged by the Louisburg College Players under the direction of Miss Virginia Peyatt, instructor in dramatic arts.

On Sunday morning a special service will be held at the Louisburg Methodis tchurch in recognition of the alumni. Rev. Forest D. Hedden, pastor, will preach the sermon.

In the recent fiftieth Anniversary Convocation of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Louisburg College was given a place in the academic procession. Dr. Walter Patten, president, was the representative, having the eleventh place in the procession, by virtue of the date of the founding, 1787. The place occupied by the college was the first of the Methodist institutions in the state, the second in North Carolina institutions, being preceded by Salem College and immediaely followed by the University of North Carolina.

The Young Woman's Christian Association held its service of recognition of new members at a candle lighting service in the chapel last Wednesday evening. The service was held in an impressive setting of sacred music, piano and record, while lighted candles in candelabra amid ferns and flowers further heightened the effect.

The Gama Upsilon chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, national junior-college scholastic fraternity of Louisburg College, held its fall initiation last week.



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Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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IN HIS HAND

He holds within His hand
The tangled skein of years,
Worn with the world's distress—
Stained with rebellious tears.
With understanding touch
He straightens every strand,
And lo, the skein is smooth
And lovely in His hand.
—Marjorie Hunt Pettit.

WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL

Next week, October 26-30, is the date set apart for the annual observance of the week of prayer and self-denial, and it is the desire of the executive committee of our conference that every society participate in this observance. A retreat has been subgested as an interesting and impressive service for the week, and the service of worship, prepared by Mrs. Charles Hardie, to be used in connection with the retreat, may be found in the World Outlook for October, page 22. The Outlook also carries cuts of the institutions, which are the specials for this week of prayer, and which will be greatly helped by the gifts contributed during the week. Let each society plan to observe the suggested days with a program that will be helpful and inspiring.

MESSAGE FROM MISSIONARIES IN BRAZIL

Ever since Rev. and Mrs. Charles Clay have been in Brazil as missionaries they have cheered the hearts of friends in the States with messages which they have designed as "Clay Chatter"—messages of interest and greatly appreciated by those who have received them. Number thirty of these messages from Victoria, Espirito Santo, Brazil, has been recently received from Mrs. Clay, in which she gives us some of their experiences on their return trip to Brazil, following a furlough in 1941. These experiences are featured by delay of boats, planes, etc., finally reaching Puerto Rico, where they stayed for two weeks, and from whence they made the trip to the bounds of Brazil, in the largest of all Pan-American planes, the "Stratoclipper," without incident, and after a succesful trip reached their old home at Juiz De Fora, where they were welcomed by old friends and neighbors, but long overdue at "Victoria, our new appointment." Mrs. Clay says they hurried on and after a day and night on a Brazilian train reached Victoria "a miniature Rio by the sea." Faithful members of the small congregation met them at the station and all "nearly wept with joy and relief." They are located in a large house, half a block from the hall, now used as a church by the Methodists. Quoting from Mrs. Clay's message: "Elizabeth started to school in the big Baptist institution of high standing in the community. Their work started 35 years ago, while ours was opened only two years ago. They (the Baptists) have welcomed us cordially and we hope to work together in close co-operation and harmony, as Victoria is large enough for many Protestant groups. The Presbyterians have a small congregation here, but no missionaries, so our American friends are made up of Baptists, the consul and his wife, several naval officers and a young couple in business. On the 4th of July we all met for a very enjoyable dinner and evening. Charles will write more about the church work and of his experiences as a new district superintendent."

PASSING OF REV M. F. MOORES

It is with sorrow that we record the passing of Rev. M. F. Moores, pastor of the Black Mountain Methodist church, Tuesday afternoon, October 13, in the Mission hospital in Asheville, following an illness of many weeks, the result of an automobile accident in October, 1941, in which both he and Mrs. Moores were seriously hurt.

His funeral was conducted Thursday afternoon, October 15, in the church of which he was pastor with Rev. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent of Asheville district, Rev. W. A. Lambeh of Central church, Asheville, and Rev. L. W. Colson, chaplain at Oteen hospital, in charge of the services. His body was interred in Oakdale cemetery, Hendersonville, by the side of his daughter, Mrs. Verna Moores Lowry, who died several years ago. He is survived by Mrs. Moores, three daughters, one brother and three grandchildren. Our sympahty is extended to the bereaved ones.

Friends of Mrs. Moores will regret to know that she is confined to her home in Black Mountain, as a result of a fall sustained more than two months ago, and will join us in wishing her an early recovery.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO MISSIONARIES?

In the October issue of the World Outlook we have an interesting article by Miss Violet Wood, a frequent contributor to religious publications, in which she shows the value of the missionaries in distant lands and what they mean to the countries in which they are serving. In the opening of the article she pays this tribute to the faithful missionaries: "The missionaries have outdone themselves. They have transcended nationality and creed, seeing above all their oneness together in God. They have been Christian in a way that stirs our pulses with new hope for universal kinship in the world of Christ, for brotherhood that turns each heavy barrier of repulse into a swinging gate of welcome."

How the missionaries have achieved success may be gleaned from the files of the International Missionary Council that read new chapters into Christian history. Quoting Miss Wood's article: "Excerps from the International Missionary Council files are representative of what 4000 missionaries believing He will not forsake them are doing to keep the missionary enterprise alive. In India, for instance, some of the best schools for boys and girls would falter if there were no missionaries. In many villages mission schools offer the only opportunities for learning to read and write, that is available under Hindu laws to the people of the depressed classes, numbering about 60,000,000 men, women and children. The younger churches and their devoted pastors would be deprived of the support they need a little longer yet to carry on, and research by missionary scientists into leprosy and other tropical maladies would cease depriving the research workers of needed co-operation."

China. "Without missions the shadow on China would be even more heavy than on India, for China bleeds with war. For fifty or even a hundred miles there are often no hospitals save those of Christian missions. . . . The help that these doctors have given to the wounded during civilian bombardments have done more to break down the ancient prejudice of Chinese women against clinics and hospitals than fifteen years of quiet preaching could have done. Think of the Christian colleges to which Madame Chiang Kai-shek paid tribute when she said: 'They must go on. Out of them will come our leaders for our years of reconstruction and our peace.'

Africa: "Who would answer the groping questions of the younger churches in the Congo Belge, South Africa, if the missionary leaders were removed? The African Christian seeks to know amid death and destruction, 'Do you believe in life everlasting?' The Pacific Islander says: 'I must know who Christ is. I must know why I must follow Him, what his way is, where it leads. I must know why I believe in him. The missionaries know that he will not forsake them; that is why they can go on. Since the outbreak of the war American Christians have sent over one and one-half million dollars to Continental and British missions. "But that giving," says Miss Wood, "must be done again and again. The time of sacrificial giving in His name must come to America, lest that in our withholding the love of God for his distressed children in the storm-swept lands become as empty words." We ought to realize ourselves in giving and transcend our gifts as the missionaries, through His power, have outdone themselves in service in this long era of darkness and suffering." "They falter only if we fail."

The death of the just retains nothing but the name, nay, even the name is gone; it is only a sleep.—Chrysostom.

Bring your mind to your condition; for you will never be able to bring your condition to your mind.—Jay.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER FOR A WORLD AT WAR

Eternal God, our Father in heaven, we lift before thee our deep concern for the peace of the world and for righteousness that there may be peace. Help us to see thee high and lifted up above all the confusion of our land. By that vision may we find courage to do what we can and fortitude to bear whatever we must.—Dr. Mark Depp.

SOME SIGNIFICANT STATEMENTS

Sharing with our readers some excerpts from statements of district secretaries at the recent meeting of the conference executive committee will prove that the women throughout the conference are persistently and loyally working for the cause of Christ through the channels of the W. S. C.S. Said Miss Florine Robertson of the Durham district: "We are going forward in finances and in all lines of work and the women are responding cheerfully to the emergency fund." Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City district: "We are taking the work to the women who can't go to the meetings." (Mrs. Pendleton referred to the educational conferences in five strategic points of her district). Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern: "We are striving for 100 per cent organization in New Bern district." Mrs. T. R. Smith, Raleigh district: "There has been steady growth. We have not retrenched in any department. Each quarter we have paid more than one year ago. Every charge in Raleigh district is organized." Mrs. Fred Johnson, Rocky Mount district: "We are already at the half way mark in finances; 100 per cent organized on charges and are working toward a 100 per cent week of prayer observance." Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district: "We have two workers in Wilmington district, Miss Mary Nichols of Wilmington and Miss Robertson, a Bible teacher in Whiteville school. We paid more last year than ever before and more last quarter and first two qaurers this year than last year."

CONCERNING SUPPLIES

One of the lines of work of the W. S. C. S. less understood and more neglected is that of the department of supplies. Mrs. R. B. Hooker, Kinston, conference secretary of supplies, is most desirous that supply work in this conference shall be promoted according to plans set forth by the Woman's Division of Christian Service. In North Carolina conference the supply projects are: Contributions for refrigerators for China; medical supplies for extension clinic in Philippines; (these must be in cash and will be held until such time as they can get through). In North Carolina conference contributions for Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on Goldsboro circuit; Miss Priscialla Stegar, industrial deaconess, East Laurinburg, and Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at E. C. T. C., Greenville, are very needful and acceptable. Money for supplies should be sent to Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, 201 S. William Street, Goldsboro, designated for some particular work. Boxes, etc., should go as sual. Only new goods can be valued and reported. Mrs. Hooker is suggesting that societies place pledged amounts for supplies in the budgets when the latter are made in January and is urging that quarterly reports shall be sent her.

WEEK OF PRAYER PROJECTS

As we worship, pray, learn and give during the week of prayer and self-denial on October 26-30, we shall experience a sense of humble gratitude that we are privileged to have a share in the needful causes to which the offerings will be directed. These projects include: A dining hall and class room building at Wood Junior College, Mathison, Miss.: A new building and new furnishings and equipment at Crandon Institute, Monevideo, Uruguay; land and a girls' dormitory at Granbery Institute, Lins, Brazil; new furnishings and equipment for Bennett College, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and American School, Porto Alegre, Brazil; a new building for Wesley Community House, Oklahoma City, Okla.

WE WILL CONTINUE BECAUSE

Consecrated Christians will continue to contribute sacrificially to missions because: Two hundred additional missionaries are needed at once in Latin America; many missionaries are still at their stations with increased opportunities for service; emergency travel for missionaries is costing twice the amount appropriated; the board needs to establish reserve funds for reconstruction when the war is over.

SOME REFERENCES

In World Outlook and The Methodist Woman have been published many stories of Latin American which are timely and pertinent to the fall mission study on "Missions in Latin America." For the convenence of our readers we list the copies in which these stories may be found and urge that they shall be used as supplementary material in the fall study classes. In World Outlook articles on Brazil are found in January 1941, August 1941, September 1941, October 1941, November 1941, June 1942, May 1942, January 1942. Costa Rica, March 1942, February 1942. Uruguay, March 1942, April 1942. Chili, September 1941, January 1942. Bolivia, October 1941, February 1942. Mexico, January 1941, April 1941, February 1941, December 1941, August 1941, January 1942, February 1942, July 1942. Cuba, July 1941. Argentina, December 1941, April 1942. The July 1942 issue of The Methodist Woman contains a story on Peru; December 1941 and April 1942 on Argentina, and July 1942 on Cuba.

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP LEE

"It is very gratifying to have a task in this day," declared Bishop Edwin F. Lee in an address to a vast audience during the school of missions at Lake Junaluska. Continued he: "When we consider this present day it is impossible to be unconcerned. The thing that concerns me as I come back to America is the attitude of the Christian people. We've got to get hold of some of the great truths of Christianity; we've got to find out some of the great teachings of Jesus and get men to believe them. . . . We are challenged to work with God to make his kingdom in this world. We can't do it alone. . . . The Far East is in chaos and turmoil. Despite all that Japan has gained, I'm glad that she attacked us instead of America having attacked Japan. We must be careful in this day that we keep our heads between our shoulders and that we do not be carried away with wishful thinking. When we win this war let us not be un-Christian in our attitude toward our aggressors, but let us temper our mercy with justice and stand by our government as she attempts to share in an international police force and not to write an edict which those in the jungles of Borneo shall never understand. We must respect men and women who are willing to face difficulties, but let us not overdo the emotion of courage. Let's make it possible for people in other countries to live life more abundantly. . . . The moment this warfare shall cease we shall then as a Christian church start at the ends of the earth to propagate the story of Jesus to all mankind. When I think of the German army 4,000,000 strong and united Methodism with 8,000,000 strong, what would happen if those 8,000,000 Methodists would stand by and say 'We are able.' They should shake the world. We must say that we are ready to share with God in rebuilding the world for him. We shall find our way out and serve faithfully to the end."

CIRCLE HEARS MRS. DANIELS

One of the circles of the W. S. C. S. of Hayes-Barton Methodist church, Mrs. Howard DeBerry, leader, heard Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Sr., relate many interesting events of her life in Mexico when she spoke at the October meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. R. L. Jerome. Mrs. Daniels also spoke of the customs of Mexican folk and displayed many lovely souvenirs and curios of that country, including pottery, baskets, Mexican hand work, etc. Those present were particularly pleased to see two hand made silver trays which were presented to Ambassador and Mrs. Daniels prior to their returning to Raleigh to live. Rev. Mr. Jerome led the devotional. Mrs. DeBerry presided at the business session at which time the week of prayer and seld-denial and and the fall mission study class and other items of business were discussed.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

This is Sunday evening. The afternoon has passed but its memory lingers. A visit was made to little Jimmie who is recuperating in the hospital following a right serious operation. Eugene was close by with his arm in a cast, he having failed to get it out of the way when falling down one day recently. From the hospital a trip was made to the Forsyth County Tuberculosis Sanatorium where Albert Darnell was ready to be released after having taken a rest cure for some eight months. As we came along the road on our homeward bound trip we reveled in the autumn color. The yellow and wine colored leaves seemed to add lustre to a beautiful sunlit afternoon. Albert, a young man of tubercular descent, is well. He will take over the truck farm boys and add color to their vegetable gatherings. So the afternoon has been a happy one.

A CHILD'S QUESTION

While a whole lot of the younger members of our family, both boys and girls, were out picking cotton yesterday this scribe found himself pulling the fleecy lint from a cotton burr close by a little girl who also was joyous in her separation of whiteness from the dead leaves of a cotton stalk. As we worked along together for a little while the little girl, after having expressed a number of other feelings, asked, "Pop, do you ever pray for your children?" Answering affirmatively, the cotton picker wanted to know why the little girl had asked such a question but he did not make inquiry. He simply talked along with the little youngster about how fine it is to have a heavenly Father to whom we can talk. The little girl has a heavenly Father.

FOOTBALL BOYS

Mention has been made from time to time of the value football provides for our family. All of us find ourselves interested in what the boys are giving themselves to in no uncertain manner. We like to see them enjoy victories and we try to learn the lessons with them from their defeats. During the past week the boys have come through with all their games, the varsity winning handily over the fine Albemarle high school boys at Albemarle in a great game, the reserves winning over the Richard J. Reynolds high school reserves by one touchdown, and the 100 pounders over the Richard J. Reynolds high school 100 pounders by three touchdowns. The 80 pounders join the football contestants in next week's games.

THE LAST OF THE SERIES

The old joy bell has pealed forth glad tidings for us throughout the entire conference year. As the approach of conference comes nearer the bell has worked faster. Many congregations have completed their apportionment payments. All those having called attention to this achievement are herewith listed. Join us in grateful thanks to them and their pastors:

Central Falls, Asheboro circuit, Rev. E. A. Lamb.

Concord, Coleridge circuit, Rev. J. H. Trolinger.

Mt. Mitchell, Kannapolis, Rev. E. A. Cook.

Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

Cherryvile circuit, Rev. J. E. B. Houser.

Wesley Heights, Charlotte, Rev. W. B. Davis.

Rankin Memorial, High Point, Rev. Edward Suits.

Glen Alpine, Rev. T. B. Huneycutt.

Crabtree circuit, Rev. W. H. Neese.

Alexander, Pleasant Grove, Rev. G. R. Stafford.

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Main Street and Pine Grove, Albemarle, Rev. J. E. Younts.

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Weaverville circuit, Rev. J. Max Brandon, Jr.

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Stony Point, Rev. L. F. Strader.

Stokesdale, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. A. D. Shelton.

Morris Chapel, Walkertown, Rev. D. B. Mullis.

Brookstown and Doubs, Lewisville circuit, Rev. O. B. Williams.

Iron Station, Stanley, Rev. C. L. Heckard.

Broad Street, Statesville, Rev. H. G. Allen.

Moriah, Greensboro, Rev. J. F. Cagle.

First church, High Point, Rev. W. A. Jenkins.

Leicester-Grace circuit, Rev. A. F. Phibbs.

Gilboa, Marshville circuit, Rev. R. C. Kirk.

Mineral Springs, Waxhaw circuit, Rev. F. H. Shinn.

Laurel Hill and Hebron, Belwood circuit, Rev. J. M. Morgan.

A PLACE IN HEAVEN

There's bound to be a heaven. It is inconceivable that a person who lived a life of useful service, sharing throughout his entire life with those who needed help, would lie down and die and become nothing. There's bound to be a heaven for a good man to go to. The news dispatches last week recounted that R. Odell Lindsay, whose worldly goods amounted to less than $500,000, left $125,000 to worthy institutions, $25,000 each to the Children's Home, High Point College, High Point Y. M. C. A.

SOME ENCOURAGERS

The following welcome message was received last week from Tacoma, Washington: "Please accept the enclosed check for $20 as our contribution for September and October. We would like to make a contribution of at least $10 each month to the Children's Home in Winston-Salem until Chaplain Pittard returns to the States and we are privileged to become again active members of the Western North Caro-

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Deeds Did Most of His Talking

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

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STATE COLLEGE—Our senior boys and girls were invited to State College to attend the football game between State College and the Navy Pre-Flight football team from Chapel Hill. Our boys and girls enjoyed this occasion immensely, and they are grateful to the State College athletic association for the privilege of attending the game.

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SAVING HAY—We had cut and shocked most of our hay before the excessive rains of last week. I fear the long wet spell has damaged a large part of our fall hay crop. We are now busy planting oats, wheat and vetch for our spring hay crop. Our boys have work to do every day in carrying on their duties on the farm, in the dairy, etc. The fact is, we have more to do than we can accomplish with our group of boys.

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GAMES—Last week our hundred pound football boys played a Raleigh team of the same weight. Our small boys got a big kick out of the game, although they were defeated by a score of 13-0. Football holds a peculiar fascination for red-blooded boys. The good that accrues from competitive games would be hard to over estimate. Our varsity team played the Apex high school boys last Friday afternoon, resulting in a score of 27 to 7 in our favor.

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BOOKS—Recently Mrs. G. G. Allen of New York donated nearly 100 books for the Burwell cottage which she built and furnished. This is an unusually fine collection of books, which our junior and senior girls appreciate very much. Mrs. Allen never loses an opportunity of doing something worth while for our home. I am deeply grateful to her for the large collection of books that have been added to the Burwell cottage library.

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A GOOD SUGGESTION — If all the pastors could send us their Orphanage apportionment before the meeting of the annual conference in Wilson, we would be very grateful. If there are those who cannot do so, we will have a table in the educational building where we shall be glad to receive money due the Orphanage. I want to thank all the pastors in the conference for the hearty co-operation they are giving us as we try to carry on this worth while undertaking.

OCTOBER MOST BEAUTIFUL OF MONTHS

In the United States and Canada, October is usually a most delightful month. In the northern part of the region the first frosts are likely to occur during October, but cold weather does not come to stay, and days of hazy sun, followed by crisp, bracy nights, are the rule. There is a peculiar tang to the air that seems to belong to this month alone, and those who are compelled or privileged to spend much time out-of-doors are very fortunate.

The chief beauty of this month may be seen in the country or woodland regions, as the foliage changes color. The woods are gorgeously arrayed in crimson, russet and gold, and even the somber pine forests are lighted here and there by the yellow torches of birch trees. The roadsides are gaily adorned by goldenrod and wild asters, and the fringed gentian rivals the spring flowers in beauty.

Many of the birds are deprived of shelter when the leaves fall, and killing frost rob insect-eating birds of their food, therefore October is a busy time for the birds. By the end of the month, few of the insect-eaters are left in northern latitudes. This might be called the sparrow's month, as they are so numerous and are very busy everywhere, as they are seed-eaters, and the dry fields and meadows furnish them great feasts. These birds, because of the millions of weed seeds they devour, are the farmer's friends, as they eat seeds which might do untold harm to the next year's crops, if allowed to fall to the ground.

One very special day of interest to both Americas is October 12, for on that day, through the discoveries of Columbus, began a new life for the western hemisphere. In many schools Columbus Day is celebrated with appropriate exercises. The day of days for children in this month is Hallowe'en, which falls on the last day of the month. Although it has no historical significance, the wise teacher will know how to connect it with the work of the children so that it shall have a real value.—The Uplift.

THE ART OF GETTING ALONG

Sooner or later, a man, if he is wise, discovers that life is a mixture of good days and bad, victory and defeat, give and take.

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REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON WORK OF LOCAL CHURCH

This report deals with the main general achievements of the past year. In spite of the many problems involved in transportation, every phase of our work, with but one possible exception, shows progress over the previous year. Success in the face of numerous difficulties may be attributed largely to the fine team work on the part of the various members of the conference staff and to co-operation by district superintendents.

Meeting With Bishop Purcell and Cabinet

It is the purpose of our staff to work under the direction of and in complete harmony with Bishop Purcell and his cabinet. Early in February a meeting was held with this group at Sunny Acres to discuss plans and to consider the work of the Board of Education as it involved the work of the local church and of our collges during the year. The discussions and the planning were most worth while and it is hoped that a similar meeting may be held again during the coming year.

Training for Service

The training program is basic in the total program of Christian education in our conference. In addition to the work of our colleges, we have a continuous educational procedure for discovering and developing persons in our retreats, camps, assemblies, Epworth training conferences, and training schools. Seventy-five such training agencies were conducted during the year. Four thousand and thirty-eight people enrolled in these schools and in college courses in religious education, and 3652 completed the work for credit.

Visitation, Members of General Board of Education

Miss Mary E. Skinner, Dr. John O. Gross, and Dr. H. W. McPherson attended sessions of our planning conference at Sunny Acres. Dr. F. L. Gibbs was present for the Young Adult Fellowship Camp. Dr. A. J. Walton spent a week in promoting the rural church work ,and we are looking forward with interest to the coming of Dr. F. Darcy Bone. These contacts and contributions of service by our general board staff members are always helpful.

National Conference and Leadership School

The conference staff works in close co-operation with the General Board of Education. The national conference held in Nashville, and the Leadership School, Junaluska, afford excellent opportunities for co-operation, exchange of ideas, and for constructive planning. These contacts are invaluable in our work.

Race Relations Sunday

Response with contributions on Race Relations Sunday continue to grow. Sixty-eight churches made a total contribution of $573.43 during the past conference year. This special observance should become an annual affair in each church on the second Sunday in February.

Methodist Student Day

The second Sunday in June is designated as Methodist Student Day. The offering on this occasion goes to a general student loan fund administered from Nashville. Twenty-seven churches gave $167.80 last year.

Religious Education week

Many of our churches joined with other Protestant groups in the observance of Christian Education Week, September 27-October 4. Promotion of students, home visitation, workers' conferences, special sermons, and radio broadcasts were a part of the observance.

District Directors

No more valuable service is rendered anywhere in our program than that given by our fine corps of district directors. Throughout the year they gave valuable assistance in meetings, camps, assemblies, vacation schools, institutes, and in the general program of the local church. The service rendered by these persons is a fine contribution to our conference program.

Church School Rally Day

Only 395 church schools out of 1110 in the conference observed this special occasion with a program and reported an offering to October 10. The total offering received to this date is $2700.36, which is an increase of 94 in the number of churches participating and of $688.91 in the offering. Additional contributions received since October 10 will bring the total for the year close to the conference goal of $3000.

World Service and Conference Benevolences in the Church School

Our educational and promotional work of former years in connection with the fourth Sunday program and offering has continued with excellent results for World Service and conference benevolences. Six hundred and two schools of the conference gave a total of $31,142.26 up to October 3 of this year, which is an increase of $8,-540.34.

Vacation Church Schools

Interest in this phase of the work with children continues to grow, with a larger number of schools reported this year than ever before. The vacation school provides one of our best opportunities for increased time for Christian education.

Assemblies, Camps, Caravans

In the face of transportation difficulties, enrollment at assemblies, camps and caravans was ahead of the previous year. The number of intermediates in camps was the largest ever. Such camps were also sponsored by West Market Street church, Greensboro, and First church, Elkin. Attendance at assemblies and caravan activities was at a high peak.

Young Adult Fellowship

The most significant development in adult work for a number of years is the growth of the Young Adult Fellowship. This movement bids fair to make an excellent contribution to the churches of our conference and throughout Methodism.

Executive Committee and Members of Board of Education

This report would be incomplete without a word of appreciation for the service rendered by members of the Board of Education, and especially the work of Mr. D. E. Henderson and the executive committee in connection with the affairs of Rutherford College. Each member of the board has demonstrated interest in and loyalty to Christian education by observing Church School Rally Day with an adequate program and offering, and in sponsoring our total program. All such responses help to promote the cause of Christian education which is of mutual concern to each of us.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl H. King, Executive Sec.

FOURTH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE REPORTS

Pastors have responded unusually well in sending in their charge directories. At the time of this writing approximately 100 are still due, most of which will be received at conference. Reports were received from the following persons during the week of October 9-16: E. J. Harbison, C. Moody Smith, L. A. Bennett, L. W. Hall, J. D. Morris, L. R. Akers, Jr., Howard P. Powell, C. E. Murray, W. B. Davis, R. L. Young, R. C. Kirk, J. H. Armbrust, N. S. Ogburn, E. K. McLarty, Sr., J. W. Parker, A. C. Waggoner, M. A. Osborne, Charles Shannon, J. M. Morgan, G. W. Vick, Claude H. Moser, J. Chalmus Grose, E. C. Price, C. L. Grant, R. G. MsClamroch, E. Paul Hamilton, Phillip L. Shore, Jr., Raymond A. Smith, B. A. Sisk, J. B. Craven, C. M. McKinney, Gilbert E. S. Miller, P. L. Shore, Sr., Walter Thompson, A. D. Shelton, G. E. White, J. W. Braxton, Paul Hardin, Jr., J. O. Ervin, Wm. A. Jenkins, Edw. Suits, J. E. McSwain, Geo. R. Brown, C. E. Ridge, J. E. Pritchard, T. G. Madison, T. B. Huneycutt, C. S. Kirkpatrick, J. R. Duncan, J. L. Ingram, J. W. Fowler, Jr., T. W. Hager, R. W. McCulley, Rubert M. Smith, W. A. Kale, Thomas H. Swofford, W. Q. Grigg, V. R. Masters, John W. Moore, Mark Q. Tuttle, J. C. Reichard, R. H. Nicholson, J. B. Tabor, Philip L. Green, G. W. Bumgarner. C. B. Newton, J. S. Johnson, J. M. Barber, W. Arthur Barber, W. J. Miller, R. Odell Brown, I. L. Sharpe, Walter Lee Lanier, Dwight B. Mullis, J. H. Brendall, W. A. Stanbury.

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WORLD SERVICE SUNDAY

October 25 is the last fourth Sunday of the conference year and is therefore our last World Service Sunday. To date the offerings for the church schools for the World Service program of the church have shown a decided increase over the corresponding period of any previous year. There are still, however, a large number of churches which are not giving their church school pupils a chance to share in this great program. We are urging, therefore, that this fourth Sunday, October 25, be observed as World Service Sunday in every church in the conference. Offerings received on this Sunday should be sent to Mr. C. A. Dillon, treasurer, to reach him not later than October 27. We will secure our report on this offering from Mr. Dillon on Wednesday, October 28.

METHODIST YOUTH FUND REPORTS

Pledges to and payments on the Methodist Youth Fund are coming to us each day and the interest in this matter is very encouraging. We would like to have as complete a report as possible on this item by the meeting of our annual conference and will appreciate it if those concerned about this matter will send in any pledge cards and any payments that they have on hand. These should be sent to Miss Elizabeth Myers, Box 647, College Station, Durham, N .C.

CHURCH SCHOOL OFFICIALS

Blanks for reporting the roll of church school officials have been sent to each pastor in the conference. Three blanks were sent, one to be kept by the pastor and two to be given to the district superintendent. If any pastor has not received his blanks, we shall be glad to send other blanks if he will write to us for them. It is very important that these blanks be filled out by each pastor in order that the district superintendent and the conference staff may have a mailing list of these officials.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION YEARBOOK

The Children's Division Yearbook for 1942-43, bearing the sub-title, "God hath chosen some to be teachers," has been off the press for several weeks. Superintendents of children's divisions will find this yearbook very helpful in planning the work with children in their churches. It contains specific suggestions regarding what should be done each quarter, helpful hints about the lesson materials, inspirational poetry and lists for resource materials. It is a "handbook" that each superintendent should have and use. A few copies of the yearbook are available in the conference office (price 10c) or it may be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House in Richmond.

ANNUAL REPORTS

We are now in the midst of preparing our annual reports to be presented to the Board of Education at its meeting during the coming session of our annual conference. We have sent cards to each pastor in the conference in an effort to secure accurate information on several items in our program. It is necessary that these cards be returned to us at once if a full report is to be made for each charge. Any pastor that has not returned his card should do so at once.

We are also very anxious to secure full reports on every vacation church school held in the conference. If your school has not been reported, please write to the conference office for report forms and they will be sent at once.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY OFFERINGS

Additional church school rally day offerings have been received by Mr. Proctor since our last report on this offering in the Advocate. This includes all offerings received up to October 13. We trust all offerings for this cause will be sent to Rev. C. K. Proctor, treasurer, by October 24.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS

Durham District

Durham, Calvary	$ 5.00
Glen Raven-Haw River, Glen R.	3.50
Holt's Chapel	1.52
Haw River (Brick)	1.00
Pittsboro	5.00
Saxapahaw	5.00
Total	21.02

Elizabeth City District

Perquimans, Oak Grove	4.50
Mattamuskeet, Bethany	.63
Total	5.13

Fayetteville District

Broadway, Broadway	6.58
Goldston, Meroney	2.20
Total	8.78

New Bern District

Goldsboro, St. Paul	20.75
New Bern, Centenary	10.00
Total	30.75

Raleigh District

Millbrook, Knightdale	3.95

Rocky Mount District

Halifax	2.00
Northampton, New Hope	2.78
Rehoeth	2.37
Total	7.15

Wilmington District

Faison-Kenansville, Wesley	2.00
Lumberton, Chestnut St.	5.00
Maysville, Maysville	3.00
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Total	13.00
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Children's Storyland



WHEN MARIAN HELPED BAKE

"Two tablespoonfuls of sugar and one tablespoonful of butter," said Marian, starting to measure them into the big yellow bowl. "Won't mother be surprised when she comes home and finds that I have made muffins for supper?" she smiled.

"One egg," she read, turning toward the table after creaming the butter with the sugar. "Oh, no, baby!" she warned, but too late. Two-year-old Mary Lou had already sent the egg rolling off the table.

"Oh, dear," sighed Marian, starting to clean the sticky broken egg from the floor. "It's hard to bake with the baby bothering so."

Before getting another egg for the muffins Marian coaxed the baby on to the porch. "Bobby, won't you please play with Mary Lou until I can get the muffins into the oven?" Marian asked her little brother who was playing outside with his wagon.

"I'll give you a ride,' 'said Bobby.

Marian was getting the flour and baking powder ready to sift when she heard a frightened scream. The wagon had tipped over, throwing the baby out. Mary Lou was only frightened, however. Marian soon succeeded in interesting her in the play again.

"Dear me!" exclaimed Marian, back at her baking. "Did I put in only one teaspoonful of baking powder or all three? Baking is hard today," she sighed.

At last the muffins were in the tins. Marian had lighted the oven and was slipping them in when she heard shrill cries from the yard.

"My wagon!" wailed Bobby.

"Never mind," called Marian from the door. "I can mend your wagon."

With some stout string Marian bound together the broken parts of the wagon tongue. That took quite a while. But Bobby was laughing delightedly by the time their mother returned from shopping.

"Now for the surprise," thought Marian, suddenly remembering the muffins as she followed her mother into the kitchen.

"O-o-h!" gasped Marian in dismay when thick, dark smoke puffed out of the oven. "The muffins—are burned black."

"That is too bad, dear," her mother said sympathetically. "But we will forget about these spoiled muffins, and hope to have better luck next time."

After breakfast the next day Marian's mother sent her to the store for a package of dates. "I am going to make some cookies," she said.

"M-m-m!" smiled Marian. Mother's filled cookies were delicious.

"Now," said her mother after Marian returned from the store, "you may read your new book."

Smilingly Marian ran to get the book. "I shall read under a tree in the yard," she decided. Going through the kitchen with the book under her arm Marian noticed that the baby was reaching for mother's mixing bowl. Outside, Bobby was calling for mother.

Like a flash Marian remembered the muffins. "Do you want to play out on the grass?" she asked Mary Lou. "Well, wait till I put my book away and we will get Bobby and have some fun."

All the while mother was baking the cookies she could hear merry shouting and laughing under the trees in the yard. Bobby and the baby didn't get into trouble when Marian was playing with them.

When daddy came home for lunch he saw the filled cookies on the kitchen table. "M-m-m!" he said in anticipation just as Marian had that morning. "Some of those good cookies, beautifully browned. And my favorite dessert today, too!" he exclaimed, spying soft brown squares of gingerbread, topped with whipped cream."

"Yes," mother said, "Marian has been helping with the baking this morning."

Marian looked at her mother questioningly. Could she be joking? "Why, I didn't really," Marian protested. "Not this morning. It was last night that I—"

"Yes," insisted her mother seriously. "The cookies wouldn't have been browned so evenly if it hadn't been for you. And there wouldn't have been time for a gingerbread at all if you hadn't helped. Why, you amused Bobby and baby all the morning."

"O-o-h!" laughed Marian, understanding.

With twinkling eyes daddy slipped his arm around Marian, and they laughter together while she explained how funny it was that she had helped most with the baking when she hadn't been trying to bake at all."—Junior World.

WHICH SWORD?

A sword, a sword, and a sword;
Which sword will you draw, my son?
For one is of steel with its blind appeal
Till the folly of war is done.
'Tis an honor to fight for God and the right,
But justice is seldom won.

And one is the sword of truth,
God's swift and naked blade
That puts to flight the lies of night
And the hatred of falsehoods made.
We are cowards all when lies appeal,
But in truth we are unafraid.

And one is a flaming sword
Whose work is but begun;
Its glorious part is to change the heart,
Its victories always won.
Draw this and smite with all thy might—
'Tis the sword of love, my son.

—Jason Pierce, in Michigan Advocate.

RIDDLES

Where was King Alfred the Great crowned? On his head.

If you can buy eight eggs for 26 cents, how many eggs can you buy for a cent and a quarter? Eight.

,Lucy had it first, Paul had it last, every girl has it once, boys never have it; Mrs. Sullivan had it twice, but when she married Pat Murray she never had it again. What is it? The letter L.

What is the longest sentence in this world? Going to prison for life.

What's the difference between February and April? A march of thirty-one days.

Why does a chicken always cross a road in front of an approaching auto? To get on the other side.

What is the best way of making your trousers last? By making your coat and vest first.—Sunshine.

A GOOD DOG FOR SALE

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One fine dog,
Sound as a ring;
He'll be six months old
If he lives 'til Spring.
He'll chew up your shoes
And dig up the yard;
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So can eat nothing hard.
His eyes bulge out,
His back caves in;
But he's a good dog
For the shape he's in!

Mother: "Did you mail my letter for me, Johnny?"

"Yes, mother, and here's your three cents back."

Mother: "How in the world did you mail a letter without a stamp?"

"Oh, it was easy. I just slipped it in the box when no one was looking."

Dentist: "What kind of filling do you want in your teeth, son?"

Boy (without hesitation): "Chocolate."

"How did you find he weather when you were away?"

"Just went outside and there it was."

Sunday School Lesson

OCTOBER 25

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By Rollin H. Walker

Steps Toward the Solution of the Alcohol Problem

Eccles. 10:17; Amos 5:21-24; Romans 14:19-21; 2Cor. 6:17; 1 Peter 4:1-5

1. Ecclesiastes congratulates the land whose princes eat for strength, and not for drunkenness. We need such rulers today. One of the first steps in fighting the drink evil is to clean our city halls and our state and national offices from men with red whiskey faces. Every good citizen can at least refuse to vote for the paunchy patrons of the saloon.

2. The prophet Amos points to another necessary step toward ridding our country of drunkenness. In his day the sanctuaries were crowded with worshippers, but the Golden Rule was not practiced, and the rich grew richer and the poor poorer. And so the rich drank to fill up the time, and the poor drank to drown their misery. But the prophet hears God saying, I hate, I despise your feasts, and I will take no delight in your solemn assemblies; let justice roll down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream. The one salvation of the land, says he, is a great revival of genuinely ethical religion.

When we attack the drink problem it is always most practicable and effective to appeal at the same time for a revival that cleanses our country from the conditions that lead to drunkenness. We cannot keep drink out when commerce and industry are pagan, and the Golden Rule a dead letter, for the repudiation of the Golden Rule brings the corruption and the misery that tempts both rich and poor to drink. Hence every man who, like the Hebrew prophet, condemns hollowness in religion, tears off the mask from our pious pretenses, and pleads eloquently for all-sided righteousness, is doing effective work against alcoholism, for drinking is but a symptom of a social disease. Temperance workers should be notably co-operative with every movement for the good of the community.

3. And then our lesson refers us to Paul's words, It is good not to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor to do anything whereby thy brother stumbleth. One thing every man can do in the cause of temperance is to recognize the weakness of human nature, and to abstain from any practice that in any way leads a weak fellow mortal to do that which may be the beginning of a downward course. A man who can drink and let it alone, and whose nerves are so steady that he is not in as great danger as his neighbor of becoming an addict, is often an immeasurably more harmful influence than the profligate, for men say, Look at him! he can drink, and suffers no evil consequences; hence I will follow his example. True citizenship demands that every one of us should stand for those measures and those customs that shield the weak from temptation. And doubly so, in view of the fact that none of us can have the least assurance that we will not fall into the net ourselves.

4. Another perfectly practicable and imperatively demanded measure in the warfare against the drink evil is the formation of groups pledged to total abstinence where the social life is rich and delightful. And as such groups require the inspiration of the gospel they should be associated with the Christian church. The joy of the Lord should so fill the hearts of the members that the very thought of seeking the artificial joy of drink would be repulsive. Let the church be indeed the temple of the Holy Spirit, and the saloon will soon find that it has a dangerous and formidable rival.

5. Again, we must realize that the fight against drink will be sure to stir up vigorous opposition. So much money is invested in the traffic that those interested in it will maliciously slander and malign any agitation that threatens to reduce their revenues. And of course the patrons of the saloon when rebuked by the good example of abstainers will be sure to try to bolster up their self-respect by sneering at temperance people as intolerant and narrow minded fanatics. Forasmuch as Christ hath suffered in the flesh, says the apostle, arm yourself with the same mind. But as his suffering availed for the salvation of men we can be sure also that if we endure ill treatment for righteousness' sake our reward will not only be great in heaven, but our influence will be lasting and beneficent on the earth.

6. The great task and the powerful foe summon us all to that faith that moves mountains. This devil goeth not out save by prayer.

FRIENDSHIP

Like the blend of an Autumn sunset
On the breath of desert skies,
So the hues of a brilliant memory
Take their place just before my eyes.

I can see in the fading twilight,
As the filtering sun drops low,
All the warmth of a summer's friendships
Reaching out in the afterglow.

And they touch me with heart softening silence
Like the hush of an Holy Love,
While they whisper a parting blessing
And a guidance for me from above.

Yea, this memory of friends that I left there
Is a treasure forever mine;
And the light that it sheds around me
Will be guidance from God Divine.

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To be content with little is difficult; to be content with much impossible. —Proverb.

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FOURTH ROUND

October

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Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 23
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 23
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 11 24
Moyock Moyock, 11 25
Currituck, Popler Branch, 3 25
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 27
Elizabeth City, First Church, 7:30 28
Pasquotank, Union, 11 30
Elizabeth City, City Road, 7:30 30

November

Roper, Mackeys, 11 1
Williamston, 3 1

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W. V. McRae, D.S., Fayetteville, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

West End, 2:30 24
Biscoe, 8 24
Glendon, Fair Promise, 11 25
Carthage, 3 25
Jonesboro, 7:30 25
Fayetteville Ct., 8 27
Hay Street, 7:30 28
Stedman, Cokesbury, 11 31

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J. A. Russell, D. S., New Bern, N. C.
FOURTH ROUND

October

Morehead City, First Church, 11 25
Straits-Harkers Island, Harkers Island, 3 25
Marshallberg, 5:30 25
New Bern-Centenary, 7:30 28

November

Pink Hill-Woodland, 11 1
Dover, 7:30 1

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FOURTH ROUND

October

Lillington, Pleasant Plains, 7:30 23
Fuquay, Holly Springs, 11 25
Benson, Coats, 7:30 25
Oxford Ct., Salem, 10:30 28
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 28

November

Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 1

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FOURTH ROUND

Marvin, St. Paul, 8 22
Scotland Neck, 11 25
West Halifax-Bethesda, 4 25
Nashville, 8 25
Elm City, 8 26

November

Farmville, 11 1
McKendree-Pinetops, 8 1

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October

Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 22
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Town Creek, Zion, 8 25
Wilmington, Trinity, 8 28

November

Burgaw, Rocky Point, 11 1
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8—Dedication 1

IN MEMORIAM

DAVIS—Ernest Howard Davis, son of Ernest and Isabel Davis, was born March 20, 1918, departed this life September 12, 1942, making his home in this world 24 years, 5 months and 22 days. In the year 1941, on June 7, he was married to Miss Jessie Beane, who survives him with his father and mother and two brothers, Glenn Davis of Yadkinville and James Davis of the home; one niece, Judith Ann Davis of Yadkinville, and a host of friends not only in this county but wherever he was known. Howard was noted for his kind words and ways. To know Howward was to love him because of his friendly ways.

In the year 1931, February 16, in St. Anthony, Iowa, Howard found the Lord precious to him and accepted him as his Saviour and united with the Christian church and later moved his membership to New Home Methodist church, and at the time of his death was teacher of the young men's class. Howard was a true companion and was greatly devoted to his mother. He will be greatly missed in our community, but we feel that our loss is his gain.

G. A. Hovis, Pastor.

STIMPSON — Sara Ann Douglas Stimpson was born in Yadkin county, near Union Hill, September 10, 1872. Departed this life October 3, 1942, making her stay on earth 70 yrs. 23 ds.

On November 1, 1891, she was united in marriage to Henry Lee Stimpson, and to this union were born nine children, two having preceded her in death. Her husband passed away March 10, 1910.

She is survived by the following children: Mrs. R. L. Smitherman of East Bend, T. W. Stimpson of East Bend, J. E. Stimpson of Mt. Airy, Mrs. G. F. Owens of Winston-Salem, Route 6, Stella Simpson of the home; also 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, one brother, J. E. Douglas of East Bend, and a host of friends and neighbors.

She professed faith in Christ in early life and united with the Methodist church and remained a faithful member until death.

She was a true companion, a kind and loving mother, and a friend and neighbor to all who knew her.

We can say with one of old, "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord." And we can say with the children who have lost a mother that our loss is heaven's gain.

G. A. Hovis, Pastor.

A TRIBUTE

It is with a deep sense of loss as we meet in circle No. 1 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church today to pay a loving tribute to our friend and faithful co-worker, Mrs. N. T. Fletcher, who quietly went into the great beyond on August 27, 1942.

Her work for missions, both at home and in the far away places of the world, reaches back to the organization of the society here many years ago. Her vision of the needs of humanity was keen, and she constantly worked to bring her heavenly Father's kingdom on earth.

She lived a beautiful life—true and loyal to all that is good and fine in life—and walked ever close to her Saviour. The church school and community received her best services at all times. Red Cross work and all means of uplift for humanity everywhere had her sincere interest.

In the home and as a friend and neighbor, she gave herself freely in her own quiet way. We shall miss her presence among us, but her influence will continue to live on and on.

May our Father in heaven keep watch over and comfort all those whom she loved so dearly and bring them together in an unbroken circle to live in the heavenly home.

Mrs. W. H. Brown,
Mrs. W. N. McKenzie,
Mrs. J. A. Livingston,
Mrs. D. C. Lytch.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The board of stewards of the Main Street Methodist church, High Point, wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved and loyal member, B. B. Byrum, who passed from this earthly life in the early morning of September 18, 1942.

He was a faithful and devoted member of Main Street church, a devoted husband, a loving father, and a faithful neighbor and friend.

For a number of years he has been an official member of the church. At the time of his death he was a teacher of a class of men, chairman of the board of stewards and the delegate-elect to the annual conference in Charlotte October 20, 1942. He also served as chairman of building committee during the building of the church which was recently completed.

We express to the members of his family our appreciation of his beautiful life and pray that we may all be inspired to seek a closer walk with God, whom he loved and served so faithfully. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That even though we shall miss him greatly, his wise council and tender service, we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father.

Second, That we are grateful for the memory and inspiration of his devoted labors and we shall endeavor to carry on where he left off.

Third, That a copy of this tribute be sent to his family, a copy to the High Point Enterprise, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy recorded on the minutes of the board of stewards.

M. H. Elliott,
J. O. Connor.
J .O. Connor.

A PRAYER FOR AMERICA

By Mrs. G. F. White

From pestilence and war,
From foes both near and far,
From all thou dost abhor,
Lord, save America!

With truth and righteousness,
With peace and happiness,
Lord of the nations bless
And save America!

For all things right and good,
For which our fathers stood,
For Christian brotherhood,
Lord, save America!

To show the better way,
To nations far away,
Lord, help us now, we pray,
And save America!

VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

Asheville District

Fairview (Hot Springs), Z. V. Arthur.
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Laurel (Ivy), L. W. Hall.
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Biltmore, E. J. Harbison.

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Blackburn's Chapel (Todd), H. O. Huss.
Calvary (Todd), H. O. Huss.
Hopewell (Todd), H. O. Huss.
Pleasant Valley (Todd), H. O. Huss.
St. Paul (St. Paul), Mrs. Mallie White.

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CATECHISM FOR CHURCHMEN

By James D. Rankin, D.D., LL.D.

Is the practice of Baptism recognized by the Unitarian Church?

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Are Jewish Rabbis required to visit the sick as Protestant ministers do?

There is no direct command on this matter but many rabbis require this as a serious obligation and count it one of the three virtues, the other two being the greeting of a bride and attendance at a funeral.

Is the Apostles' Creed recognized by the Catholic as well as the Protestant Church?

It is used privately and in baptisms but the Nicean Creed is the official one in the Roman Catholic, Lutheran, and some Protestant churches.

What does the star on the Jewish synagogue symbolize?

The six-cornered star usually seen on the facade of a Jewish synagogue, generally called the star of David, is formed by the combination to two equilateral triangles and is a symbol of Judaism.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME

(Continued from page 16)

lina conference."—Margaret L. Pittard.

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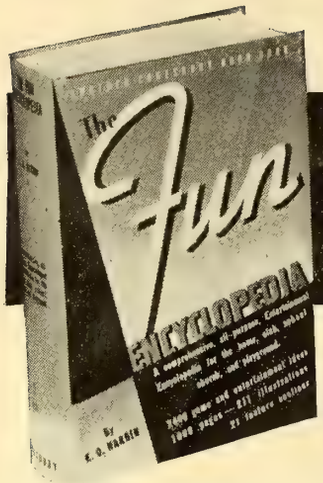
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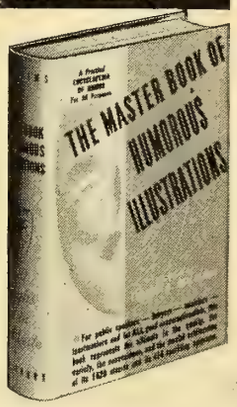
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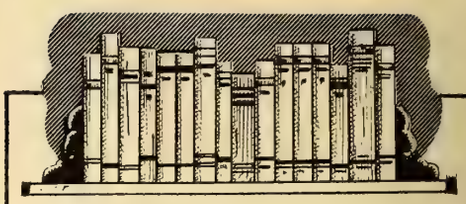
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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Tuesday, November 3

2:00 p.m. Meeting of boards, committees, and commissions.
7:30 p.m. Conference called to order by Bishop Purcell. Organization completed.
8:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Christian Education. Speaker, Henry Dwire, Duke University.

Wednesday, November 4

9:00 a.m. Devotional: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Conference business.
12:15 p.m. Meeting of Conference Historical Society. Prof. H. E. Speance, speaker, Duke University.
1:00 p.m. Luncheon. (Organization of The Methodist Rural Fellowship at the First Methodist church at the lunch hour). Dr. A. J. Walton, speaker.
2:30 p.m. Meeting of boards and committees.
3:30 p.m. Anniversary of the Conference Board of Temperance. Speaker, Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl, Winston-Salem.
4:45 p.m. Conference Brotherhood.
6:00 p.m. Duke University alumni dinner, Atlantic Christian College. Speaker, Dr. Albert Outler of Duke Divinity School.
8:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. Speaker, Bishop Edwin F. Lee, missionary bishop of the Methodist Church.

Thursday, November 5

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Conference business.
11:30 a.m. Memorial service. Speaker, Dr. F. W. Paschall, pastor Trinity Methodist church, Wilmington.
1:00 p.m. Luncheon. Members of the Board of Lay Activities, Bishop Purcell and cabinet will lunch together at the Cherry Hotel.
2:30 p.m. Conference reconvenes for business.
3:00 p.m. Anniversary of the Conference Board of Lay Activities. Speaker, Prof. B. G. Childs, Duke University.
7:00 p.m. Conference love feast, Rev. E. H. Davis presiding, assisted by Revs. J. H. Shore, J. T. Draper, C. P. Jerome.
8:00 p.m. Ordination service. Ordination sermon by Dr. H. E. Myers of the Duke Divinity School.

Friday, November 6

9:00 a.m. Devotions: Bishop Purcell.
9:20 a.m. Conference business.
1:00 p.m. Luncheon.
2:00 p.m. Business session. Reading of appointments. Adjournment.

N. C. ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES

COMMITTEE ON ACCEPTED SUPPLIES

The committee on Accepted Supply Pastors will please meet in the room designated on Tuesday, November 3, at 5 p. m. Those pastors desiring to be placed on the accepted list will please meet promptly in order that the committee may dispose of its work. J. Herbert Miller, Chm.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina Conference will meet at 2 p. m. Tuesday, November 3, in the room assigned at First Methodist church, Wilson. A full attendance of board members is desired.
J. M. Ormond, President.
S. J. Starnes, Secretary.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

The Board of Ministerial Training will meet in the room assigned at 3:30 p. m. Tuesday, November 3. The members of the classes, accepted supplies, and candidates for admission will please come before the board at the hour designated. I .S. Richmond, Chairman.
C. D. Barclift, Registrar.

CONFERENCE BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The N. C. Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes will meet in the room designated at First church, Wilson, Wednesday, November 4, at 2 p. m. All members of this board are urged to be present. S. A. Maxwell, President.
A. L. Thompson, Secretary.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education of the North Carolina Conference will meet in the room designated at First church, Wilson, Tuesday afternoon, November 3, at 2:30 o'clock
H. E. Spence, Chm.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL QUALIFICATIONS

The committee on Ministerial Qualifications will meet at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon, November 3, in the room assigned in the First Methodist church in Wilson. The members of the class of the Second Year, those applying for admission on trial, and any others concerned should be present. R. F. Munns, Secretary.

ATTENTION, PREACHERS AND LAY DELEGATES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The North Carolina conference will be convened by Bishop Clare Purcell in the First Methodist church, Wilson, on Tuesday, November 3, at 7:30 p. m. Some delegates have indicated their purpose of arriving at the seat of the conference Monday afternoon, November 2. This is a day earlier than necessary and no delegate should expect entertainment earlier than Tuesday evening. Preachers and lay delegates are asked to go immediately upon arrival to the church to register and receive their home assignments. Boxes for pastors' reports will be placed at the registration tables. Our conference secretary asks that each pastor bring his report and deposit in the box when he registers. This is important.
H. B. Porter.

VOTE FOR BOTH AMENDMENTS

To the Editor:

Believing I saw three serious dangers in the proposed Constitutional Amendment for a new State Board of Education, I sent into nearly 130,000 North Carolina farm homes last week an editorial appeal to vote "NO" on this amendment.

Now Governor J. M. Broughton and the state administration have promised that in case this amendment is adopted next week, they will submit and support a further Constitutional Amendment fully correcting and removing the three dangers which I feared. Under these circumstances, I earnestly urge all men and women to vote an emphatic and positive "YES" on this Constitutional Amendment next Tuesday and also for the one relating to solicitorial districts. Clarence Poe.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTE AND CHECK-UP MEETING OF HIGH POINT DISTRICT

The missionary institute and set-up meeting of the High Point district will be held at Asheboro, in First church, Wednesday, November 4.

The program of the day will open with the meeting of the district board of stewards at 10 a. m. An interesting program will be arranged for this period. The committee acting for the stewards will be prepared to submit recommendations regarding apportionments of budget for 1942-43.

The missionary institute will follow the lunch hour. Chief features of the meeting will be addresses by Dr. Ezra S. Cox of the General Board of Missions, and Dr. L. B. Abernethy, missionary secretary of the conference. Other matters of importance and interest will share in the program.

All pastors, district stewards, lay leaders, church school superintendents, church school teachers, presidents of the local church board of missions and church extension, officers and members of the W. S. C. S., and all other church people who can possibly attend are urged to be present. We expect a good day. S. W. Taylor.

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET IN WILSON

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina conference will hold the regular fall meeting in Wilson on Thursday, November 5, at one o'clock, gathering for luncheon at the Christian church. All wives who expect to attend will pllease notify Mrs. H. B. Porter, Wilson, N. C., as soon as possible, since plate reservations cannot be made later than Tuesday, November 3. Plates will be seventy-five (75) cents. Mrs. Ben F. Boone, President.
Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Sec.-Treas.

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Every indication is that the Methodist churches of eastern North Carolina will make the best record for many years. The financial situation is better than usual in this section that has suffered so much during the recent depression.

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The pastors of the North Carolina conference seem to be closing the year with more enthusiasm than is the rule, and the pastors of the Western North Carolina conference just home from the annual session at Charlotte are ready to begin work with a bang. All this augurs well for the coming year.

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The Charlotte Observer of last Wednesday morning in writing editorially of Wendell Willkie's nation-wide broadcast says: "Wendell Willkie spoke with fairness, frankness, fearlessness and in forthright fashion. Such candor and informality are refreshing. Not being a professional politician, Mr. Willkie knows no better than to speak his mind with little concern as to the effect of such open-handed dealing."

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To be known as a weather vane turned by every breeze that blows is not an enviable reputation for any man to possess. This reputation is generally attributed to time serving politicians who adjust themselves to the winds of popular prejudice as readily as to the breezes of heaven that may be laden with truth and honor. But politicians are not alone guilty. In the days of Jesus there were religious teachers of the same sort and have been ever since. John the Baptist to his everlasting credit was no breeze shaken prophet, Jesus himself being witness. Let's have no weather vanes among our religious teachers. They are a good deal worse than no teacher at all. Little perfumed weather vanes squeaking in the pulpit are not set to bring in the kingdom of Christ, if the "sisters" do call them sweet dear men.

"It was Snowflake Bentley," says Milton Bacon, "who photographed snowflakes for a half century. He sold the pictures to jewelers who used them for patterns for pendants and brooches. God's jewelry, he called it. And it was Snowflake Bentley who discovered that in all the snow that has fallen all over the earth since the beginning of time, no two flakes have been exactly alike."

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Cannon and other instruments of battle that have occupied conspicuous positions in court house squares and city parks, as memorials of past wars, are now being used as scrap to supply the needs of the present struggle. We think well of the movement and hope that not one will be left behind. And when this present war has been won we see no reason why such memorials should be replaced, unless it be to preserve scrap iron for use in the next war. Such memorials belonged to an age when strife between tribes and nations was a romantic business lauded by historians and poets, but the spirit of Jesus is against all these things.

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Hettie Green when eight years of age took money given her for clothes and opened a bank account. In later years she carried a revolver not to protect herself from burglars, she said, but from lawyers. It is reported that she would never rent an office. Instead she used the cold stone floor of the Chemical Bank where she sat surrounded by old suit cases filled with her business papers. She died worth a hundred million dollars. This unusual woman refused a man a pass on a railroad she controlled. Told him the Bible was against it. Her authority was the first chapter of Jonah, the third verse, which read: "So he paid the fare thereof and went." She decided to marry Mr. Green after he had mistakenly sent her a check to pay a tailor bill and sent the tailor a valentine. She admired his frugality in the price he paid for the suit.

Highlights and Sidelights of the Western North Carolina Conference

The conference assembled in its first session Monday evening, October 19, and completed its work with the reading of the appointments about one o'clock Friday, October 23. These had been busy but happy days for all who were privileged to attend. The superb entertainment that Charlotte and First Methodist church provided contributed in a very large measure to these happy results. The entertainment committees seemed to have anticipated every need of their guests to the minutest detail. They had provided a check-room where hats, coats, hand baggage and other personal belongings could be put in the keeping of beautiful young ladies who would receive no tips. As a result no old brother was getting up on the conference floor in the midst of a busy session to announce: "Someone has taken my hat and he will please return it."

Just off the book Room which is the one great loafing place at an annual conference, had been set up a "coffee shop," where sandwiches and coffee were served through the morning hours of each day without money and without price. It proved to be well patronized. At almost every turn about the educational building of the church baskets of apples were in easy reach. At every entrance of the church on the first day of conference a member of the welcoming committee was stationed to extend greetings and to offer any possible service to members of the conference and visitors. Surely no conference before this had received such treatment.

The Presiding Officer

The presiding bishop, as few other presiding officers of public assemblies, determines the temper and sets the pace for the dispatch of business in an annual conference. And Bishop Purcell is the best that we have seen anywhere at any time. Calvin Coolidge could not have surpassed Clare Purcell in brevity of speech when in the chair. His movements are without haste, but he never fails to arrive on time, even if a district superintendent has a flare to "orate" when making his report.

Social Features of the Conference

These began Monday evening when Bishop and Mrs. Purcell entertained the district superintendents at dinner in their home in Myers Park, Charlotte.

Thursday at one o'clock approximatley 200 ministers' wives were entertained at luncheon in the Efird dining rooms at what was reported to be a most delightful occasion.

The First Methodist church entertained ministers' wives and women delegates to the conference at a tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ivey in Myers Park. Mrs. Walter Davidson of Charlotte and Mrs. A. W. Plyler of Greensboro poured tea. A great company assembled to enjoy the hospitality of Mrs. Ivey in her palatial home.

New District Superintendent

Bishop Purcell appointed E. H. Nease superintendent of the Salisbury district, which is one of the great districts of the conference. He was the only new district superintendent appointed at the present session of the conference. Nease is now conference secretary and there is no law that prevents his continuing this work. He succeeded Dr. W. L. Sherrill, who for almost half a century served as conference secretary and was pronounced the most efficient secretary in the Southern church. E. H. Nease has proven himself equal to his illustrious predecessor in this responsible position. His record as pastor has been eminently successful, having just completed a most satisfactory quadrennium at Hawthorne Lane church, Charlotte. We expect him to do a great work on the Salisbury district and to add strength to the bishop's cabinet.

Retires from District Superintendency

After serving a full term of six years as superintendent of the Salisbury district, Dr. C. N. Clark returns to the pastorate and becomes pastor of the First church, Mt. Airy. During these six years nine new pastoral charges have been created in that district, not from changes in district boundaries but from growth within. No other district in the conference has experienced such marked development. "Every charge for six years paid in full the district funds," reports the retiring superintendent. The growth of the Salisbury district in recent years has been remarkable in every respect and the new superintendent enters an inviting field of service.

Granbery Dickson Reported the Work of Conference

Granbery Dickson, Observer staff writer, "covered" the conference for his paper and did it in the very best style. Granbery Dickson's work for the Charlotte Observer has done much to popularize that good daily with Methodist readers wherever the paper is read. He is experienced in reporting annual conferences and lets nothing of public interest escape his attention. And with it all his accuracy in presenting facts and figures is truly wonderful to one who has any acquaintance with the work of a Methodist conference. In behalf of the conference we extend its thanks to Mr. Dickson for his accurate and complete reporting of the work of the conference. He has put the Charlotte Observer in a class by itself.

Rutherford and Brevard Colleges Consolidated

These two institutions by unanimous action of the Western North Carolina conference have been consolidated and the educational work of these junior colleges will be done at Brevard College. This proposed consolidation has been pending several years and the many details, both legal and financial, have been worked out in a manner satisfactory to all concerned. The conference is greatly indebted to Judge Wm. H. Bobbitt and Mr. D. E. Henderson, Charlotte attorneys, for their services in bringing about this greatly desired adjustment.

The conference has increased the board of trustees to twenty-four members which include many of the leading ministers and laymen of the conference. The names and postoffice address of these men and women are as follows:

D. B. McCrary, Asheboro; Paul Hardin, Jr., Asheboro; Guy Weaver, Asheville; H. C. Sprinkle, Mocksville; R. T. Amos, High Point; James B. McLarty, Belmont; Geo. F. Ivey, Hickory; Cecil G. Hefner, Winston-Salem; Wm. H. Bobbitt, Charlotte; H. A. Dunham, Asheville; Claude H. Moser, Gastonia; James E. Lambeth, Thomasville; C. M. Pickens, Charlotte; Mike Ogle, Hendersonville; O. V. Woosley, Winston-Salem; C. P. Bowles, Wadesboro; Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Winston-Salem; A. W. Plyler, Greensboro; Mrs. J. H. Pickelsimer, Brevard; Mrs. E. L. McKee, Sylva; S. E. Varner, Brevard; Geo. D. Finch, Thomasville; Edwin L. Jones, Charlotte; Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby.

New Plan of Conference Entertainment

The new plan adopted for entertaining conference next year was as follows: The members are to pay for lodging and breakfast and the conference will provide for lunch and dinner in the same manner as hitherto. The local committee will provide a list of rooms in hotels, boarding houses and private residences, from which the members of the conference can select their lodging. The local committee will indicate also the rates of these rooms. A proviso was also adopted that any congregation which should propose to entertain the conference upon the previously existing plan the offer could be accepted. Dr. M. T. Smathers extended an invitation for the conference to meet in Asheville. This invitation was referred to the conference committee of entertainment. Later invitations will be given due consideration. Lake Junaluska has been mentioned as a desirable place to meet, but no invitation up to this time has been extended. Our guess is that conference will meet in Asheville.

Conference Brotherhood

This conference has a larger brotherhood than any other annual conference in American Methodism, with more than 90 per cent of the clerical members of the conference members of the brotherhood. Dr. H. G. Allen, pastor of Broad Street church, Statesville, is president of the brotherhood and he has done a wonderful work as its leader. He had secured Governor Clyde R. Hoey as speaker at the annual meeting Wednesday afternoon and more than 1,000 people gathered in First church to hear Governor Hoey talk about this Methodist brotherhood of which he is an enthusiastic member who contributes to the fund whenever a clerical member dies.

BUSINESS ITEMS OF CONFERENCE AS REPORTED BY GRANBERY DICKSON IN THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER

Conference Secretaries

Edgar H. Nease was elected secretary. He chose as asistants J. G. Winkler, statistician, C. W. Bates of Candler, James B. McLarty of Main Street, Belmont, W. Kenneth Goodson of Muir's Chapel, near Greensboro, and E. K. McLarty, Jr., of Grace church, Greensboro.

Army Chaplains

Bishop Purcell read a cablegram containing greetings which he had just received from Lieut. John H. Carper, who left the pastorate of Thrift-Moores to become an army chaplain, the message having been sent "from a foreign land." Already, the president of the conference said, 18 men have gone from the body to chaplaincy in the armed forces; 16 have been chosen for such positions from pastorates in the North Carolina conference, also a part of the Charlotte area of which Bishop Purcell has charge. "Thirty-four out of a quota of 60," he reported. Others will go to chaplaincies. Approximately 1200 Methodist chaplains are needed, with only one-half so far obtained. Soon it is expected that one million Methodist boys will be in the armed forces.

The following young ministers were elected to deacons' orders: William Ed Andrews, Sherrill Bost Biggers, Raymond Odell Brown, Wade Robert Russell, John Frank Cagle, Simeon Byron Nifong, Joseph Temple Shackford, LeRoy Spencer, and Charles Denny White.

Two ministers were admitted to the conference upon credentials from other churches, Dr. Homer H. Dubs of Duke Divinity School, from the Evangelical Church, and Rev. Earl LeBaron of Oak Ridge Institute, from the Disciples of Christ Church. Rev. H. P. Myers, Jr., came to the conference by transfer from the Virginia conference.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver of Winston-Salem, conference president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, spoke as a representative of the 24,460 members of the society in this conference. This year the conference society led all others in study classes. Receipts during the year totaled more than $58,000, and with the addition of certain related funds the amount exceeded $116,000.

Mrs. C. B. Dauby, Jr., of Boone, new rural church worker of the conference society, spoke of her work. Mrs. Weaver presented to Bishop Purcell an honorary life membership in the society.

A resolution expressing special gratitude to James A. Bell, Charlotte layman, for his work in the interest of establishment of an endowment fund for the retired ministers, their wives and dependent children was adopted on motion of Rev. William L. Sherrill of Charlotte.

With A. J. Kirby of Gastonia, conference lay leader, presiding, the annual laymen's banquet was an event of Wednesday night at Efird's. Former Gov. Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby, the speaker, referred to "the great opportunity of the laymen at this hour, when so much is expected of the church." He urged that laymen give the church their active as well as financial support. "Spiritual vitality cannot be carried entirely by the preacher," he said. "Laymen may greatly assist in the reshaping of the world."

Mr. Hoey also spoke at the annual meeting of the Conference Brotherhood Wednesday afternoon. He urged increased support of it. Rev. H. G. Allen, pastor of Broad Street church, Statesville, presided as brotherhood president. He was re-elected, as were Rev. R. C. Goforth of Greensboro as vice chairman; Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr., of Concord, secretary-treasurer, and Rev. F. C. Smathers of Rutherfordton, assistant secretary-treasurer, and Edwin L. Jones of Charlotte, conference lay director. Mr. Jones also spoke.

Dr. N. M. Harrison, vice president of the college, presided at the annual High Point College banquet at Hotel William R. Barringer Wednesday. Talks were made by Bishop Purcell, Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of the college; Dr. Wilbur Hutchins of Winston-Salem, president of the General Alumni Association; Billy Henderson of Burlington, student body president. Miss Zelma Parnell, music major at the college, sang, with Prof. Olin Blickensderfer as accompanist.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

N. C. Conference, Wilson ..... Nov. 3-6

Please change by address to Lincolnton, N. C., Route 4, and make note of this in our paper.—James T. Bowman.

Dr. Fred Stone, Methodist publishing agent at Chicago, is well on the road to recovery following an illness of some days' duration.

Rev. Edgar H. Nease will preach his first sermon as district superintendent at Coburn Memorial church, Salisbury, on Sunday, November 1, at 11 a. m.—W. G. McFarland, P. C.

I received a warm welcome on my return from conference. Rose Chapel burned to the ground on Saturday; we used Ebenezer school house nearby yesterday with 108 present. We had a meeting last night in the home of Brother J. L. Holmes and set up committee and made other preliminary plans to rebuild. You may say for us that things are looking up on the Cool Springs charge.—H. M. Wellman.

Paul F. Evans, superintendent of public instruction of Davidson county and for the past several years district lay leader of the Winston-Salem district of the Western North Carolina conference, was elected associate lay leader of the conference at the annual session held in Charlotte last week. Mr. Evans will serve with A. J. Kirby, Gastonia merchant, who was elected conference lay leader.

I am proud to say that this is my 21st subscription to the Advocate. I want to give my splendid people a well deserved compliment. They have raised all of the askings of $639 on World Service, an increase on salary and have 92 additions, 47 by profession of faith and 45 by certificate. To say that we are proud of each of our churches is a mild expression of gratitude for the fine co-operation they have given this year. It is worthy of mention further to tell of a harvest day gathering at Johnson's Chapel at Ingold. After all the budget had been met for two weeks the people had a marvelous service and raised $675 with more still coming to complete the nice brick church which was started a year ago. The last account of the income from the harvest day was $700. I still repeat my statement that I made at the first of the year: We have some big men on the Garland charge who do things in a big way.—M. W. Warren.

The good people of the Webb Avenue-Fountain Place charge, Burlington, are to be highly commended for their accomplishments this year. The work at both churches is being done well under the leadership of competent laymen. There has been a net gain of 16 in church membership during the year. As for finances, all obligations are being cared for in the proper manner. Fountain Place has met its building debt obligations as they became due. Its conference budget for the year will be met before the annual conference convenes. That church has done well. Webb Avenue has made rapid progress in a financial way also. In the early part of the year the remaining $92 was paid on church indebtedness. The dedication service was held September 13, with Bishop Clare Purcell preaching the sermon. The church building has been repainted inside and out at a cost of $303; $600 has been paid on a new carpet for the auditorium floor. A city street assessment of $238 has been paid in full this year. The conference budget was all paid in full two weeks before the conference convenes. In our conference we have large churches that do big things, but here we have small churches that are doing big things. These congregations are most loyal to the entire program of the church. They are anxious and willing to do their part in extending the kingdom of God here on earth.—C. J. Andrews, pastor.

We are closing our second year with the fine folk of the Kinnakeet charge. The year has been a pleasant one because of the fine co-operation that the people have given. At the fourth quarterly conference all items were paid in full, except the pastor's salary and it was up to date. The charge will pay more than its acceptance of $250 on World Service and a liberal offering of $32.35 was raised for the Golden Cross. The offering for World Communion Sunday was $20. During the year the St. John's church has raised funds, with the aid of the Duke Endowment, for the construction of five Sunday school class rooms, and at the present the construction is well under way. During the year we have held three revivals, two Bible vacation schools and three training classes for church membership. We have received 16 new members on profession of faith and one by certificate.—J. D. A. Autry, Pastor.

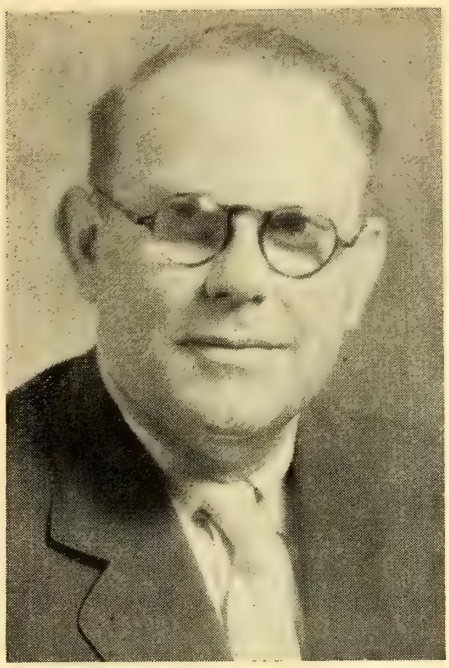
Emory University's fourteenth president, Dr. Goodrich C White, was inaugurated and Dr. Harvey W. Cox was installed as chancellor at the fall convocation held on Friday morning, October 16. The ceremonies, held in Glenn Memorial auditorium, were brief but impressive. The traditional academic procession consisting of the board of trustees, the faculty, the members of the senior classes, was led by Dr. Sam Guy, university marshal. Others taking part in the rites were Dr. Franklin N. Parker, dean emeritus of the Candler school of theology, and Dr. Charles H. Candler, chairman of the board of trustees. Dr. White succeeds Dr. Cox as president of Emory. Previous to the election, Dr. White served successfully as professor, dean of the college of arts and sciences, dean of the graduate school, and vice president. Dr. Cox is the second ever to hold the position of chancellor, the late Bishop Warren A. Candler having been Emory's first chancellor.



Henry R. Dwire, Duke University, speaker at Anniversary the Board of Christian Education of North Carolina Conference, Tuesday at 8 p. m.



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MISS MARY STARR MARTIN WEDS JOHN PERRY AT WINSTON-SALEM RITES

Miss Mary Starr Martin of Winston-Salem and New York City became the bride of John Perry of Greenville and New York Saturday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at the Ardmore Methodist church in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Perry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther E. Martin of Winston-Salem, and the bridegroom the son of Rev. and Mrs. George W. Perry, Greenville.

Dame of honor was Mrs. L. K. Thompson, Jr., of Greensboro, sister of the bride. Other attendants were maid of honor, Miss Glenn Griffin, Rocky Mount; bridesmaids, Mrs. Harry Curlee, Thomasville, Mrs. Jack Alspaugh, Winston-Salem; junior bridesmaids, Shirley Ann Johnson, Winston-Salem, Martha Ann Curlee, Thomasville; best man, Charles A. Cannon, Jr., Concord; ushers, L. K. Thompson, Jr., Greensboro, Harry Curlee, Thomasville, Bunny Woodard, Rocky Mount.

Rev. G. W. Perry, father of the bridegroom, heard the vows. Rev. J. H. Brendall, Winston-Salem, was assistant.

Mrs. E. R. Clapp, Winston-Salem, organist, played Schubert's "Serenade," "Evening Star," from Tannhauser, Intermezzo and during the ceremony, "I Love You Truly," by Bond. Mrs. M. L. Wachtel, Jr., Spring Hope, sang "At Dawning," and Miss Norma Rhoades, Winston-Salem, sang "Because" and "Prayer Perfect."

Following the wedding a reception was given at the bride's home for relatives and out-of-town guests.

After a short wedding trip the couple will live at 34-40 79th Street, Jackson Heights, New York.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

Dr. Elbert Russell, dean emeritus of the school of religion of Duke University, spoke to the students at last Thursday's chapel service. Dr. Russell stated that action and reaction are parallel, but if one knows and understands this law one can predict the outcome of it and control it, adding that it is the problem of our generation to find this new spiritual force and use it. The prominent speaker continued in saying "What you give, you get in return. The way to get is to give." He closed by emphasizing that "actions and things bear fruit after their kind."

Home economics students who are living in the home management house were hostesses for faculty and parents at a formal tea Saturday afternon 4 to 6 in the practice house which is used for home economics majors. Miss Virginia Bunting of New Bern was in charge of arranging plans for the tea.

At a chapel program at noon last week the students heard Mr. R. L. Morgan, special agent of the Bureau of Investigation of the federal government. Mr. Morgan discussed the three types of subversive activities of pro-Axis persons and organizations which the United States is fighting today. The three types, the speaker declared, are fifth column activities, sabotage, and espionage.

Five student delegates of the Future Teachers' Club attended the session of the Northwestern district of the North Carolina Educational Association which met in High Point high school. Misses Mary Louise Hinkle, Lexington; Annie Hall Estep, Greensboro; Albertine Lefler, Norwood; Margaret Carter, Monroe; and Mary Warner, Greensboro, were the students in attendance.

At the meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in Odell auditorium, October 21, members of the speech and dramatic art department, under the direction of Mrs. Louise Perry, acting head of the department and the college glee club, directed by Walter Vassar, professor of voice, presented "Musical Episodes Honoring Stephen Foster" by Sidney Blackmer. The production showed details of Foster's life in pantomime, interspersed with narration and Foster's melodies. Immediately following there was a reception in the social center of Main building.

FAIRMONT METHODIST CHURCH, RALEIGH, RENDERS FINE SERVICE TO STUDENTS

Fairmont Methodist church, led by Rev. H. M. McLamb, is one church to get hold of the students. "College Day" seems to count for much there. A note from the pastor read thus:

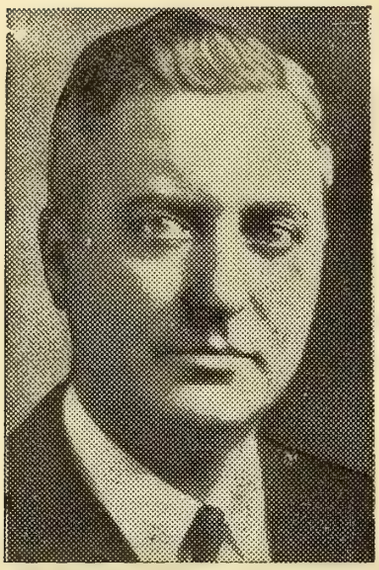
"Fairmont Methodist church, Raleigh, observed "College Day" on October 11. Announcement was made of the student members for the college year. To date, 451 student members have been enlisted from State College, Meredith College, and the State School for the Blind. Last Sunday morning four State College students were received into the church by profession of faith."

DISTRICT MEETING: GREENSBORO

Regardless of who is elected we are going to meet in West Market church November 4 at 10 a. m. for our double purpose of missionary emphasis and district stewards meeting. Pastors, S. S. superintendents, presidents of Woman's Society of Christian Service, chairmen of missionary committees, district stewards, and others who can come are invited and expected.

L. B. Hayes.

OUTSTANDING SPEAKERS TO BE HEARD AT



BISHOP EDWIN F. LEE
Speaker at Anniversary of Board of Missions and Church Extension



BISHOP KENNETH J. PFOHL
Speaker at Anniversary of Conference Board of Temperance



DR. H. E. MYERS
of Duke Divinity School will Preach the Ordination Sermon

NEWS OF HIGH POINT COLLEGE

An alumni dinner for High Point College students who are members of the Western North Carolina conference was held in Charlotte last Wednesday in the Barringer Hotel. Mr. N. M. Harrison of the college presided over the dinner and Dr. G. I. Humphreys, president of the college, spoke on "High Point College Tomorrow." Billy Henderson, president of the student body, gave a short talk on "High Point College Today." Miss Zelma Parnell gave a vocal selection, and Bishop Clare Purcell and the trustees of the college were honor guests.

The forty-five members of the conference who are graduates of High Point College decided to make this dinner an annual affair. The college had a booth at the conference with a movie of campus life and literature about the college. Joe Bostick had charge of the booth.

The sororities and fraternities of the college issued invitations to their rushes to become members of the organizations last week and initiation will be completed this week.

Girls receiving invitations from the Theta Phi sorority are: Mary Ann Coe, Garnett Hinshaw, Lena Sale, Betty Bray, Sue Woodruff, Betty Dean Knox, and Miriam McCall.

New members of the Sigma Alpha Phi sorority are Dot Alexander, Mary Lee Cantrell, Dot Chamberlain, Nan Clapp, Edith Glidewell, Nell Hartman, Lillian Self, Mimi Wagger, Nancy Isenhour, and Dr. Helen Bartlett, honorary member.

The Alphi Theta Psi sorority has three new members: Katherine Cranford, Kathryn Crass, and Ruby Parker.

New boys being initiated into Epsilon Eta Phi are: Bill Hall, Bill Welborne, Thomas Hutchins, Robert Lilly, William Howell, Robert Lloyd, Harold Connor, and Dick Smith.

Iota Tau Kappa's take in George Humphrey, George Nostrand, Robert Porter, Hugh Gorener, Talmadge Cole, Howard Moran, and Charles Noell.

New members of Delta Alpha Epsilon fraternity are: Charles Coffee, Robert Kirchgessner, Harry Hauser, Lindsay Weaver, Dan Sides, and Charles Edwards.

JONESBORO CHURCH ON THE UPWARD WAY

The Jonesboro church raised its budget in full plus a surplus of over $200 one month before annual conference. This was done with an increase of budget of approximately 25 per cent. The budget for next year calls for an increase of about 16 per cent over this year. The annual pledge service and every-member canvass were conducted on the third Sunday in October. The church expects to clear the parsonage of a $500 debt before conference.

The Lemon Springs church was ready to close its budget for the year on October 15. The pledge service and every-member canvass will be held on the first Sunday in November. On October 18 the Woman's Society of Christian Service began a campaign to raise the $965 indebtedness on the church. So far $439 has been raised.

D. L. Fouts, Pastor.

GRAHAM CHURCH GOES FORWARD

We are nearing the close of another year in the Graham Methodist church. We feel with hearts full of gratitude to our pastor, Rev. J. J. Boone, that this has been a most profitable year for us.

Our chairman of the board of stewards, Mr. Rose Henderson, called a meeting after the worship service last Sunday night and although every steward shamefully admitted they hadn't worked but very little, we learned the budget was paid in full, the pastor's salary being paid 15 days in advance each month.

The board voted unanimously to raise the pastor's salary to $3000. This just didn't seem to show our appreciation for the wonderful work our pastor has accomplished, so the board voted to present him a love gift of $100 for his conference journey.

Although Mr. Boone has been with us one year the chairs in the aisles on Sunday morning and the large attendance on Sunday evening prove the church as a whole love him and appreciate what he is doing in our community.

We as a church pledge our loyal support to our church, our pastor and our conference in the advance of God's kingdom during the coming year. Gladys Amick, Sec.

JUDGE CLARKSON TRUE TO THE LAST

All well informed people know the eager devotion of Judge Heriot Clarkson to the cause of temperance. In all the liquor fights of the state he was counted on to be in the forefront. His devotion to the cause of temperance never waned.

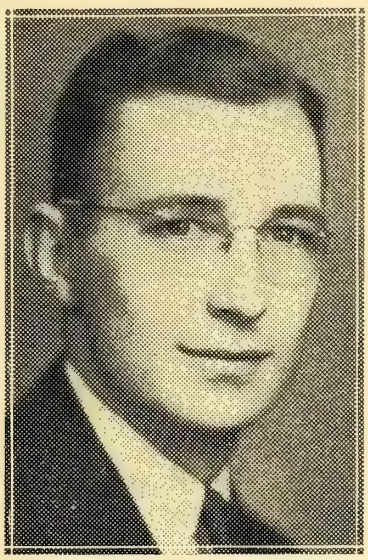
This note from a friend is highly significant:

"The late Judge Heriot Clarkson has left in his will the sum of one thousand dollars to be held in trust, the interest of which is to be used by the State W. C. T. U. Until the will has been probated the family of Judge Clarkson is paying the equivalent."

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK



DR. H. E. SPENCE
To Speak Before Conference Historical Society



DR. ALBERT C. OUTLER
Will be the Speaker at the Duke Alumni Dinner



PROF. B. G. CHILDS
Speaker at Anniversary of the Board of Lay Activities

PEE DEE CHURCH PLANT TO BE DEDICATED NOVEMBER 1

On July 7, 1940, the Rockingham circuit quarterly conference confirmed a building committee nominated by the Pee Dee church. This building committee was composed of L. C. Maske, Clyde Swink, Hal W. Snead, D. H. Thomas and W. I. Dunn. They had H. N. Hanes to draw plans for a church plant which was estimated to cost about $15,000. The building was started in July, 1940, and completed in July, 1942. The church auditorium has a seating capacity of 300 people. The church school plant has been planned for an enrollment of 300 pupils. The congregation has raised most of the cost of the building. A donation of $250 was given them by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Carolina conference.

The plant will be dedicated on November 1 at the 11 o'clock service. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will preach the dedicatory sermon and Rev. W. V. McRae, district superintendent of the Fayetteville district,, and the pastor, J. W. Dimmette, will take part in the dedication exercises. All former pastors are cordially invited to attend this service. After the dedication the fourth quarterly conference will be held. All pledges will be paid in full.

Some of the former M. E. Church, South, pastors: A. J. Grove, B. E. Stanfield, Y. E. Wright, J. J. Parker, B. F. Watson, Leon M. Hall, Dwight A. Petty, M. E. Cotton, W. D. Yarboro, E. R. Clegg, B. F. Boone, W. D. McLamb and J. W. Dimmette, present pastor.

Some of the former Methodist Protestant pastors: James Henry Trollinger, H. W. Bell and R. L. Vickery.

The new building was started by the Pee Dee congregation in July, 1940. On November 10, 1940, the former membership of the Methodist Protestant church was transferred to the Pee Dee congregation.

(Our heartiest congratulations to Brother Dimmette and all the good people over at Pee Dee.—Editor).

J. W. Dimmette, Pastor.

WEST MARKET BULLETIN WELCOMES NEW PREACHER

Today's bulletin goes to the printer before we know definitely who will be our minister for the ensuing year. However, we are glad to welcome this morning our new pastor —he is always new after an annual conference.

The accomplishments of West Market Street church during the last five years, under the incomparable leadership of Dr. Craven, are without a parallel in the long history of the church. The old-time spirit of the congregation has been revived and magnified; the physical property has been expanded to include a splendid new organ, the public library and an adequate parsonage; a burdensome debt is out of the way. "We are a united church."

We greet Dr. Craven as he returns to the pulpit this morning, and rise in gratitude for his magnificent work, his inspirational preaching, his devotion to the cause of Christ, and the prophecy of promise of more loyal support for our church and our new pastor.

Pastoral Relations Committee.
By Charles A. Hines, Chm.

NEWS ITEMS FROM SYLVA

The annual church conference and dinner of the Sylva church was held in the new Charles L. Allison educational annex on October 14 with 200 members and friends attending. Chairman of the board of stewards, R. U. Sutton, presided.

A yearbook, giving a resume of the year's work was distributed and showed a splendid growth under the pastoral leadership of Rev. R. G. Tuttle during his first year at Sylva.

Sixty new members, 26 of whom were received by profession of faith, were guests of honor.

Report of finance committee showed all obligations for year met in full by October 4. The budget for the new year was submitted and showed an increase in every item, with 25 per cent increase for missions and $300 for pastor's salary.

The building committee reported on the building and financing of our new $6,100 Charles L. Allison educational building, all of which has been raised in full this year. In addition, $500 has been paid on the splendid equipment with which the building is fitted.

In the area of Christian education the report showed over 80 credits were issued in the standard training school held last spring and the youth of Sylva enjoyed the leadership of a Youth Caravan in June.

Herbert Gibson,
Charge Lay Leader.

Western North Carolina Conference Appointment
1942 - 1943

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, District Superintendent

Acton ..... H. E. Bolick
Asheville—Asbury Memorial ..... E. W. Needham
Biltmore ..... E. J .Harbison
Central ..... W. A. Lambeth
French Broad Avenue ..... G. E. Keeler, Supply
Haywood Street ..... A. G. Swofford
Hillside-Merrimon ..... P. S. Kennett
Oakley ..... E. O. Peeler
West Asheville ..... N. C. Williams
Asheville Circuit ..... J. J. Wood
Bald Creek ..... To be supplied
Barnardsville ..... A. B. Dennis (R)
Black Mountain ..... H. G. Hardin
Brevard ..... W. A. Jenkins
Burnsville ..... J. S. Folger
Candler ..... C. W. Bates
East Flat Rock ..... C. Moody Smith
Ecousta ..... To be supplied
Etowah-Shaw's Creek ..... D. L. Barnhardt (R)
Fairview ..... To be supplied
Fletcher ..... N. G. Bethea
Hendersonville ..... F. C. Smathers
Hot Springs ..... Z. V. Arthur
Leicester ..... A. Wade Thompson
Marshall ..... M. B. Shives
Micaville-Tipton Hill ..... W. E. Rufty
Mills River ..... J. D. Morris
Pisgah ..... T. A. Groce (R)
Rosman ..... J. R. Bowman
Saluda ..... To be supplied
Sandy ..... J. D. Pyatt, Supply
Swannanoa ..... V. R. Masters
Tryon ..... R. W. Blanchard
Weaverville ..... F. O. Dryman
Weaverville Circuit ..... To be supplied
Wolf Mountain ..... L. W. Hall, Supply
Dean Emory University ..... H. B. Trimble
Missionary to Isle of Pines ..... M. B. Stokes
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... W. F. Beadle
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... G. H. Schreyer
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... H. S. Williams
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... A. Frank Phibbs
Chaplain U. S. Navy ..... H. C. Sprinkle, Jr.
District Missionary Secretary ..... H. E. Bolick
Supernumerary ..... W. G. Clark
Sabbatical Leave ..... C. B. Way
Sabbatical Leave ..... K. G. Holt
Retired: A. S. Beaman, G. C. Brinkman, Homer Casto, M. B. Clegg, L. W. Colson, A. B. Dennis, D. L. Earnhardt, T. A. Groce, G. D. Herman, G. B. A. Holderby, W. F. Sandford, R. A. Swarengen, C. M. White, J. S. Williams.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, District Superintendent

Ansonville ..... I. R. Miller
Asbury-Derita ..... J. L. Trollinger
Big Springs ..... C. D. Brown
Charlotte—Belmont Park ..... J. W. Fitzgerald
Brevard Street ..... P. T. Dixon
Calvary ..... S. M. Needham
Central Avenue ..... C. C. Benton
Chadwick ..... M. G. Ervin
Dilworth ..... H. P. Powell
Dilworth, Associate Pastor ..... J. C. Phillips
Duncan Memorial ..... P. F. Snider
First ..... G. Ray Jordan
First, Associate Pastor ..... H. C. Wilkinson
Hawthorne Lane ..... W. B. West
Myers Park ..... E. H. Blackard
Myers Park, Associate Pastor ..... S. B. Biggers
St. Johns and Mission ..... Chas. E. Shannon
Spencer Memorial ..... C. E. Murray
Wesley Heights ..... W. B. Davis
Hickory Grove ..... R. L. Young
Homestead-Pleasant Grove ..... R. E. Hinshaw
Indian Trail-Stallings ..... J. R. Warren (R)
Lilesville ..... M. A. Lewis
Marshville ..... R. C. Kirk
Matthews ..... W. D. Corriher
Monroe—Central ..... J. H. Armbrust
Central, Associate Pastor ..... Joe E. Caldwell
North Monroe ..... H. R. Cornelius
Morven ..... H. P. Myers, Jr.
New Hope-Bethel ..... T. G. Highfill
Peachland ..... C. J. Winslow
Pineville ..... J. L. Rayle
Polkton ..... A. B. Bruton
Prospect ..... A. M. Faulkner
Thrift-Moores ..... J. E. Rink
Trinity ..... E. H. Brendall
Unionville ..... E. W. Mills
Wadesboro ..... C. P. Bowles
Waxhaw ..... J. B. Fitzgerald
Weddington ..... J. O. Cox
Zoar ..... To be supplied
Conference Treasurer and Agent for Retired Ministers' Homes ..... E. O. Cole
Professor Wesleyan College ..... N. A. Huffman
Missionary to Japanese in Arizona ..... S. A. Stawart
District Missionary Secretary ..... J. W. Fitzgerald
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. H. Carper
Retired: L. B. Abernethy, O. P. Ader, E. D. Ballard, J. A. Baldwin, J. H. Barnhardt, H. K. Boyer, R. P. Fikes, J. A. Fry, W. J. Hackney, T. J. Huggins, T. M. Johnson, D. M. Litaker, C. L. McCain, C. M. Pickens, T. A. Plyler, J. N. Randall, W. L. Sherrill, C. M. Short, A. R. Surratt, B. A. York.

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, District Superintendent

Advance ..... J. C. Gentry
Ararat ..... Caleb Ashburn, Supply
Boone ..... E. K. McLarty (R)
Bryant Memorial ..... T. W. Bryant, Supply
Cooleemee ..... F. J. Stough
Creston ..... J. R. Short
Davie ..... G. W. Fink
Dobson ..... J. W. Parker
East Bend ..... G. A. Hovis
Elkin ..... H. F. Duncan
Farmington ..... J. W. Vestal
Green Valley ..... W. C. Eastridge
Helton ..... R. J. Starling
Jefferson ..... H. D. Jessup
Jonesville ..... G. C. Graham
Laurel Springs ..... Worth Sweet, Supply
Millers Creek ..... J. L. A. Bumgarner
Mocksville ..... A. L. Aycock
Mocksville Circuit ..... F. A. Wright
Moravian Falls ..... J. M. Green
North Wilkesboro ..... A. C. Waggoner
Sparta ..... C. R. Allison
Saint Paul ..... S. J. Brawley
Todd ..... W. H. Nease
Trap Hill ..... W. M. Roberts, Supply
Warrensville ..... H. E. Murphy, Supply
Watauga ..... M. A. Osborne
West Jefferson ..... H. H. Wood
Wilkesboro ..... F. H. Shinn
Yadkinville ..... W. J. Huneycutt
Chaplain U. S. Navy ..... J. C. Stokes
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... R. M. Hardee
Supt. Chatham Memorial Hospital and Director Golden Cross ..... W. M. Smith
District Missionary Secretary ..... H. F. Duncan
Retired: S. N. Bumgarner, M. L. Chappell, T. J. Houck, R. F. Jones, H. C. Sprinkle, Sr., D. J. White, D. O. Huss.

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, District Superintendent

Belmont—Main Street ..... J. B. McLarty
Park Street ..... L. R. Spencer
Belwood ..... J. M. Morgan
Bessemer City ..... G. W. Vick
Boger City ..... H. E. Stimson
Cherryville ..... C. B. Newton
Cherryville Circuit ..... J. E. B. Houser
Cherryville Ct., Associate Pastor ..... Kelley Dixon, Supply
Cleveland ..... D. H. Rhinehart
Concord-El Bethel ..... C. W. Avett
Cramerton ..... L. P. Barnett
Crouse ..... W. F. Eaker
Dallas ..... J. G. Wilkinson
Ebenezer ..... R. H. Stamey
Fallston ..... G. W. Clay
Gastonia—Bradley Memorial ..... To be supplied
East End ..... A. W. Lynch
Main Street ..... C. H. Moser
Maylo-Smyre ..... J. N. Wise

Trinity ..... F. R. Love
West End ..... J. C. Grose
King's Mountain—Central ..... J. C. Winkler
Grace ..... W. L. Harkey
Lincoln Circuit ..... J. T. Bowman
Lincolnton—First ..... L. D. Thompson
Rhyne Heights ..... P. R. Rayle
Lowell ..... E. C. Price
Lowesville ..... C. L. Grant
McAdenville ..... M. E. Leftwich
Mount Holly ..... W. O. Goode
Polkville ..... W. L. Scott
Rock Springs ..... John H. Green
Shelby—Central ..... G. B. Clemmer
Lafayette Street ..... J. S. Gibbs
Shelby Circuit ..... R. M. Hauss
South Fork ..... R. G. McClamrock
Stanley ..... L. E. Mabry
Vale ..... Iverson Brendle, Supply
Chaplain U. S. Navy ..... P. W. Townsend
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... Cecil L. Heckard
Student Duke University ..... A. W. Wellons
Missionary to Japanese in Idaho ..... I. L. Shaver
District Missionary Secretary ..... G. W. Clay
Retired: D. F. Carver, J. E. Thompson, B. Wilson.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

L. B. Hayes, District Superintendent

Danbury ..... J. L. Love
Draper ..... H. M. Robinson
Draper-Wayside ..... To be supplied
Flatrock ..... E. P.Hamilton
Gibsonville ..... R. A. Hunter
Greensboro—Bessemer ..... R. M. Laughlin
Bethel-Battleground ..... P. L. Shore, Sr.
Calvary ..... P. L. Shore, Jr.
Carraway Memorial ..... J. P. Hipps
Centenary ..... G. R. Combs
College Place ..... R. M. Courtney
Glenwood ..... E. M. Avett
Grace ..... E. K. McLarty, Jr.
Midway-Groome's ..... G. E. S. Miller
Moriah ..... J. F. Cable
Muir's Chapel ..... W. K. Goodson
Newlyn Street ..... C. W. Russell
Proximity ..... R. C. Goforth
Saint Paul ..... B. A. Sisk
West End ..... B. W. Lefler
West Market Street ..... J. B. Craven
Guilford Circuit ..... Paschal Waugh (S)
Friendship-Hickory Grove ..... H. C. Byrum
HawRiver ..... T. V. Crouse
Jamestown-Oakdale ..... C. M. McKinney
Leaksville ..... J. E. Carroll
Lee's Chapel ..... J. J. Powell
Madison ..... O. J. Jones
Mayodan ..... Delbert Byrum (S)
Mount Pleasant ..... R. M. Andrews (R)
Mount Pleasant Circuit ..... R. P. Gibbs
Mitchell's-Vickery ..... W. H. Yokeley
Oak Ridge ..... P. R. Taylor
Pleasant Garden ..... T. F. Higgins
Reidsville—Lindsay Street ..... E. L. Ballard
Main Street ..... R. L. Ownbey
Reidsville Circuit ..... Byron Shankle
Ruffin ..... Walter R. Thompson
Sandy Ridge ..... T. G. Williams (S)
Spray ..... T. R. Wolfe
Stokesdale ..... A. D. Shelton
Stoneville ..... W. B. Shinn
Summerfield ..... A. L. Latham
Tabernacle-Julian ..... O. C. Loy
Dean Duke Divinity School ..... P. N. Garber
Professor Duke University ..... G. T. Rowe
Professor Duke University ..... Homer H. Dubs
Professor Greensboro College ..... R. A. Smith
Associate Professor Emory University .... M. B. Stokes, Jr.
Editor N. C. Christian Advocate ..... A. W. Plyler (R)
Student to University of California ..... C. D. Stokes
Florida Latin Mission ..... R. J. Parker
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. L. Pittard
Chaplain U. S. Navy ..... J. W. Crawley
District Missionary Secretary ..... E. K. McLarty, Jr.
Retired: R. M. Andrews, W. F. Ashburn, A. R. Bell, J. W. Bennett, J. A. Burgess, W. M. Curtis, A. G. Dixon, C. P. Goode, J. R. Hutton, J. W. Kennedy, A. W. Plyler, W. D. Reed, J. B. Trogdon, S. B. Turrentine, W. A. Wilson.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

S. W. Taylor, District Superintendent

Archdale ..... G. E. White
Asheboro—Central ..... J. W. Braxton
First ..... Paul Hardin, Jr.
Asheboro Circuit ..... E. A. Lamb
Coleridge ..... W. J. Flint
Denton—Central ..... M. W. Nesbitt
First ..... E. M. Hoyle
Farmer ..... Y. D. Poole
Greer's Chapel ..... Atlas Ridge
High Point—Calvary ..... O. L. Brown
First ..... W. O. Weldon
Highland ..... S. W. Johnson
Lebanon ..... O. L. Easter
Main Street ..... W. R. Kelley
Oak View ..... R. E. Ward
Rankin Memorial ..... Edward Suits
Ward Street ..... J. E. McSwain
Welch Memorial ..... T. E. Strickland
Wesley Memorial ..... C. E. Rozzelle
Liberty, First ..... Earle LeBaron
Liberty Circuit ..... C. H. Hill (R)
Linwood ..... O. E. Croy
Mount Vernon ..... Geo. H. Needham
Pleasant Grove ..... C. E. Ridge
Ramseur-Franklinville ..... J. E. Pritchard
Randleman-Union ..... W. Q. Grigg
Randleman Circuit ..... J. H. Trolinger
Randolph-Gray's Chapel ..... H. L. Isley
Richland ..... J. A. Howell
Seagrove ..... J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
Shiloh ..... T. G. Madison
South Davidson ..... J. B. Trogdon (R)
Trinity ..... R. F. Huneycutt
West Randolph ..... G. B. Ferree
Why Not ..... N .L. Oliver, Supply
President High Point College ..... G. I. Humphreys
Vice President and Promotional Secretary High Point College ..... N. M. Harrison
Professor High Point College ..... P. E. Lindley
Conference Evangelist ..... J. W. Groce
Associate Director Department Adult Work, General Board of Education ..... F. L. Gibbs
District Missionary Secretary ..... W. R. Kelly
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. A. Lindsay
Retired: W. N. Pike, A. O. Lindley, W. F. McDowell, C. H. Hill, Geo. R. Brown, J. D. Williams.

MARION DISTRICT

C. S. Kirkpatrick, District Superintendent

Avery Circuit ..... J. T. Melton
Avondale ..... S. B. Moss
Bakersville ..... G. L. Lovett (S)
Bostic ..... Van B. Harrison
Broad River ..... E. P. Green
Cliffside ..... E. L. Kirk
Connelly Springs ..... G. L. Wilkinson
Drexel ..... M. W. Edwards
Elk Park ..... J. N. Snow
Forest City ..... W. H. Groce
Gelkey ..... McRae Crawford
Glen Alpine ..... T. B. Huneycutt
Henrietta ..... M. C. Reese
Linville Falls ..... Charles C. Murray (S)
Marion—First ..... D. E. Camak
Cross Mills ..... F. R. Barber
Marion Mills ..... J. O. Banks
Marion Circuit ..... H. W. Bell
McDowell Circuit ..... V. P. Crowder
Mill Spring ..... Carl W. Dennis
Morganton—First ..... Fletcher Nelson
North Forest ..... R. C. Nimon
Morganton Circuit ..... F. W. Dowd Bangle
Old Fort ..... R. M. Varner
Old Fort Circuit ..... C. R. Ross
Pleasant Grove ..... G. R. Stafford
Rutherford College ..... J. R. Duncan
Rutherfordton ..... D. M. Nifong
Spindale ..... R. L. Bass
Pruce Pine ..... M. T. Hipps
Sunshine ..... E. H. Spencer
Table Rock ..... W. M. Rathburn
Valdese ..... P. L. Smith
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... G. F. Hood
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... C. H. Peace
District Missionary Secretary ..... E. L. Kirk
Retired: D. W. Haga, L. S. Helms, W. I. Hughes, D. A. Lewis, J. I. Spinks, J. T. Stover.
Left without appointment (on account of illness) ..... G. F. Conley

SALISBURY DISTRICT

E. H. Nease, District Superintendent

Albemarle—Central ..... J. H. Brendall
First Street ..... G. N. Dulin
Main Street ..... J. E. Yountz
Albemarle Circuit ..... E. A. Bingham
Badin-New London ..... E. G. Lidenhouse
Bethel-Boger ..... C. E. Williams
Bethpage-Shiloh ..... W. B. R. Culp
China Grove ..... L. R. Akers, Jr.

Concord—Ann Street ..... R. J. Barnwell
Central ..... F. B. Jordan
Epworth ..... J. L. Ingram
Forest Hill ..... C. C. Herbert, Jr.
Harmony ..... N. S. Ogburn
Kerr Street ..... J. W. Fowler, Jr.
Westford ..... T. W. Hager
East Spencer-Yadkin ..... F. L. Setzer
Friendship ..... W. C. Sides, Jr.
Gold Hill ..... L. S. Furr
Granite Quarry ..... C. G. Iseley
Kannopolis—Jackson Park ..... A. M. Smith
Midway ..... R. A. Taylor
North Kannapolis ..... C. L. Curry
Trinity ..... W. A. Rollins
Landis ..... Austin Hamilton, Supply
Midland ..... A. C. Kennedy
Mount Mitchell ..... E. A. Cook
Mount Olivet ..... F. W. Kiker
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs ..... H. L. Creech, Jr.
New London Circuit ..... C. C. Sharpe
Norwood ..... R. C. Stubbins
Norwood Circuit ..... Wade Johnson
Pfeiffer ..... G. B. Ross
Roberta ..... J. W. Combs
Rocky Ridge ..... L. A. Scott
Salem ..... H. E. Jones
Salisbury—Coburn Memorial ..... W. G. McFarland
First ..... W. J. Miller
Main Street-Rowan ..... W. R. Bustle
Park Avenue ..... T. H. Swofford
Spencer, Central ..... C. W. Kirby
Stanfield ..... J. R. Hamilton
Woodleaf ..... G. W. Williams
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... A. A. Lyerly
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... E. B. Edwards
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... R. B. Shumaker
Executive Secretary Board of Education ..... C. H. King
Associate Secretary Board of Education ..... E. D. C. Brewer
District Missionary Secretary ..... W. G. McFarland
Retired: Brooks Jerome, H. H. Robbins, J. M. Varner.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

J. S. Hiatt, District Superintendent

Balls Creek ..... R. L. Forbis
Catawba ..... A. G. Lackey
Claremont-Shiloh ..... R. W. McCulley
Cool Springs ..... H. M. Wellman
Davidson-Fairview ..... C. F. Tate
Elmwood ..... Elsie Myers
Grace-Rhodhiss ..... J. Max Brandon, Sr.
Granite Falls ..... I. L. Roberts
Harmony ..... R. V. Martin
Hickory—Bethel ..... S. G. Ferree
First ..... W. A. Kale
Highlands ..... J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr.
Westview ..... H. C. Freeman
Hiddenite ..... E. H. Lowman
Hudson ..... R. E. Hunt
Lenoir—First ..... J. C. Cornett
Lenoir Circuit ..... J. O. Ervin
Maiden ..... J. C. Auman
Mooresville—Broad Street ..... W. H. Benfield
Central ..... J. W. Moore
Jones Memorial ..... W. M. Blanton, Supply
Mooresville Circuit ..... Hubert L. Powell
Mount Zion ..... W. S. Smith
Newton—First ..... M. Q. Tuttle
North Newton ..... C. A. Morrison
Olin ..... D. T. Huss
Shepherds ..... J. Max Brandon, Jr.
Statesville—Boulevard ..... J. E. Hipp
Broad Street ..... H. G. Allen
Race Street ..... F. H. Price
Statesville Circuit ..... G. F. Houck
Stony Point ..... L. F. Strader
Taylorsville ..... O. L. Robinson
Troutman ..... J. C. Reichard
Union Grove-Zion ..... R. H. Kennington
Whitnel ..... R. H. Nicholson
District Missionary Secretary ..... I. L. Roberts
Retired: D. C. Ballard, J. H. Bradley, P. H. Brittain, W. S. Cherry, E. W. Fox, J. G. W. Holloway, J. C. Keever, M. A. Matheson, E. Myers, J. A. Peeler, L. L. Smith, D. P. Waters, E. E. Yates.
Supernumerary ..... B. M. Crosby

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

W. L. Hutchins, District Superintendent

Andrews ..... R. T. Houts
Bethel ..... H. L. LaFevers
Bryson City ..... C. O. Newell
Canton—Central ..... E. P. Billups
First ..... J. B. Tabor
Clyde ..... C. C. Washam
Crabtree ..... W. G. Burgin (S)
Cullowhee ..... M. S. Richie
Dellwood ..... L. C. Stevens
Fines Creek ..... Milton Harbin (S)
Franklin ..... J. L. Stokes II
Franklin Circuit ..... P. L. Green
Hayesville ..... A. J. Clemmer
Hiawassee ..... Jesse Ray Thompson (S)
Highlands ..... J. S. Higgins
Indian Reservation ..... To be supplied
Jonathan ..... J. S. Johnson (S)
Junaluska ..... M. A. McLean
Macon ..... J. C. Swaim
Morning Star ..... G. W. Bumgarner
Murphy ..... R. H. Taylor
Murphy Circuit ..... Alfred Smith (S)
Pigeon Valley ..... W. H. Pless
Robbinsville ..... H. D. Garmon
Rockwood ..... V. A. Morton
Shooting Creek ..... D. H. Dennis
Sylva ..... R. G. Tuttle
Waynesville ..... J. C. Madison
Webster ..... B. C. Moss (S)
Whittier ..... W. E. Andrews
Missionary to Brazil ..... C. W. Clay
District Missionary Secretary ..... R. G. Tuttle
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. W. Blitch
Retired: J. J. Gray, J. B. Needham, Z. Paris, W. M. Robbins, R. B. Templeton, W. G. Warren.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

C. C. Weaver, District Superintendent

Concord-Sharon ..... W. F. Heffner
Davidson ..... W. R. Jenkins
Hanes-Clemmons ..... J. M. Barber
Kernersville ..... W. A. Barber
Kernersville Circuit ..... C. E. Coble (S)
Lewisville ..... O. B. Williams
Lexington—Erlanger ..... F. E. Howard
First ..... John W. Hoyle, Jr.
Trinity-Mt. Carmel ..... T. G. Smith
Maple Springs ..... J. J. Holmes
Marvin ..... J. H. Melzer
Mt. Airy, Central ..... C. N. Clark
Rockford Street ..... E. M. Graham
Mt. Airy Circuit ..... M. W. Heckard
Mt. Carmel-Pleasant Grove ..... S. B. Nifong
Mt. Tabor ..... A. J. Cox
New Hope-Oak Summit ..... G. M. Carver
North Davidson ..... W. T. Albright
Pilot Mountain ..... R. O. Brown
Pinnacle ..... O. B. Mitchell
Rural Hall ..... I. L. Sharpe
Thomasville—Community ..... E. E. Snow
First-West End ..... C. D. White
Main Street ..... L. F. Tuttle
Trinity-Bethel ..... D. A. Oakley
Thomasville Circuit ..... C. O. Plyler
Unity-Fair Grove ..... W. L. Lanier
Walkertown-Love's ..... A. P. Ratledge
Morris Chapel ..... D. B. Mullis
Walnut Cove ..... W. Reid Harris
Welcome ..... C. O. Kennerly
West Forsyth ..... A. Burgess
Winston-Salem—Ardmore ..... R. D. Ware
Burkhead ..... Reid Wall
Centenary ..... W. A. Stanbury
Central Terrace ..... A. A. Kyles
First and City Mission ..... B. A. Culp
Green Street ..... C. G. Heffner
Ogburn Memorial ..... C. F. Womble
Crews-Sedge Garden ..... W. B. Thompson
Winston Circuit ..... J. T. Shackford
Conference Evangelist ..... J. R. Church
Student to Duke University ..... A. C. Kennedy, Jr.
District Missionary Secretary ..... Reid Wall
Retired: T. B. Johnson, J. T. Mangum, P. E. Parker, Henry Powell, R. S. Truesdale.

CHANGES IN CHARGE BOUNDARY LINES

Asheville District

Merge the Leicester-Bell, Leicester-Grace and Sandy charges into two, to be called Leicester and Sandy charges, to consist of the following:

Leicester—Bell Church, Brick Church, Dix Creek, Grace, Highland, Leicester.

Sandy—Big Sandy, Chestnut Grove, Little Sandy, Payne's Chapel, Roberson's Chapel, Teague's Chapel, Western Chapel.

From Ivy charge take Beech Glen church and attach to the Barnardsville charge.

From Ivy charge take Bright Hope, Laurel and Mount Pleasant churches and the Ivy parsonage at Beech Glen, and

attach them to the Marshall charge—thus absorbing the Ivy charge.

From the Etowah charge take English Chapel church, and from the Rosman charge take the Oak Grove church; put the two together, forming the Ecousta charge.

To the Etowah charge add the Shaws Creek church and McGehee Chapel (both abandoned), to constitute the Etowah charge.

From Bald Creek charge take the Deyton Bend church and attach to the Micaville-Tipton Hill charge.

Charlotte District

To the Derita church add Huntersville, the new charge to be known as Asbury-Derita.

Gastonia District

To McAdenville add West Cramerton (a new church).

Greensboro District

From the Guilford circuit take Hickory Grove and Friendship, setting up a two-point charge called Hickory Grove-Friendship. Take Joyner Memorial from Bethel-Battleground and place on Guilford. Take Burnett's Chapel from Midway and place on Guilford.

Take Ai from Oak Ridge and put on Hickory Grove.

Take Groome's from Guilford circuit and place with Midway, the charge to be called Midway-Groome's.

High Point District

Attach Liberty Grove to Liberty, First church.

Marion District

Take Avondale from Cliffside charge and set it up as Avondale Station.

Salisbury District

Take Pine Grove from Main Street and place on the Albemarle circuit.

Put Tabernacle, Friendship, and Oak Grove together, making the Friendship charge.

Take Bethany from the Albemarle circuit, Palestine from Tabernacle, Bethel and New Mount Tabor from Friendship, thus making the New London circuit.

Statesville District

Take Shiloh church from Ball's Creek circuit and Claremont from Catawba circuit and form a new charge to be called Claremont-Shiloh.

Waynesville District

Take Ranger, Roger's Chapel, Martin's Creek, Maggie Chapel, Unaka, Culbertson, Bellview and form a new charge to be called Hiawassee circuit.

Add Beaverdam to Pigeon Valley charge.

Add Meadow Grove and Pisgah to Bethel Station.

Take Peachtree church from Hayesville circuit and add to Murphy circuit.

Winston-Salem District

From Mount Airy circuit take Hebron church and place on Ararat circuit, Elkin district.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Plans for the week-end home coming, October 31 and November 1, are going forward; and a considerable number of alumni is to attend.

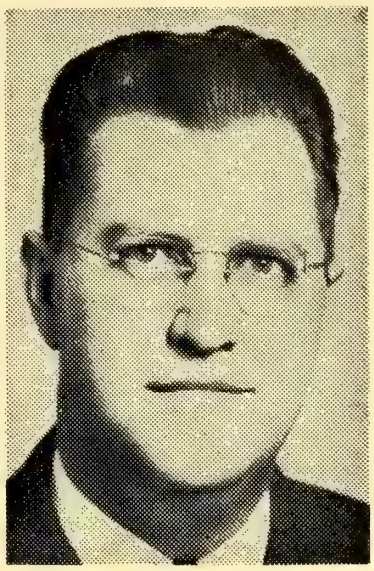
A major event of the occasion is the annual home coming production of the dramatic club. The play "Fixin's" by the playwright Paul Green and his sister will be staged Saturday evening, under the direction of Miss Virginia Peyatt, instructor in dramatic arts. The students taking part in the production are John Sledge, Spring Hope; Joe Brown, Parkton; Sophia Gregson, Sanford. The executive staff is made up of Lois Asbell and Eloise Keaton, Hertford, property mistresses, and Ira and Thomas Helms, Scotland Neck, stage managers.

The monthly birthday dinner was held in the college dining hall Friday evening under the direction of Miss Lula Mae Stipe, consulting dean and chairman of the social committee. Honorees were those students and faculty members with birthdays in October. The Hallowe'en motif was carried out in decorations, and Vachel Lindsay's The Mysterious Cat was read by Miss Virginia Peyatt.

Miss Mildred Hudgins, dean of women and recently a missionary to Japan, spoke on the Far Eastern situation at zone meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at Providence church, Goldsboro, and Concord church, Seaboard, the past week.

OPENING OF NEW TRINITY CHURCH, RALEIGH

Sunday, October 25, 1942, will be a day long remembered by the Trinity congregation in Raleigh. This was the occasion of the auspicious opening of the beautiful new Trinity Methodist church in our capital city. Many friends and guests were present to enjoy the warm hearted welcome extended by this happy congregation. The crowded house, the delightful music and the attention given to the last detail contributed to the success of the occasion.



Rev. R. G. Dawson

Rev. R. G. Dawson, the pastor, was in charge of the exercises of the day during the morning, the afternoon and the night. Dr. M. T. Plyler led the opening prayer, Dr. H. I. Glass read the scripture lesson and Bishop Clare Purcell preached a most appropriate sermon for this notable day. Following the sermon, the pastor received a large class into the fellowship of the church.

Then came the announcements of memorials as special gifts. The Hammond organ, the communion table, the baptismal font, the pulpit Bible, the altar set, the light fixtures, the tile in the vestibule, and eight art glass windows received due recognition and grateful appreciation of the donors. Along with these gifts were thanks extended to friends of other churches and helpers who had rendered valuable services. It really seems that all had a mind to work and did their utmost to make a success of this undertaking. Close to 1,000 called during "open house" on Sunday afternoon.

This new Trinity church results from the merger of the former Central and Epworth churches in that section of the city. The foudation of glorious results of the past two or three years really were laid more than fifteen years ago when the lot on which the new Trinity stands, as well as the dwelling on it to be used as the parsonage of Epworth church, was bought with the hope that some day this present merger would result and a new church be built in this section of Raleigh. Really, this is the consummation so much hoped for in other days. Well may this congregation rejoice for this new day filled with such high expectation.

Pastor Dawson announced that the first week of their being in the new church was to be given over to a series of thanksgiving and revival services each evening of the week. Wise pastor and happy people this who can keep their faces set to the future in the hope of still larger conquests.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER

For soldiers in the air,
O God, creator in whose hand
The rolling planets lie,
Give skill to those who now command
The ships that brave the sky.
Strong spirit, burning with mankind
On missions high to dare,
Safe pilot all who seek to find
Their haven through the air.
Enfolding Life, bear in thy wing
Through storm and dark and sun,
The men in air, who closer bring
The nations into one. Amen.

—Florence G. White in "The Upper Room."

ROWAN COUNTY ZONE MEETING

By Mrs. Arch Frye

The Rowan county zone held its annual meeting on September 25 at historic Bethpage church, near Kannapolis. The meeting opened at 10 a. m. with a stirring devotional by Rev. R. W. McCulley, pastor host.

Mrs. J. N. Dayvault, zone chairman, presided over the day's program, with 65 or more representatives of the churches in the district present. All phases of the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service were ably presented by different leaders of the county, special emphasis being given to the week of prayer and the emergency fund.

A highlight of the morning session was a humorous talk by Mrs. Albert Sherrill of Greensboro, sister of Mrs. Dayvault, and a pioneer of old Bethpage, who related the origin of the church and recalled memories of a preacher's wife of fifty years ago.

During the noon day meditation we were led by our beloved district superintendent, Dr. C. N. Clark. At noon an enjoyable and delicious picnic lunch was spread in the yard by the ladies of the church.

Mrs. Swofford conducted the afternoon devotional, after which reports from societies and committees were given. All the zone officers were reelected for another year. A most welcome visitor at the meeting was Mrs. Henry Warlick of Granite Falls, mother of Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Members of the families of Revs. J. P. Rogers and Albert Sherrill were introduced, the only two preachers that have gone out from Bethpage, and they about 50 years ago.

Granite Quarry was chosen as the meeting place for next year. During the noon hour gifts were presented by Mrs. Dayvault, to each speaker of the day and to the presidents of each society represented. This day was the 40th wedding anniversary of Mrs. Dayvault, which took place in Bethpage church; so it was a day of "Backward, turn backward, O Time, in your flight, Womanhood's years are only a dream."

ZONE MEETING AT HARMONY CHURCH

Miss Mabel Barnes, Zone Chairman

Zone three of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Statesville district, held a recent meeting at the Harmony church, with Miss Mabel Barnes, chairman, presiding.

Mrs. H. M. Wellman led the devotional service, reading from Galatians 6:1-10. Rev. R. V. Martin, pastor of Harmony church, led in prayer. Welcome was extended by Mrs. J. C. Daniels of the hostess church, with responses by Mrs. Fred Bunch, Jr., of Statesville.

Miss Kathleen Gaither and Miss Lillie Ruth Blaylock concluded the introductory program with a vocal duet.

The business session opened with a roll call showing 16 societies represented with 73 persons in attendance.

Reports from the various departments of the work were given by the district officers, Mrs. Roy Lazenby reporting on supplies, Mrs. H. A. Poston on literature, Mrs. W. W. Washam of Cornelius on the mission and Bible study books.

Mrs. J. E. Hiatt gave a most interesting talk based on Latin America, using as her subject "On This Foundation." Mrs. E. L. Rice gave a most inspiring talk on mission work in China and the group joined in singing "Faith of Our Fathers." Lunch was served by the ladies of the church, and following the lunch hour Mrs. H. A. Poston led the worship service, using as her theme "Our Union with Christ." Mrs. T. V. Goode, district corresponding secretary, brought her report during the afternoon session, and several musical selections added to the interest and enjoyment of the program. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. R. S. Kennington.

SCARRITT ENDOWMENT GROWS

From Scarritt College Voice

Those interested in Scarritt College and who have made sacrificial offerings to the Scarritt Living Endowment during the past year will be gratified to know how that fund has been growing.

Among the gifts of the year the largest came from Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer of New York City, who dedicated $15,000 to the endowment fund. Mrs. Pfeiffer and her husband have been, through the years, devoted stewards of Jesus Christ and as they have prospered in business enterprises their philanthropy has grown to world-wide proportions. Institutions in practically every Methodist mission field owe their existence to the Pfeiffers, and in the United States, colleges, hospitals and schools have been able to continue their Christian service because of the generosity of these faithful stewards.

Scarritt is particularly grateful to Mrs. Pfeiffer, who is the first member of the former M. E. Church to make a large gift to Scarritt.

Other gifts most highly appreciated that have recently come to our great institution which trains our young women for missionary service are: One hundred shares in Humble oil stock worth $5000 from Mrs. W. W. Fondren of Houston, Texas; $1000 from Mrs. Attila Cox of Louisville, Ky., who has long been a generous supporter of Scarritt. The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Florida conference dedicated the balance remaining in their treasury after all obligations had been met to Scarritt Living Endowment, the sum amounting to $500. The total of smaller gifts coming from Scarritt Associates and other friends of the Living Endowment Fund to date amount to $7,355.02. The total of outright gifts for the Living Endowment amounts to $28,855.92. Dr. Cuninggim, president of the college, makes grateful acknowledgment of all of these gifts, many of which he says "are from individuals with small incomes and slender resources." A grant of $50,000 from the General Education Board of New York City is conditional on the securing of $75,000 within five years, so Dr. Cuninggim urges upon all friends of the institution that they "keep on keeping up their support."

NEW ORGANIZATION, CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, corresponding secretary of the Charlotte district, reports the organization of the Francis Waddell, Woman's Society of Christian Service at St. John's church, on her district. The following are the officers: President, Mrs. J. R. Waddell, R. 2, Charlotte; vice president, Mrs. A. E. Carroll, 115 McAlway Road, Charlotte; recording secretary, Mrs. C. L. Hughes, 111 McAlway Road, Charlotte; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Robert Elder, care Elder's Food Store, Monroe Road, Charlotte; treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Mullis, Rt. 2, Charlotte; secretary M. and S., Mrs. Leroy Flenniker, Rt. 2, Charlotte; secretary W. S. Guild, Mrs. R. F. Willeford, Rt. 2, Charlotte; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. V. E. Threatt, 1500 Union St., Charlotte; secretary supplies, Mrs. C. B. Russell, Rt. 2, Charlotte. Mrs. Wakefield says this society is most active, has already reported an offering to conference treasurer, also cultivation fund. We welcome this new group of workers into our conference family.

AN ERROR

Our attention is called to an error in an article appearing on our woman's page in the October 15 issue of the Advocate, which we gladly correct. In an article with the heading "Educational Seminar, First Methodist Church, Asheboro" there appeared an item which read: "Mrs. Coy Kern introduced Mrs. Helton, who had the misfortune to lose a limb recently," when it should have said: "Mrs. Helton spoke for Mrs. Coy Kerns, introducing Mrs. R. F. Hunnicutt of Trinity, who had the misfortune recently, etc." We are sorry for this error and are glad to make the correction.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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STATE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Shortly after the nineteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States was ratified—the amendment granting suffrage to women—women leaders in North Carolina in civic and religious causes began to discuss the needs for a council composed of women's organizations which might work together in behalf of legislation desired by all of them, thus avoiding duplication of effort and making a more impressive aproach to the legislature. The N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs took the lead in calling the women's organizations together. In the fall of 1920 the State Legislative Council of N. C. Women, composed of five statewide organizations, came into being. Mrs. C. C. Hook was elected president and each organization was represented in the council by four women. The organizations composing the council were: The N. C. Federation of Business and Professional Women, N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs, League of Women Voters, Parent-Teacher Association, and Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Miss Lillian Thompson was elected first executive secretary. Mrs. Palmer Jerman was elected president in 1923 and served until 1934 when the council was re-organized and became the State Legislative Council, taking in more organizations. Dr. E. McNeill Poteat became the first president of the new council. The council is now composed of the following organizations: State Nurses' Association, Business and Profesional Women's Federation, Association of Jewish Women, Women's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Diocese, Federation of Women's Clubs, Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, Library Association, Association of Superintendents of Public Welfare, Conference of Social Service, Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and Association of University Women. Mrs. J. Henry Highsmith has served as president since 1937. From the beginning the council has worked with the state departments of health, education and public welfare for measures these departments have sought to place on our statute books. The council has rightly been called "The Watch Dog of Social Legislation" in our state. It has labored to prevent repeal of many good laws and has often prevented the introduction of bad bills. There are instances too numerous to record when efforts on the part of the council have resulted in slight amendments to bills that improved them, especially with reference to labor, health and public welfare generally. From the date of its organization the council has had a threefold purpose—to seek good social legislation; to prevent passage of bad laws; to safeguard good legislation. It has a proud record in all three purposes. Editor's note: The foregoing item, excerpts from a paper written by Mrs. Charles G. Doak, secretary of the council, is timely and informative. Mrs. D. S. Coltrane of Raleigh represents the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. on the council. Next week we shall publish the tentative legislative program of the council for 1943.

SOME COMPARISONS

Statistics are often wearisome and meaningless. The figures published in this item, however, are distressingly revealing and present another challenge to societies not reporting literature and publications and to non-subscribers of The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. Second quarter's reports numbered 270; third quarter, 244—26 fewer societies reporting third than second quarter. The number of subscriptions to The Methodist Woman reported second quarter, 2155; third quarter, 2037—128 less. World Outlook subscriptions reported second quarter totaled 1954; third quarter 1846—108 less. The number of societies reporting by districts were: Durham 42, Elizabeth City 33, Fayetteville 13, New Bern 33, Raleigh 47, Rocky Mount 48, Wilmington 27. (Rocky Mount leading Raleigh by only one and Durham standing third). The number of subscriptions reported in each district were: Durham 294, Elizabeth City 259, Fayetteville 115, New Bern 300, Raleigh 468, Rocky Mount 352, Wilmington 239. Raleigh district leading, Rocky Mount second and New Bern third. World Outlook subscriptions were reported as follows: Durham 320, Elizabeth City 220, Fayetteville 96, New Bern 277, Raleigh 387, Rocky Mount 316, Wilmington 320. Raleigh district leading, Rocky Mount second, New Bern third. We are wondering what story the other conference officers might tell concerning reporting in their respective departments of work. Women of the N. C. conference yet have far to go to reach a satisfactory goal in reporting. Let's begin with the next quarterly reports to strive for such a record in reporting in ALL departments.

THINGS WE CAN DO

Some pertinent and timely activities have been suggested that may be done in the local churches about the whole matter of missions in Latin America At least some of these suggestions will appeal to the members of the local W. S. C. S. as they study the fall topic and seek to have worth while activities grow out of the study. "I can know the literature—make a study of it," is a resolution each can make and keep. The Pan-American Union, Washington, D. C., will send literature, some free, some costing only a nominal sum. Other suggestions: Give this literature publicity, create in others an interest in it; study Latin America with maps, posters, tales in classes, in children's groups and with all groups in the church; have community exibits of flags, products, etc.; suggest this topic to Rotary and other civic clubs for interesting programs; have a movie on Latin America with offering to apply on purchase of much needed Christian literature for Latin America; write Dr. W. Staley Rycroft, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, for other suggested projects.

A WORTHY APPOINTMENT

Miss Florine Robertson, Durham district secretary, announces that Mrs. J. M. Ormand of Durham has accepted the district leadership of spiritual life groups of Durham district. "Mrs. Ormand is peculiarly fitted to assume this important place," declares Miss Robertson, "and the district is fortunate in having her accept it." The district secretary is urging that each leader of spiritual life group in the district shall send her quarterly report to Mrs. Ormand, instead of to Miss Elizabeth Lamb as formerly, and that this be done promptly at the end of December, stating activities of the group and any plans for the future.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

All former members of the Mary Pescud Missionary Society of Edenton Street church, conference officers and special friends have received the following invitation: "1892-1942. Fiftieth Anniversary of the Mary Pescud Missionary Society of Edenton Street Methodist Church, Friday Evening, November 6, 1942, at 8 o'clock. You are cordially invited to attend. Joseph G. Brown Auditorium." (Editor's note: The former Mary Pescud Missionary Society is now a unit of the Wesleyan Service Guild, though still retains the name Mary Pescud).

WOMEN AS CITIZENS

Speaking at the annual state Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention in session at Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, on October 13-15, Chaplain Lloyd Teague of Camp Sutton listed some challenging responsibilities of women in this present day. These included: Maintaining homes and families where the husband has been called to war; furnishing workers for agriculture and industry to take the place of men called into service; furnishing women for WAAC and WAVES; work for elimination of prostitutes (whom he called sixth columnists) who go from camp to camp and disease the men. Chaplain Teague appealed to his hearers that they shall begin today to champion certain causes for the future. These causes included a just and durable peace. Said he: "Men have tried it and failed; a reconstruction of our home life, a reconstruction of our school system, abolition of the liquor traffic, rebuilding our churches," adding that "the church needs new zeal, new spirituality." Referring again to the liquor traffic, Chaplain Teague declared: "We must not stop at abolishing the liquor traffic in army camps, but keep on until the entire United States is rid of it." May we, as members of the W. S. C. S. accept these challenges as outlined by Chaplain Teague.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

FIRST BELL RINGER

Rev. J. R. Hamilton, pastor of the Stanfield charge, handed us $50 covering the basal apportionment for Love's Chapel for the new year before we got settled in the recreation room at conference for receiving the conference financial returns for the past year. Love's Chapel thus leads the bell ringing procession for the new conference year.

SECOND BELL RINGER

O. A. Swaringen, Salisbury district lay leader, is an enthusiastic supporter of the Children's Home, as he is of all good enterprises. A good letter was received from him on the second day of conference, excerpts from which are quoted: "Continuing our record of the past several years, we are enclosing herewith check for $92.50 covering our Children's Home apportionment for the new year. While it isn't all that we would like to do nor all that we will do this year, the size of the check increases a little each year, indicating that the interest of our folks at Cold Springs in the Children's Home intensifies. As lay leader I haven't failed to speak a word for the Home wherever and whenever possible. I am pleased to observe that some good results have seemed to follow."

So the new conference year bell ringers have a Salisbury district start, a mighty good start.

CONFERENCE SIDE-LIGHTS

The recent annual conference was well attended, well directed and well provided for. In addition to the usual considerations First church, Charlotte, groups provided for the checking of hats, coats and parcels, the serving of coffee, sandwiches and fruit and the providing of informational convenience throughout the entire four day sessions.

Bishop Purcell kept things moving. He gets more done with less talk than any bishop this scribe has ever known. Amid very exacting circumstances he kept smiling.

Most of the business of an annual conference as large as ours has to be done in committee meetings, reports from which are invariably accepted. Our annual conference has much confidence in the fair-mindedness and balanced judgment of its designated boards, commissions and committees.

A major item of consequence was the complete and final merging of Rutherford College with Brevard College, the new merged enterprise to be known as the Brevard Corporation. Unanimous agreement and accord entered into this merger.

For years this scribe has been interested in opinions expressed by older clerical members of the conference relative to the younger ministers. He is now becoming more interested in the opinions the younger members express of the older members. As was true in the first instance, the opinions in second instance, while varying in degree, are cumulative.

Emotional religion does not score very decidedly in a modern annual conference. So many important considerations having to do with the welfare of the organization have to be evaluated in the light of divergent opinions as to call for more administrative ability than evangelistic fervor. This is said in spite of the decidedly effective reminders of Dr. E. K. McLarty, Sr., who continues to grow more effective in his evangelical zeal as the years go by.

Among the impressive remarks by district superintendents, those recounted of the six-year record by Dr. C. N. Clark on the Salisbury district were most noteworthy. The facts and figures were illuminating, but better than that is the fact that a decidedly good district morale has been accumullating throughout the past years. Rev. E. H. Nease, the only new superintendent, will be a worthy successor to Dr. Clark.

The orphan child fared well at the hands of our annual conference in spite of an effort on the part of some to tamper with our financial plan. Bishop Purcell in his closing conference comment listed the two Methodist North Carolina Children's Homes among other good enterprises to which he stated he expected to call to the attention of Methodist monied people throughout the ensuing yeer.

Dr. S. W. Taylor, superintendent of the High Point district, reported that the Children's Home basal apportionment and the entire supplementary apportionment were paid in full, with some to spare in his district. This is a marvelous record, all the more significant when it is remembered that the High Point Children's Home was merged into the Winston-Salem Children's Home, thus moving out of the district.

Our many friends did well for the Children's Home during the past year. Some were content with doing a little while others pushed forward into new giving records. The increases from our friends have offset the decreases from our endowment. The same financial plan prevails for the new conference year, just beginning.

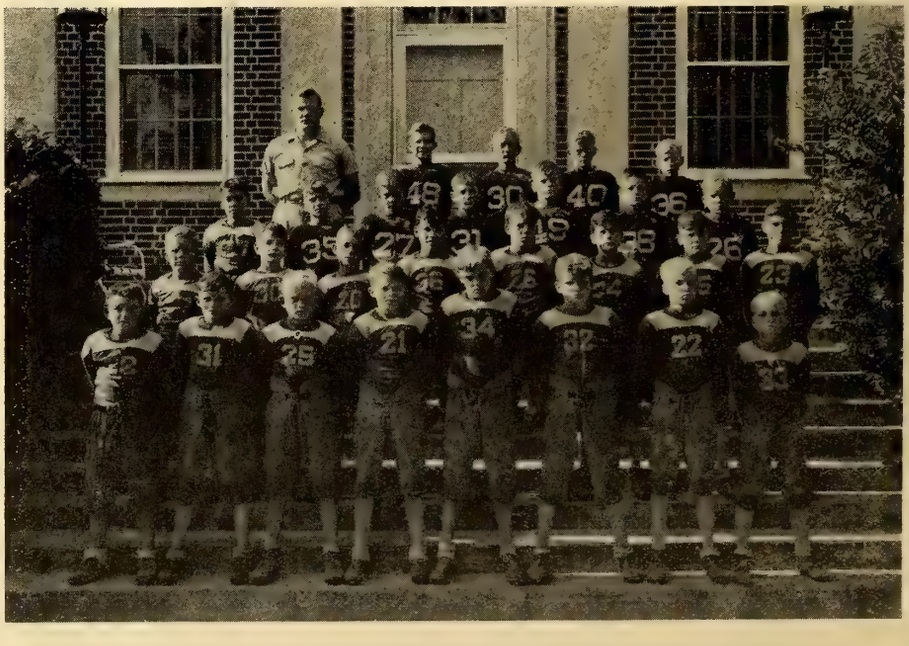
YOUNG FOOTBALLERS

The picture this week is that of our 1942 edition of our 80 pound football squad. These hustling little youngsters are engaged in their first competitive games. They have won all so far played, winning over similar teams from the Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Barium Springs in home and home games by 21 to 0 and 14 to 0; and over the Victory School, Gastonia, youngsters by a score of 35 to 0. Under the coaching of William R. Edwards, one of our teachers and a product of the Children's Home, the little youngsters have followed his direction with enthusiastic endeavor.

FOOTBALL RECORD

Our various football teams have been very successful in their encounters during the past week. The varsity won over the Gaffney, South Carolina, high school boys in the Bowman Gray Stadium, Winston-Salem, by a score of 59 to 0. The reserves won over Gray High, Winston-Salem, reserves by a score of 19 to 0. The 100 pounders won over Barium Springs at Barium Springs 25 to 0. Similarly the 80 pounders won

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FIRE DRILLS — The fire drill we had a few nights ago was a complete success. All the boys and girls in our various cottages left their buildings quickly and in splendid order. One of the matrons told me that her children were out of the cottage in one minute after the alarm was given, and practically all of the children were out of their cottages in less than two minutes. I think this is a splendid showing for our staff of workers and children.

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GOOD SAMARITANS — Several good women have sent us quilts with which to keep our boys and girls warm through the approaching winter. I trust the example of these good Christian women will suggest to other women that they, too, can be Good Samaritans to our children. We have single and three-quarter width beds of regulation length. Most of our beds are single ones, and we can use more cover to a good advantage. I want to extend my sincere appreciation to the women who have already donated quilts for the comfort of our children.

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AN INSPIRING MESSAGE — Prof. Claude F. Gaddy, former superintendent of the Raleigh City schools, and now business manager of Rex Hospital, brought our high school boys and girls an inspiring message on a recent Sunday night. Our young people were delighted with Mr. Gaddy's address and they think it offered a real challenge. Mr. Gaddy is an outstanding educator and a fine Christian gentleman. While he was superintendent of the city schools he took a special interest in the Methodist Orphanage school, and has endeared himself to every boy and girl and worker on the Methodist Orphanage campus. We are looking forward with much pleasure to the time when he can visit us again on a similar occasion.

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WISE ADMONITION — Douglas Tucker, who graduated from the Methodist Orphanage high school a few years ago, is now in the armed service of his country in California. I had a letter from him a day of two ago, and I am quoting the following paragraph from his letter: "You know, Mr. Barnes, I never realized just what my disciplinary training at the Orphanage mean to me until I came into the Army. I know that an order is an order, whereas so many of the boys here can not seem to realize it, simply because they were never taught to obey and to obey quickly. Another thing, I find it very easy to get along with all the fellows in our squadron. This is a thing that I am really glad and proud of. So tell all the boys I said to learn to obey while they are in school, because if they are ever in the Army it will save them plenty of punishment."

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ILLUMINATING TALKS —A short time ago Mr. Earl Smith, a member of the Wake County Welfare Department who looks after delinquent boys, delivered a very helpful message to our boys. Many young people become delinquent through ignorance of the ways of the world. These are perilous times for everybody, particularly for youth. Mr. Smith made a strong appeal to our boys to live a four-square life, and to develop into useful and outstanding citizens. Our boys received Mr. Smith gladly.

On the same Sunday evening that Mr. Smith talked to our boys Miss Lucy Burt, a member of the Wake County Welfare staff, spoke to our teen age girls. Her work is looking after and safeguarding delinquent girls. She related many of her experiences and told our girls that they must constantly be on the alert against the insidious temptations that are befalling so many girls in these trying times. Her message opened their eyes to the dangers and pitfalls which surround the lives of teen age girls. It has been my policy for a long time to bring in outstanding men and women to speak to our boys and girls about avoiding temptations that beset youth in these modern times.

THE LOWLY MILKWEED

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REPORT OF YOUTH WORK

This year has been one of challenge for those responsible for the youth of our church—a challenge which we have tried to meet with a more effective program. In spite of the difficulties that have arisen we feel that the year has been one of the best in the youth program of the W. N. C. conference.

Development of the Methodist Youth Fellowship

Local Church: Local Methodist Youth Fellowships are being organized to meet the needs of youth in the Methodist Church. Through assemblies, Epworth training conferences, classes in training schools, visits by staff members, correspondence, and sending of material we have helped new groups to get started and others to strengthen their organization and program.

Sub-district: With the possible exception of one or two districts, the young people of our conference are well organized into sub-district Methodist Youth Fellowships. As transportation became more of a problem these organizations faced the question as to whether or not they should continue having their meetings. This was discussed thoroughly at different meetings of leaders, and their decision is best expressed in the following resolution: "In view of the great challenge which the present crisis presents to the youth program of the church and the opportunity it affords, we, the members of the Conference Council of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, strongly recommend that every sub-district organization carry on a full program of activities without curtailment."

Conference: The Conference Youth Fellowship in their annual meeting at Junaluska this summer adopted a constitution and by-laws, and designated chairman and adult advisers for the four commission areas—Worship and Evangelism, World Friendship, Community Service, and Recreation. At the last council meeting workshop periods were held under the direction of these chairmen and advisers. Plans were made for a quarterly bulletin to go to local Methodist Youth Fellowships with definite practical suggestions for enriching their program in the four commission areas:

National: We have been proud of the work Kempton Jones, from our conference, has done as president of the National Methodist Youth Fellowship. It has entailed the expenditure of a great amount of time and energy, but Kempton has given of his best. One of his duties was presiding at the National Convocation recently held in Oxford, Ohio. Several from our conference attended this convocation, and Gilreath Adams, president of our Conference Youth Fellowship, gave a splendid report of our last council meeting. In August the National Methodist Youth Fellowship sent to each pastor throughout the church a ballot to be used in taking the vote of his young people for the official benediction, motto, colors, emblem and covenant for the organization. Effort was made from the conference office to see that all local groups took advantage of the opportunity to register their vote.

Summer Activities

Christian Adventure Camps for Intermediates were conducted on a co-educational basis this year. Having the boys and girls attend both camp periods was a happy experiment in many ways and made it possible to have a full enrollment of 90 intermediates in each camp, or a total of 180. This was a record number.

Assemblies: At times the outlook for assemblies seemed very dark. Believing, however, that youth needed more than ever the fellowship and inspiration found at assemblies, we drove ahead with plans. The attendance far exceeded our expectations. Four hundred and ten attended the Senior Assembly, and 265 the Young People's Assembly. The first group was much larger than last year, and while the second group was slightly smaller, we felt that it was good considering the many young people of this age group who have gone into service or defense work.

Youth Caravan: Nine churches in our conference were visited by the Youth Caravan this summer, and pastors were enthusiastic in their praise of the work done. We were sorry not to be able to fill all requests for caravan service.

Youth Activities Week: This special program of youth activities within the local church met a definite need this summer as young people were kept at home by transportation difficulties. No check has been made of the number of churches observing this week, but we do know that many did so and found it interesting and helpful.

Leadership Conference and Leadership School: Eleven of our young people attended the Leadership Conference at Lake Junaluska. Four district directors of youth work attended the Leadership School and the special course for conference and district director. Five of these persons who have been serving as counselors in our Adventure camps took the course on camp work offered at the Leadership School.

Missionary Education and Giving

During the past year persistent effort has been given to securing pledges to the Methodist Youth Fund, the special mission pledge for youth. A recent letter from Mr. Sam Hilburn, who has responsibility for promoting this fund throughout the church, says. "Last year your record in the matter of pledges was outstanding, placing you as number one in the nation in the number of youth groups pledging to the Methodist Youth Fund." He went on to say that the amount pledged and paid was not as large as from some other conferences, but we are hoping that this will be remedied in the year to come.

Effort has been made to help local churches work out the unified plan of missionary education with the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Board of Missions, and some progress has been made.

District Directors

The district directors of youth work have a difficult task these days as they work with their sub-district organizations. This often means attending as many as six meetings a month, and some of the directors are doing their traveling by bus. We pay tribute to this gallant group of workers as they give so unselfishly of their time and strength to carrying on the youth work in our conference. We could not do the job without them.

Special Opportunities for Service

At all of our planning sessions time has been given to discussing how to keep in contact with our young people who are away in service or defense work. The need for this is kept constantly before our local youth groups, and through our conference office we are trying to keep in touch with the boys who have been especially active in the conference youth program.

With many of the older boys and girls leaving home, responsibility has necessarily fallen on the younger group, and they are now assuming important places of leadership for the first time. We are trying as best we may to help them think clearly and act wisely.

In all our youth work we sense a deep hunger to get down to the real essentials in religion, and we are trying to help our youth find poise and courage for these difficult days. At the present time we are promoting the study of "Tomorrow's World" by our youth groups in November.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. John F. Kirk,
Asso. Director of Youth Work.

SACRIFICE

The early church was founded on sacrifice. It began with the sacrifice of Christ for the kingdom of God. The early Christians sacrificed much for their religion. Often they gave up home, friends and ultimately their lives for Christ and his way of living. But sacrifice is always relegated to the background among a soft and luxury-loving people. We are so good to ourselves, to watch so carefully against any privation, we coddle and nurse ourselves against any pain. We guard our children against any hardship and train them to look for the soft and easy road. How much better to give our children the blessed discipline that comes from a hard struggle for a worthy purpose.—Selected.

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ADULT WORK IN THE CONFERENCE

Rev. O. L. Hathaway, who serves the conference as conference director of adult work in addition to carrying on his effective pastorate at Selma, has sent in a report of some of the work he and the district directors of adult work have done during the year. Among other things he reports 20 meetings held in the interest of adult work, 1225 letters written, 200 cards sent out, 1950 free leaflets distrbiuted, 7 Bible conferences held, and 2 district Young Adult Fellowships organized. The board of education as well as the entire conference is indebted to Mr. Hathaway for the effective service he has rendered so unselfishly in this important phase of the progress of the church.

DISTRICT YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZED IN ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

Young Adult Fellowships were organized in the Rocky Mount and New Bern districts at young adult rallies held on September 13. The Rocky Mount district meeting was held in First church, Rocky Mount, with Rev. E. D. Weathers, district director of adult work, presiding. Dr. E. L. Hillman, pastor of the host church, spoke a brief word of welcome. Others speaking on the program were Miss Mary Noble, conference young adult president, Rev. O. L. Hathaway, conference director of adult work, and Robert W. Bradshaw, executive secretary. A nominating committee brought in nominations for district officers and the following were elected:

President—Ben Wyche, Weldon.

Vice President—Phoebe Jane Harris, Tarboro.

Secretary—Jewel Cooke, Weldon.

Treasurer — Johnnie Carr, Rocky Mount.

After the election Rev. L. C. Larkin, district superintendent, installed the officers present, making a brief talk on the importance of young adult work in the district.

New Bern District

Under the leadership of Rev. W. R. Stevens, district director of adult work, the New Bern district young adult rally was held in Queen Street church, Kinston- on Sunday evening, September 13. A picnic supper was served those in attendance and after the supper the business session was held. Miss Ruth Ingram, vice president of the conference Young Adult Fellowship, conducted the opening worship service. Miss Noble, Miss Flora Thompson, conference young adult treasurer, and Mr. Stevens addressed the group, stressing various phases of the young adult program in the conference and district. The nominating committee reported, and the following officers were elected:

President—Leroy Smith, Goldsboro, Route 2.

Vice President—Mrs. W .D. Edwards, Goldsboro.

Secretary—Mrs. Elbert Curtis, Kinston.

Treasurer—Mrs. R. E. Walston, Pink Hill.

Members of the Fellowship joined with members of Queen Street in the regular evening worship service at which Mr. Bradshaw spoke. Following the sermon the officers of the district Fellowship were installed.

TRAINING SCHOOLS AND CLASSES

Several Christian workers' training schools, learning for life conferences, and informal training classes have been held in various areas in the conference during September and October. Attendance has been very satisfactory and the interest has been of a high order.

Places in which schools have been held with the courses and leaders are:

Englehard

Christian Education in the Local Church, R. W. Bradshaw.

Henderson

Stewardship of Life, Fred T. Barnett.

Louisburg

Stewardship of Life, Fred T. Barnett.

A Child's Approach to Religion, Dr. Aline McKenzie.

Youth and the Church, R. W. Bradshaw.

Wilmington

Christian Service for Adults, Fred T. Barnett.

A Child's Approach to Religion, Dr. Aline McKenzie.

Resources of Christian Living, R. W. Bradshaw.

Weldon

Adult Work in the Church, E. D. Weathers.

Youth and the Church, R. W. Bradshaw.

Raleigh

Opportunity of the Church Today, Dr. Ray C. Petry.

New Testament in the Life of Today, Dr. Kenneth W. Clark.

Church Music, Dr. Furman McLarty.

Teaching Children in the Church School, Miss Barnett Spratt.

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TERRIFIED TERRY

By Francis F. Wright

It was October. There had been three heavy frosts. Terry knew that the nuts were falling. So, on a still, bright Saturday morning, he took a meal sack and a bite of lunch and set out to gather his winter supply. He walked along the winding path that led through the deep woods. Dead leaves rustled under his feet. A little squirrel now and then scampered across his path and whisked up a tree out of sight. A bob-white called cheerfully to his mate. Terry was entirely happy. He came at last to the scaly bark hickory tree. He kicked through the leaves on the ground, under the tree, and found that there were plenty of nuts. He began picking them up. The hulls were loose. It was no trouble to shell them off. The sack began to get nice and heavy after a while, as Terry kept putting in nuts, a handful at a time. A bold squirrel came out on a high limb and began scolding. Terry laughed. "Dont' you worry, mister," he said, "I'll leave plenty for you!'

After a while a small clock inside told Terry it was noon. So he sat down and ate his sandwiches and his tea cakes, and presently the warm sun filtering through the bare branches made him very drowsy. He lay down and looked across the fields and wooded hills. A haze like soft blue smoke filled the air. It was Indian summer. Terry could see the shocks of corn in a field near by. They looked like rows and rows of small brown tents. How jolly it would be, he thought, if they were tents and brave Indian chiefs lived in them. Terry sighed. He wished he had lived sooner, when men killed deer and wild turkeys to eat and little boys could help fight Indians.

Terry lay and watched the cornstalk tents slowly change into tepees made of skins. An Indian chief, tall and brown, with war paint on his face and a war bonnet of feathers on his head, came to the door of the first tent. He pointed to where Terry lay under the scaly bark tree. He gave a loud warlike yell and leaped upon a buckskin pony. At once other Indian braves, all very tall and brown and brightly painted, came out of other tents. They leaped upon other ponies and, led by the big chief, came galloping toward Terry.

On they came, a yelling band, waving tomahawks wildly. Terry tried to get up and climb the tree. But he found he could not move a muscle. Big drops of sweat came out on him. The Indians were upon him now. They grabbed him and wanted to know what he meant by taking all their scaly barks. Terry told them that they could have them back and welcome! But they said no. They must punish him, or other little boys would raid their nuts.

The big chief lifted him upon his pony and away they went. They stopped at last and decided they would burn him at the stake. Terry's teeth chattered so that he could not even beg for mercy. He saw the stake ahead with brush all piled around it, ready to burn him up.

At that minute something soft whisked across his face. Terry's eyes opened. It was the cross old squirrel. He'd been trying to get back some of his nuts! Terry gave a happy shout. It was just a dream, a very bad dream, the worst dream, in fact, that Terry had ever had. Perhaps he had eaten too many paw-paws on the road that morning. The tents were there in the field as before he went to sleep, but they were made of cornstalks again. And instead of painted Indians Terry saw a flock of friendly blackbirds circling around them. At last he sighed, "I'm glad I live nowadays. I don't reckon a massacre's all it's cracked up to be!"

The sun was getting low. The cows at home would be waiting to be milked. Terry took a handful of nuts and threw them down for the old squirrel. "You did me a good turn, old fellow, when you waked me up," he said. Then he shouldered his bag of nuts and went down the winding path toward home.—Christian Observer.

AUTUMN'S GOLD

I have never owned riches in coins of gold,
But the gold of the sunset is mine to behold,
And the trees all dressed in bright autumn's hue,
Are pictures God paints each year anew.

I add to these riches life's great store
Of love, a home, a friend; who could ask for more?
These cheerful, simple things to me are sent
To make life peaceful and content.

—Alma E. Craig.

A fly and a flea in a flue were imprisoned.
Now what would they do?
"Let us flee!" said the fly.
"Let us fly!" said the flea.
So they flew through a flaw in the flue.

TOMMY "SAID GRACE"

By Ethel G. Hubler

The pastor told me.

They were members of his church and were invited to the home of a relative for dinner. Father, mother and Tommy, nine years of age. The grandfather was present.

A friend had told him to "take a bottle of beer" to pep him up a bit. He brought it to the table with him.

When the family was seated, Tommy, was asked to "say the blessing."

Tommy had never "said grace" over a beer bottle before. He was on the spot. It troubled him. All bowed their heads; Tommy, too.

Finally Tommy raised his head, looked over at his mother, and said, "Mom, I can't ask God to bless us with that beer bottle sittin' there!"

The grandfather moved with the alacrity of a nine-year-old, as he grabbed the bottle and started for the door. The beer and the bottle were no more.

As he resumed his seat at the dinner table we predict that the meal was eaten in an old fashioned Methodist camp meetin' atmosphere.

"Out of the mouths of babes . . ."

A SMALL BOY'S CONSCIENCE

Mr. Robert Speer's little boy came into his father's room one morning with his purse in his hand counting his money. "What are you going to do with all that money?" asked his father.

"I am going to spend it at the fair today," replied the little boy.

"I think if I were you I would put some of that money in my missionary bank before going to the fair," the father said. "You will have a much happier day."

"Oh no," he said; "I need all this money to spend at the fair!"

"Very well,' said Mr. Speer, "but let us kneel down and say our prayers before we go down to breakfast." So they knelt down.

The little boy was accustomed to say in his prayers: "And bless the missionaries and the little children on the other side of the world." The father noticed that this petition was omitted, and he called his son's attention to the fact. The little fellow answered indignantly: "Now, look here, father, who is saying this prayer?"

"Well, it is your prayer," the father answered; "but I think you ought not to leave out the missionaries and little folks on the other side of the world."

"But father," said the boy, "I need all this money."

"I didn't say anything about the money,' said the father.

So the little boy thought a moment, and they prayed as usual. When he rose he quietly remarked: "I guess I had better put some of that money in my missionary bank."-Mary Baird, Bib. Rec.

Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 1

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Christian View of Marriage

Gen. 2:18-24; Matt. 19:3-6; John 2:1-5

The Scripture reflects biological and psychological law when it pronounces marriage a divine institution. And God has written upon the very nature of the marriage relation his command that it should be permanent. If a young married couple do not deem it necessarily permanent, then after the first glow of romance burns low, and they discover in one another unsuspected faults and weaknesses, instead of saying to themselves, We must live together all our lives, and hence must learn the best we can to adjust ourselves to one another, they will allow a mate's faults to seem more and more ugly until at last they appear unbearable. And then comes the divorce court. What tears and tragedy result when divorce is easy and tolerated by public sentiment!

But the state must make only those laws that it can enforce. Hence it is compelled by the hardness of men's hearts to allow divorce for various reasons. And there can be no doubt that it is possible for men and women to do certain things that positively annihilate the marriage tie, so that even the church should not oppose separation and remarriage. But the eternal God speaks out of the very nature of things, and through the tragic results of divorce, a stern command that a man and woman must exhaust every resource, and all the grace that God will give them, to make the marriage bond permanent. If one goes to the reformatories, the proportion of the prisoners who come from broken homes is well nigh beyond belief. The broken home is the seed plot for the penitentiary. This effect of divorce on the children is a word of the Most High, saying, What God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

But if it is such a serious sin to break the marriage tie, then it follows that it is a sin for men and women not to use all the good sense and prudence God has given them before entering the marriage relation. John Wesley's bitterest mistakes was to contract a hasty marriage. He enjoined young preachers to take no steps toward marriage without consulting the brethren. He meant that a marriage should seem prudent and proper not only to the young people themselves, but to sensible men who could weigh the matter objectively. The advice of father and mother ought to have special weight, but sometimes their judgment is warped by family pride and by desire that the marriage should bring wealth and position.

Our marriage ceremony tells us that this honorable estate was instituted of God, and adorned and beautified by the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at the marriage in Cana of Galilee. Jesus who had the saving of a world on his hands had time to attend a wedding. That shows that he viewed marriage as something very sacred. And the story of the miracle of his turning the water into wine symbolizes the fact that his presence at a wedding and in the home will still turn life's prose into wine, and make all the petty details and burdens of domestic life beautiful because it is inspired by faith in God and unselfish love.

The thing we need to stress is that marriage is not merely the result of a biological urge, and the condition for the perpetuation of the species, but may be something divinely spiritual and beautiful which most of the world knows nothing about, but which may be experienced by all those who make Christ the abiding guest of honor in the home. And strangely enough, this heavenly and spiritual glory that comes to marriage often arises not out of innate charm and attractiveness of husband and wife, but out of the patient forbearance which by the grace of God they learn to exercise toward one another's weaknesses. A man has certain unpleasant peculiarities which the woman patiently endures until in the course of the years her love becomes radiant like the love of God. A woman becomes a helpless and exacting invalid who is a care day and night, and the man develops a tenderness that is an inspiration to all who behold it, and when she slips away he misses her more than if she had been able to bear her part of the family burden. The word of Jesus, He that loseth his life shall find it, is nowhere more perfectly fulfilled than in the home.

QUESTIONS ABOUT ROSES

1. What rose is never seen on a rolling stone? Moss.
2. What rose blooms on a girl's cheek? Blush.
3. What is the wandering rose? Rambler.
4. What rose can you drink? Tea.
5. What kind of a rose would you be likely to mention if you burnt your finger? Yellow (yell oh!)
6. What rose is the principal feature at a wedding? Bridal.
7. What rose is a vegetable? Cabbage.
8. What rose bears the name of a country? La France.
9. What two roses are famed in English history? White and red.
10. What rose should Americans honor? American Beauty.
11. What rose bears the name of a spice? Cinnamon.
12. What rose is a beautfiul linen? Damask.
13. What is a fierce rose? Wild.—Western Recorder.

Whoseeks more than he needs hinders himself from enjoying what he has.—Gabriol.

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Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 1
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November

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November

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FIRST ROUND

November

Cross Mills, 11 1
Marion Mills, Clinchfield, night 1
Spruce Pine, 11 8
Elk Park, Montezuma, 3 8
Glen Alpine, 11 15
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 15
McDowell, Nebo, night 15
Bakersville, Penland, 10 22
Avery, Fairview, 3 22
Linville Falls, Concord, night 22
Gilkey, Gilkey, 11 29
Old Fort Ct., Pine Grove, 3 29
Old Fort, night 29

December

Poetic, Oak Grove, 11 6
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 6
Pleasant Grove, night 6
Spindale, 11 13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
Cliffside, 11 20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 20
Forest City, night 20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 27
Avondale, night 27

January

Drexel, Bethel, 11 3
Rutherford College, night 3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11 10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3 10
Morganton, First, night 10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45 17
Valdese, Valdese, 11 17
Oak Forest, night 17

Missionary Institute and district stewards meeting, First church, Marion, at 10 a. m. November 11.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Statesville, Boulevard, 11 1
Statesville, Race, 7:30 1
Statesville, Broad Street, 11 8
Olin, 11 14
Harmony, 11 15
Union Grove-Zion-Smith Chapel, 2:30 15
Maiden, 11 22
Balls Creek, Mt. View, 2:30 22
Catawba, 7:30 22
Taylorsville, 11 29
Hiddenite, Hiddenite, 2:30 29
Stony Point, 7:30 29

December

Hickory, Highlands, 7:30 5
Hickory, First Church, 11 6
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 6
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 6
Cool Springs-Providence, 11 13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 13
Lenoir, First Church, 11 20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30 20
Whitnell, 7:30 20
Hudson-Colliers, 11 27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30 27
Granite Falls, 7:30 27

January

North Newton, 11 3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30 3
Newton, 7:30 3
Mooresville, Central, 11 10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30 10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 10
Davidson, 11 17
Davidson, 7:30 17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30 24
Troutman, 7:30 24
Elmwood, 11 31

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November

Bryson City, 11 1
Whittier, 8 1
Andrews, 11 8
Robbinsville, 8 8
Murphy, 11 15
Hiawassee-Ranger, 3 15
Sylva, 8 15
Clyde, 8 18

THE NIGHT NURSE

To sleep all day—when summer is at high noon, when there is color and fragrance everyhere, and when God's good earth seems most like heaven!

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"And your sister?" I asked.

"About the same," she replied. "She gets no better, you know."

"And David?"

"Oh, well, my brother is as handy as ever about the house, wonderful for a cripple, really. They manage very well. We never go without necessities."

It was bravely said in these days. But it sent a pang through my heart to think of this woman who has never been more than just above the poverty line, unmarried, devoted, always

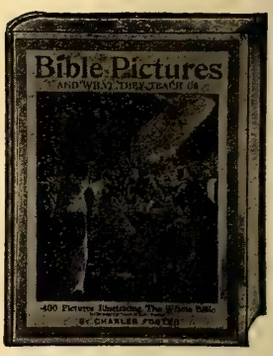
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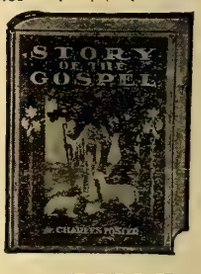
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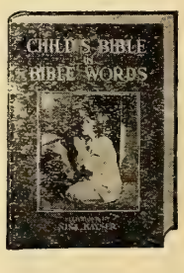


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being careful, for ever doing without, yet constantly making the best of things.

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"Yes."

"And you miss these sunny days?"

"Yes." A pause.

Then: "But there are compensations always, you know. I see the dawn come. I am of service. Often a patient slips away as daylight breaks . . . and if I'm there, well, I can speak of the Lord Jesus whom I know and love. . . ."

And when I looked again at that serene face I knew that her Saviour had given her a special job to do.—Methodist Recorder (London).

WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT STRONG DRINK

Do not drink wine nor strong drink, . . . lest ye die.—Leviticus 10:9.

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.—Proverbs 20:1.

The drunkard shall come to poverty.—Proverbs 23:21.

Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babblings? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?

They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.

Look not upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

At the last it bieth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.

Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.

Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.

They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not; when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again. Proverbs 23:29-35.

Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them!—Isaiah 5:11.

Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink.—Isaiah 5:22.

They have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment.—Isaiah 28:7.

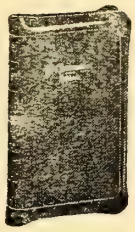
Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken.—Habakkuk 2:15.

Be not deceiced, drunkards shall (not) inherit the kingdom of heaven. —1 Corinthians 6:10.

The Old Testament sanctions the use of strong drink for one purpose, and one only, namely: as a medicine for one who is dying—heart failure, for example—but for nothing else (Proverbs 31:6). And, remember, medicine is always taken in extremely small doses.

The New Testament gives no permission for its use under any circumstances whatever. Wherever it is mentioned it is most strongly condemned and prohibited.

Wine is permitted in the Old Testament for the heavy-hearted (Proverbs 31:6-7), and, in the New Testament as a remedy for a weak stomach (I Timothy 5:23), but it is the sweet, unfermented Palestine wine, made from grapes. For no other purpose is it authorized.—Selected.



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CHILDRDEN'S HOME

(Continued from page 16)

over Barium Springs by a score of 14 to 0. A heavy schedule is calendared for this week.

GRATEFUL THANKS

As soon as tabulation can be made we expect to list Children's Home payments by charges. We shall want to call attention to the fine work that has been done by our friends throughout the Western North Carolina conference during the past year. Some very remarkable instances of sharing have been recorded. In the meantime we would extend to our friends our sincere thanks and grateful appreciation for the help they have rendered to our family.

PRAYER FOR A WORLD AT WAR

Our heavenly Father, we pray that we may not lose the vision of the universal family of God. That during war time, when we are tempted to become nationalistic and racialistic, that we weep the fellowship across the barriers that divide us. For that is the hope of a warless world. Amen.

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BALLARD —Charles Augustus Ballard, born April 14, 1868, departed this world on the morning of October 9, 1942.

Brother Ballard was 74 years old at the time of his death. For over 30 years he had served as a faithful steward of the Ansonville Methodist church.

His funeral was conducted in the church he helped to build, the church he loved so well, by his pastor, Rev. I. R. Miller, assisted by Rev. J. L. Trollinger of the Polkton charge.

Brother Ballard is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Carolyn Ballard, and the following children: R. L. Ballard, Mrs. Betty Hough, Mrs. Bertha McBride, W. T. Ballard, and Charles Ballard, Jr.

"What is left for us, save, in growth
Of soul, to rise up, far past both,
From the gift looking to the giver,
And from the cistern to the river,
And from the finite to infinity,
And from man's dust to God's divinity?" —Robert Browning.

Irving R. Miller, Pastor.

BROWER — James Alfred Brower was born April 19, 1877; departed this life July 23, 1942, age 65 years, three months and four days.

On March 10, 1912, he was united in marriage to Miss Maude Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Cox. This union was blessed with four children. His companion was called to her heavenly home some years ago. Since boyhood he has been a member of Rehobeth Methodist church, and for a number of years he has been a steward and trustee.

He is survived by his step-mother, Mrs. Jennie Brower Moody; his children, Mrs. Jack Burgess of the home, Mrs. Armp Staley, Ramseur, Brank Brower, Asheboro, and John Brower, Franklinville; two sisters, Mrs. S. J. Perry, Siler City, Star Rt., Mrs. W. H. Peace, Thomasville, and two grandchildren, Junnie and Peggy Brower.

His funeral was conducted from Rehobeth church July 25 by his pastor, assisted by Rev. T. J. Green of the Christian church, in the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives, with interment in Rehobeth cemetery.

We pray God's blessing upon the bereaved. James H. Trolinger, Pastor.

DIFFEE — One is honored in the privilege of writing a memoir of a noble life. That honor is mine now. I am to write of one who lived long in years, and longer still in the enduring qualities of noble womanhood.

Mrs. Diffee, as she was known to her large circle of devoted friends in High Point, was the daughter of Harris and Elizabeth Kearns Johnson. The Johnson home was in Randolph county, near Farmer. Her birth date is 1859, October 17. She was christened Louie Elizabeth. When a young woman she was united in marriage with Alfred Diffee, who at the time of the marriage was clerk of the court of Randolph county. Two daughters, Gertrude and Ethel, blessed this union. In 1892 this happy marriage was interrupted by the death of Mr. Diffee. Eight years later Mrs. Diffee moved with her family to High Point, where she resided until her death, September 25, 1942. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. S. H. Tomlinson, High Point; one step-son, W. F. Diffee, Greensboro; and three grandchildren, Lieut. William A. Tomlinson, Quonset Point, R. I.; Lieut. Sidney H. Tomlinson, Jr., Corpus Christi, Texas; and Gertrude D. Tomlinson, a student at Woman's College, Greensboro.

Mrs. Diffee was a devoted Christian and loyal church member. Her religious life, beginning in her early years, grew in strength and beauty to the end. God was her portion. It was her joy and crown to live always in obedience to His will. For many years she was a member of the First Methodist church, High Point, and a regular attendant upon the services and active in church work. Her devotion to her family was deep and tender. She loved her friends, and her genial, kindly nature made her a choice neighbor. Those who knew her best can never forget her glad spirit and hearty laugh. Mrs. Diffee was a noble soul, a choice spirit —God's handmaiden. We miss her much and share with her loved ones the sorrow of her going.

The funeral service was held in her home on Johnson street and was in charge of her pastor, Rev. W. A. Jenkins, assisted by Dr. George R. Brown and Rev. W. S. Taylor. Interment followed in Oakwood Memorial Park, High Point.

The flowers that banked her last resting place were fit symbols of her beautiful life. She loved flowers, and God has taken her to himself where she will spend eternity in the flower gardens of heaven. S. W. Taylor.

DRUM—Jacob Francis Drum, son of the late Thomas Fletcher Drum and Sarah Wilkinson Drum, passed to his eternal reward August 12, 1942, at the age of 87 years, 7 months and 27 days. For six years he was an invalid and was confined to his bed for fourteen months and one week. He bore his infirmities as a soldier of the cross.

In early boyhood he joined Smyrna church, now known as Catawba Methodist church. As long as he was able he attended church and Sunday school and liberally contributed to the support of the church. For many years he served as Sunday school superintendent, steward and trustee. May his good life continue to be an inspiration to his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and to all others who knew him.

On August 15, 1875, he was happily married to Mary Frances Loftin, who preceded him to the life beyond on May 8, 1936. To this union were born the following children: Charles H., Era, Lula, and Anthea Drum; also surviving are his four sisters and one brother: Mrs. Charlotte Loftin, Mrs. Laura Fish, Mrs. Sallie Cloninger, Mrs. Tillie Wilkie, J. Wesley Drum, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral was conducted from the Catawba Methodist church on August 13 by his pastor, Rev. W. Q. Grigg, with interment in the Catawba cemetery. A Friend.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Mount Vernon Methodist church wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member, Mrs. Mary E. Lindley, who passed away September 10, 1942.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and pray that God may guide them and they will meet her where there is no pain or sorrow.

Resolved, that our society has lost a member who was always willing to lend a helping hand to others in need; that this be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and be spread upon our minutes.

Mrs. T. J. Buckner,
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THE OLD IS GOOD

By John C. Wingett

The old is good.—Luke 5:39 (R. V.)

THE Ten Commandments are old, but they are still fairly good. I think we ought to hesitate before we throw the Ten Commandments overboard. I wonder if we have not forgotten them in recent years. They are simply and clearly stated, and I believe that we shall do well to bring them a bit more to the attention of our children and people in all walks of life.

There was an old custom of teaching moral lessons in education, and it was a good one. We have been getting away from that in recent years, having pretty well cleaned moral lessons out of our textbooks. I know the educators tell us they are in our textbooks by inference, and I may be exceedingly ignorant, but somehow I fear that many times our boys and girls do not get the "inference."

Some months ago in Zions Herald, Dr. Joseph Fort Newton's column included an interesting comment upon this subject, based upon the fact that Henry Ford had had the whole set of old McGuffey's Electric Readers reproduced in format and color. Mr. Ford had sent a copy to Dr. Newton with an interesting letter in which he said that, while he was taught the Lord's prayer by his mother, his first recollection of seeing it in print was in McGuffey's Third Reader, where it was in the form of verse, easily remembered. In the Second Reader, the Ten Commandments appeared in similar form, and Henry Ford learned them "by heart," and not merely "by memory" as we say today. Then states Dr. Newton, "No single series of books, so wisely made and widely used, ever had more to do with making the mind and spirit of America."

There was a time when the issue of right and wrong was alive. We shall do well to revive it. Years ago in The Atlantic Monthly an anonymous writer had something to say along this line, and while I do not quote this writer directly, what he said ran something like this: The time was when life was an anxious tiptoeing between heaven and hell, and the question was, Is it right or is it wrong? But now the question seems to be, Is it sterilized?

If I remember correctly, Plato and even Aristotle insisted that we school ourselves in the art of distinguishing between good and evil before we attempt political judgment. As a theory of education, scholasticism was fairly well bound up in theory, and John Milton, being too much of a Greek to be caught by it, held that we should postpone the study of politics until we are able to think with wisdom upon the subject of moral good and evil.

The American Youth Conference gave, on the whole, a rather unfortunate impression in Washington, not only booing the President of the United States, but also in disregarding some of the traditions that have really made this nation.

We elders have no one to blame but ourselves. We have been afraid of our own convictions where we have had any, and our youth took their authority from other and irresponsible sources, as illustrated in the American Youth Conference. There is a place yet in this world for "teacher and pupil, master and apprentice, father and son."

The ancient church had a profound interest in the truth and fact of God. We must renew that interest. While the church was characterized by a great search for God and understanding of God, it made an impression upon the world. Let this generation know that sociology is part of religion but not all of religion. To worship humanity is not enough.

One of the most brilliant students of economics that ever received a doctorate from Harvard, now professor of statistics in one of our great universities, said to me, "We must concern ourselves once more with the fact of God and explore his meaning for our experience." Then he reminded me of what the giant intellects of Origen, Irenaeus, and St. Augustine did to entrench the place and thought of God in religion, and religion in the life of the world. We can no more expect to have a strong religion without a strong faith in the fact of God than we can expect to have noonday without the sun.

It is an old faith, but it is a good faith.

It is a rock to hold our anchor,
It is a light to guide through darkness,
It is comfort in sorrow,
It is our lasting hope.

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Assets

Current:

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Accounts receivable:		
Subscriptions	$5,000.00	
Advertising and commercial printing, etc.	4,264.97	
Employees	301.70	9,566.67
Notes receivable		16,400.00
Inventories		3,896.58
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Accrued interest		60.00
Total current assets		36,864.73

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Machinery and equipment	54,087.85	
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	$132,940.22	
Less reserve for depreciation	84,206.31	48,733.91
Other assets:		
Lambeth endowment	500.00	
Residence property	7,670.47	8,170.47
Total assets		$111,269.11

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Current:

Accounts payable	109.98
Collections from employees for purchase of bonds	13.75
Total current liabilities	123.73
Other liabilities:	
Street paving on residential property not due	52.71
Total liabilities	176.44

Capital

Capital account	$36,899.92	
Surplus	74,192.75	111,092.67
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LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

At the annual Louisburg College home coming banquet on last Saturday evening Rev. B. C. Reavis entertained those present in the after dinner speech of the occasion, both humorous and serious in nature.

Dr. Walter Patten, president, gave a report on the financial standing and the requirements for entrance into the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He mentioned the payment during the last three years of $150,000 on the college debt and recent canceling of the paving debt with the payment of $4600 to the town of Louisburg. This settlement was dramatized by the burning of the note before those present. The bonded indebtedness was reported as reduced by $3100. A sum of $3700 had been used for permanent improvements, and $14,000 assigned to service scholarships. Also President Patten emphasized the need for increasing the living endowment as an added step toward the $10,000 endowment required for membership in the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges —a sum which could be used for service scholarships.

Mrs. Genevieve Perry gave the report of the nominating committee, submitting the name of Mrs. M. C. Clifton to become president in place of Mrs. James Malone, the retiring president. The nomination was accepted and the vote taken.

The competitive bond and stamp drive sponsored by the sister fraternities Phi Theta Kappa and Alpha Pi Epsilon came to a breathless finish Saturday, October 31. After a tabulation on sales by members of both organizations, it was found that Phi Theta Kappa led by an unexpected margin. The sales of the former netted something over $2,200, while Alpha Pi Epsilon sold over $500 worth of this "medium of freedom."

NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE ASSEMBLED IN WILSON LAST TUESDAY EVENING

The North Carolina conference with between 400 and 500 members present began its work Tuesday evening, November 3, with Bishop Clare Purcell presiding. The feature of this first session was the address by Bishop Edwin F. Lee, whose subject was "Importance of the Christian Contribution to the Reorganization of the Far East."

John G. Thomas, Charlotte Observer correspondent, quotes him among other things as saying:

"No scroched-earth policy destroyed the values of Christianity implanted in the hearts of men, women and children in the Philippines, Malaya, Sarawak and Sumatra, and there are no such policies for the Christian missionaries."

Bishop Lee emphasized the fact that the "day for the white man in the Orient is not gone" as he explained that the "Japanese have tried to stir up anti-white complexes in that section of the world."

Speaking of the colonial policy of the United States in the Philippines, Bishop Lee said that "when one evaluates colonial policy for the benefit of people, the Americon colonial program in the Philippines is the best the world has ever seen."

He declared that "through the people of the Philippine islands this has been introduced to the entire Malayan group as far south as the Solomon islands—the missionary Christian religion."

Bishop Lee went on: "In my judgment, the young men and women of America have a big part to play following the war in entering various services. Both men and women are needed in various fields—in representation of government, in fields of commerce and in education and the fourth agency will co-operate with all the other three as they will co-operate with it—Christian missions. Without this, the other three cannot exist."

A full report of the conference which continues till Friday afternoon will be carried in next week's Advocate.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTE AND DISTRICT STEWARDS' MEETING OF GASTONIA DISTRICT

The missionary institute and district stewards' meeting of the Gastonia district will meet at Cherryville, Tuesday, November 10, at 10 o'clock. The missionary institute will hold forth till 12:30. The chief speaker will be Dr. Ezra S. Cox of the General Board of Missions. Lunch will be served by the ladies of the church at 12:30. At 2 o'clock the district stewards will meet. Also the ministers' wives are meeting for their organization for the new year.

Those who are urged to attend these meetings: Ministers, ministers' wives, lay leaders, district stewards, church school superintendents, presidents of Woman's Society of Christian Service, chairmen of missionary committees, directors of Golden Cross, and any other persons interested in the great causes of the church are invited.

E. M. Jones, D. S.

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When Bishop Joseph F. Berry was editor of The Epworth Herald he once remarked: "If a man can enjoy hearing his predecessor praised, he is authority on the doctrine of entire sanctification." Berry at the time was discussing the besetting sin of ministers—jealousy.

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Enthusiasm sings in the midnight hour and enters in triumph the martyr's cell; enthusiasm overruns new lands in the forward march of world movements; enthusiasm breaks out afresh in every resurrection hour of life. The whole history of the Christian church tells the same story. What has become of our enthusiasms?

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It is not the business of the church of God to be on the defensive. It is a waste of time and of effort to defend the Word of God. It needs no defense. On the contrary, the great business of the church is to keep going an offensive campaign for world evangelization and for the salvation of the lost. This was the method of the church in the first century and should be also in the twentieth. Let us be up and going. Forward, march!

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Our Master and Lord made a mute seed, even the mustard seed, speak of God's ways with men. It was Emerson who declared that every farm is a gospel And he could have added that flower gardens speak the same language. Jesus was speaking in the same terms in his parable of the sower with special emphasis upon the soil in which the seed fell from the farmer's hand. So it is with the Word which we preach. It is well for the preacher of the gospel to keep these things in mind as he toils to bring forth fruit, whether it be thirty, sixty or a hundred fold. The farmer must be a man of great faith and patience, likewise the minister of the gospel must be a man of unspeakable faith and patience.

"The men whom I have seen succeed best in life," says Charles Kingsley, "have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with a smile on their faces and took chances and changes of their mortal life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came; and so found the truth of the old proverb, that good times and bad times and all times pass over."

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The early Methodist circuit rider owned a good horse and a pair of saddle-bags. These constituted the sum of his earthly belongings. The horse carried him on his long journeys through the wilderness and the saddle-bags were the repository for his wardrobe and for books that he carried to provide good reading for the scattered pioneers of this great continent. He sang and prayed and preached, and at the same time provided as far as able books and papers for the people. Those oft times illiterate preachers were invariably the friends of schools and of books. As a result learning and culture followed in their train. But what about us of the present day?

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To some it may have appeared that the Nazarene had conquered when the cross appeared emblazoned upon the imperial banners of Rome. But that was only a political conquest backed by force of arms, which was no victory at all. For those cross-emblazoned banners floated above injustice, cruelty, lust and carnage and, in consequence, the day was just ahead when Rome's transitory power should turn to ashes. There is only one conquest that is eternal and that is the conquest of sacrificial love—the victory not of crosses on Roman banners but the victory of the Cross of Calvary. "Love conquers sin; love banishes hate and fear; love lifts men into light and life." Hear ye the Master's voice: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."

"The Glory of the Lord Filled the House"

GREAT pomp and circumstance attended the dedication of Solomon's Temple. All of this has passed and later centuries care naught for the parade of that occasion, but the world does not grow weary of the divine glory.

On that occasion it may have been a mere cloud of incense that took them back to the most dismal night through which their fathers passed. That night in Egypt had haunted them through all their history. They were lost and undone until the great God appeared black and blinding to their enemies, but to them the darkness was light, as it always is when God intervenes. So now the glory of the Lord filled the house. Even the priests staggered under it; the people were in awe.

Young Isaiah in the temple had some such vision when the call came to him. With a sense of unworthiness and a willingness to go, he answered the call of Him whose train filled the temple. The presence of God to him became awfully real. This made him the great court preacher for fifty years, able to advise and to rebuke kings and princes. What do we know of the presence of God in our modern temples of worship? How vividly real is he on Sunday morning? No longer do we have an open vision in a house filled with clouds of incense, but in turn do we have a presence manifest in our hearts until the whole assembly becomes glorious. Vaulted arches and cathedral windows are not necessary for the vision divine. The log meeting house often became glorious in the days of our fathers, and the glory of the Lord filled the house because of the hearts filled with the divine afflatus. The Presence crowned the mercy seat about which gathered the devout as they broke forth into rejoicing.

God has little chance to speak in this sordid, selfish, restless age. Pulpit and pew are beset with so many snares in both town and country. The groups gathered in the country meeting house and the crowds in the city church are so beset with the urge of the world and the demands for the things that do appear that the unseen has little chance. Could the devout set themselves to the task of making God more real, of making the glory of the Lord to fill the house, more of our sanctuaries would be the gate of heaven to waiting souls. A manifest Presence renders glorious an assembly.

Why not the last man of us on the threshold of another year refuse to be content until something out of the ordinary stirs our souls? We may then be able to know the vision splendid as the glory of the Lord rests upon the waiting assemblies. Then the pew will better understand what it means for the pulpit to be aflame.

Rest and Unrest

MEN write no little of the unrest that Jesus brings; they also stress the rest that is found in him. He himself spoke much of peace; he also said that he had come to bring a sword. Jesus gives rest and he also disturbs. Life is truly a paradox. Tumult is set over against quiet. Rest and unrest seem to go hand in hand. They tell us that there is a center of quiet, of peace, at the heart of the storm. Jesus invites his followers to abide with him at the heart of the storm and learn the secret of victory.

Voices are calling us out into the tumult of the world; other voices are calling us in to find the fullness of God. What are we to do? We are to do both.

The Christian church cannot act for God save out of her fullness. This is to be secured by answering the voice that calls within. The weakness of those who answer the call to go out is in dearth. They have not first been filled with all the fullness of God. Life is too much empty sounds and the tiresome routine of rules—a following of the regulations set and a meeting of the demands of the hour without due preparation for the struggle.

Those who have felt deeply and suffered much have no need of numerous rules. For these, one by one, there is a

"Face
Which, far from vanish, rather grows,
Becomes my universe, and feels and knows."

The fullness of a great experience lifts us above routine and sends us forth independent of rules. Constraining love sent Paul across land and sea in defiance of all limitations of his Jewish religion. The rest of faith means the conflict of conquest. The voice that calls us in also urges us out. Rest is a preparation for the struggle in a world of unrest. Not dearth but fullness qualifies for victory.

Surely in this time of conflict and death there is the urgent need for a fuller and deeper realization of that Presence which gives assurance of ultimate conquest in the larger life beyond the aches and pains of this vale of tears.

On the Threshold of a New Conference Year

EACH clerical member of the Western North Carolina conference has already entered upon the new conference year, and by the time this editorial reaches the North Carolina conference all members of that conference will have received their appointments and have been ushered into the new year with its multitudinous demands.

And these are hours freighted with significance, because the successes and failures of the past year stand out in bold relief, and the outstretched hands of the new year beckon to us for the very best that we have to give to the days ahead that are overloaded with burdens seemingly too grievous to be borne.

The pastor who returns to the flock that he has served the year or years before is at a great advantage and the flock should count itself fortunate, for they are acquainted with each other and without delay can address themselves to the tasks in hand. The pastor who moves every year or so, and the church that is constantly wanting a new preacher waste a good part of the time getting acquainted and they mistake it for kingdom building. Fortunately there have been few changes this year. This should be a good omen that much constructive work will be done this year in North Carolina Methodism.

Both pastor and congregation should resolve to shun the mistakes of the past year and determine to do better work than ever before. The wise, sincere pastor will set himself to preach better sermons and to be a more sympathetic shepherd of the flock. He should not forget that there are many anxious and burdened hearts in his congregation during these days through which we are now passing. And the laymen should not forget that there are exacting demands upon them also.

The Christian Minister As Pastor

IT is frequently said that the Christian minister who serves as pastor has lost the prestige and community leadership once enjoyed by his predecessors. We think that there is quite a bit of truth in the statement. And there is a reason. He was formerly the best equipped man in the average community. But now in almost every place there are men and women just as well educated and with equal, or better, native endowments in large numbers. As a leader the pastor is just one among many. Furthermore, the radio, and the best books and periodicals go into almost every home.

Amid the complexities of modern life he is limited to one sphere, that is the church. He is God's man and still respected as an authority in morals and religion.

Charity and Children has well said: "His real pedestal is his pulpit. There he has no rival. There he is honored and looked to for guidance. If he loses or has lost all but that he has not lost anything of supreme value. As long as the people look to him as an example of pure Christianity and seek his guidance in things of the soul he holds an exalted position. We add a plea that no one ought to lower his position. He is God's man. He is the spiritual shepherd. He is leader and the church should allow no rivalry there."

Beware of Slogans

THE slogan in its inception was a war-cry or gathering word of one of the old Highland clans. Sir Walter Scott in "The Lady of the Lake" says:

"The street of high Dunedin
Saw lances gleam, and falchions redden,
And heard the slogan's deadly yell."

But now it is used figuratively as the distinctive cry of any body of persons. And it is a term with a rather desirable reputation because it is frequently employed in behalf of what is good. But when linked with war it has suffered even as all things suffer that are cursed by wars.

Margaret K. Moore has emphasized this with telling effect in the following:

"Carthage must be destroyed"—an old man spoke,
And thousands, answering his cry, laid down
Their lives—their bright young lives—that foreign gold
Might flow unchallenged into Roman marts.

"God wills it." Then men fought the Holy Wars,
And children, thinking they should cross the seas
To save the birthplace of the great Christ,
Were lured on sailing boats and sold as slaves.
While merchants filled their coffers full of gold.

"A war to end all war," or if that seem
Too wild a dream, "A war to make the world
Safe for democracy." Again they went,
The youth with souls uplifted, giving all
They had to give, to make the world safe
For those who heaped up fortunes here at home.

Oh, wise-eyed youth, who look at war today
And see it as it is, beware the time
When those who trade in death shall find the words
For some new slogan, with its shining lie.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

Please announce in your paper that my address is 715 Blair Street, Thomasville, N. C.—D. A. Oakley.

My address is now Denver, N. C., and I am as happy as a king on my new charge. Our work starts off in a fine way and we have had a hearty welcome to our new charge.—John H. Green.

"Now children," said the Sunday school teacher, "I have told you the story of Jonah and the whale. What does the story teach?" Willie, son of the pastor, replied: "It teaches that you can't keep a good man down."

Bishop G. Bromley is to be the evening speaker on November 11 at the annual Armistice Day meeting of the Laymen's Association of the New York conference at Christ church, New York City. His subject will be "The Obligation."

I am beginning my second year as conference evangelist, W. N. C. conference. The Lord gave me nearly a thousand souls last year. I am asking him for two thousand this year. I have some open dates through the winter. Pray for me. —J. W. Groce.

The Taylorsville Times says that Rev. J. S. Hiatt was guest speaker Wednesday of last week at the Taylorsville Rotary Club. The superintendent of the Statesville district chose for his subject "Salesmanship" and delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture that contained many funny stories that kept his audience laughing a big part of the time.

New subscriptions for the North Carolina Christian Advocate continue to come. It would be a splendid act for every church family to resolve now to have "your church paper" in your home and read and see what the entire North Carolina conference is doing. We make "better Methodists" when we read our church paper.—M. C. Ellerbe, in Burlington Circuit paper.

Rev. J. T. Stover, the oldest member of the Western North Carolina conference who was admitted into the Holston conference in 1875 and is now in his ninety-first year, is in very poor health at his home in Rutherford College. For several weeks he has been confined to his room and a good part of the time to his bed. He was greatly missed at the annual conference in Charlotte.

Dr. Ernest E. Tuck, superintendent of the Methodist church in the Philippine Islands, and some 25 other Methodist missionaries there, none of whom have been heard from by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church since the archipelago was taken over by the Japanese, are now reported "safe and well." A cablegram received by the board through the American Red Cross says: "Japanese Red Cross requests transmission of message 'safe and well' to Board of Missions, 150 Fifth Ave., New York City, from Ernest Tuck and group."

"Thousands upon thousands of refugees are passing through this city continually," writes Rev. Frederick Bankhardt, Methodist missionary in Yenping, China. "Among them are many missionaries who, like the Chinese, have lost all they had. They have hardly enough clothes to wear. Thus far we have been able to remain here. At times it looks very serious and we wonder if we will have to join the long line of refugees. . . . But don't think we are waiting around to see what will happen! Chinese and missionaries are busy at kingdom work—preaching, teaching, and healing. There are times when sirens send us to the dugouts, and when raiding planes fly overhead. But when they are gone we return to our work."

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, of the Boston area of The Methodist Church, will be the Protestant representative in an inter-faith coast-to-coast Armistice Day discussion of the theme, "Religion Fights for the Right Peace." Marking an aniversary of the Mutual Broadcasting System's Radio Chapel Hour, in which from Sunday to Sunday all faiths participate, the program will be heard at 10:45 (E.W.T.) Wednesday, November 11.

Wadesboro's four uptown churches now have what is believed to be the youngest body of pastors in the history of the town, the average age of the ministers being well under 35. Rev. W. G. Thomas of the Presbyterian church, now dean of Wadesboro pastors, and Rev. C. P. Bowles of the Methodist church are both well under 40. Rev. R. A. Ellis of the Baptist church, and Mr. Ray Holder of the Episcopal church are both under 30. All combine judgment and discretion with the energy of youth, and it is entirely accurate to record that each church considers itself excellently served by its pastor.—The Messenger and Intelligencer.

Seniors of High Point College whose names will appear in this year's issue of "Who's Who in College in America" were chosen last week by the executive committee of the college. Those who were elected are: Zelma Parnell, Josephine Deal, Ruth Griffith, Rowland Long, and Thomas Lindsey of High Point; Dot Presnall of Asheboro, Martha Grey Mickey of Winston-Salem, Marie Parker of Dobson, Kenneth Crouse of Lexington, Billy Henderson of Saxapahaw, James Lowder of Alabama and Concord, and Robert Williams of Rocky Mount. Elections to this high honor are based on leadership, scholarship, and promise of success. Outstanding senior students are chosen each year from all recognized colleges in America for the publication of "Who's Who in Colleges in America."



THREE SETS OF TWINS

Rev. E. P. Greene, pastor of the Vale circuit, is proud of the fact that he has three sets of twins on his charge in the Palm Tree church. Four of the these twins belong to one family.

First row: Earl, Erlene Johnson, twins of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Johnson. Second row: Frankie, Franklin Bass. Third row: Neil, Nelson Bass, children of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bass.

Rev. Murray M. Walters, pastor of the Millbrook circuit for the past four years, has been appointed a chaplain in the army. He will report for duty on the 25th of November at the chaplain school of Harvard University. He has been a member of the N. C. conference for six years, and was principal of the Saratoga high school for six years before entering the ministry.

Edgar H. Nease, Jr., of Charlotte and Salisbury has been selected for membership in the chapel choir and the glee club at Duke University, where he is a member of the freshman class. He is a son of Rev. Edgar H. Nease, who last week was appointed superintendent of the Salisbury district after completion of a quadrennium as pastor of Hawthorne Lane Methodist church in Charlotte. Mr. and Mrs. Nease and their daughter, Miss Mabel Ruth Nease, moved to Salisbury from Charlotte Thursday, October 29.

The Glenwood church, Greensboro, started the new year by paying a $400 debt on their new parsonage. Then they invited Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Avett to the basement of the church, where a secretly prepared fellowship dinner was served honoring the birthdays of the pastor and wife. Mr. W. P. Zink on behalf of the congregation presented a large birthday cake and set of silverware to the newly born pastor and wife. The board of stewards raised the salary 25 per cent for the year, or $500. Of course the pastor is well received and hopes for the best year of work ever.

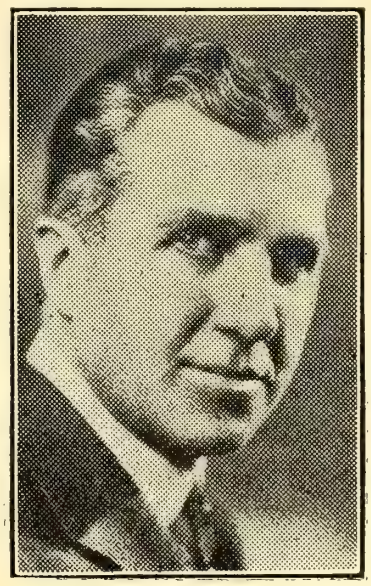
From the Lexington Dispatch we clip the following interesting note: "Word has been received here that Capt. John Robert Philpot and Major Joe V. Moffitt, Jr., have been reunited in England and are rooming together. They were at MacDill Field, Tampa, at Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La., and back to Fort Myers, Fla., together Major Moffitt was sent abroad about a month ahead of Captain Philpott, but now they are billeted together in a beautiful location in England. The coincidence carries a bit farther, for Major Moffitt graduated from V. M. I. and Captain Philpott later won his degree there, and both kept up their reserve status. Also, both played football when students at Lexington High. They are ground officers in the army air corps. Oh, yes, both were engaged in manufacturing before being activated, and both are married."

Arrangements have been made for the shipment of powdered milk from Switzerland into Greece, according to cabled information reaching Bishop Herbert Welch, chairman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. The amounts are not adequate to care for all starving babies and children, but it is hoped that the plan may be extended so that increasing amounts of food may be sent. This powdered milk is in addition to the shipments of wheat sent on neutral Swedish ships, by the International Red Cross. As winter approaches, the suffering in Greece is literally beyond description. It is now estimated that only one newborn baby in ten lives as long as two months. The others die for lack of food. Probably more than one-third of all babies in Greece, when the country was conquered, have already perished from malnutrition.

For fifteen years Hugh H. Linn, M.D., has been carrying on a unique medical mission service in India as founder and superintendent of the "All-India Missions Tablet Industry" at Bowringpet. During that period he has manufactured and distributed more than three-fourths of a million homeopathic tablets per month—the largest quantities being of quinine to fight malaria. England, Germany, United States and the Netherlands Indies furnished most of the drugs; the tablets went everywhere in India and to practically every country in Asia and the nearby islands. Because of the war, Dr. Linn is having great difficulty in securing cinchona, the tree bark from which quinine is extracted. So important is the Bowringpet supply to the welfare of the white man especially that the Salvation Army, local governments and various missionary agencies are helping round up supplies of cinchona. The cost of these tablets, Dr. Linn says, is now more than twice the pre-war price.

DR. HENRY N. CRANE TO PREACH IN THOMASVILLE

Main Street Methodist church, Thomasville, of which Lee F. Tuttle is the pastor, will have Dr. Henry N. Crane of Detroit, Michigan, to deliver a series of sermons November 16-22. The details of these services will be announced later.



Dr. Henry N. Crane

Dr. Crane is a preacher who commands a great hearing wherever he appears. He is the most popular preacher with Duke University students that has ever appeared on that campus.

W. A. JENKINS DELIGHTED WITH BREVARD

Rev. W. A. Jenkins when requesting a change of address for his Advocate adds the following interesting note:

"We got here Thursday afternoon. We are more than pleased with the prospects here. The people are so friendly to us already that it makes one feel good. Brother Billups has done a fine piece of work here and I will have to work pretty hard to keep up the pace, but I think it can be done. This is one of the best parsonages we have ever had—large and roomy but easy to heat. This is going to be an ideal place in the summer; I can see that. Brother Brinkley and his good wife called yesterday. They are fine people to have around. Will send you a little write-up of the situation when we get settled."

REVEREND AND MRS. EBENEZER MYERS TO CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

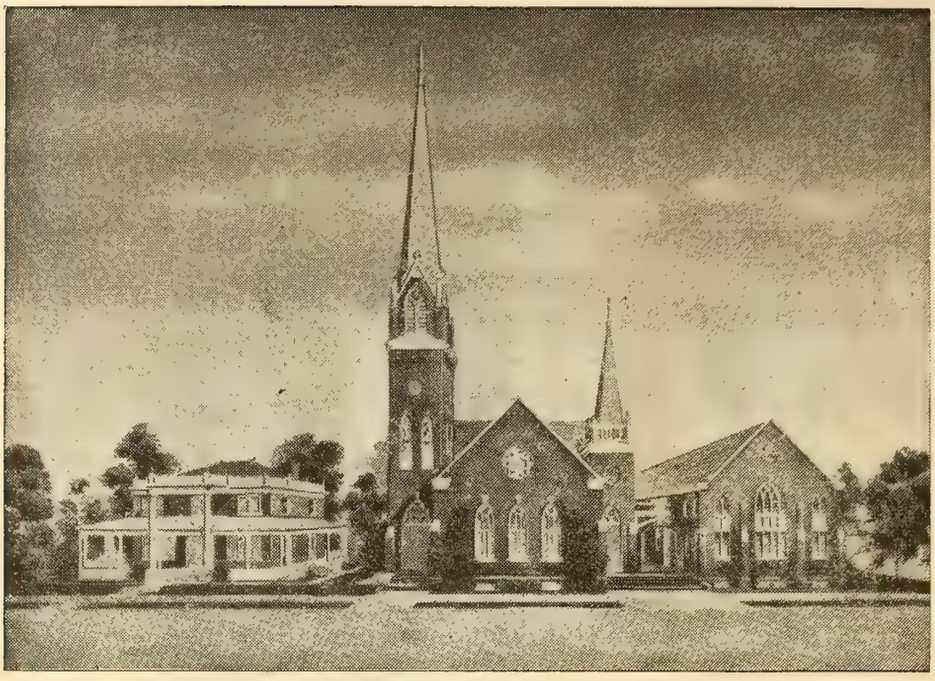
Their daughter, Mrs. Nell M. Goforth, writes of this interesting event as follows:

"They will be at home to friends during the afternoon and evening. All seven of their children and several of the 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild plan to be here. As you perhaps know, they have been living in Lenoir since papa's retirement five years ago. He had 46 years of active service in the W. N. C. conference."

MARION DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Marion district missionary institute and district stewards' meeting will be held at Marion Wednesday, November 11, beginning at 10 a. m. There will be a morning and afternoon session. All interested persons are invited.

C. S. Kirkpatrick, D. S.





Charlie Jones Soong

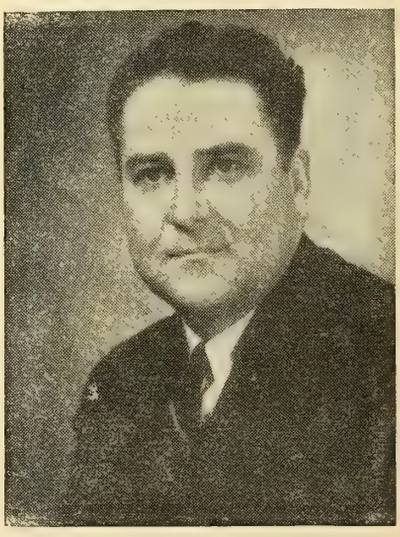
Charlie Jones Soong Memorial Building Dedicated

The educational building (at extreme right of picture) of the Fifth Avenue Methodist Church, Wilmington, N. C., was dedicated the "Charlie Jones Soong Memorial" on Sunday, November 1, at 8 p. m., by Bishop Clare Purcell.

One of the most far-reaching conversions of all time occurred in the old Fifth Street Methodist Church, Wilmington, N. C.; and through this conversion, this church was providentially used in making a definite contribution to the pattern and design of the expanding destiny of the modern life of the great Republic of China.

The story of the conversion of a Chinese lad, named Soong, is one of the most interesting and intriguing to be found in the annals of Christian missions. Probably not since apostolic days have the reward and romance of the gospel power been more faithfully and fruitfully witnessed to.

Running away from his home in China because he did not want to be adopted by a rich uncle, and finally landing in the port of Wilmington, N. C., as a cabin boy aboard the United States Cutter, the Colfax, young Soong was invited to attend services in the old Fifth Street Methodist church, which stood on the site of the present properties, where a revival was in progress. He was genuinely converted to the Christian faith, and on the following Sunday morning, November 7, 1880, he received Christian baptism in this church from the hands of Dr. T. Page Ricaud, then pastor. He subsequently attended old Trinity College, then situated in Randolph county, and Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. Ordained to the Christian ministry by Bishop J. C. Keener in the fall of 1885 at the annual session of the North Carolina conference meeting in Charlotte, he was assigned to the mission field in China to preach the Christ he had found in America. He married a fine Chinese girl, a product of Christian missions, and to this union three sons and three daughters were born. In addition to his religious activities he also made some fortunate business investments. He sent all six of his children to America for training in higher education. The three sons, T. V., T. L., and T. A., attended Harvard, specializing in economics. The three daughters Al-ling, Ching-ling, and Mai-ling went to Wesleyan College, a Methodist institution at Macon, Ga. Mai-ling also went to Wellesley. T. V. is now foreign minister to the United States and has for a number of years been minister of finance in China. Al-ling married Dr. H. H. Kung, one of the wealthiest men in China and a member of the oldest family, being the 78th lineal descendant of the male line of Confucius. Ching-ling married Dr. Sun-Yat-Sen, the "George Washington of China." Mai-ling, the youngest of the sisters, married General Chiang-Kai-Shek, president of the Republic of China and now generalissimo of the armed forces.



Rev. C. D. Barclift, Pastor

Erected in 1921, during the pastorate of Dr. G. Stanley Frazer,, and recently freed of debt, the commodious educational building will be adequate for a long time to meet the educational and social needs for this growing church, which is located within a few blocks from several of the federal housing units in a city whose population has increased two and one half times during the last two years.

This will probably be the first time in the history of Protestant Christianity in America that a major building has been dedicated to the memory of an Oriental. This building is being dedicated in the memory of a "Celestial" primarily because of his happy association with this church, but also it is a gesture for the practical demonstration of Christian brotherhood. Here, Christian instruction will be received and enriching fellowship shared in the name of Christ whose gracious lips framed the prayer "Our Father" and whose kindly eyes were racially color blind.

"In Christ there is no East or West,
In him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ now meet both East and West,
In him meet South and North;
All Christly souls are one in him
Throughout the whole wide earth."

CARR MEMORIAL CHURCH, DURHAM, MAKES FINE RECORD

The people of Carr claim that their pastor, Rev. M. C. Dunn, is the best pastor in the conference—they have the cream. Carr church has been ready for conference for a month. Last Sunday morning he preached a sermon that should be heard in every church in the land. It was gospel to the core. The Trinity stewards present were installed with the following instructions:

To the stewards: No official position of the church, as far as laymen are concerned, carries with it any greater responsibility, or opportunity, than that of steward. This office was constituted, though it did not bear that name, in the beginning of the Christian church. We have the account of the election of the first stewards of the church in Acts 6:1-8. The Discipline sets forth clearly the qualifications of a steward: "Let the stewards be persons of solid piety, who both know and love the Methodist doctrine and discipline, and of good natural and acquired abilities to transact the temporal business of the church." Your duty will be to: "Promote Christian stewardship, men's work, a sound financial system, adequate support for the ministry, full payment of benevolences, proper provision for other church obligations, personal evangelism, and lay speaking."

Do you, each of you, promise before God and this congregation, that you will faithfully discharge the duty entrusted with you?

Response: I will, to the best of my ability, God being my helper.

We append the following record taken from the bulletin of the church:

"During the year your pastor has visited 507 members of Carr Methodist church. He has visited in 222 Methodist homes and made more than 400 home visits. (This does not include visits to the hospital and to the sick). He has preached 93 sermons, made 12 public addresses, and held eight cottage prayer services. He has preached and assisted in 21 funerals, married 11 couples, and has driven his car approximately 9000 miles in the above work."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE NOTES

The spirit of ghosts and goblins prevailed over Greensboro College dining room last week when the students' association and student hostesses of the dining room sponsored the traditional Hallowe'en party. The first course of the buffet dinner was served in the Lucy H. Robertson drawing room, where Miss Nancy Ward of Lexington and Miss Jane Moore of Greensboro served fruit juice cocktails. The main course of the dinner was served in the college dining room, which was appropriately decorated. After-dinner coffee was served by Miss Sara Thomas of Oxford and Miss Mary Elizabeth Temple of Kinston in the East parlor. Miss Margaret Moser of Gastonia gave out Hallowe'en hats and horns as favors. After dinner a program was presented in the dining room. Miss Inez Pleasants of Greensboro sang various popular songs and Miss Mary Neil Ward of Mocksville played numerous piano selections. Miss Louise Taylor of Oxford arranged the program.

"Mr. Pim Passes By," a three-act comedy by A. A. Milne, will be presented by the Greensboro College Players Friday evening, November 6, in Odell Memorial auditorium. The scenery for the production has been put up and all of the property is being rapidly assembled. Modern styled dress will be used for the characters. The interior of an English country home is the scene used throughout the play.. The play is under the direction of Mrs. Oliver Perry, new acting head and associate professor in the department of speech and dramatic art, and Miss Florence Meyer, new instructor in the department, is technical director. The student directors are Rosalie Covington, Laurinburg; Lucille Cox, Asheboro; and Annie Hall Estep, Greensboro, who are assisting in the directing of the play.

Students in the school of music presented a recital this afternoon in Odell Memorial auditorium. The eight students who participated in the program and the selections heard were announced as follows: Zurna McLaugherty of Roanoke, Va., opened the recital with an organ chorale prelude, "In dulci jubilo" (Bach); Albertine Lefler of Norwood continued the program by playing another organ number by Bach, "Fugue in A minor"; Peggy Royall of Elkin, "Sonata, Op. 31, No. 3—Allegro con brio" (Beethoven), a piano selection; Dorothy Estes, Greensboro, played a piano number, "Caprice Espagnole" by Moszkowski; followed by two vocal compositions, sung by Emogene, Choate of Sparta Watts' "Like Music on the Water" and Ardayne's "Had I a Golden Pound to Spend"; after which Rebecca Pickard, Greensboro, played another organ selection, "Sonata in E minor—Allegro" by James H. Rogers; Victoria Pennekamp also of Greensboro, played two violin solos, "Schon Rosmarin" (Kreisler) and "From the Canebrake" (Gardiner); and closing the musical performance, Mary Hall of Stem played the piano composition, "Hungarian Fantasy" (Liszt), accompanied by Mark Hoffman, dean of the school of music, at the second piano.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM TRINITY CHURCH, DURHAM

Several of us at Trinity church have the feeling that the people of the conference and of the state would like to know something of the accomplishments of Trinity church, Durham, during the first year of the ministry of Rev. James G. Huggin. I have been asked to write you, giving you the bare facts and requesting that you re-write a good story for this week's issue of the Advocate, if this is possible. Here are the data:

1. Have paid $20,500 in cash on our church indebtedness to Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co. Also a life-long devoted and consecrated member has cancelled a $3,500 mortgage against the church parsonage property, thus clearing our parsonage of all debt except the building and loan mortgage. We thus consider ourselves to have raised $24,- on church property indebtedness.

2. Have raised $18,000 on annual budget; this represents the budget in full for the year—and all payments were made about 10 days before the end of the conference year. We have met all obligations to creditors within and without along this line.

3. The total church school collections for the year have been approximately $3000.

4. The Woman's Society of Christian Service has raised about $2500.

5. Thus the total amount raised from all sources for the church year amounts to about $47,500. We are very proud of this achievement.

6. The pastor has received approximately 65 persons into the church during the year.

7. Other accomplishments have been:

a. Building a worship center by the young people of the congregation; it has been dedicated as The Little Chapel. It is being used for small weddings, funerals, reception of members into the church, etc.

b. Enlargement of interest among the young people; over 20 members of the Youth Fellowship attended the various assemblies at Louisburg College last summer.

c. Development of active young adult department. Our church secretary, Miss Mary Noble, has been elected president of the young adult movement for the entire conference.

d. Celebration of our successful year's work with a Victory dinner, recently held in the Julian S. Carr auditorium of the church, at which about 260 members were present.

e. Increased congregations for all services and general spiritual uplift and note of victory throughout the entire membership. We think all of this means much to the Mother of Methodism in Durham.

Thanking you for your kindness in handling this matter, I am with warmest personad regard for you and yours and everybody except Georgia Tech. B. G. Childs.

REVEREND MILLARD FILMORE MOORES

Fifty years is a long time! But in this case it represents, not the span of a life, but the active ministry of one man—Millard Filmore Moores.

Born at Richmond, Kentucky, November 7, 1871, he grew in wisdom and stature to the age of 18 years, when he was converted and called to preach. He was educated in the public schools of his native state and at Kentucky Wesleyan College and Ohio Wesleyan University.

He joined the Kentucky conference in 1892, when he was only 21 years of age. In 1907 he was transferred to the Western North Carolina conference, where he rounded out his fiftieth year in the Methodist itinerancy in the month of September of this year—having thrown in an extra month for good Methodist measure.

A moment ago I said "Fifty years is a long time." It is a long time for the doing of many things. It is an exceptional long time for the doing of one thing. How tedious and tasteless any task may become in so long a time! Not many persevere so long.

And yet, for fifty years Millard Filmore Moores walked with God among men. And how he walked—with grace and dignity he walked; with gentle firmness he walked amid the trying times through which he lived. Nothing daunted by the vicisitudes of life, he moved quietly and gently, yet purposefully, along with a singleness of purpose which motivates only those sweet souls who walk with God. In character and courage, strong as a lion was he, but in the course of human events as he dealt with the wise and the prudent, the ribald, the rude, "he took as he found them—and did them all good."

He dealt gently with the souls of men. He was fair in his judgments of men. He loved our frail humanity, and sought to lift up men to that place and circumstance where they could see the face of God. He never faltered from this purpose nor swerved from this course. Until the day of his release, his purpose held that he would go walking with God among men. And with this hope abounding still, he "sighed his spirit toward the other world." How more real and less strange that world should seem to us since he has journeyed there.

Twice he knew the love of women, and entered into that honorable estate which signifies to us the mystical union that in between Christ and his church. He was first married in 1897 to Miss Sarah Nichols who died in Asheville, N. C., in 1907. To this union was born one daughter, Mrs. Vera Moores Lowry, now deceased. He was again married in 1910 to Miss Ada Buttrick. To this union were born three daughters: Mrs. Ralph W. Mitchell of Spartanburg, S. C.; Mrs. Robert F. Pitts of Glen Alpine, N. C., and Mrs. C. W. Stewart, Jr., of Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala.

Besides Mrs. Moores and the daughters above named, Brother Moores is survived by one brother, Rev. Robert Moores of Salt Lick, Ky., and three grandchildren, Ann Moores Lowry, Margaret Ada Mitchell, and Lee Ada Stewart.

The funeral was held from the Black Mountain Methodist church, in the pastorate of which he laid his burden down. Interment was made in the family plot in the city cemetery in Hendersonville, N. C. The services were conducted by Revs. Dr. W. A. Lambeth, L. D. Colson, Dr. D. Camak and this writer, his last district superintendent

Brother Moores served long, faithfully and effectively. He lived nobly and gently. He passed away peacefully. He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

M. T. Smathers.

ITEMS FROM WILMINGTON METHODISM

Perhaps a word from the City by the Sea is not out of order. This now a bustling little ctiy, and Methodism of course has been called on to do its best to meet the situation. Our district superintendent early caught the gleam and led the organization of the Wilmington Methodist Church Extension Society. Though a layman was at first put at its head he soon felt he could not carry the load, and Brother Parker was elected president. Right heartily did he carry on this work and with much success. The extension society is seeking to minister where it can do so to this vastly increased population that has jumped in two years from 32,000 to 75,000 or more. The society's special emphasis has been to plan some definite Methodist ministry in the Sunset Park area, where many thousands of these people have settled. It is here that the ships are being built. Within a mile of the lot that the society has purchased for the new church (at a cost of $900) there are surely not less than 15,000 of these new people. Parker has led this enterprise in a fine way in its first year. In September new officers were elected as follows: President, Rev. C. D. Barclift; vice president, Rev. A. S. Parker; secretary, Mrs. Geo. Sloan; treasurer, W. A. McGirt. Trustees: W. B. Cooper, Mrs. L. L. Mott, I. J. Sutton. Miss Mary Nichols, a most acceptable deaconess for this work, has now been on the job for two months and is doing a fine work. I understand that a church will be organized shortly at Sunset Park, and a pastor placed there if one can be found available.

At Fifth Avenue church Barclift is completing four years of fine service to a fine people. Bishop Purcell will dedicate the church school building there on Sunday, November 1. Five thousand dollars was raised this year to complete the debt. This fine church, free of debt for the first time in many years, is surging ahead in a great way.

At Grace church we have recently employed a full time director of religious education in the person of Miss Minnie Mae Franklin. Miss Franklin, working largely with youth, is showing a fine aptitude and a fine preparation for this much needed work here. The boys and girls like her, and the pastor is finding her a most efficient secretarial assistant. The Grace pastor was recently installed as president of the Wilmington Ministerial Association. I do not find this an easy task. The war situation brings many puzzling problems to us preachers down by the sea.

The Wilmington Methodist Youth Fellowship has recently elected the fellowship officers: President, Elsie Claire Fergus, Fifth Avenue church; vice president, Kenneth Blakeley, Grace church; secretary, Alice Sneeden, Trinity church; adult counselor, Rev. J. F. Herbert, Grace church.

Rev. Fred Paschal, Th.D., our newcomer among the Wilmington city pastors, is giving good account of himself. He is much in demand in this part of the state as an evangelistic preacher, just having completed a town-wide interdenominational meeting at Burgaw J. F. Herbert.

A GRACIOUS RECEPTION FOR THE THIRD YEAR

We have been very graciously received by the membership and congregation of West View, Hickory, for the third year of our service with them. We went to conference at the close of the second year with all obligations paid in full, 14 additions to our membership on profession of faith, many expressions of appreciation for our labors, and hopes that we might return to continue as pastor. On Sunday morning following conference a large congregation of people was present for worship, which is always an encouragement to a pastor. Then on Monday evening, while the pastor was attending a committee meeting at the church to plan our work for the year, the congregation stormed the parsonage and left dining table and kitchen actually groaning because of its heavy load with "an old fashioned pounding." Upon investigation we found most everything from peanuts to popcorn. Thanks to everyone who had a part in this gracious manner of receiving your new preacher. Surely the Lord will not forget you as he distributes his blessings from day to day. H. C. Freeman, Pastor.

DISTRICT STEWARDS AND DELEGATES OF THE WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT CALLED TO MEET

All delegates to the Waynesville district conference 1942 are called to meet in Sylva, November 13, 10 a. m., for the purpose of legally continuing an interim committee till district conference meets again. This committee might be needed to meet an emergency arising in war time.

The district stewards will meet at the same time and place. W. L. Hutchins, Dist. Supt.

HONOR DONE SOLDIER BOYS AT FREMONT

It was in the early seventies that the first building of the Methodist church at Fremont, N. C., was erected This frame building, without very material alteration, was used by the Fremont congregation until 1930, when plans for adding Sunday school rooms, renovating and brick veneering the church were begun. The Sunday school rooms were built and the church was brick veneered; however, the depression prevented the work on the interior of the auditorium being completed.

Rev. B. P. Robinson, serving his first year on the charge, has led and inspired the congregation to the point that they have just completed the renovation of the interior of the church. New pews, new carpet, new windows of leaded stained glass—ten in number, and lovely pulpit furniture and communion table have been installed in memory of departed members of this congregation. The opening service was conducted Sunday, October 25, 1942. The pastor used as his subject at the 11 a. m. service, "The Model Church." Members, former members and friends from as far away as Richmond, Va., filled the church to overflowing. A former member, who now lives in New Mexico, furnished the flowers.

In the evening a service was held in honor of the members in the armed service. The names of 16 members of the church or Sunday school were inscribed upon the honor roll. Using it as a basis for his remarks, the pastor read this letter from a member of the church who is across the sea in the armed forces:

My Dear Members, Congregation and Choir:

I have been thinking about all of you in my spare moments. Some mornings I miss my breakfast so I can lie in my bunk and think of my friends back home. I would greatly like to write to all of you personally, but this would make a rather hard job on the censors. I want every one of you to know that my prayers are with you. Love makes a burden light—so you see my love for my people and my country makes my burden lighter. I have thought more time than one of God's definite promise since I have been here—"Lo, I am with you always." Oh, what a comfort it is to have this feeling.

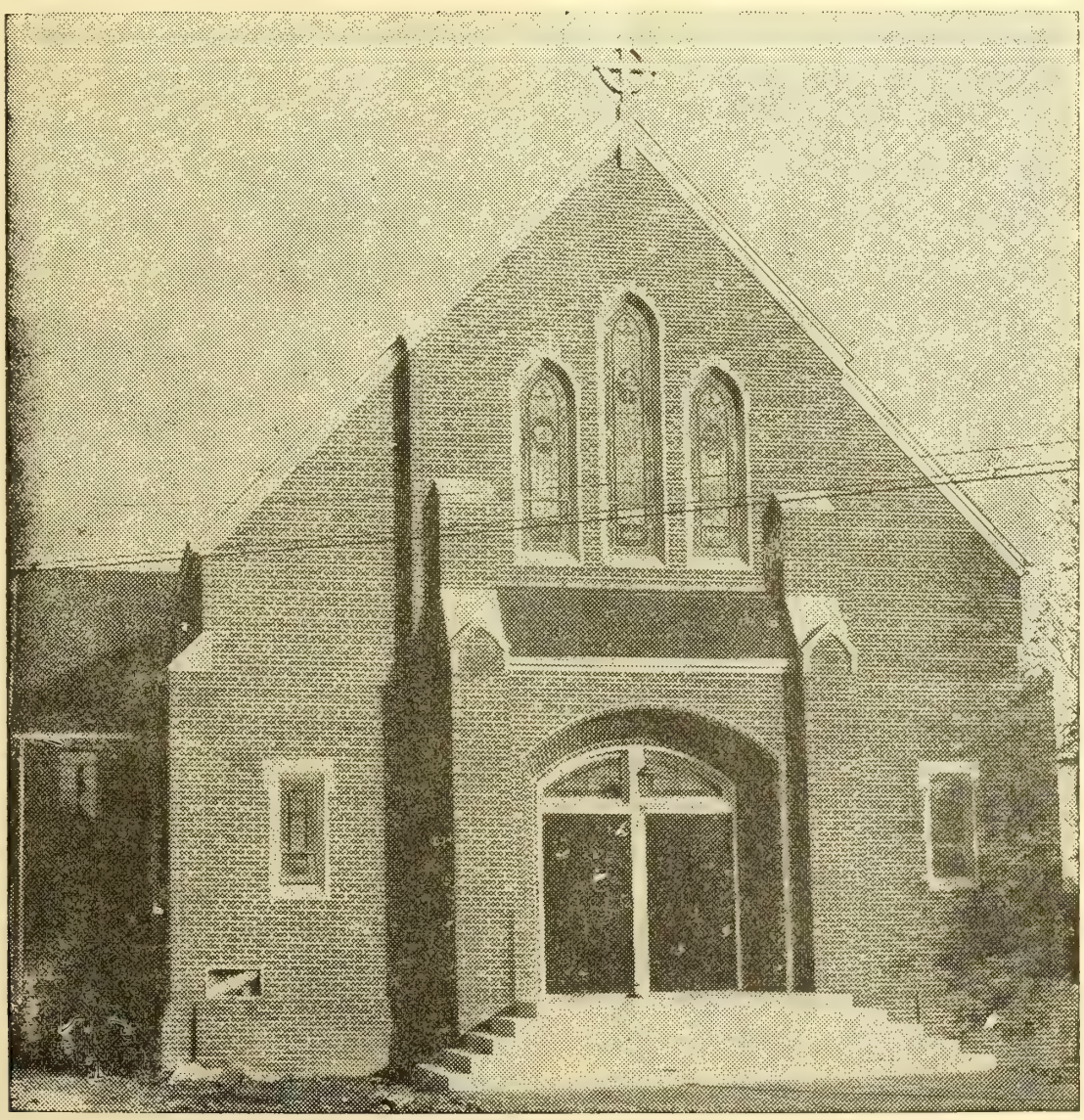
Some of the members have written me about the church being completed and the plans. I am so glad, and I do hope to be able to return and attend services in it with you before much longer.

What a joy it would be to get a letter from every one of you. Love to all of you.

Your sincere friend and member,

PFC John B. Mayo,
CB 439 Signal Corps, APO 887.

Mr. Robinson will go to the conference a happy pastor with all obligations of the church met in full, and we hope will return to a happy congregation who are glad to follow such a leader. J. A. Best.



The Beautiful New Trinity Methodist Church, Raleigh, Celebrated Its Formal Opening on Sunday, October 25. Rev. R. G. Dawson is the pastor.

THE METHODIST RURAL FELLOWSHIP

By Ralph L. Williamson, President M. R. F.

The Methodist Rural Fellowship is a "grassroots" movement which grew out of a "woodshed" meeting at the 1940 General Conference in Atlantic City. It is purely a voluntary membership organization on behalf of the town and country churches and has no official standing. This gives it a unique freedom of action.

The purpose is "to further Methodism's part in Christianizing American rural life." It is hoped that it can help lift the morale, increase the concern, extend the knowledge, and improve the methods of rural church work. In doing this it can be a valuable supplement to the work of the Town and Country Department of the Board of Missions. The Fellowship aims to co-operate with other agencies of rural life and particularly with The Christian Rural Fellowship, a growing international and inter-denominational organization of some 1600 members.

A two day rural institute was held at Atlantic City at the call of a dozen ministers from three annual conferences in New York and Pennsylvania. Despite short notice 14 conferences from Maine to Kansas were represented. A desire for a Fellowship arose spontaneously and resulted in the adoption of by-laws and the election of officers in the concluding session. Subsequent one-day meetings have been held each fall at Purdue University and Scarritt respectively preceding other rural life conferences.

The Fellowship has grown with special rapidity during the last year and there are now over 200 members. Rural ministers and laymen, interested urban people, and district superintendents are among them. There is an executive committee composed of national rural church secretaries and seminary instructors, and a council made up of a representative from each annual conference where interest has been discovered or developed.

Fostering annual conference Rural Fellowships or societies is an important part of the program. Membership in these conference groups is not contingent upon membership in the national body. However, some conferences now have more than 20 members of The Methodist Rural Fellowship. The action programs of conference groups varies according to the desires of their own members.

The Fellowship publishes an occasional bulletin which contains rural church news and methods, and is to become a quarterly when the membership warrants the expense. The editor is Rev. John Howe of Milroy, Pa. A mimeographed bulletin containing a complete report of the Atlantic City meeting has been issued and others are contemplated. One-half of the membership fee of $1.00 is shared with The Christian Rural Fellowship in return for which its ten bulletins annually are mailed to our members. All the fees are put into literature and postage.

Membership literature may be secured from any of the officers. They are: President, Rev. Ralph L. Williamson, Barnes Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.; vice president, Rev. Garland R. Stafford, Morganton, N. C.; secretary, Rev. P. N. Pitcher, Springville, Pa.; and treasurer, Rev. Elliott L. Fisher, Clarksburg, Cal. Membership should be sent to Mr. Pitcher or given to the annual conference counselor.

Value to the Pastor

The value of the Methodist Rural Fellowship to the local pastor is in proportion to the extent which he identifies himself with it, uses its literature, and associates with the annual conference groups which it encourages.

The needs in town and country church work are many amongst both pastors and people. Foremost is the need for a deeper spiritual life and a heightened sense of stewardship. One of the requisites to this is that country church morale be lifted. Rural people need a joyful, hopeful outlook on their work—especially their church work in these days. They must have an appreciation of the importance of rural life and of Christian rural living. They need to believe in the future of the rural church and most of all in their local churches. They need to have an enthusiastic Christian rural philosophy. The rural ministry must be made an honored calling and membership in the cross roads church a cherishing privilege. Fellowship with one another can be an avenue for lifting the morale. Through its literature, the discussions in its meetings, and the activities of the annual conference groups which it sponsors The Methodist Rural Fellowship is of direct value here.

A second great need is that the workable ideas and methods of our rural churches shall be more widely shared. Rural work differs greatly from city work due mainly to the different environment and the different type of work in which a considerable part of the people, namely, the farmers, are engaged. Rural pastors need to appreciate these facts. A great store of knowledge concerning rural church methods and the institutions and social relationships of rural life has been accumulated during the last thirty years, but at present the religious press and church conferences give little attention to it. If rural life is to be redeemed and made Christian more haste must be made in sharing information. The time is short. The most important people for the reconstruction of rural life are in the local churches. The Fellowship can use its literature and its meetings of all sorts to help spread the successful ideas to pastors and people alike.

There is also the necessity of instituting worth while action programs on behalf of town and country churches. A few which might be mentioned here, all of which are being undertaken by various annual conference fellowships, are: Campaigns for equitable pastoral support plans, for apportionment readjustments, for the appointment of more rural people on committees and boards, and the making of religious censuses and surveys in selected areas. The Methodist Rural Fellowship feels no hesitancy in urging these. They are of immense value to local people.

The promotion of effective rural church work can not all be done by secretaries and seminary instructors. The time has long since come when local people must associate themselves by areas to do this task. They can speed the redemption of rural life if they band themselves together to serve in a spirit of genuine Christian consecration. If the Methodist Rural Fellowship can effectively aid them its value will be unquestioned.

DR. AND MRS. L. B. ABERNETHY MOVE FROM ELKIN TO CHARLOTTE

In Wednesday mornin's Charlotte Observer appeared a double column cut of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Abernethy standing behind a silver service that the town of Elkin had presented them in token of his "outstanding community service," particularly in the building and superintending of the Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital in Elkin. We clip from the accompanying story the following paragraphs:

"Dr. L. B. Abernethy moved from Elkin to Charlotte by virtue of the appointment which he received from Bishop Clare Purcell at the annual session of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church.

In addition to his duties as conference missionary secretary, the venerable minister, nearing 80, will serve as representative of the Charlotte City Mission Society, a new body engaged in church expansion in and around the city.

Although he officially retired at the annual session of the conference at First Methodist church in Charlotte last week, Dr. Abernethy, continuing to serve as conference missionary secretary and beginning his new work for the Charlotte City Mission Society, will have an active schedule. With Mrs. Abernethy, he moved to their Clement avenue home. Already they had part of their family in their Charlotte residence, their daughters, Dr. Ethel Abernethy of the faculty of Queens College, and Miss Irene Abernethy of Duke Power Company."

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Charlotte district stewards' meeting and missionary institute will be held in First church, Charlotte, on Monday, November 9, at 10 a. m. All pastors, district lay leader and associates, charge lay leaders, district stewards, district trustees, presidents of Woman's Societies of Christian Service, church school superintendents and representatives of the young people are earnestly requested to attend.

G. T. Bond, D. S.

10,000 CONVERTS AMONG DEMBOS TRIBE

By Bishop John M. Springer
Elizabethville, Belgian Congo, Africa

"There is surely some mistake in this man's report! The village this pastor names is new on our list and he reports over 10,000 converts and a few baptized members!"

So the conference statistician said the other day. We investigated. There was no mistake!

These 10,000 converts, now listed for the first time, are scattered among 55 villages in one section of the Dembos tribe near the coast, in the Luanda district of Angola, Portuguese West Africa. It is really a mass movement. The Rev. August Klebsattel, the Rev. Ralph Dodge and the African minister appointed to the Dembos but working in another section, have been urging for years the organization of a main station for that tribe. This African pastor, Rev. Augustino Neto, the now senior minister of this conference, frail of body and with a feeble voice, has pleaded for two years, literally with tears, for a missionary and several African workers to help him shepherd these people. In many villages they have built chapels at their own expense and hold Sunday services, prayer and class meetings, even though in some villages there is not one who can read. In one village 2,000 or more gather for worship every Sunday.



The Rev. Augustino Pedro, with family and friends

How came these people to believe? Thousands of Dembos go to Luanda each year to work in that big port city. Three of our fifteen chapel congregations on the outskirts of Luanda are entirely, and others partly, made up of Dembos tribesmen. In these chapels and the Central church hundreds have turned to Christ and then gone out to win others. Some have learned to read and write in the chapel night schools. On their return to their villages they tell of the great change that has come into their lives through hearing the Gospel.



Pastor Neto's Church at Piri, in the Dembos, Angola

Put these new-born converts on your prayer list, that they may have a missionary among them for their guidance and help. With only four men missionaries in Angola, where formerly we had ten, it is impossible to appoint one of them to this field. A new missionary to save these 10,000 converts and other thousands who can be gathered in is one of our greatest needs in Africa.

FROM PSALM NUMBER NINETY

The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

This has been called the pessimistic psalm because of its depreciation of human life; but it should be observed that the contrast is not with inanimate nature, or with the brute creation, but with the eternity and power of God. It is in this light that our lives are short and frail, like grass we are cut off.

The psalmist allows threescore years and ten as the natural and proper term of human life. Every child born into the world has a right to live that long. But, as a fact, the average duration of human life is only half of this. This indicates a fearful waste of life, from abnormal causes. The first lesson of wisdom should be to search out and remove the causes. What has been done by the health officers in Cuba, Panama, the Philippines, and in the regular army, shows that can be done; governments and individuals should set about the work of cure, the saving of human life, as the highest duty.

Fourscore years and ten do not necessarily bring sorrow and labor. Sorrow and labor are not incidents of age, but come to youth and middle age as well.

Sorrow comes from sickness, loss of friends, injustice, poverty, vice and crime—not from age.—The Christian Leader.

ONE MINUTE SERMON: THE TIGHT-WAD

By W. B. Millard

The "boys" called a "tight-wad" because:

He would not spend for booze money that was due the grocer;

He preferred to buy books for his children rather than cigars for a crowd of loafers;

He would rather order a new dress for his wife than lobsters and wine for a chorus girl;

He thought a greenback looked better in the Red Cross treasury than in the till of a road-house;

He regarded concert tickets for the family a better investment than a stack of poker chips;

He would rather save his money and give to charity than to spend it all and become an object of charity;

He would rather be just than generous;

He would rather be a solvent citizen than a broken sport;

He thought a straight path home better than a crooked path to jail;

He preferred a savings bank to a faro bank;

He esteemed the good opinion of his family, his friends and his God above that of roistering spendthrifts.—Advance.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER

For the facing of this hour, dear Lord,
O make our faith a living breath!
Make us know the Cross will quell the sword,
That the crown of life will follow death,
That thy ultimate purpose will reach its goal,
Thy kingdom come in dauntless power;
May we trust in thee to guide and control,
Dear Lord, in the facing of this hour.

—Martha Bayly Shannon.

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Special prayer is asked for November for our American Indians; for our Navajo Methodist mission school at Farmington, New Mexico.

For our American boys that as they come in contact with people of foreign lands, there may be mutual enrichment of life which will lift up the ideals of the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE

It is always helpful to know what others are doing—it gives us suggestions for planning our own program of activities. As we studied the reports from last quarter, we were delighted with the many fine projects carried on by the young people in the Commission of World Friendship and by the girls in the interest groups. We list them here hoping they will suggest things you, too, can do in your groups:

Presented missionary play "Ba Thane" and others.

Conducted fourth Sunday worship program both in church schools and Youth Fellowship.

Sponsored program of missionary slides and motion pictures on foreign fields of work.

Sponsored visits of returned missionaries.

Gift boxes, Testaments, Upper Room and correspondence with boys in service.

Observed Youth Activities Week.

Six weeks program and discussion on Racial Relationships, hate and war.

Fifty dollars for parsonage furnishings.

Planning music for Sunday evening worship service.

Visiting prison camps.

Five dollars worth of groceries for needy family.

Visiting prison camps.

Magazine to county home.

Made trays for favors in hospitals.

Collecting canceled stamps for welfare work.

Making scrapbooks for soldiers.

Assisting with library work in community.

Made quilt for Children's Home.

Furnished flowers for church.

Outfitted nine bedside kits for soldiers.

Five dollars for church hymnals.

Buffet supper for mothers.

Chinese relief, $2.00.

Fixed up young people's church school class.

Sponsored vacation church school.

Collected Octagon soap coupons.

Conducted mission study.

If you do not have young people organized into a Methodist Youth Fellowship doing some of these things, will you not try to do so at once? Please let me help if I can.

Mrs. Eugene A. Lamb, Sec.
Young Women's and Girls' Work,
Cedar Falls, N. C.

MISSION STUDY AT PINEVILLE CHURCH

The three Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the Pineville charge, Charlotte district, had their fall mission study at the Pineville church October 15. Mrs. T. S. Ellington welcomed the group, after which Mrs. J. Leonard Rayle, the study leader for Pineville church, introduced the guest speakers: Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, secretary of the Charlotte district, who gave the devotional based on the Highway of Life, which was enjoyed by all. Then Miss Lillian Walker, secretary of missionary education and service in the district, gave a very interesting and profitable presentation of the book "On This Foundation," by Rycroft. She used maps, clippings and scenes which added to the interest. Following this the ladies of the charge served lunch, which was enjoyed by all.

The program closed with a playlet, "Are We Good Protestant Neighbors?" given by two of the ladies, Mrs. W. F. Blankenship and Mrs. Ollie Hoover.

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR AT WINSTON-SALEM

Mrs. J. G. Sterling, corresponding secretary Woman's Societies of Christian Service, Winston-Salem district, sends us the following account of an educational seminar held recently in Winston-Salem. Plans for the meeting had been made to use the chapel of Centenary church, but before the opening hour there was an overflow attendance and it became necessary to move to the Memorial auditorium. The theme for the day was "God's Highway" and the new conference worker, Miss Marshlea Cottingham, conducted the worship service, which was concluded with the singing of The Lord's Prayer by Miss Becky Nifong of the hostess church. When the visitors were introduced there were present of the conference officers: Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president; Mrs. J. W. Payne, secretary of missionary education; Mrs. D. M. Davidson, secretary of literature and publications; Mrs. R. M. Andrews, secretary Christian social relations and local church activities. Practically all of the district officers were in attendance.

Group meetings were led by the conference officers, after which they spoke to the entire assembly.

The morning session closed with the presentation of a skit, presented in a realistic manner, Mrs. Henry Nance, for years a resident of Brazil, directing and participating in it. The fellowship hour was between one and two o'clock. Each woman brought her own lunch and the hostess society served coffee.

By request, the afternoon session opened with the assembly hymn and a detailed report of the "Sacrificial Supper" as it was held in Columbus, Ohio, in May was given by Mrs. J. B. Sterling, corresponding secretary of the Winston-Salem district. Mrs. C. C. Ausband of Winston-Salem, chairman of zone 1; Mrs. J. Lee McCarn of Lexington, chairman of zone 2, and Mrs. A. C. Payne of Rural Hill, chairman of zone 3, each in her respective order had the report of her nominating committee. Mrs. Zeb Smith of Winston-Salem, Mrs. C. O. Plyler of Thomasville, and Mrs. J. L. Woltz of Mount Airy were duly elected chairmen of the zones for the ensuing year. Special emphasis was placed on the phases of work to cover the fourth quarter, completing the fiscal year. The session closed with prayer by Mrs. John Hoyle, Jr., conference recording secretary.

MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN AID IN U. S. A.

From World Outlook

Seventeen women missionaries of The Methodist Church, formerly in Japan but recalled because of the war, are now working among Japanese immigrants and their American-born children under the American flag. Some of them are in the reclamation centers to which the army moved Japanese from the Pacific coast, some are in churches and schools in the West and Hawaii, while still others are placing Japanese-American students in schools and colleges in the central states. These missionaries hope to return to Japan after the war.

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

We will find as we look back upon our lives, that the moments that shall stand out are the moments when we have done things for others.—Henry Drummond.

There is a destiny that makes us brothers. None goes his way alone.—Edwin Markham.

The church is still living and growing. Out of the filaments of its membership over the earth, however tiny and obscure, God can and will reknit the fabric of a new humanity.—Emory Ross.

Unless you are a rabbit we wouldn't advise you to put much faith in a rabbit foot.

A contented mind is a continual feast.—Proverb.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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PRAYER FOR A WORLD AT WAR

To the God of youth we offer our prayer today. Thou who didst reveal thyself in a baby, who didst thy work through a young man, bless the yourh of today. Keep high anticipation in their hearts and make them to know that tomorrow will be better than today. Give them brave hearts and willing minds and souls responsive to good will. In Jesus' name. Amen.—Dr. W. L. Hutchins.

THE CLAYS RETURN TO BRAZIL

"Dreams that are especially hard to realize are appreciated all the more when they do finally come true, so it was with our return," writes Mrs. Charles W. Clay, wife of Rev. Charles W. Clay, missionary to Brazil. Rev. Mr. Clay, accompanied by his family, returned to their adopted country several months ago, following a furlough year in the United States, and a very difficult time of delays and diappointments concerning travel reservations. "We were only too glad to reach Victoria," continued Mrs. Clay. "Some of the faithful members of the small congregation that have been carrying on almost alone since conference in January met us at the station and we all nearly wept with joy and relief. They had prayed incesantly for our safe arrival, as had other groups, we discovered later, scattered around the country ,and so our first service was one of thanksgiving. The Methodists rent a small hall here to serve as a church until the group is strong enough to build. Fortunately, we were able to rent a large old house half a block from this hall with a basement which we have converted into Sunday school rooms to relieve the confusion of six classes meeting all in the same room. Robin, or Elizabeth as she prefers to be called now and which is much easier for the Brazilians to say, started right in to school at the big Baptist institution of long and very high standing in the community. Their work was started thirty-five years ago, while ours was opened only two years ago. They have welcomed us very cordially and we hope to work together in close harmony and co-operation, as Victoria is large enough for many Protestant groups. The Presbyterians have a small congregation here, too, but no missionaries, so our American friends are made up of Baptists, the consul and his wife, several naval officers and a young couple in business. On the fourth of July we all met for a very enjoyable dinner and evening. One of the Baptist families is similar to ours in size and ages of children and fortunately our back yards join; so we are all together! Charles will write more about the church work and of his experiences as a new district superintendent." Editor's note: Rev. Mr. Clay will be remembered by many women throughout the N. C. conference for the very valuable contribution which he made to the program of the annual meeting in Rocky Mount last year. He is a cousin of Mrs. E. L. Hillman.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Last week we apprized our readers with the function and vital significance of the State Legislative Council. The enactment of several legislative matters of vital importance to the welfare of the folk our state will be sought by the council during the 1943 General Assembly. In the realm of education, the council will endeavor to secure passage of a bill for extension of the compulsory attendance age from 14 to 16 years; place enforcement of the attendance law under the supervision of the Superintendent of Public Instruction and provide adequate funds for its enforcement; a state-wide state supported nine months' school term. Highway safety: A law requiring periodic re-issuance of driver's license. Deduction in maximum speed limit. Semi-annual examination of automobiles. A $25 fine and mandatory suspension of automobile license for 30 days on first conviction of drunken, careless or reckless driving; $100 fine and 90 days' suspension of license for second conviction and permanent forfeiture of license for third conviction. Public welfare: Provision for industrial training school for delinquent negro girls. Provision for adequate care and treatment of the children of both races who are mentally ill and defective. Amendment to the present law regarding certain standards of management of jails, giving more authority to the public welfare department and providing adequate funds for enforcement. A law requiring that a program of work and rehabilitation be provided for women serving jail sentences. State and federal laws prohibiting sale of alcoholic beverages within camp areas. Labor: A comprehensive state minimum wage and maximum hour law in substantial conformity with the federal law. Remove exemption in the present law which permits employers of eight people or less to work women more than 48 hours and men more than 55 hours per week.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, writes that aa new W. S. C. S. has recently been organized at Ringwood church, West Halifax charge. Mrs. E. V. Neville was elected president. "Rev. C. B. Peacock, pastor, is due credit for perfecting the organization, which makes the West Halifax charge 100 per cent organized," states Mrs. Johnson. Another interesting news item from Rocky Mount district reveals that Zion W. S. C. S., Conway charge, has attained the "every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook" goal. All churches organized and every officer and member informed about the work of the missionary enterprise—truly that is not an achievement too great for the N. C. conference W. S. C. S.. Mrs. F. T. Banks shares with us news of the fall meeting of Quinn county zone which was held on October 16 at Evansdale Methodist church. Miss Eleanor Lamm, zone leader, presided. During the morning session Miss Lamb was presented a life membership, gift of the 11 societies of the zone. Mrs. B. F. Boone, Zebulon, conference secretary missionary education and service, gave some interesting highlights on the fall study course. Lunch was served by Evansdale society. At the afternoon sesion, a panel discussion, led by Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary, was held. Mrs. L. C. Larkin of Rocky Mount, talked on young people's work and the Wesleyan Service Guild. All officers were re-elected. These included: Miss Eleanor Lamm, zone leader and president; Mrs. Dixon, vice president, and Mrs. F. T. Banks, secretary-treasurer. Rev. C. W. Goldston, pastor Stantonsburg charge, pronounced the benediction.

A BONUS FOR COUPONS

To redeem eligible coupons with which to purchase new Battleship linoleum for the dining room floor of the Methodist Orphanage $1200 or $1500 worth are needed. The Octagon soap authorities have agreed to give a bonus on all coupons redeemed between now and Christmas. Many institutions have raised thousands of dollars with redeemable coupons. Cannot we, as members of the W .S. C. S. as local supporters of the Methodist Orphanage and as housewives who use the products from which the coupons may be obtained, do as much for our Methodist home in Raleigh?. One needs only to view or visualize the bare dining room floor and a group of girls vainly striving to keep it spotlessly clean, to realize the great need for sending in redeemable coupons to Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Orphanage. A woman should be appointed in every society who will see to it that coupons from all Octagon products, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzianne coffee and tea, Rumford baking powder and Health Club flour are collected and sent promptly to Rev. Mr. Barnes.

A NEW STYLE IS NEEDED

Let the church, the eight million members of the Methodist Church, start a new style of abstinence for the individual. It is said that national prohibition didn't work and won't work again. The case cannot be proven, for it was not given anything like a fair chance. But if eight million men, women and youth decide to drink only non-alcoholic beverages and would persuade their friends to do the same, national abstinence would follow almost as sure as day follows night and no one's liberty, not even that of a person who is run down or maimed for life by a drinking driver would be curtailed.—Miss Betty Brittingham, editor of The Methodist Woman, in November issue.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

PLEAS, SIR, A SHELTER!

Winter is coming and its attendant cold weather always brings an increased number of pleas for admittance into the Children's Home. A lot of grown people failed to take into account the needs of under privileged children until such needs became so glaring as to call for action. So now after the Children's Home has been well filled by the summer intake we are earnestly urged to accept children who need a shelter from winter's ravages. We shall do our best at answering the needs of little children, who, because of no fault of their own, have not earlier been placed in the receiving line.

COMFORTS AND COMFORTERS

About a year ago we issued a call for more covering, since our supply was running low. The call was answered in no uncertain way. The good women throughout our entire conference had quilting parties and sent us plenty of good covering. The comforts they sent greatly comforted us. Among the recent quilts received is one from Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte, who in her eighty-fourth year of living and sixtieth year of Sunday school teaching, finds time to sew some. Attached to her choice quilt was this note: "This quilt—too heavy for a girl's bed—is to be used on the bed of a big boy who has been doing outside chores and being chilled, exclaims, 'I nearlee froze last night! Please give me some more cover.'"

ABILITY TO PAY

In the run of the years this scribe has been repeatedly reminded that the way to finance the Children's Home is to get our larger congregations to make larger contributions to the Children's Home. Such directions appeared reasonable and were in line with the practices of Baptist and Presbyterian contibutors to their child caring institutions. A year ago provision was made for encouraging larger congregations to make larger contributions. Many of them have done so, but on a proportional basis it appears that our smaller congregations have done quite as well, if not better, than our larger congregations. An exhibit will soon be made giving credit to whom credit is due.

FUNNY AND FINE

Reminders of incidents happening at the recent annual conference continue to pop up in one's mind. One good friend was so impressed with the hospitality accorded that while sitting at a table enjoying sandwiches and hot coffee took two choice apples as they were passed around. The friend, being well supplied with what he then needed, wanted to know if the two apples could be checked in the adjoining baggage room.

Dr. G. Ray Jordan, in welcoming the conference to First church, did such a good job of it in such a concise and delightful way as to cause the presiding bishop to say, "Dr. Jordan reminds me of what Dr. H. C. Morrison once said about Bishop Dobbs, 'If he were not polite, considerate and pleasing he would be awkward at it.'"

AMONG THE FOUNDERS

Below is presented a picture of a group of interested friends who helped in the early unfolding of the Children's Home. This picture must have been taken when the Children's Home was only about two or three years old, since Walter Thompson is listed as a board member. He was elected superintendent on October 7, 1913, succeeding Dr. H. K. Boyer who served as superintendent for about a year, succeeding H. A. Hayes. Underneath the picture are listed the names of those who are known. We are anxious to learn the names of those not named. Help us if you can.

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From left to right, first line: J. A. Glenn, Walter Thompson, N. R. Richardson, J. P. Rogers, C. H. Ireland, J. L. Nelson, L. A. Falls, P. H. Hanes, J. K. Norfleet.

Second line: Not known, G. F. Ivey, Harold Turner, G. H. Detwiler, T. F. Marr, H. A. Hayes, O. B. Eaton, W. E. Franklin.

Back line: Dorman Thompson, Mrs. John Hanes, Mrs. J. K. Norfleet not known, Mrs. M. D. Stockton, not known, Mrs. R. E. Dalton, not known, not known, Mrs. Bowman, not known, not known. Boy sitting to left, not known, J. K. Norfleet, Jr.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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(Edited by B. M. Madison, Principal The Methodist Orphanage School)

AS THE STUDENTS SEE IT—I think that all of you who follow the progress of the Methodist Orphanage will be interested in the point of view of the students. This week we are using items written by the students themselves and giving the names and school classifications of the persons who wrote them. We should be glad to have your reaction to this plan and to the point of view expressed by any student.

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FRESHMAN CLASS — The eighth grade Freshman class, of which I am a member, has been studying recently the "rules of the game of life." These rules aid in making group activity effective and programs sure. Each of us knows the ten main rules and we are putting them in practice day after day.

Our class consists of 31 girls and boys. We decided a few days after we entered the school room we would be happier if we had a motto to live by. We had several mottos suggested. The one the majority chose was "Strive to Succeed" and in the truest sense of the word we are trying to live up to this motto.

The leaders of our class are as follows:

Bill Long, president.
Carolyn Rodgers, vice president.
William Minshew, secretary.
Jewel Hayes, treasurer.

Each individual had the right to vote upon anyone he thought was the most co-operative citizen in the class. As vice president I certainly appreciate the work of my class. We had volunteers to improve the looks of our school room. I think as a whole our class room is one of the prettiest and most attractive school rooms in the school. I want to express my gratitude to Miss Bessie Gaddy, our home room teacher, who has helped us in citizenship. Carolyn Rodgers, Freshman.

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CHRISTMAS AT THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE — The children out at the Orphanage enjoy their Christmas about as well as the ones who live out in town. A wish is given to each person at the Orphanage for Christmas by the ladies of Edenton Street Methodist church. We all thank these ladies for all they are doing for us to make our Christmas happier.

About five days before Christmas we go shopping and buy presents for our friends. Our people send us Christmas packages and our matron keeps them until Christmas eve and then we open them. Christmas afternoon we have a big Christmas tree in our chapel and our wishes are under it and then we open them. Christmas afternoon we have a big Christmas tree in our chapel and our wishes are under it and Santa Claus gives them to us. W eall open our package in there and are very happy for what we get. Some of the children would not receive very much if it wasn't for the Edenton Street Methodist church. We all owe them much appreciation for all they are doing for us.

Bobby Brown, Sophomore.

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SCHOOL: A DEMOCRACY — The school as well as the government is a real example of a growing democracy.

A person does not have to be rich in order to get the education required for attaining success. All children of our great nation are given this opportunity. In America, "the land of equal chance," even the poorest man, woman, girl or boy is given a chance of proving his or her worth.

The school does not rate the richest parents' children above the children of the poorest. A well dressed school boy is often placed between two poorly clad students. All students are taught by the same teachers and all are given the same chance of learning. All the students, rich and poor, are taught the same subjects. With the "will and grit" to succeed all American students move along together into a country of free and determined Americans.

Harold Carroll, Junior.

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OUR SALVAGE DRIVE—The children of our home, the Methodist Orphanage, have gone "all out for victory." Proof lies in the large pile we collected in front of our main building. The children of the home, large and small, began collecting scrap the latter part of September. The pile grew steadily for three weeks. Great emphasis was put on iron. Many things such as old electric irons and pipes helped swell our collection. Metal came from our farm and from all over the campus. We collected many old keys also. Tickets to the North Carolina Pre-Flight-North Carolina State game were given for the school which collected the most scrap. Unfortunately we did not win, but we were complimented by the workers in the junk yard for our drive. We feel as if our scrap will help sign the armistice, bring peace to the world and save the lives of many of our boys in service. I speak for the entire home in this matter of great importance.

Russell Clay, Junior.

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THE SENIOR CLASS — Our ever small but trying Senior class this year of '42-'43 consists of six boys and ten girls. The class has elected as president, Josephine Smith; secretary, Paul Smith; vice president, Charles Clay; and treasurer, Elizabeth Welch.

As all seniors hope to do something that their class will be remembered by,

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THE CHURCH AT WORK WITH CHILDREN

As we face the new year, we evaluate the work of the past months, and make our new plans on the basis of that evaluation. There is a very real sense of gratitude for all who have been associated with the work with children, and for all who have made growth possible.

District Directors of Children's Work

Volunteer leaders in various districts have given generously of their time and energy that the church might serve its children in a better way.

The following persons have served as district directors and are continuing this work. Call upon them at any time when they can help you:

Charlotte district: Miss Kate Crowell, 321 W. 10th St., Charlotte.

Gastonia district: Mrs. F. H. Cunningham, Gastonia.

Greensboro district: Mrs. O. D. Nelson, 904 Magnolia St., Greensboro.

High Point district: Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, 207 Hillcrest Drive, High Point.

Salisbury district: Mrs. W. P. Moore, Salisbury.

Waynesville district: Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem district: Mrs. John H. Melzer, Oak Grove Drive, R. 7, Winston-Salem.

Statesville district: Mrs. H. L. Price, Taylorsville, is the new district director. We welcome her.

The Year's Report of Vacation schools

The following reports of vacation schools have come in since the last report was made here:

Brown's Chapel and Liberty (Beaverdam), Miss Cora Mae Worley.

Indian Trail, Miss Kate Crowell.

Pine Hall (Danbury), J. L. Love.

This gives a total of 583 vacation schools held during the year, involving 603 churches. 28,320 children were reported in attendance. This is an increase of 2,171 children over last year's record. There were 58 more schools held this year, involving 48 more churches.

The Children's Division Yearbook

Group planning is essential to the best work in the children's division. The new yearbook provides definite helps for planning together each quarter; reminders partinent to church school work with children for each quarter; and some source materials and suggestions. It contains a list of helpful books, a list of available leaflets, space for necessary records, and other helps.

Yearbooks can be ordered from the Methodist Publishing house, Richmond, Va., along with regular material, or from Box 828, Salisbury. Price 10c.

The Fellowship of Study

The Fellowship of Study provides children's workers a plan for guided reading, and for seeking more helpful ways of leading boys and girls into experiences of worship, fellowship, and service.

A list of books available from the conference library will be sent upon request. This year, more than ever, it is important that we do everything possible to give better service to children. Individual and group study will prove invaluable.

Planning for a Christian Christmas

Home and church together will help children form ideas of the Christmas celebration. The following materials will help as we make plans for the Christmas season:

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Central Methodist Church

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On Sunday afternoon, November 15, at 3 p. m., the annual training school for Buncombe county will begin at Central Methodist church. Mrs. W. R. Reed, Mrs. E. H. Ould and Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will offer courses for workers with children, for young people, and a Bible course for the general membership of the church.

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Books have a large part in directing the thinking and behavior of children. In planning gifts this Christmas, some of the following Bible story books could well be included. They have been considered carefully and are recommended by our leaders.

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The Bible Story of Creation, Jones; 10 cents (Kress and Woolworth stores).

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—Rev. Thomas P. Potter.

Every true preacher knows that his people may be a better blessing to him than he is to them.—Forsyth.

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ANNUAL REPORT

We are using on our page this week and next week items from our annual report to the Board of Education of the conference. These paragraphs will give some indication of the scope of the work for which the Board of Education is responsible.

General Statement

Your conference staff has tried during the past year to render service as far as possible to every church in the conference and to give proper emphasis to each phase in the educational program of the conference. We are happy to be able to report progress both in interest in and in support of the conference program of Christian education. In succeeding paragraphs we shall give brief statements relative to the specific areas of our work.

Christian Education Conference

For the second consecutive year we held our planning conference on Christian education at Louisburg College, December 31-January 1. This conference—attended by district superintendents, members of the district staffs, Youth Fellowship officers, and members of the conference staff—considered the work of the past year and outlined plans and set goals for the new year.

Christian Workers' Assembly

An assembly for adult workers in our church schools was held at Louisburg College in July. The attendance, the program, and the interest at this assembly, were the best we have had in the three such assemblies that have been held.

Lake Junaluska Conferences

Representatives from our conference were in attendance at Lake Junaluska on the Young People's Leadership conference, the Leadership School, the School of Missions, and the Pastors' conference. Our conference youth president, Harris Proctor, was elected publicity superintendent of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Race Relations Sunday

Increased interest was shown this year by our churches in the observance of Race Relations Sunday. Twenty-four churches contributed $171.81 to this cause.

Christian Education Week

Christian Education Week, a week designed to bring the program of Christian education to the attention of our entire church membership and to stimulate new interest in the program, was observed in many churches throughout the conference. While our report is incomplete, 99 churches have reported the observance of this week in some manner.

World Service Sunday

We are glad to note an increase in the observance of World Service Sunday in our church schools. Exact figures, after we have secured our final report from Mr. Dillon, will be given in our statistical reports, but reports to date give a clear indication that the amount raised this year on fourth Sundays will exceed the amount raised in any previous year.

Church School Rally Day

152 church schools have contributed $957.93 to the cause of Christian education through church school rally day offerings. We are hoping to increase the offering on this day with the idea of turning the additional amount raised to increased support of our training program.

Vacation Church Schools

One of the most helpful activities of the past year was the vacation school planning or training conference held in April at St. Paul church, Goldsboro. We are deeply indebted to Miss Freddie Henry of the General Board for her assistance in preparing for the meeting, and for the service she rendered in conducting the discussions and the junior age group leaders' session at the meeting. We are also grateful to Miss Elizabeth Oliver, director of children's work, for the Western North Carolina conference, for her assistance in this planning conference. Approximately 30 leaders from the seven districts of our conference met for two days and made plans for reaching larger numbers of leaders in local churches through institutes to be held in the districts. Many fine reports have been received of the improvement in vacation schools which this training made possible.

Miss Oliver and your conference director of children's work also conducted a vacation school institute at Duke divinity school. During the two-day period the materials to be used were studied, and definite plans were made for the work with the children during the summer months.

The reports of vacation church schools held throughout the conference have been most encouraging. The leaders of children have given much time in careful preparation for, and in effective carrying out of, this important work. In spite of the difficulties of travel, a large number of our children were given an opportunity for additional instruction in the church school

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A sailor, after placing some flowers on a grave in a cemetery, noticed an old Chinese placing a bowl of rice on a nearby grave, and asked: "What time do you expect your friend to come up and eat the rice?"

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Children's Storyland



WE'LL RAKE THE LEAVES

By Ella Waterbury Gardner

Darlene and Bonny were out raking leaves. They raked them into neat little piles. Darlene had daddy's big rake while Bonny, who was four, had her own.

"Hi, there." That was Freddie calling and running toward them. "Wait a minute and I'll get my little red wagon. Then we can haul the leaves. We can make a great big pile in the back yard." Freddie was six. His black puppy ran after him.

"Thanks a lot," Darlene answered.

Freddie lifted the leaves into his little red wagon as fast as Darlene and Bonny raked them.

"Hello. What are you doing?" That was Robert. Robert was the biggest of all. "I'll help Freddie haul the leaves."

Now all four children worked together. Finally Darlene said, "We have raked all the leaves. It didn't take us very long."

Robert answered, "Daddy raked our yard last week. There are not any leaves left."

Freddie's round, freckled face smiled as he said, "My mother wants our leaves saved to put around her flowers and bushes."

Darlene puckered her eyebrows. "Now what shall we do?" she questioned. "We can't light our bonfire until daddy comes home tonight."

Bonny, dancing around on her square little toes in order to keep warm, insisted, "We have to do something. It's too cold to stay out here unless we keep busy."

"What shall we do?" The children looked at one another.

"Good afternoon, children," came a friendly voice.

Granny Heart was coming along. She lived in the little gray house next door. She was bent and wrinkled and lived all alone. "The sun shines nice and warm," she said, "but the wind is a mite cold. I must go over on the north side on an errand and then stop down town."

We'll watch your house for you," Darlene promised.

"That's kind of you," Granny replied. "I see you have your yard raked. I must find someone to rake mine," she sighed.

After Granny had gone down the street Darlene suggested, "Let's go over and rake Granny's yard. She has such a tiny yard that we could finish by the time she comes back."

"Sure." Robert was willing. "I'll run home and get our rake. Then we can make the leaves fly," he laughed.

Soon the four children were busy in Granny's yard. They raked the leaves and carried them to the back of the yard. Then they put some boards on them.

"There comes Granny now,' Darlene shouted, pointing down the street.

The four children ran to greet Granny, the black puppy following them. "We have raked your yard for you, Granny," Darlene callled.

Granny's dim eyes shone. "That's fine," she exclaimed. "How much you children have helped me! And what nice work you have done," she added as she looked at her yard.

"We are glad to do it," Darlene smiled.

Granny stopped by the stone wall in front of her house. Then she said, "I have just been down town to get a can of molasses. You children come over tomorrow after school and I will have a surprise for you children—a whole menagerie of gingerbread animals. Turn about is fair play," she ended with a little laugh.

"Oh, thank you," Darlene said.

"That'll be swell!" Robert burst out.

"My kitchen table will look like a regular Noah's ark," Granny smiled.

Freddie was squeaking, "Oh, I want an elephant!"

Bonny clapped her hands as she asked, "Could you make me a nice gingerbread boy with buttons on his coat?"

The black puppy yipped with delight. Maybe Granny would make him a cat to chase.—Story World.



THE SPIRIT OF AMERICA

By Alma Craig

The spirit of America now breathes upon her own,
From the purple mists of mountains to the sea's great rolling foam;
And every son and daughter has answered to her call,
To keep alive her liberty for the greatest and the small.
For some the task is given to march against the foe,
While others build the planes that high in the clouds must soar;
Some must sail the treacherous seas, with danger lurking there;
Brave lads these! Our sailors, soldiers and marines, now victory is near.
We'll stand behind our boys and pray at even-tide
That soon the horrors of war be o'er, and hearts in peace abide.
Firm must be our faith that truth and light remain,
As we pray to God our Father, that her sons die not in vain.

CLAMS

By Rev. Vivian T. Pomeroy, D.D.

Last summer a little boy, whose name is not Henry except in this story, spent a great deal of his time in fishing from the end of a little pier on the Cape. He is about seven years old. Day after day he sat and fished. Very boldly he cut up fat, unattractive clams for bait, and the fish he caught were silvery and beautiful. But nobody ever ate the fish Henry caught, because, when he had a few in his pail, he would throw them all back into the sea and away they would dart. Henry could do this because he was quite expert at hooking those little fish, and even more expert at unhooking them. He did it so well the fish seemed hardly to mind it at all; indeed, they seemed to enjoy the experience, so I am told. If people said they would like to eat one of Henry's fish, he would say in horrified tone, "Oh, no! They are so beautiful, I have to let them go."

One morning Henry's little sister said, "I want to fish." Henry said, "No, you can't. You are too little." "I want to; I want to," said Henry's sister. "Well, you can't," said Henry, "because there are no more clams." And he ran up the beach to ask his mother to please come and stop little sister from being tiresome.

When Henry and his mother came back, the most awful thing had happened. Henry's sister had taken one of the small, silvery fish out of the pail, had cut it up, and was fishing. Henry was first speechless, then furious, and finally he howled, "Oh, mother! Look what she's done! Isn't she horrible? She's cut up my lovely fish."

"But, Henry," his mother said, "you cut up clams you weren't sorry for them."

"Oh, mother," sobbed Henry, "how can I be sorry for them? Clams are so stupid and ugly. Nobody could be kind to a clam."

"I must say," said Henry's mother, "I myself dont think that clams are very bright looking, but I really don't see what use it is crying over the beautiful and silvery if you aren't going to feel at all sorry for the stupid and dull."

I do not know how Henry felt about this. I never heard what he said. Perhaps he thought that little sisters always get the best of it. And I have not told you a story about being kind to clams. Not at all. But only that the harder it is to be kind when we do not want to be, the better and braver our kindness is.—The Christian Leader.

Geography Teacher: "Now, class, remember Iceland is about as large as Siam."

Johnny (in test paper): "Iceland is about as large as teacher."—Onward.

Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 8

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By Rollin H. Walker

Christian Nurture in the Family

Deut. 6:419, 20-25; 2 Tim. 3:14-15

To be prepared for the nurture of children in the home one's religion must not be a system of hard and fast observance. In the teaching there must be the authority of a radiant and sacrificial life.

If we love God we will store his word in our memories so that sudden illuminations will come to us as we rest the horses at the end of the furrow, or wait for the next customer, or walk to and from work. When a man ia patient enough to repeat to himself Scriptures as constantly as some men chew tobacco or smoke cigarettes, he is continually making new discoveries that thrill him, and hence will interest the children if served to them while they are still effervescing.

It did not occur to Moses that religious instruction should be given only in the Sunday school, or from the lesson leaf. Father and mother were themselves to be the lesson leaf, foaming like ginger ale with the zest of new discoveries. What a superb instrument of religious education the Scriptures are! They are rich in stories that capture the imagination of children and make them beg for a repetition. One hopes the time will come when it will be deemed a positive disgrace for a young father and mother not to be able to tell the thrilling stories of the Bible to their children.

Young mothers often impress us with their admirable mastery of the modern scientific method of feeding and caring for their infants; but alas, some of the most highly educated of these young mothers are well nigh religious illiterates when it comes to the ability to feed the minds of their children with the rich storehouse of biblical truth. Some of them have such a limited knowledge of the Scripture that they would bore their children to death if they carried out Moses' injunction constantly to talk about the word of God.

One reason for their religious illiteracy is that they have been told that there has been a great change in the attitude of scholars toward the Bible, and so, instead of going on to master the newer views which are often much more inspiring and helpful than the old, they have taken toward the Bible the same attitude that they have toward grandfather's old buggy.

Of course the Scriptures need to be translated into modern figures of speech, and re-phrased in the presence of new conditions. The fruit and vegetables from the garden of God often need to be pealed and cooked. But if we only stayed with the Bible long enough its inner life would force us out into modern expressions as surely as steam in the cylinder forces out the piston and turns the wheels of the locomotive. Jesus says, The words which I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life. He means that they vitalize the mind, and inspire it to creative thought.

Much emphasis is being placed on the importance of giving children treatments that will immunize them against scarlet fever and other diseases. There is no doubt whatever that if our children, like Timothy, were taught the Holy Scriptures from babyhood they would in a large measure be immune to many of the prevailing moral epidemics. The Roman Catholic saying, "Give me the training of the child for the first ten years, and I care not who has him afterwards," while of course an hyperbole, is loaded with truth. Indeed not only our children but our whole generation needs to be vaccinated. The book of Deuteronomy purports to be a kind of vaccination of Israel before the coming contact with the seductive paganism of the rich Canaanite country. And the Epistle to Timothy seeks to immunize him and the church against the flood of false doctrine that like an overflowing sewer threatens to pollute the life of the church. And we live in a time when the main reading of the people in the newspapers is a record of killings, and we face that widespread moral lapse that always comes in the wake of a war. The only salvation for us and our children is to be vaccinated against hate and contempt for the moral law, and to have our vitality built up by that bread of life which if a man eat thereof he shall live forever.

JESUS CHALLENGED YOUTH

The Christian church began as a young people's movement. The disciples were mostly young people; it was this group of young men that set the world on fire, and from their hands history received the flaming torch.

It has always been so. Luther was only twenty-two when he dedicated his life to God; John Calvin was only twenty-four when he was compelled to flee from France because he championed the true faith of a spiritual gospel and was only twenty-seven when he published his Institutes. Zwingli became a gospel preacher at twenty-two; Philip Melanchthon was still in his teens when Luther won his heart. He was never a preacher, never ordained. He was a layman, but in his twenties he was lecturing to two thousand among whom were the princes and noblemen of Germany. When he began his evangelistic mission in America, George Whitefield was only twenty-four; Dwight L. Moody was nineteen when he started his great Sunday school in Chicago, and Charles H. Spurgeon began his London ministry when he was only twenty. George W. Williams was twenty-three when he founded the Young Men's Christian Association, and Francis E. Clark was just passing out of his twenties when he founded the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.—Arthur Unknown.

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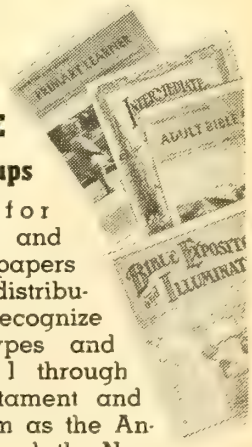
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District Superintendent Appointments

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Bald Creek, Bald Creek, 11 15
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windom, 3 15
Burnsville, night 15
Acton, Acton, 11 22
Asheville Ct., Reeves Chapel, 3 22
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, night 22
Wolf Mountain, 11 29
Rosman, Rosman, 3 29
Brevard and Ecousta, Brevard, night 29

December

Mills River, Mills River, 11 6
Etowah-Shaw's Creek, 3 6
Hendersonville, night 6
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 13
Saluda, 3 13
Tryon, night 13
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, night 27

January

Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 17
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 17
Leicester, Leicester, night 17
Central, 11 24
West Asheville, night 24
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 31
Haywood Street, night 31

February

French Broad Ave., 11 7

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Ansonville, Ansonville, 11 15
Morven, Shiloh, 3 15
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 16
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 18
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Peachland, Harmony, 3 22
Lilesville, Wade, 7 22
Chadwick, 7:30 23
Belmont Park, 7:30 25
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 29
Calvary, 7:30 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

December

St. John's, 7:30 2
North Monroe, Grace, 11 6
Zoar, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 6
Central, Monroe, 7:30 7
Matthews, 7:30 9
Unionville, Union Grove, 11 13
Asbury-Derita, Asbury, 3 13
Marshville, Wingate, 7 13
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stallings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

January

Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 1
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Trap Hill, Charity, 11 8
Dobson, Dobson, 3 8
Ararat, Hunters, night 8
Watauga, Hensons, 11 15
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 15
Creston, Creston, night 15
Boone, 11 22
Todd, Blackburn, 3 22
West Jefferson, night 22
Helton, Helton, 11 29
Warrensville, Warrensville, 3 29
Jefferson, Jefferson, night 29

December

Laurel Springs, Nathans Creek, 11 6
Sparta, at Sparta, night 6
East Bend, 11 13
Yadkinville, 3 13
St. Paul, St. Paul, night 13
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Cooleemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

January

Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Crouse, Antioch, 11 8
West End, Gastonia, night 8
South Fork, Bethel, 11 15
Vale, Reeps Grove, 3 15
Lincolnton, First, night 15
Rock Springs, Bethel, 11 22
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel, 3 22
Ebenezer, night 22
Cherryville Ct., Bess Chapel, 11 29
Concord-Elbethel, Mary's Grove, 3 29
Cherryville, First, night 29

December

Pelkville, Rehobeth, 11 6
Fallston, Lawndale, 3 6
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 6
Gastonia, Main Street, night 8
Belwood, 11 13
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 13
Lafayette St., Shelby, night 13
Roger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Cramerton, night 27

January

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24
Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February

Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

Missionary Institute and District Stewards' meeting at Cherryville, Tuesday, November 10. Missionary Institute will meet at 10 o'clock; luncheon at 12:30; District Stewards' meeting at 2.

HIGH POIN TDISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Ward Street, 7:30 11
Seagrove, 7:30 14
Liberty Ct., Bethany, 11 15
Randolph-G. C., Bethel, 2 15
Liberty First, 7:30 15
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 17
Welch Memorial, 7:30 18
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2 21
Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 11 22
Farmer, N. H., 7:30 22
Archdale, 7:30 25
First Church, H. P., 7:30 26
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 29

December

Main Street, 7:30 2
Highland, 11 6
Denton First, 7:30 6
South Davidson, Lineberry, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Spruce Pine, 11 8
Elk Park, Montezuma, 3 8
Glen Alpine, 11 15
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 15
McDowell, Nebo, night 15
Bakersville, Penland, 10 22
Avery, Fairview, 3 22
Linville Falls, Concord, night 22
Gilkey, Gilkey, 11 29
Old Fort Ct., Pine Grove, 3 29
Old Fort, night 29

December

Exotic, Oak Grove, 11 6
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 6
Pleasant Grove, night 6
Spindale, 11 13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
Cliffside, 11 20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 20
Forest City, night 20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 27
Avondale, night 27

January

Drexel, Bethel, 11 3
Rutherford College, night 3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11 10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3 10
Morganton, First, night 10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45 17
Valdese, Valdese, 11 17
Oak Forest, night 17

Missionary Institute and district stewards meeting, First church, Marion, at 10 a. m. November 11.

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Park Avenue, 11 8
First Church, Salisbury, 3:30 (Missionary Institute) .. 8
China Grove, 7:30 11
Forest Hill, 11 15
Rocky Ridge, 3 15
Kerr Street, 7:30 15
Central, Spencer, 7:30 18
Stanfield, 11 22
Midland, 3 22
Epworth, 7:30 22
Jackson Park, 7:30 25
Norwood Ct., 11 28
Norwood, 11 29
Albemarle Ct., 3 29
First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 29

December

Trinity, Kannapolis, 7:30 6
New London Ct., 3 6
Rockwell, 7:30 6
Midway, Kannapolis, 7:30 9
Salem, 11 13
Friendship, 3 13
Westford, 7:30 13
Landis, 7:30 16
Ann Street, 11 20
Roberta, 3 20
Mount Olivet, 7:30 20
Bethpage, 11 27

January

East Spencer, 11 3
Woodleaf, 3 3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 3
Bethel-Boger, 11 10
Harmony, 3 10
Central, Concord, 7:30 10
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 17
Pfeiffer, 7:30 17
Mt. Mitchell, 11 24
North Kannapolis, 3 24
Badin-New London, 11 31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Statesville, Broad Street, 11 8
Olin, 11 14
Harmony, 11 15
Union Grove-Zion-Smith Chapel, 2:30 15
Maiden, 11 22
Balls Creek, Mt. View, 2:30 22
Catawba, 7:30 22
Taylorsville, 11 29
Hiddenite, Hiddenite, 2:30 29
Stony Point, 7:30 29

December

Hickory, Highlands, 7:30 5
Hickory, First Church, 11 6
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 6
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 6
Cool Springs-Providence, 11 13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 13
Lenoir, First Church, 11 20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30 20
Whitnell, 7:30 20
Hudson-Colliers, 11 27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30 27
Granite Falls, 7:30 27

January

North Newton, 11 3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30 3

Newton, 7:30 3
Mooresville, Central, 11 10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30 10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 10
Davidson, 11 17
Davidson, 7:30 17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30 24
Troutman, 7:30 24
Elmwood, 11 31

District stewards in connection with Missionary Institute will be held at Broad Street, Statesville, Sunday, November 8, at 3 o'clock.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Bryson City, 11 1
Writtier, Whittier, 7:30 1
Andrews, 11 8
Murphy Ct., Tomotla, 3 8
Robbinsville, 7:30 8
Murphy, 11 15
Hiawassee, Ranger, 3 15
Sylva, 7:30 15
Clyde, 7:30 18
Cullowhee, 11 22
Webster, Webster, 3 22
Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 22
Franklin, 11 29
Macon County Methodist, Franklin, 3 29
Highlands, Cashiers, 7:30 29

December

Junaluska, 7:30 2
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 6
Shooting Creek, Marshalls, 7:30 6
Canton, 11 13
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30 13
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11 20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3 20

January

Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11 3
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Morning Star, 7:30 10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 17
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 3 17
Junaluska, 7:30 17

Waynsville District Missionary Institute, District Stewards' meeting, and a called session of the Waynesville District Conference at Sylva, Friday, November 13, 10 o'clock.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Crews, Sedge Garden, 11 8
Marvin, 7:30 8
Mount Tabor, 11 15
Maple Springs, 7:30 15
Central Terrace, 11 22
Green Street, 7:30 22
Kernersville, Main St., 11 29
North Davidson, Union Ridge, 3 29
City Mission, 7:30 29

December

Lexington First, 11 6
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 3 6
Erlanger, 7:30 6
Thomasville First, West End, 11 13
Thomasville Ct., 3 13
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 13
Winston-Salem, First, 11 20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 27
Rockford Street, 7:30 27

METHODIST ORPHANAGE
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our class isn't an exception. For days now we have been trying to set the tradition of a standard class ring for our school. In order to balance our ring in its physical make-up and also in its meaning, we have thought much to let the Bible with the cross be on one side symbolizing our home and let the gateway symoblize our school.

Mr. B. M. Madison, onr new principal, comes to us with many new ideas. He and his able faculty of teachers are sponsoring for us a school-wide drive for better citizenship. Our report cards now indicate not only our academic ratings, but our habits and attitude records. One hundred per cent good behavior gets one on the Citizenship Honor Roll. The honor roll members receive all special privileges and favors, which before went to no one specifically. James Jordan, Senior.

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"TO THE STARS THROUGH LABOR"
—We, the 16 seniors of this home, deem it an honor to have as our motto, "To the Stars Through Labor." It is one which has been chosen and agreed upon by each member of our class and we are trying not only to live by it ourselves, but we also wish to pass it on to others.

Our class is now beginning its journey toward a high goal. We are seniors and we know that we must work, not because we feel obliged to, but because to reach the "stars" we must put forth a great effort. Because we are so small in quantity, we must be extraordinarily good in quality.

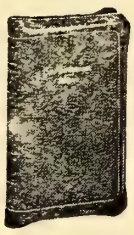
So we seniors see the unfinished task which lies before us and we are determined that by the end of this school term it will be said of us, "that class has reached the stars through labor."

Frances Tucker, Senior.

CHILDRDEN'S HOME
(Continued from page 16)

A FOOTBALL FEAST

We had plenty of football last Friday. In the afternoon our 85 pounders played a slightly heavier team from Victory school, Gastonia, winning by a score of 28 to 0. Our 125 pounders played a similar team from the same school, winning by a score of 19 to 0. That night we went with our varsity to Lexington to play their team and in a hard game, highlighted by entertaining features and strenuous contesting, our boys won by a score of 7 to 0. Even though the scrose were favorable, the feast of football was too plentiful, even for one who likes football. An interested spectator can play a lot of football sitting on a bleacher.



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In Memoriam

A TRIBUTE

We, the undersigned members of the Mount Olive circuit quarterly conference wish to pay tribute to one whom we loved.

Rev. J. M. Carraway, who ministered to our people about 42 years ago, and as the Christian Advocate relates, he sang, prayed and preached and visited in time of joy and sorrow.

Since retiring from the ministry at the age of 76 he has resided at the ancestral home of his forefathers at Merrimon, N. C., until released from suffering September 27, 1942, at the ripe age of 93.

We request that this tribute be recorded in the minutes of our quarterly conference, also a copy sent to the family and N. C. Christian Advocate.

Mrs. D. H. Overman,
R. H. Cox,
E. A. Stevens,
J. H. Parker.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has taken unto himself our beloved Ferris Branson; and

Whereas, Brother Branson has served faithfully and well on the board of stewards of Central Methodist church, Canton, for 14 years; and

Whereas, he was an outstanding Christian leader in the church and business circles in western North Carolina; and

Whereas, he was a devoted and wise husband and father; be it therefore resolved, that

First, we extend to his family our deepest sympathy in their and our great loss.

Second, we thank God for his life so full of honesty, courage and inspiration.

Third a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, to the Canton Enterprise, placed on the minutes of the fourth quarterly conference and placed on the minutes of the board of stewards of Central Methodist church, Canton, N. C.

W. N. Freel, Chm.
Board of Stewards.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Regarding the passing from time to eternity of our fellow Bible student, J. Lee Crowell of the D. B. Coltrane Bible class of Central Methodist church, of Concord, N. C., on October 15, 1942, we, as survivors of the said class, wish hereby to record our sense of loss in his absence from us in the following resolutions:

First, That his presence in the D. B. Coltrane Bible class added much interest to the discussion of the lesson of the hour through his application of many quaint incidents of life which were more especially his own rare experiences, as illustrative of the respective Bible text before the class for our analytical study.

Second, That we believe him to have been strong in his faith in God, and in the hope of another life awaiting the faithful Christian beyond this vale of tears.

Third, That we emulate his many virtues, and with a steadfast hope look forward to rejoining him in the great beyond, where together we may sing praises to our Saviour around the throne of grace throughout all eternity.

Fourth, That we desire to present a copy of these resolutions, together with our sincere sympathy to the family of the deceased, and to send a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, with the request that the Advocate publish same.

J. Edward Smoot,
Thos. M. Rowlett,
V. Y. Suther,
W. C. Houston,
Wm. E. Kestler.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, on June 27, 1942, Marvin L. Wade, a member of this body for nearly 17 years, was called to his heavenly reward; and

Whereas, as a loyal, influential and devoted layman of the Methodist church and as a trustee of Greensboro College, he rendered long and efficient service; and

Whereas, his presence among us and his service to this institution will be sorely missed.

Be it resolved, that we, the board of trustees of Greensboro College, meeting in annual session in Greensboro, this the 15th day of October, 1942, do express our gratitude for the service rendered the college and extend to Mrs. Wade and the other surviving members of his family our sympathy in their bereavement.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Wade, a copy filed in the records of the board of trustees, and a copy sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate.

A. J. Hobbs,
G. T. Rowe,
E. L. Hillman.

A TRIBUTE

On Friday, August 14, 1942, Mrs. John R. Hoover passed from this life to her eternal reward, having been a semi-invalid for more than two years. Mrs. Hoover was a member of First Methodist church, Lenoir, N. C., over a period of many years and was very loyal to its support. She was also a member of the Wesley Philathea class and a regular attendant until she became unable to walk. She was a cheerful and uncomplaining shut-in and very thoughtful of her friends.

The ladies of the class of which she was a part wish to express their loving appreciation of her Christian life and pen this verse in loving memory:

"Now the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past.
Now upon a fairer shore
Lands the voyager at last
Saviour, in thy gracious keeping
We leave, now, thy servant sleeping."

Mrs. D. A. Smith, Pres.
Mrs. W. L. Greer, Sec.

TRIBUTES

Kadesh lost one of its most loyal and faithful members in the death of Mrs. Henry Stamey.

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, wish to pay tribute to her as one of our best beloved members. We have missed her greatly during the past year. We deeply sympathize with her family and loved ones, and with them expect to meet Aunt Mollie again in the heavenly home.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Kadesh church wishes to express a deep sense of loss in the passing on July 25 of Mrs. Eugene Hubbard. She leaves a husband and four small children, a host of relatives and friends to follow her example of a fine Christian life. Our society will always cherish her memory, and we wish to express to the family our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss.

Members W. S. C. S.

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North Carolina Conference Objectives for 1942-1943

1. Positive and continuous emphasis on evangelism in every department of the local church.
2. Trained and consecrated leadership which understands and supports the total church program in every local church.
3. Development of a stronger sense of Christian brotherhood expressed in greater concern for and in sharing with others at home and around the world.
4. Conscientious increase in World Service acceptances and full payment of acceptances.
5. Determined effort to pay off all local indebtedness.
6. Generous support of the Golden Cross.
7. Continued interest in the welfare of the Methodist Orphanage.
8. Enlistment of every Methodist woman in effective service in the Woman's Society of Christian Service.
9. Larger circulation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the General Christian Advocate.
10. Every minister of the conference a member of the Conference Brotherhood; increase in number of lay non-beneficiary members.
11. Unremitting opposition to the liquor traffic, both legal and illegal.
12. Full attention upon the two district meetings to be held in each district during the year.
13. Daily prayer for a righteous and lasting world peace; prayer and special pastoral concern for those in which there have been separations caused by the war.
14. A deepened sense of unity one with another and with Jesus Christ that will give us new strength for serving in these days.

Notes and Observations at Conference

The representatives of the several boards, sometimes known as the "connectional brethren," did a fine job in their apperances before the conference. For the most part their words were duly limited and given in a concise and informative way. These men have to deal with "facts and figures" about affairs with which the average man is not well acquainted and many have slight interest. The conference seemed to be much pleased with their presence and the representation they made.

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Duke University furnished speakers for many of the public occasions at conference of one sort and another. Those used were Doctors H. E. Spence, Albert C. Outler, Henry R. Dwire, B. G. Childs, H. E. Meyers, and J. M. Ormond. Spence dealt with the war situation, Dwire with education, Outler with Duke Divinity School, Childs discussed the work of the laymen, Meyers preached the ordination sermon and Ormond directed the work of missions. Each and all were appreciated and given due publicity by the press.

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Chief Pharmacist's Mate, O. Y. Kirkpatrick of Charlotte, procurment officer for the Navy in the Carolinas, made an earnest plea for additional chaplains for the Navy. He said that "the Navy's No. 1 need at the moment is chaplains and they plan to have one for every 1,000 men in the service. We have been given a quota of some 400 from the Atlantic Seaboard and need them badly."

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Every Methodist should read and ponder well the Objectives which appear on the front page of this week's Advocate. Each pastor should display these in his study and give them a prominent place on his door posts. Here in outline is the year's work of every Methodist in the North Carolina conference. These objectives are given a place of prominence this week on the very threshold of the conference report.

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Members of the four conference classes were passed on to the upper classes in short order. Little time was spent in this most important work. Dr. W. Y. Anderson spoke in highest appreciation of the way in which this work is carried on in North Carolina and all over the Methodist Church. As we all know, in other years, a whole day would be spent in passing the classes. So much for an orderly process well worked.

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Rev. H .B. Porter, pastor-host, gave every attention to the details of the conference entertainment. He had no little trouble in keeping the brethren wise as to where and when their meal tickets were good. So far as we heard entertainment efforst worked out well in the midst of the crowded conditions in Wilson. Limited eating places rendered the situation the more difficult. Personally, we found the entertainment most satisfoctory. Being unusually busy we had no time to pick flaws or to note shortcomings.

The young men and women who came from Louisburg College to sing at the temperance meeting rendered a valuable service. In academic togs, they fit in well with the occasion and their selections were most pleasing to the crowd that filled the church above and below.

Bishop Pfohl had an inspiring audience and he met the demands of the occasion in a very fine way. Louisburg College rendered a valuable service.

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The annual fall luncheon of the Association of Ministers' Wives of the N. C. Conference was held at the Woman's Club in Wilson, and Mrs. Leon Hall of Hershey, Pa., was the main speaker. Mrs. Hall reminded the group to "live up to what the ideal minister's wife is expected to do" and used "Advice to Ministers' Wives" as a theme.

Mrs. Ben F. Boone of Zebulon, president of the association, presided and gave a talk on "Rights and Privileges of Ministers' Wives."

These occasions are such as to win large attendance and to make for friendship and good fellowship.

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Bishop Purcell commended a number of good books during conference. We do not suppose there was a great book in the entire lot, judged by the high standard of authorship, yet these were valuable small volumes well worth the reading. Thoughtful men and women will profit by a careful reading of such books. Indeed, in this day of haste only the small volume can hold the attention of busy men and women. They shy off from the massive tome and the elaborate series measured in volumes.

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Judging from the much said at conference about the liquor evil, we are in need of men—young, vigorous men —who can lead crusades against the forces of evil in this day. The day is already drawing near in this state when a few vigorous laymen and preachers can render a noble service for God and humanity. We grew up on the oft heard conviction that the two curses of the world were war and liquor. In other days, the Methodists could not agree on which had caused most misery, intemperance or war; but they are agreed that both are the greatest curses of humanity. So they became crusaders. May God raise up such again.

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The many fine young ministers called into the service for chaplains in the armed forces is depleting the ranks of men in the pastoral ranks. This loss will be the more apparent as we go along, with others who are destined to go. The places are taken by young immature men and by others whose best days are behind them.

Furthermore, some of these chaplains had not yet arrived but were right on the threshold of doing unusually fine work in leading crusades for God and the cause of righteousness. We cannot meet present day needs with men who simply hold on until the successful man gets there. Some men always fail; some always succeed; others simply hold on until the successful arrives. Successes are needed all along the line.

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Jacob Simpson Payton in his "Capital Comments" in the Christian Advocate writes:

From Abigail Adams to the present First Lady of the Land thirty-seven women have occupied the White House as wife or official hostesses. Dolly Madison, the Quakeress, was the gayest; Mrs. Monroe was the most formal; Mrs. Polk and Mrs. Hayes were perhaps the most devout; Mrs. Lincoln was the most unhappy; Mrs. Cleveland was the most beautiful; Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt was the most domestic; and the present First Lady leads the procession as the busiest.

This war will not settle a single problem with which we have had to do. These will continue to face us with the same defiance after the war is over and the church will have to act in securing the peace for which we so eagerly long. Again and again the speakers urged this fact upon the North Carolina conference at Wilson as they discussed the problems awaiting us to be dealt with in the coming of peace. All thoughtful men are anxious about the days following this war.

November 11 was another high day in American life. Many of us recall Armistice Day 24 years ago. General rejoicing filled the land with the end of a war "to end all war." Well do we recall the parade in Wilmington and the celebration staged in front of the opera house in the afternoon. One of the speakers, Dr. W. H. Milton, rector of old St. James Episcopal church, began with these words: "This is the first month, of the first year, in the year one, of the New Era." So we all felt in the midst of the general rejoicing. This year we watched the procession in Greensboro and listened to the words of Brigadier General Kennedy as he assured us of the victory ahead. It was a quiet crowd and a speech of measured phrases from a man who had seen service in both wars. There was no bombast and no jubilation such as was abroad 24 years ago; but a calm conviction was evident that the day of peace for us and the world awaited the coming victory.

The Sunday school superintendent in announcing the moment of intermission before the 11 o'clock service said: "You will now be at ease until the district superintendent begins his sermon."

Bishop Lee in his address dealing with the vast Orient and the peoples there made reference to the coming of Charlie Soong to Wilmington and what was done for him here in North Carolina, said in substance that what we have done here by getting access to that wonderful family and through them to win the good will of the Chinese nation is worth all that we have ever spent for missions in this our own land. In this way we have won much of the leadership of the Orient through the Chinese people, the greatest nation of the East. Wilmington is fast becoming the one point in America that has made possible the marvelous movements in New China that is being shaped and fashioned by the Soong Dynasty. This touches a world situation.

Among all wedding anniversaries none are so appealing and of such commanding interest as the golden wedding. As gold is king among metals, just so is the golden wedding imperial among domestic anniversaries. Fifty years gather together a treasury of memories that become a veritable storehouse of rare jewels and in addition a strange enchantment gathers about the distant years that were full of dreams and hopes, but few fears. Furthermore, the pleasant things are treasured in memory while the unpleasant have long since been forgotten. These are what led the old Englishman on his golden wedding to exclaim:

"Put on your old gray bonnet
With the blue ribbon on it,
And we will hitch old Dobin to the shay.
Through the fields of clover
We'll ride up to Dover
On our golden wedding day."

North Carolina Conference Session at Wilson

TUESDAY evening of the National election day the largely attended conference opened with a missionary service under the direction of the Board of Missions. President J. M. Ormond took charge after Bishop Purcell had organized the conference. Certain responsive readings were in keeping with the hour, the great old missionary hymns were sung and Bishop Edwin F. Lee, who has spent most of his official life in the Orient, gave a most interesting and informing address dealing with that section of the world.

Why not make the opening service and address at every annual conference one featuring missions? This theme is in the logical order since the Methodists through all their history have been on the outwaard bound with their eyes fixed on the ends of the earth. Too often we are taken up with minor matters at home where we ought to be girding for world conquest, instead of putting this as the last and the least of our undertakings. So the conference at Wilson got off to a grand start with a stirring message dealing with movements on the other side of the world.

First Day—Wednesday, November 4

The first day opened under the most favorable circumstances. The church surroundings were all that could be desired. Then, too, it was one of those glorious mornings in November for which the land of Dixie is notable. The sunshine overhead and the ozone in the air made glad and buoyant the life of man. It was good to be alive in this land in which our fathers lived and labored for a better world. Although the world is at war the peace of God rested upon the conference.

Under the wise guidance of Bishop Clare Purcell all business moved with utmost dispatch. This was most essential, since we had an abreviated session in which to transact the much business ahead. The bishop's carefully prepared and comprehensive address presented fully the demands upon our North Carolina Methodism. He stressed especially the work of the Christian education advance and the Week of Dedication, February 28 to March 7. He also warned against the liquor peril. No matter whether it is sanctioned by the state or not there "simply cannot be a truce between liquor and the church," said the bishop. He attacked liquor in all its phases and warned of its danger to the efficiency of the Army and Navy of the country.

Bishop Purcell called liquor "the most dangerous saboteur of this country today." He warned that liquor may be the margin between victory or defeat in this war as he pointed out that the small number of men in the Army and Navy who drink might be the difference between victory and defeat.

Lauding the Sheppard Bill before Congress asking for prohibition in camp areas, Bishop Purcell called for a swift passage of the bill in Congress.

Colonel J. F. Bruton and Mayor W. M. Daniel welcomed the conference. Chaplain Ed Earnhardt's greetings were characteristic. In fact most of the day was taken up with speeches—little minute business being done during this talk fest.

Dr. H. E. Spence spoke in his address before the historical society on "Methodism and War." In his carefully prepared address delivered with the passion and enthusiasm of a crusader, he presented the attitude of John Wesley towards war and the liquor evil. Then followed an urgent plea that Methodism remain true to its history. In a most vivid fashion did he point out the dangers to which we are exposed.

"America is godless today to a terrible degree," Spence told the society. "It is a terrible indictment of this country that it rations coffee at the rate of one cup a day and then rations liquor at a quart a day. The capitalists are getting what they can while the getting is good in this country."

Speaking of the danger to the youth of the land in regard to teen-age women. Dr. Spence painted a dimal picture of the army camp areas where "teen-age girls vamp the soldiers" and the situation that will loose a flood of marriageless children.

"We can never win this war until we turn back and retrace our ground," said Spence. "What right have we to believe that God is on the side of the United States any more than he is on the side of Germany or Japan? God is not a rationing board. Why hasn't he stopped Hitler?" enquired the speaker.

Dr. Spence also pleaded for the conscientious objector as well as the conscientious participant in the war for academic freedom.

Rev. J. G. Phillips was elected to presidency of the Historical Society, E. D. Weathers, third vice president, C. D. Barclift, secretary, and T. A. Sikes, treasurer.

Bishop Pfohl Is Heard

No session of this conference has heard so much of the liquor evil for those able to speak with authority as at Wilson. The temperance meeting in the afternoon, at which Bishop J. Kenneth Pfohl spoke, was the best we have known in twenty years. Charging that liquor is "primarily a moral and spiritual question, Bishop Pfohl of Winston-Salem warned that the most "dangerous fifth column in America today is the traffic of liquor," and he also warned that "battles and even wars have been lost by drunkenness.

"When we are standing with our back to the wall, so to speak," Bishop Pfohl said, "why, oh why must we put this liquor before our soldiers."

He attacked the drinking of liquor in the army and also the advertisement of liquor in magazines, newspapers and on the radio and declared that "I feel this is as indictable as anything in the food laws because it shows false statements."

"Why are we so blind to this?" he asked. "Battles and even wars have been lost by drunkenness. Shall I point to the day and night before the Japs attacked Pearl Harbor? Shall I point to France and what happened

there? America, when will you act and say this thing must stop?''

At night Henry R. Dwire, speaking before the Board of Christian Education, discussed ''Education and the World Crisis,'' laying special stress on two perils: the front of today and the front of tomorrow. He closed his thoughtful and discriminating address with these words: ''Based on such a citizenship trained with such ideals and responsive to each leadership, why may we not expect a period of constructive achievement in the future, better than any which has gone before? The challenge of the present crisis to the full development of our educational and spiritual resources in the building of a better world is one that cannot and will not be ignored.''

Second Day—November 5

Most of the first day, morning, afternoon and night, was taken up with speaking. The second day was not wholly free from the flood of words, but along with this came much minute business. The day closed with the ordination services, the sermon being preached by Dr. H. E. Myers of Duke Divinity School. Preceding the ordination service was the annual love feast presided over by Rev. E. H. Davis, assisted by Rev. J. H. Shore, Rev. J. T. Draper and Rev. C. P. Jerome.

Deacons included H. L. Rogers, W. J. Neese, C. B. Harris, Kermit Wheeler, K. W. Taylor, J. D. A. Autry, W. E. Howard. The elders were F. M. Patterson, Charles S. Hubbard, O. W. Mathison, M. R. Gardner, H. B. Lewis, J. D. Lee.

Those accepted by the conference on trial included: Durham district, R. P. Rainwater, Jr., W. T. Medlin, Jr., W. D. Caveness; Ellizabeth City district, J. R. Ragan; Fayetteville district, Paul Carewe; Wilmington district, G. C. Kinlaw, C. H. Mercer.

A large part of the morning was taken up with advancement of classes in the conference. Dr. W. K. Anderson of the committee on courses of study spoke.

Sidney G. Boone, William Freeman and A. D. Gray were advanced to the second class, while V. I. Queen, H. R. Simpson, W. H. Brady, J. D. Overton, Jr., J. W. Page and W. R. Dixon were advanced to fourth year class.

Dr. Edward Mills, an editor of the Christian Advocate of Chicago, spoke of the Christian Advocate of Chicago, the general organ of the Methodist Church. The board of publication of the North Carolina Christian Advocate Corporation made its regular report. This report announced that A. W. Plyler and M. T. Plyler has been elected editors and business managers of the paper for another year. The report also urged that all ministers and laymembers of the church in the conference help the corporation by giving it more work during the coming year.

The committee on conference relations announced the appointment of W. M. Loy of Burlington to supernumerary relation, while R. E. Atkinson, Ontario, Va., J. W. Autry, Fayettevile, and G. H. Bibbs, Star, retired relation.

Retiring Ministers

Bishop Clare Purcell presented retirement certificates to seven ministers, who are retiring. They include: C. B. Culbreth, Siler City; J. L. Cuninggim, president of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.; M. F. Hodges, West End; L. B. Pattishall, Pinetops; C. A. Jones, St. Pauls; M. T. Plyler, Durham; J. F. Starnes, Council.

The conference also approved a resolution urging the admittance of an increase in nursing students at the Duke School of Nursing because of the great need for nurses in this war.

At noon memorial services were held, with Dr. F. W. Paschall, pastor of Trinity church, Wilmington, speaking. The services, held for those who have died in the past year in the conference, memorialized Rev. A. J. Groves, Sanford; Rev. J. H. Buffaloe, Cognac; Rev. H. M. Jackson, Garner; Mrs. G. B. Perry, Raleigh; Mrs. D. E. Earnhardt, Durham, and Mrs. William Lowe, wives of ministers, who died during the past year were also remembered.

Speaking before the board of lay activities of the church in the afternoon, Dr. B. G. Childs, professor of education at Duke University, used ''Manpower'' as his theme. After he had pointed out the manpower of this nation in wartime both in a military and industrial and civilian sense, he pointed to ''another army of eight million persons, all laymen and ministers of our own Methodist church.

''The problem of the government as to manpower these days,'' he declared, ''is no less severe a problem as that of our church with its manpower.''

''Manpower plus Godpower equals world power,'' Dr. Childs told the gathering, as he pointed to the fact that ''all over this land today families and people are going back to God.'' He urged unity in the church among laymen and ministers alike—''religious unity.''

Lay Activities Officers

Officials of the Conference Board of Lay Activities elected for the year were W. J. Smith of Bethel, lay leader; B. G. Childs of Durham, vice chairman; F. S. Aldrich, Durham, secretary- treasurer; executive committee, three officers above and A. M. Noble and superintendent of Rocky Mount district.

Methodist union with the enlarged conferences as a consequence and with the further demands of war work have changed no little the procedure of an annual conference. Now there is more work done in committee and all the work moves with more dispatch. The processes and the activities are in the main an improvement over the old order.

Third Day—November 6

The third day of conference was taken up largely with hearing reports of boards and special committees and with announcing of the appointments. This is always the climax of the work of the conference. But the old time tension has passed since under the present plan of allowing the pastors to know where they are going. Each man can now be at ease as to the place he is going, though he may have preferred some other appointment.

A special fund of $15,000 was asked this year by the Board of Missions by special offerings in the conference in December. The board declared that there was barely enough money to get along in a normal year and that extra money was urgently needed. A committee to name the exact date of the offerings and the purposes of the money was set up consisting of Rev. F. S. Love, W. J. Smith and Mrs. W. C. Chadwick.

Declaring that the ''missionary interest in the church is at high tide,'' the board also urged organization of schools of missions in each church in the conference.

The board also urged continuation of the sustentation plan and declared that it ''believed that we will be

able to meet the provisions of this arrangement because more money has come in under this plan than the old one."

Declaring that "this was is the judgment of God on human sins" and "in this sin all nations and all men share," Rev. H. G. Ruark of Red Springs presented the report of the World Peace Committee, declaring that "the church itself is not at war. There is no American, no German and no British church, but only the church of Christ," as he urged "unity of the Christian spirit in all nations."

Brother Ruark also presented a report on the question of conscientious objectors in which he disclosed that "these men are required to pay for their support in the camps they are in. This is not meant as a criticism of the government, for the government set up this program this way at the request of the church." He urged support of the CO's in the civilian public service camps. He disclosed that there are three men in such camps from this conference, and that it costs in the neighborhood of $35 each week for each man.

Using monetary help in this situation, Ruark also pointed out that Armistice Day had been set aside for offerings for conscientious objectors of the church.

The part of the report about Duke divinity school showed that one out of every five divinity school graduates had become chaplains in the military service.

Present Church Statistics

Membership of the church in the conference show a total of 146,143 with 122,575 active members and 28,368 non-residents. There are 790 churches in the conference, valued at a total of $8,772,711, with total indebtedness set at $161,351. Contributions to all purposes in the conference during the year totaled $1,417,138.

Appropriations for world service and conference benevolences for the coming year is a total of $167,780. The Commission of World Service and Finance, headed by Chairman John F. Bruton of Wilson, asked that $92,284 be set aside for world service and $75,596 be used for conference benevolences.

Appropriations for conference benevolences were set as follows: Education, local church division, $20,220; educational institutions, $25,000; missions and church extension, $20,500; Wesley Foundation, $3,700; student work E.C.T.C., $1,100; lay activities, $1,500; N. C. Council of Churches, $300; Conference Committee on World Peace, $100.

A CORRECTION OF DISTRICT SET-UP MEETINGS

On page eight this week appears schedule of district meetings for the N. C. conference. Since this was run off a change in two of these has been made. They are as follows:

Durham district, November 23, Duke Memorial; instead of November 25.

Raleigh, November 24, Edenton Street; instead of November 27.

The following schedule and program has been approved by the district superintendents and will be followed with variations to meet the special needs in each district:

9:30-10:30. Worship period, introductions and greetings.
10:30-12:30. The missionary program of the church.
12:30-1:30. Lunch.
1:30-2:30. Group meetings.
2:30-3:00. Laymen's work.
3:00-3:30. Board of Education program.
2:30-4:30. Closing program.

This program is the effort of the boards and agencies of the church to conform to the action of the last annual conference restricting the meetings for the year to two. It is an effort to present the whole program of the church in our conference.

F. S. Love,
R. W. Bradshaw.

A FOREST LESSON

By Jack Kytle

One golden day in October some time ago, I walked through a stretch of vari-colored forest with my Negro friend, Gross Stone, the almost constant companion of my boyhood and my teacher in the ways of nature. We were idling along beside a rail fence when he paused suddently and placed his hand on my arm. "Look over yonder," he said. "Now that's what I call a beautiful sight."

For a moment, as I peered on the line of his pointed finger, I saw only the fence. But then, perched lengthwise upon a top rail, the outline of a bird emerged from the green, yellow, and red background of leaves. After sitting perfectly still for a few seconds, it turned its head rapidly from side to side, then darted away.

"I hope you got a good look at it," Gross said, "so you'll never forget it. Don't ever harm a feather of that bird, for it's a bull-bat."

He went on to explain, in his deep understanding of wildlife, that we had looked for those few moments upon one of man's staunchest friends. The bull-bat or nighthawk, he said, destroys numberless mosquitoes, gnats, parasitic fliers, winked ants, beetles, and other noxious creatures.

I have never forgotten that forest lesson, and the sight of one of these proud birds has always brought it back to my mind.

It is a picture in grace. During passage from one section to another, it flies swiftly, using perfectly-timed, straight-forward wing strokes. When feeding, the flight is more erratic, so that it seems sometimes to almost come to a stop in mid-air. But even at this time, it remains poised and balanced in every move.

Perhaps the nighthawk's most fascinating and spectacular feat while flying is its lightning-like dives. At the time of nesting, it flies upward to a considerable height, then flashes almost straight down to within a few inches of the ground. Arresting its dive finally, its strong wings produce a clearly-audible booming note.

Although it is a relative of the nocturnal whippoorwill, the nighthawk ventures forth a great deal during daylight hours. It is especially active in the afternoons along the banks of shaded, meandering streams, where mosquitoes tend to gather. During the middle of the day, it rests leisurely for the most part upon a fence, log, or limb, but the sight of it flying in bright sunshine is not unusual.—Our Dumb Animals.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

NEWS FROM GREENSBORO COLLEGE

The college hnor society met at 5 Tuesday afternoon in the Lucy H. Robertson drawing room. The new members were received. Dr. Luther L. Gobbel spoke to the group. Miss Bettie Prosser, president, presided. Following which there was a formal dinner in the college dining room.

Rev. Jean Vache, rector of St. Andrews Episcopal church in Greensboro, spoke to the students at their noon chapel service in Odell auditorium last Thursday.

Approximately 90 high school students and prospective students interested in attending Greensboro College next year were gusets of the school last week end in order that they may look over the school and catch a glimpse of the college life and every day activities.

The program of events began Friday afternoon after the visitors registered in the office of Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students. At 6:15 Friday evening a formal dinner was given in the college dining room. After dinner the guests attended the college's first dramatic production of the year, "Mr. Pim Passes By," a three-act comedy by A. A. Milne, presented by the Greensboro College Players in Odell Memorial auditorium.

The week's schedule continued on Saturday when members of the school of music presented a musical program at the noon chapel in Odell. From 7 to 9 o'clock Saturday night the athletic association held open house in the society halls in Odell.

"These Are the Stones," a worship drama, was presented by the Methodist Youth Fellowship of West Market Street Methodist church before a large group of Greensboro College students in Odell auditorium. The production was directed by Miss Jo-Marie Thompson, education director of West Market church and author of "These Are the Stones," which was written after the style and form of the Methodist Student Movement conference theme drama, also written by Miss Thompson. The impressive drama related the place of the youth in the world today, their grave responsibilities and how greatly the youth can aid in reconstructing conditions of the world.

"Norway Still Fights" was the topic for the lecture by Dr. Sigmund Skard, noted Norwegian lecturer, who spoke to Greensboro College students at a chapel service Tuesday, November 3. The lecturer told of the German invasion and occupation of Norway, which he stated, the "Norwegians believed no one could do or would be mean enough to do." The speaker was introduced by E. O. Watson of the department of history and economics, and Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, played an organ prelude for the program.

BARNES-HOWARD MARRIAGE AT ELM CITY

On Wednesday evening, October 21, in the Methodist church of Elm City, Miss Edith Barnes became the bride of Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr. Rev. L. C. Larkin, superintendent of the Rocky Mount district, officiated, using the double ring ceremony. The vows were spoken before an altar banked with ferns as a background for white chrysanthemums in tall floor baskets and seven-branched candelabra from which gleamed the soft lights of white candles.

Mr. Mason Bell of Rocky Mount presided at the organ and was assisted by Mrs. Sam G. Dixon at the piano. The following pre-nuptial music was rnedered: Ave Maria, Bach-Gounod (piano and organ); Serenade, Schubart; Liebestraum, Liszt; Kamennoi Ostrow, Rubinstein (piano and organ); Evening Star, Wagner; I Love Thee, Greig; O Perfect Love, Barnby (during the ceremony). The Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin by Wagner was used for the processional and Mendelssohn's Wedding March for the recessional.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her brother, Corporal Henry Franklin Barnes of New York City, by whom she was gvien in marriage.

Miss Hilda Barnes of Elm City and Norfolk, sister of the bride, was her only attendant. Mr. G. W. Apple, Jr., of Reidsville attended the bridegroom as best man. The ushers were: Mr. Edwin Akers of Roanoke Rapids, cousin of the bride; Rev. Forrest Wagoner of Waverly, Va.; Mr. W. G. Sharpe, III, of Elm City; and Mr. Warren S. Barnes of Elm City, brother of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. B. F. Barnes and the late Dr. Barnes of Elm City. She is a graduate of Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, of the class of 1942. Mr. Howard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Howard, Sr., of Mocksville and is pastor of the Elm City Methodist church. He is a graduate of High Point College and Westminster Theological Seminary. He did graduate work at the University of North Carolina. After the ceremony the couple left for a wedding trip to Virginia.

"IF I DON'T GET BACK YOU'LL HAVE TO BE MOTHER'S PROTECTOR"

"Jackie" Shea, five years old, has a letter he never will part with—a letter that said "if I don't get back . . ."

It's from his dad, Commander John J. Shea, 43, last seen fighting flames aboard the U. S. aircraft carrier Wasp, shortly before the vessel went down under a torpedo attack near the Solomons on September 15. Shea is listed as "missing in action."

The letter, written June 29, reads in part:

"Dear Jackie:

"This is the first letter I have ever written to my little son and I am thrilled to know you can read it all by yourself. If you miss some of the words, I am sure it will be because I do not write plainly. Mother will help you in that case, I am sure.

"I was certainly glad to hear your voice over the long distance telephone. It sounded as though I were right there in the living room with you. You sounded as though you missed your daddy very much. I miss you, too, more than any one will ever know. It is too bad this war could not have been delayed a few more years so that I could grow up again with you and do all the things I planned to do when you were old enough to go to school.

"I thought how nice it would be for me to come home early in the afternoon and play ball with you and go mountain climbing and see the trees and brooks and learn all about woodcraft, hunting, fishing, swimming and other things like that. . . .

"When you are a little bigger you will know why your daddy is not home as much any more. You know we have a big country, and we have ideals as to how people should live and enjoy the riches of it, and how each is born with equal rights to life, freedom, and the pursuit of happiness. Unfortunately, there are some countries in the world where they don't have these ideals, where a boy cannot grow up to be what he wants to be with no limits on his opportunities to be a great man, such as a great priest, statesman, doctor, soldier, businessman, etc. . . .

"Fighting for the defense of our country, ideals, homes and honor is an honor and a duty which your daddy has to do before he can come home to settle down with you and mother. . . .

"Don't ever be a quitter, either in sports or in your business or profession when you grow up. Get all the education you can. Stay close to your mother and follow her advice. Obey her in everything, no matter how much you may at times disagree. She knows what is best and will never let you down or lead you away from the right and honorable things of life.

"If I don't get back, you will have to be mother's protector, because you will be the only one she has. . . ."

Jackie and his mother are living in Arlington with her parents.

Shea, a graduate of Boston College, was executive officer of the Squantum naval air station in Quincy and commanded the Miami air station before being assigned to the Wasp.

MEETING OF PASTORS' SCHOOL BOARD

On Tuesday, December 8, at 11 o'clock, in the board room of Duke University, the managers of the Pastors' School will assemble in annual session. This notice is given that members may keep this date open. Usual notices will go out later.

On the same day and in the same place the Wesley Foundation will meet at 2 o'clock, following the usual luncheon. This is a most important meeting; let all interested be present.

H. C. BYRUM NOTES THE CHANGES IN THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

I am back from another annual conference. How things have changed through the years I have been attending! The great stalwart men who led the procession in the early years only there in memory, while their weary forms rest in the silent city of the dead. As they dropped out along the way others took their places and have grown tired under the load while the younger keep coming.

In the years long ago we reported in the retail manner, telling of all we did through the year from the patching of the chicken roost, mending the steps and building a cow shed to the gathering in of the last dollar on the budget. Now we report in wholesale manner, a whole district at a time. The few who are in conference when called get to stand, but no one looks at them—they say nothing—all of which is much better than the old way. It does work one hardship on the electorate—can't size up candidates for General Conference unless we pick them out of the readers of reports. And yet there seems to be a tendency to lay reports on the table unread—a good thing.

No Sunday any more, and no parade; striped pants and clawhammer coats out of the running; banquets taking the day. I got in on one and when my plate reached me I thought the rationing board had sent it, and in a roundabout way missing the ration board and passing under the table board. The next one I heard of you had to trade in your meal ticket and pay fifty cents to boot. There was no way to get a ceiling on it, so I held on to my ticket and made my way to the S. & W., where the long line of biblical witnesses stood before you. They seemed to have revised the Holy Writ and made it read, "Forgetting the things behind and pressing forward to the meat that lay before them." But if you can stay in line and stay spiritual yourself, by and by you get your little part and then choose your own table and eat in peace.

The connectional men who come now to bring greetings seem only shadows as compared with the illustrious past. What a contrast, when we recall the night Dr. DuBose, who afterward became bishop, stood in old Tryon Street church about three blocks away from First church and represented the Epworth Era. What a figure he was as he stood that night portraying the early Christians in the arena with the wild beasts. With his whiskers half way down his cheeks, looking all of it in every respect, he cried out, "The lions came forth with mighty claws and shaggy jaws and their eyes aflame of fire." He had us—no picture shows for the tired preachers, and we were all there, not an empty seat, many standing.

Many stepped aside this year and others standing with a halo of the setting sun blazing in their faces, while the youth steps to the front with a grim determination to excell all that has gone before them. Here is wishing that it may be so, and that the heavenly glow may ever burn along the pathway where weary ones are to tread.

I only have committed to my care Friendship and Hickory Grove churches for another year. A new parsonage to live in with comfort and conveniences binding me to the task. My daily prayer is that I may be able to measure up to the highest expectations.

H. C. Byrum.

DISTRICT SET-UP MEETINGS OF N. C. CONFERENCE

District—Place	Date
Durham: Duke Memorial	November 25
Raleigh: Edenton Street	November 27
Rocky Mount: First Church	November 30
Elizabeth City: Hertford	December 1
New Bern: Kinston	December 2
Wilmington: Fifth Avenue	December 3
Fayetteville: Aberdeen	December 4

Robert W. Bradshaw.

"ABOUT AS NEAR HEAVEN AS I KNOW HOW TO GET"

On the last day of the recent conference in Charlotte my aging and saintly father, William Jackson Ervin (just Uncle Jack to his many relatives and friends) and I were sitting at the table in Ivey's dining room for lunch. Along came Rev. R. C. Kirk and remarked to father, "Why, Brother Ervin, I thought you had gone to heaven several years ago." And to which he replied, "No, I have not gone, but I'm about as near now as I know how to get."

So there's my text, brethren and friends. Since the reading of the appointments on Friday noon, October 23, I'm about as near heaven as I know how to get. Well, someone may be asking, Brother J. O., did you get a great church, high steeple and all?" No, thank the Lord, but more and better than that, we got Lenoir circuit—South Lenoir, Littlejohns, Gamewell and Olivet. Now friends, that may not look like so much to some of you, but if not it is only because you do not know the facts and the implications of history.

In the midsummer time of 1908 we came to Caldwell county and to Lenoir with the small and growing family, and for that year and 1909 and 1910 we were walking, riding horseback, riding on buggy and on train to preach and to sing the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ over these wonderful hills, mountains and beautiful valleys. At Mt. Hermon, Whitnal (and we organized and built the church there), old Colliers, South Lenoir, Olivet, Mt. Zion, Mortimer, Colletsville, Edgemont, Harper's Chapel, and Mariah, far down on the Yadkin; and preached in a revival meeting at Littlejohns for Brother M. H. Tuttle, who was then pastor there. As we remember them now we say, marvelous days and years were those!

And now that after the lapse of 32 years we are back on this sacred soil again as pastor; and in a good parsonage with friends coming in, and calling in on telephone to renew old acquaintances and to speak of many whom they and we had loved and have now lost awhile. And to find the fine younger generation, many of whom we took into the fold more than 30 years ago, now in the church and carrying on as leaders in their several churches.

Oh, we could go on at length about these fine people but we must mention also the unspeakable beauty and autumnal glory of this marvelous section of God's creation. We look out and see the sun as a ball of fire out from behind old Highbritten in the morning and coming to full blaze toward the noontime until all the hills and valleys become one great panorama of artistic grandeur. Then we drive out on these improved and splendidly engineered highways and find the heart singing: "I will life up mine eyes to the hills, etc.," and "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people, etc."

Yes, brethren, we are about as near heaven as we know how to get. Come to see us, former parishioners, friends, and especially brethren of the ministry. If you are near to us call telephone 359-W. And may God bless us every one, especially the Advocate family!

J. O. Ervin.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

"A year of growth" was the motto announced by District Superintendent S. W. Taylor to the members of his district at a meeting held in Asheboro First church on the 4th instant. This meeting was not only informative, it was inspirational as well. Paul Hardin, Jr., the pastor of the church, delivered a fine address in the morning, and in the afternoon J. W. Braxton, pastor of the Central church, brought a message replete with helpful suggestions on making our churches count in a practical way this year for the Master. Each charge in the district was represented at the meeting save one. There was a spirit of optimism manifested by the pastors and officials. While last year was one of splendid achievement, they all felt that this year must exceed anything done in the past. Our district superintendent, one of the best in the conference, presented his plans for the year, and they were unanimously and enthusiastically adopted by the conference. His helpful suggestions will certainly enable the pastors to prosecute the work efficiently all through the year. This was one of the best and most helpful meetings we have attended since the new church was formed. Dr. Abernethy, Dr. Cox, one of our general agents, and Mr. O. V. Woosley of the Children's Home, were present and delivered inspiring addresses. B.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

Mrs. William J. Erwin, formerly Miss Alma Cade, who was director of children's work in the N. C. conference, has been elected director of religious education in St. Paul church, Goldsboro. Her husband, Wm. J. Erwin, South Georgia conference, is chaplain in the army and is now at Harvard in training for his work.

The extent of the depredations of U-boats in the western Atlantic is evident from a compilation of losses since Pearl Harbor, showing more than 500 ships sunk, 3,400 crew members and passengers lost and 1,960 persons listed as missing. Against this heavy toll, one can set some encouraging figures. The heaviest losses were suffered in June, when 111 ships went down. Losses have decreased, however, with August showing 48, September 14 and the first 21 days of October only five. American shipyards have turned out 995.

The Methodist preachers and wives of Thomasville had a most enjoyable evening together on Friday, November 6, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Lee F. Tuttle. At this time the families enjoyed the gracious hospitality of the host and hostess which was highlighted by the evening meal. It was decided to meet in December at the Unity-Fairgrove parsonage. The following enjoyed Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle's hospitality: Rev. and Mrs. Walter Lee Lanier, Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Oakley, Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Plyler, Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Snow, and Rev. and Mrs. Charles D. White.

Last Thursday, November 5, my good friend, J. W. Lowrance, died at his home near Catawba, age 89. He was a native of Catawba county, an excellent farmer, had been a faithful member of Catawba Methodist church for many years. His wife, who was Miss Wycoff, died several years ago. He leaves six daughters, Mrs. Laura Andrews, Sedalia; Mrs. Claud Moore, Mrs. W. H. Paisley, Mrs. C. D. Smith of Greensboro, Mrs. D. P. Hudson, Connelly Springs, and Mrs. Mary Ervin of the home. One daughter, Mrs. Blanche Brower, widow of Rev. L. M. Brower, died some four years ago. One son, Seth Lowrance, died many years ago. An aged brother, Richard Lowrance, also survives. He was buried at Catawba the day after his death.—A. C. Sherrill.

I stated a few weeks ago that Tabernacle church on the Laurel Hill charge would complete its beautiful new brick church with a small debt. I wish to correct that statement. The church is completed and free of debt. I wish also to acknowledge a generous donation from our conference and general boards of church extension, which I neglected to mention previously. The members wish to express their appreciation for all donations, prayers and good wishes. We leave in a few days for Efland to serve the people on the Orange circuit. We are leaving a fine, loyal people and are sure we will find the same in our new work. To our successor, Brother D. D. Broome, we extend our good wishes with the assurance that he will love these good people.—E. H. Measamer.

Rev. J. H. Armbrust, pastor of Central Methodist church, will return to his pulpit Sunday morning after an absence of several days, during which time he visited several army camps and defense areas in the eastern section of North Carolina. Mr. Armbrust also attended several sessions of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, meeting in Wilson. Rev. Mr. Armbrust will preach at both the services at Central church Sunday. At the morning service the adult choir, under the direction of Mrs. Zeb Jones, will sing Kipling's "Recessional" as a special Armistice Day number. Sunday night at the 7:30 hour of worship there will be a gospel song service and special music will be furnished by the children's choir under the direction of Miss Bessie Reid Houston.—The Enquirer.

The ministers' wives of the High Point district held a brief business session on Wednesday, November 4, at the set-up meeting held in First church, Asheboro. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle; vice president, Mrs. Earl LeBaron; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Pritchard; program committtee, Mrs. Wilson Weldon, chairman, Mrs. W. R. Kelly, Mrs. O. L. Easter, Mrs. T. E. Strickland.

MINISTERS' DAY AT THOMASVILLE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

The Main Street congregation is inviting all ministers in this section of the state to share with them a program of unusual interest. In addition to Dr. Henry Hitt Crane, who wil speak three times. Dr. Rufus M. Jones, internationally known Quaker minister, will speak as will Dr. G. Ray Jordan and Dr. C. E. Rozzelle. The fulll program for Minister's Day is as follows:

10:00. Devotional.
10:15. Dr. C. Excell Rozzelle, Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point.
10:45. Intermission.
11:00. Dr. Rufus M. Jones, Haverford College, Haverford, Penn.
12:30. Lunch, Thomasville Woman's Club. Dr. Henry Hitt Crane, speaker, Central Methodist church, Detroit, Mich.
2:30. Dr. G. Ray Jordan, First Methodist church, Charlotte.
3:00. Dr. Henry Hitt Crane.
7:30. Dr. Henry Hitt Crane.

Important note: Due to the fact that there are so few good eating places in Thomasville, the Woman's Club has agred to serve a lunch at 50 cents per plate, providing 100 persons notify me by Tuesday, November 17. One request: Please plan to come to Thomasville on Thursday, November 19, and take the time to drop me a card by Tuesday, November 17, telling me to make reservation for you at the luncheon, otherwise the luncheon will have to be cancelled.

Lee F. Tuttle.

MINISTERS' WIVES AT CHARLOTTE

The Ministers' Wives' Association of the Western North Carolina Conference assembled in Efird's Dining Room, Charlotte, for their annual fall luncheon on October 22 at one o'clock. Mrs. Clare Purcell and Mrs. Edwin D. Mouzon were honored guests.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. M. T. Smathers, the vice president, Mrs. R. H. Taylor, presided.

The following slate of officers were duly elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Lee Tuttle; vice president, Mrs. G. I. Humphreys; treasurer, Mrs. A. B. Cox.

Recognition was given the following: Bishops' wives, hostesses, the Charlotte ministers' wives, chaplains' wives, superannuate' wives, visitors and brides.

The theme of the program for the meeting was "Moving." Mrs. M. G. Ervin, dressed as a colored servant, presented a humorous skit on moving. A surprise, "The Appontments," was presented by Mrs. Clare Purcell, Mrs. I. L. Roberts, Mrs. C. E. Williams, and Mrs. H. L. Creech, Jr.

Mrs. H. P. Powell gave a most stirring and inspiring meditation on "Fall House Cleaning," pointing out the need of cleaning out and decorating our hearts.

Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., and Mrs. E. K. McLarty, Jr., sang as a closing prayer "I'll go where you want me to go."

Mrs. J. Max Brandon, Jr., Sec.

North Carolina Conference Appointments

1942-1943

DURHAM DISTRICT

F. S. Love, District Superintendent

Alamance ..... H. B. Lewis
Andrews Chapel ..... W. L. Sturdevant
Bahama ..... O. I. Hinson
Brooksdale ..... E. C. Maness
Burlington—Davis Street ..... J. O. Long
Front Street ..... L. C. Larkin
Webb Avenue ..... C. J. Andrews
West Burlington ..... M. C. Henderson
Burlington Circuit ..... M. C. Ellerbe
Bynum ..... K. F. Duvall
Carrboro ..... V. E. Queen
Cedar Grove ..... J. C. Williams
Chapel Hill ..... J. M. Culbreth
Duke's Chapel ..... H. R. Simpson
Durham—Branson Memorial ..... John Cline
Calvary ..... S. A. Maxwell
Carr ..... M. C. Dunn
Duke Memorial ..... J. C. Glenn
Lakewood ..... J. H. Overton, Jr.
Trinity ..... J. G. Huggin, Jr.
West Durham ..... W. V. McRae
Durham Circuit ..... S. J. Starnes
Eno ..... J. A. Cooper (S)
Glen Raven-Fountain Place ..... R. H. Lewis
Graham ..... J. J. Boone
Haw River ..... A. C. Edens, Jr. (S)
Hillsboro ..... S. F. Nicks
Leasburg ..... F. A. Lupton
Mebane ..... T. B. Hough
Milton ..... F. M. Patterson
Mount Hermon Circuit ..... W. B. Cotton
Mount Tirzah ..... E. L. Hill
Orange Circuit ..... E. H. Measamer
Person Circuit ..... F. B. Peele
Pittsboro ..... R. Z. Newton
Rougemont ..... Kermit Wheeler
Roxboro—Long Memorial 1 ..... W. C. Martin
Roxboro Circuit ..... R. W. Rainwater, Jr.
Saxapahaw ..... H. L. Harris
Swepsonville ..... I. T. Poole
Yanceyville ..... J. V. Early
Professor Duke University ..... H. E. Spence
Professor Duke University ..... J. M. Ormond
Professor Duke University ..... H. E. Myers
Student Duke University ..... W. T. Medlin, Jr.
Student Duke University ..... W. D. Caviness
Professor Emory University ..... John D. Lee, Jr.
Editor North Crolina Christian Advocate..M. T. Plyler (R)
Conference Secretary of Education ..... R. W. Bradshaw
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... T. M. Vick, Jr.
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... D. E. Earnhardt
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... W. K. Barrs
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... W. G. McLeod
District Missionary Secretary ..... M. C. Dunn
Conference Missionary Secretary ..... F. S. Love
Retired— L. S. Massey, T. S. Coble, W. F. Craven, J. H. McCracken, H. E. Lance, J. W. Hoyle, W. C. Jones, J. H. Shore, C. L. Read, H. C. Ewing, J. A. Tharpe, B. H. Black, D. R. Williams, B. M. Williams, C. P. Womack, D. I. Garner, A. C. Thompson, M. T. Plyler.
Supernumerary—W. M. Loy.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

W. L. Clegg, District Superintendent

Ahoskie ..... A. L. Thompson
Aulander ..... To be supplied
Bath ..... L. E. Sawyer
Belhaven ..... O. C. Haas (R)
Chowan ..... A. L. T. Stephenson (S)
Columbia ..... A. J. McLellan (S)
Creswell ..... E. R. Bromley
Currituck ..... M. E. Cotton (S)
Edenton ..... W. C. Benson
Elizabeth City—City Road ..... I. S. Richmond
First Church ..... H. L. Hendricks
Gatesville ..... J. M. Jolliff
Hatteras ..... W. B. Parkin (S)
Hertford ..... R. F. Munns
Kinnakeet ..... J. D. A. Autry
Kitty Hawk ..... J. C. Harmon
Manteo ..... M. W. Maness
Mattamuskeet ..... J. R. Regan
Moyock ..... L. T. Singleton
Murfreesboro ..... C. L. Spencer
North Gates ..... T. J. Whitehead
Pasquotank ..... V. A. Lewis
Perquimans ..... J. D. Cranford
Plymouth ..... O. L. Hardwick
Roper ..... G. C. Wood (S)
South Camden ..... C. K. Wright
South Mills ..... W. N. Vaughan
Stumpy Point ..... To be supplied
Swan Quarter ..... C. W. Guthrie
Wanchese ..... To be supplied
Washington ..... D. A. Clarke
Williamston ..... B. T. Hurley
Windsor ..... H. F. Surratt
General Manager Tayloe Hospital ..... M. O. Fletcher
District Missionary Secretary ..... H. F. Surratt
Professor Denison University, Granville, Ohio ..... Merrimon Cuninggim
Retired—J. L. Cuninggim, E. L. Stack, R. R. Grant.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

H. C. Smith, District Superintendent

Aberdeen-Vass ..... Daniel Lane
Biscoe ..... J. W. Page
Broadway ..... W. L. Freeman
Caledonia ..... Paul Carruth
Carthage ..... W. G. Farrar
Ellerbe ..... J. W. Dimmette
Fayetteville—Downing Street ..... To be supplied
Hay Street ..... R. E. Brown
Johnson Memorial ..... To be supplied
Person Street-Calvary ..... O. C. Melton
Fayetteville Circuit ..... H. R. Ashmore
Glendon ..... G. L. Reynolds
Goldston ..... W. J. Underwood
Hamlet ..... J. H. Lanning
Hemp ..... J. D. Robinson
Hemp Circuit ..... W. F. Trawick (R)
Jonesboro ..... L. L. Parrish
Laurel Hill ..... D. D. Broome
Laurinburg ..... B. C. Reavis
Maxton ..... T. R. Jenkins
Mount Glead ..... M. W. Lawrence
Mount Gilead Circuit ..... N. B. Strickland
Parkton ..... A. E. Brown
Pinebluff ..... W. A. Parsons
Raeford ..... E. C. Crawford
Red Springs ..... H. G. Ruark
Roberdel ..... F. B. Brandenburg
Rockingham ..... B. B. Slaughter
Rockingham Circuit ..... C. P. Morris
Rowland ..... W. C. Wilson
St. John-Gibson ..... J. P. Pegg
Sanford ..... A. P. Brantley
Siler City ..... F. B. Joyner
Siler City Circuit ..... Ralph Reed (S)
Steadman ..... W. F. Elliott
Troy ..... O. P. Fitzgerald
Troy Circuit ..... R. W. Barfield (S)
West End ..... W. H. Brown (R)
Missionary to Africa ..... L. E. Blackburn
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... E. G. Overton
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... H. C. Fraser
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. D. Young
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... B. F. Meacham
Chaplain U. E. Navy ..... W. F. Keeler
District Missionary Secretary ..... T. R. Jenkins
Retired—J .H. Joyner, J. G. Johnson, C. H. Caviness, J. D. Bundy, F. B. Noblitt, J. W. Autry, R. E. Atkinson, G. H. Biggs, W. H. Brown, W. F. Trawick, W. R. Royall, Frank Culbreth, W. L. Dawson, J. C. Humble, C. B. Culbreth.

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, District Superintendent

Atlantic ..... L. D. Hayman
Aurora ..... C. S. Boggs
Ayden ..... A. L. Chaplin
Beaufort ..... W. S. Potter
Dover ..... H. L. Harrell
Fremont ..... B. P. Robinson
Goldsboro—St. Paul ..... W. A. Cade
Goldsboro Circuit ..... W. R. Stevens
Greenville—Jarvis Memorial ..... G. W. Perry
Grifton ..... R. E. Walston
Grimesland ..... R. L. Vickery

Hookerton ..... E. R. Shuller
Jones ..... E. G. Cowan
Kinston—Queen Street ..... W. C. Ball
LaGrange ..... C. E. Hix, Jr.
Marshallburg ..... To be supplied
Morehead City ..... J. H. Miller
Morehead Circuit ..... C. J. Huneycutt
Mt. Olive-Calypso ..... C. W. Robbins
Mt. Olive Circuit ..... W. E. Howard
New Bern—Centenary ..... Leon Russell
Newport ..... J. R. Poe
Ocracoke-Portsmouth ..... W. R. Dixon
Oriental ..... G. C. Kinlaw
Pamlico ..... R. N. Fitts
Pikeville-Elm Street ..... J. C. Patrick (S)
Pink Hill ..... M. R. Gardner
Riverside-Bridgeton ..... W. A. Tew
Seven Springs ..... To be supplied
Snow Hill ..... B. O. Merritt
Straits-Harker's Island ..... C. B. Harris
Vanceboro ..... W. H. Brady
Walstonburg ..... K. W. Taylor
Chpalain U. S. Army ..... T. G. Vickers
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. L. Joyce
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... G. S. Eubank
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... J. K. Ormond
Chaplain U. S. Navy ..... M. O. Stephenson
District Missionary Secretary ..... Leon Russell

Retired—Guy Hamilton, T. E. Davis, T. A. Sikes, N. M. McDonald.

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, District Superintendent

Apex-Macedonia ..... J. W. Bradley
Bailey ..... D. A. Petty
Benson ..... H. A. Chester
Cary ..... F. M. Hall
Clayton ..... P. O. Lee
Creedmoor ..... D. D. Traynham
Dunn—Divine Street ..... O. W. Dowd
Erwin ..... J. A. Martin
Four Oaks ..... J. T. Greene
Franklinton ..... S. E. Mercer
Fuquay ..... R. G. L. Edwards
Garner ..... E. B. Craven
Granville ..... H. H. Cash
Henderson—First Church ..... H. K. King
City Road-White Memorial ..... J. K. Worthgington (S)
Lillington ..... R. L. Crossno
Louisburg ..... F. D. Hedden
Louisburg Circuit ..... J. C. Chaffin (S)
Mamers ..... F. R. Davis
Millbrook ..... H. B. Baum
Moncure ..... W. J. Watson
Newton Grove ..... R. L. Hethcox
Oxford ..... C. F. Heath
Oxford Circuit ..... J. L. Smith
Princeton ..... To be supplied
Raleigh—Edenton Street ..... A. J. Hobbs
Fairmont ..... H. M. McLamb
Hayes-Barton ..... R. L. Jerome
Jenkins Memorial ..... W. B. Penny
Trinity ..... R. G Dawson
Selma ..... G. W. Blount
Smithfield ..... B. H. Houston
Stem ..... W. B. Royals (S)
Tar River ..... E. D. Dodd
Vance ..... O. W. Mathison
Zebulon-Wendell ..... C. E. Vale
President Louisburg College ..... Walter Patten
Superintendent Methodist Orphanage ..... A. S. Barnes
Superintendent Oxford Orphanage ..... C. K. Proctor
Religious Director State Prison System ..... L. A. Watts
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... L. M. Hall
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... M. M. Walters
District Missionary Secretary ..... R. L. Jerome

Retired—E. F. Davis, C. P. Jerome, E. H. McWhorter, J. W. Potter, P. D. Woodall, N. B. Johnson, J. A. Dailey, N. C. Yearby, J. P. Bross.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, District Superintendent

Bethel ..... J. G. Phillips
Conway ..... L. C. Brothers
Elm City ..... W. M. Howard, Jr.
Enfield ..... B. D. Critcher
Farmville ..... Marvin Y. Self
Halifax ..... W. F. Walters
West Halifax ..... C. B. Peacock (S)
Kenly ..... G. B. Starling
Littleton ..... H. L. Davis
Littleton Circuit ..... D. C. Boone (S)
McKendree ..... J. W. Sneeden
Middleburg ..... T. W. Lee
Nashville ..... D. M. Sharpe
Norlina ..... W. T. Phipps
Northampton ..... W. L. Maness
Rich Square ..... P. F. Newton
Roanoke Rapids ..... L. A. Tilley
Robersonville ..... To be supplied
Rocky Mount—Clark Street ..... R. E. L. Moser
First Church ..... E. L. Hillman
Marvin-St. Paul ..... W. J. Neese
Rosemary ..... P. H. Fields
Sandy Cross ..... S. G. Boone
Scotland Neck ..... A. C. Lee
Seaboard ..... J. B. Hurley
Spring Church-Garysburg ..... J. E. Garlington
Spring Hope ..... To be supplied
Stantonsburg ..... C. W. Goldston
Tarboro ..... E. C. Durham
Warren ..... N. W. Grant
Warrenton ..... E. R. Clegg
Weldon ..... E. D. Weathers
Whitakers ..... A. M. Williams
Wilson ..... H. B. Porter
Missionary under direction of General Board—J. W. Frank
Secretary YM.C.A. ..... C. D. Nelson
District Missionary Secretary ..... C. W. Goldston

Retired—E. C. Glenn, William Towe, J. T. Draper, L. B. Jones, J. T. Stanford, L. B. Pattishall.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, District Superintendent

Bladen ..... W. J. Freeman (S)
Burgaw ..... I. J. Strawbridge
Carver's Creek ..... Z. V. Cowan (S)
Chadbourn ..... W. L. Loy
Clinton ..... J. R. Edwards
Elizabeth ..... C. W. Barbee
Fairmont ..... B. F. Boone
Faison-Kenansville ..... J. W. Lineberger
Garland ..... M. W. Warren
Hallsboro ..... H. L. Rogers
Jacksonville ..... A. D. Gray
Lumberton ..... E. B. Fisher
Lumberton Circuit ..... McD. McLamb
Maysville ..... N. P. Edens
Pembroke (Special Work) ..... J. D. Stott
Pembroke Parish ..... D. F. Lowry
Pembroke Parish (Associate Pastor) ..... J. W. Smith (S)
Richlands ..... W. A. Crow
Roseboro ..... C. S. Hubbard
Scott's Hills ..... J. C. Whedbee
Shallotte ..... W. G. Lowe
Southport ..... H. S. Harrison
St. Pauls ..... O. L. Hathaway
Swansboro ..... W. B. Pettigrew (S)
Tabor City ..... J. F. Coble
Town Creek ..... Walter Pavy
Wallace-Rose Hill ..... C. T. Rogers
Warsaw-Magnolia ..... C. T. Thrift
Whiteville ..... D. L. Fouts
Wilmington—Epworth ..... C. N. Phillips
Fifth Avenue ..... C. D. Barclift
Grace ..... J. F. Herbert
Sunset Park ..... O. K. Ingram, II
Trinity ..... F. W. Paschall
Wesley Memorial ..... E. W. Downum
Assistant Director of Leadership Education, General Board of Education ..... M. E. Cunningham
District Missionary Secretary ..... C. W. Barbee
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... L. V. Harris
Chaplain U. S. Army ..... C. B. Long
Student Duke University ..... C. H. Mercer

Retired—F. R. Lowry, J. W. Harrell, J. F. Usry, C. A. Jones, J. E. Starnes.

CHANGES IN BOUNDARIES

Durham District

Take Fountain Place church from the Webb Avenue-Fountain Place charge and Glen Raven church from the Glen Raven-Haw River charge and form Glen Raven-Fountain Place charge.

Webb Avenue becomes a station.

Haw River church becomes a station.

From the Carrboro charge take Clover Garden church and place it with the Saxapahaw charge.

From the Hillsboro charge take Lebanon church and place it with the Orange charge.

From the Orange charge take Union Grove church and place it with the Hillsboro charge.

Place Central charge and First church, Mebane, together to form the Mebane charge.

Fayetteville District

Take Downing Street from Johnson Memorial charge and form Downing Street charge.

Raleigh District

Change the name of Person Street church to Trinity.

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Part I

Acting in accordance with the Discipline of the Methodist Church, the edition of 1940, under authority of Par. 840, your commission recommends:

1. That the annual salary of each of the seven district superintendents shall be set at $4,500, including expenses attendant to their offices.

2. That 7 per cent of a sum equal to the amount estimated for the then current conference year for the pastor and assistant pastor, if any, of each and every charge in the conference, be apportioned to each charge, said sum to be remitted to the conference treasurer, who shall administer it according to the financial plan as stated in Par. 840 of the Discipline of 1940. Provided, however, that the district stewards of each and every district may, if they so elect, estimate a sum equal to 7 per cent of the combined estimated salaries of all pastors and assistant pastors, if any, in the district for the then current conference year, and distribute said sum among all the charges of the district according to their ability to pay.

3. That we authorize the conference treasurer to borrow, from month to month, an amount up to 50 per cent of the combined monthly deficit of salaries of the district superintendents.

Part II

1. Your commission estimates the following items of expense:

Annual conference entertainment expense	$2500
Conference minutes	1650
Secretarial help for conference secretary	300
Statistician	300
Salary to conference treasurer's office	900
Expenses of treasurer's office, audit, bond, postage, etc.	600
	$6250

2. The Southesatern Jurisdictional Conference expense fund apportioned to this conference for the cost of the next Jurisdictional Conference amounts to $1755.53. We recommend that the second third of the whole sum or 585
be directed to be paid to B. A. Whitmore, treasurer of said fund.

$6835

3. We recommend that the conference treasurer be directed to pay the above items one and two (1 and 2) from benevolent collections before distribution to approved causes.

Part III

We recommend:

1. That the appropriation for World Service and conference benevolences be a total sum of $167,780, to be divided:

World Service	$92,284
Conference Benevolences	75,496

That from the total collection the conference treasurer pay the expenses set up in Part II, hereof, for conference items and Southeastern Jurisdictional conference expense and that the remainder be divided as follows:

World Service	55%
Conference Benevolences	45%

2. That the following apportionments be made for the conference benevolences:

	Per Cent	Amount
Education—Local and general division	27.92	$20,220
Educational institutions	34.52	25,000
Missions and church extension	28.31	20,500
Wesley Foundation	5.11	3,700
Student work E.C.T.C.	1.52	1,100
Lay activities	2.07	1,500
N. C. Council of Churches	0.41	300
Conf. Committee on World Peace	0.14	100

3. That the askings from the districts for World Service and conference benevolences be:

	Per Cent	Amount
Durham	17.975	$30,159
Elizabeth City	10.893	18,276
Fayetteville	15.615	26,199
New Bern	13.043	21,883
Raleigh	15,129	25,384
Rocky Mount	15.034	25,224
Wilmington	12.311	20,655
	100.%	167,780

Distribution is based on accepted pastors' salaries for the year just ended: Approximately 36.49 per cent of total pastors' salaries.

4. Orphanage. That an apportionment of an amount equal to 7 per cent of the total amount raised by the charge in all departments for the previous conference year be made to all charges within the conference; the following items to be deductible:

a. Funds raised and paid on buildings, repairing, paying interest and debts on church and parsonage property.

b. All special gifts for building or endowment purposes made either to the local church or the Orphanage.

All orphanage specials except that raised by the Woman's Society of Christian Service are to be credited on this 7 per cent asking.

5. Sustentation Fund. That an apportionment of an amount equal to 2 per cent of the total amount raised by the charge in all departments for the previous conference year be made to all charges within the conference; the following items to be deductible, namely:

a. Funds raised and paid on building, repairing, paying interest and debts on church and parsonage property.

b. All special gifts for building or endowment purposes made either to the local church or to the Orphanage:

6. General Administration Fund. The distribution of this fund of $2,878 to the several districts, as follows, being 6-10 of - per cent of pastors' salaries:

	Per Cent	Amount
Durham	17.975	$517.00
Elizabeth City	10.893	314.00
Fayetteville	15.615	450.00
New Bern	13.043	375.00
Raleigh	15.129	435.00
Rocky Mount	15.034	433.00
Wilmington	12.311	354.00
	100.%	2878.00

7. Mention is made of the Episcopal Fund, being amount aqual to 2 1-4 per cent of the pastor's salary paid and to be remitted to the conference treasurer.

Part IV

1. We recommend schedule of treasurers' bonds, N. C. conference as follows and that the coverage be in the form of a position bond:

Treasurer of conference	$25,000
Assistant to treasurer of conference	25,000
Treasurer of Board of Missions and Ch. Ext.	5,000
Treas. Conf. Claimants and Ministers' Ret. Fund	15,000
Treasurer Board of Lay Activities	2,000
Treasurer Board of Education	5,000
Treasurer Board of Conference Trustees	25,000
Treas. N. C. Conf. Young People's Organization	2,000
Treasuer N. C. Pastors' School	2,000
Treasurer Wesley Foundation	2,000
Secretary Ministers' Retirement Fund	2,000

a. That the treasurer of each board or commission pay their pro rata share of the cost, and that the bond be kept by the secretary of this commission.

Part V

1. We heartily endorse the plans of the joint Council of Bishops and the General Commission on World Service and Finance as touching:

The Fellowship of Suffering and Service—the week of dedication February 28-March 7.

And the increased World Service giving plan.

2. The commission recommends that representatives of High Point College, Greensboro College, and Louisburg College be granted the privilege of visiting the various charges, within the bounds of the North Carolina conference, and of soliciting funds within those charges for the support of their respective institutions.

3. We recommend that the Conference Board of Trustees be empowered to solicit funds to increase the endowment for retired preachers.

4. We recommend that remittances to the conference treasurer be made not more than once each month and that charges of more than one church remit through one person, the pastor or some other. The purpose being to reduce bookkeeping and to avoid handling very small amounts, as far as possible.

5. We approve the request of the Board of Missions and Church Extension that they be permited to go before the churches of the conference to raise a fund of $15,000 for religious, educational and recreational work in camp areas within the bounds of the conference.

6. The commission has approved and submits herewith the report of the sub-committee appointed as directed by last conference to study "the fairest basis to use in making apportionments." See supplement.

Part VI

The following is an exhibit of the conference askings for the current year as applied to a typical charge paying a salary of $2,000 and having a total amount of $5,000 raised in all departments:

Salary	$2000
Items applied to total money—	
Orphanage, 7 per cent	350
Sustentation fund, 2 per cent	100
Items applied to pastor's salary—	
District Superintendent, 7 per cent	140
Ministers' retirement fund, 1 per cent	20
Conference Claimants, 7 per cent	140
Episcopal fund, 2 1-4 per cent	45
General administration fund, 6 10-1 per cent	12
World Service and Conference—	
Benevolence—full acceptance 36.49 per cent	730
Average district work	20
Total	$3557

"Total money" is defined in Part III, item 4, of this report.

The report is respectfully submitted.

Commission on World Service and Finance.
John F. Bruton, Chairman.
M. J. Cowell, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

What are the educational statistics—name of institutions, number of teachers, enrollment, value of property, endowment, indebtedness? Institutions 4: Duke University, Greensboro College, High Point College, Louisburg College. Number teachers 586; enrollment 4884; value of property $32,413,379; endowment $39,537,388; indebtedness $256,531.

What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages, 1; number of children 290; employees 25; operating expenses $84,740; endowment fund $308,586; indebtedness, none.

What is the number of districts, of pastoral charges? Districts 7; pastoral charges 246.

What is the number of members? How many have been received on profession of faith? How many have been licensed to preach, and what is the number of local preachers? Active members 122,575, non-resident 23,568, total 146,143; received on profession of faith 2958; licensed to preach none; local preachers none.

How many infants, and how many others have been baptized during the year? Infants 676; others 2426.

What is the enrollment in the church school? Children's Division 21,720; Youth Division 24,470; Adult Division 30,984.

What is the total enrollment reported this year? 93,626.

How many church school pupils were received into the church? 2417.

What amount was raised in the church school on Methodist Student Day, Rally Day, World Service, lesson material, and all other purposes? Methodist Student Day $148; Rally Day $1040; World Service $13,319; lesson material $54,951; other purposes $74,191.

What is the number of Woman's Societies of Christian Service, and what is the number of members, the amount sent to conference treasurer, and the amount spent for local work? Societies 460; members 17,065; sent to conference treasurer $49,034; spent for local work $70,127.

What amount has been raised for Golden Cross? $6125.

What is the number of our houses of worship, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of worship 790; value $8,772,711; indebtedness $161,315.

What amount has been paid on church indebtedness this year? $89,423.

What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Parsonages 243; value $1,165,536; indebtedness $49,297; district parsonages 7; value $62,500; no indebtedness.

What amount has been raised for general and conference benevolences? $89,030.

What amount has been raised for the support of the ministry? For pastors and assistants $490,015; district superintendents $31,965; bishop's fund $10,331; conference claimants $34,868.

What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in the conference this year? $1,417,138.

Respectfully submitted,
W. Carleton Wilson, Conf. Statistician.

INDIAN CHRISTIANS

With only 47,000,000 of India's 388,000,000 people able to read and write, as revealed by the 1941 census, the National Christian Council of India has begun a campaign to promote adult literacy, especially among the Christian people. It is reported that less than half of those in the Christian church are literate. Miss Ruth Ure, literacy secretary of the Council, is urging that the church have a policy that "all adult Christians be made literate within two years of baptism, thus recognizing that reading the Bible is essential to the full spiritual heritage of Christians." The materials and methods for adult literacy campaigns in India are based on the so-called Laubach Method, first used to teach adults in the Philippines by Missionary Frank C. Laubach.

BILL JEFFERS, RUBBER DIRECTOR

Here follows a pen sketch in the New York Times of Bill Jeffers by W. H. Lawrence:

"At 66, William Martin Jeffers is the kind of man you instinctively like. He's a tough, red-faced, blunt-talking Irishman, standing 5 feet 10½ inches and weighing about 225 pounds. He likes to joke and has an avid interest in the news, so that he will even interrupt conferences in his office to flick on a desk radio for the important news broadcasts. He smokes cigarettes constantly, letting the smoke drift up past his eyes while he gives his caller the once over.

He makes decisions quickly and is tough-minded. He is as easy as an old shoe, and his instincts and reactions are those of the man on the street. Bill Jeffers, after all, never got over being one of the common people; though wealth has pushed him somewhat toward society, he has a healthy disrespect for the polished and unimportant talk of the drawing room.

'After all,' he says, 'the balance of power still eats its meals in the kitchen.'

There is a good deal of the Horatio Alger story in Bill Jeffer's climb to fame. His father was, in effect, imported from Ireland in 1867 as a contract laborer to lay rails when the Union Pacific was being built to finish the transcontinental rail link. His father never worked for any one but the Union Pacific and was a workman in the North Platte shops when young Bill was born on January 2, 1876."

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Governor Broughton was honor guest at a 4-H club luncheon served to 26 persons in the Louisburg College dining hall in connection with the annual 4-H club rally and achievement day on Saturday, November 7. Others present were members of the extension service of State College, officials of Franklin county and the town of Louisburg, principlas of schools in the county and town, Dr. Walter Patten, Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, and the 4-H club presiding officers of the day.

Mr. V. R. Kilby, head of the history department, Mrs. Kilby, registrar and head of the commercial department, and Mrs. I. D. Moon, head of the home economics department, attended the North Carolina College conference held recently in Greensboro. While there Mrs. Kilby was chosen president of college registrars in the state.

The Louisburg College choir, under the direction of Mr. I. D. Moon, head of the music department, sang on the Wednesday's program at the North Carolina conference at Wilson. The selections were classical numbers in three-part harmony with solo parts. Soloists were William Andrews, Jane Moon, Martha Grey King, Louisburg; and John Norris, Columbia. The choir is composed of 30 voices.

A delegation consisting of four students, Charlotte Boone, Castalia; Eleanor Beasley, Louisburg; Ralph Pegram, Winston-Salem; and John Sledge, Spring Hope, represented the college at the planning conference of Methodist young people held at Duke University, Saturday and Sunday, November 7-8. They were accompanied by Rev. F. D. Hedden, sponsor of the Louisburg Y. M. C. A., who also participated in the meeting.

The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. recently combined their efforts in sponsoring an Indian campfire service. Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, sponsor of the former, directed the program, which consisted of matches in talent, strength and skill in old Indian fashion, and songs and stories by the group, encircling a brilliant bonfire. The event came to a close with the group singing of "taps" and chanting of an Indian prayer.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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A PRAYER

By John B. Masterman

Lift up our hearts, O King of kings,
To brighter hopes and kindlier things;
To visions of larger good
And holier dreams of brotherhod.

Thy world is weary of its pain,
Of selfish greed and fruitless gain,
Of tarnished honor, falsely strong,
And all its ancient deeds of wrong.

Almighty Father, who dost give
The gift of life to all who live,
Look down on all earth's sin and strife,
And lift up to a nobler life.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

We are requested by Mrs. R. M. Andrews, conference secretary of Christian social relations and local church activities, to announce that her new address is 3813 East Market Street, Greensboro, N. C., and all communications for her should be sent to that address.

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Charles C. Weaver

My Dear Friends:

I want to send this note to thank you for what you did during the month of September for the "Emergency Fund." We appreciate every effort that was made to meet this deficit. Some societies paid their entire quota and we are truly grateful to them, but a large number of societies did not reach their quota, and as a result our conference was not able to pay its proportionate share. I am asking each society that did not pay its part of 25 cents per member, please to do so before the close of the year, and send it in your fourth quarter report to our conference treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, 316 South Fulton St., Salisbury. I firmly believe that if this matter is brought to the attention of every member, and explained to them, that no woman will refuse to pay her 25 cents.

On the other hand, I think she will want to have a part in meeting this emergency, and remember, if your society pays enough through this fund for a life membership, it has the privilege of directing it that way. I know there are many whom you would like to honor in this way, so please make a special effort to do it before the close of the year.

To those who have paid their quota, if you can make some one a life member during the last quarter, I hope that you will do so and direct it as emergency funds.

We reported a membership of 24,460 in our conference at the beginning of the year and you can see that our quota would be $6,115. The emergency funds sent in during the third quarter were $3,727.98, so you see we need to work very diligently during the last quarter to secure the additional amount of $2,387.02 with which to complete our quota for this fund. I am counting on you to bring your society up to 100 per cent. Please do not disappoint me. I am sure you will be interested to know that, because of travel conditions, crowded hotels and defense industries in our larger cities, it was decided not to hold a Jurisdictional conference in 1943.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

WOMEN AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

It was interesting to note the presence of a number of representatives from the Woman's Socities of Christian Service at the annual conference held in Charlotte, November 2-6. These women were there as delegates, as members of committees, as officers of the Woman's Societies of Christian Service in the conference—all interested in the work of the great church which they love and of which they are a vital part.

Social courtesies extended them during those days were: A luncheon for the executive committee of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, with Mrs. C. E. Wakefield of Charlotte and Mrs. Z. V. Moss of Albemarle as hostesses at the Barringer Hotel; a tea for the ministers' wives and women delegates held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ivey in Myers Park, with the First Methodist church society as hosesses. In addition the ministers' wives were entertained at luncheon in the Efird Dining Room. All of these courtesies were occasions of delightful fellowship and were greatly appreciated by the recipients of these kindnesses extended them by the Charlotte friends.

A PLEASING INCIDENT

A most pleasing incident of one of the sessions of the annual conference at Charlotte was the presentation of an honorary life membership to Bishop Purcell by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina Conference with the presentation made by Mrs. C. C. Weaver, president. This gift to Bishop Purcell carries with it the appreciation of the women of the conference for his great interest and loyal co-operation in their work since he has been our conference bishop, and their best wishes for his continued success as our great and efficient church leader.

THE SUBSCRIPTION GOAL

The Methodist Woman for November carries the honor roll of societies in the various conferences that have achieved the goal of "Every Officer a Subscriber" to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. This roll will be continued in subsequent issues and we hope that our own conference may soon be included in the list of those on the honor roll. If every officer would become a subscriber, it would not be hard to have a larger number of subscribers to report from each auxiliary. The total number given our conference for this year was World Outlook 3250, The Methodist Woman 2900. Will we reach our goal? Let every secretary of publication in the local societies make an earnest effort to reach the goal set for us.

PRAYER FOR LOYALTY

From Week of Prayer Program

Lord of truth and purity ,we beseech thee to build up in us thine own nature. Found our souls upon the rock, that we may be content with no transient happiness bought at the cost of compromise and unfaithfulness. Teach us the bittterness of forsaking noble ideals; teach us to glory and the warmth of the loneliness and pain that comes from fearless following of the highest we know. Give us thine own vision of the eternal values, thine own resolute disregard of the second best, thine own unflinching loyalty to duty and to honor.—By Horatius Bonar, Hymn Writer.

THE NEW VICTORY

By Angela Morgan

When love becomes the slogan
In the council halls of earth,
Then victory is won.
When prejudice is banished
For the good of greatest worth,
Then the new world has begun.
When brutal hate and avarice
Are conquered by the light
When men have found no answer
In the citadels of night,
When brotherhood has triumphed
Over ignorance and fear,
Then victory is here.

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When Christ becomes the spokesman
In a congress of the world,
Then victory is won.
When the flag of human fellowship
Is finally unfurled,
God's kingdom has begun.
Oh, vain the bitter struggle
On the land and on the seas!
The law of human sympathy
Is mightier than these.
No slaughter, no destruction
Shall avail to bring the morn
When victory is born!

GLEANINGS

The most persistent and dynamic of all movements in human history is the missionary movement. There comes through the years a growing conviction that the great God of nature is the One God. When a nation realizes that, then comes the conviction that no one nation has a right to keep that knowledge of God. . . There is a sense in which Jesus himself, through his oneness with God introduced a new relationship with God—the living example.—Dr. John W. Shackford.

Where there is no want of will there will be no want of opportunity. — Spanish.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

"WHY I AM A CHRISTIAN"

Bishop Arthur Moore, speaking to a congregation at Lake Junaluska last summer listed five reasons why he is a Christian. Said Bishop Moore: "I like what Jesus Christ says about life; I need a Redeemer for my sins; everything about service I learned from Jesus; I have a conviction that Jesus has a solution for all perplexing problems of our time and because of what I have learned from him myself."

LEARN, THEN ACT

With woman's suffrage came certain responsibilities of which women are becoming increasingly aware. In Congress and the General Assembly of North Carolina the voices of women are heard in commendation or protest of certain bills and the power of these voices often turns the tide of voting of our senators and representatives for the good of all people concerned. All of which reminds us that within the next two months the North Carolina General Assembly will be in session and that bills of vital importance to the welfare of our state will be introduced. As Christian citizens, women should apprise themselves of the nature of these bills, learn the attitudes of the men from their respective counties who will be sitting in the General Assembly as lawmakers and seek to create publice sentiment against bills which will work for the detriment of the people of our state and for those bills which will give to us more abundant living. The State Legislative Council, of which the North Carolina Woman's Society of Christian Service is a member, will sponsor bills in the realm of education, highway safety, public welfare and labor which, if passed, will be of untold value to the welfare of our state. Read again the story of the legislative council on the N. C. conference woman's page of the October 30 issue of this publication and the tentative program of the council which was given in the November 5 issue, thus learning about those measures which should be adopted. Having learned each woman should make her influence felt with her senator and representative

WHAT WILL HAPPEN?

Today the church which has always proclaimed the possibility of a universal brotherhood under Christ now meets a crucial test. What will happen to the missionary enterprise which has been the creative force in this world brotherhood? Will Christians in "enemy countries" be able to demonstrate a fellowship which rises above their nations at war? The church and the Woman's Society of Christian Service need your leadership today as never before. How many members are absent from the meetings with the excuse that "they are engaged in war work? Don't misunderstand me! War work today is important and it should be done. But let us not neglect the program of our Woman's Society of Christian Service.—Miss Bettie Brittingham, editor The Methodist Woman.

OFFICERS' HONOR ROLL

In November issue of The Methodist Woman is an interesting list of societies of the various jurisdictions which have attained the subscription goal for The Methodist Woman and World Outlook, namely, every officer a subscriber. Another list in the same issue includes societies which have reached that other goal, two-thirds increase in subscriptions. This "honor roll" will be continued in subsequent issues and N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. should be represented on it. Your editor, therefore, is appealing to readers of the woman's page for information which would give the N. C. conference this privilege. If any society has achieved either goal and any reader is aware of that fact, that reader can confer an act of kindness by writing a card to the conference secretary of publications, which happens to also be the editor of the N. C. conference woman's page. The address: 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh, N .C. Please do not delay. The list will be forwarded to the proper authorities for publication in The Methodist Woman.

SUPPLY NEEDS

Assignments for the department of supplies of the W. S. C. S. give to the N. C. conference a varied and appealing list of projects. It has been suggested that each society raise a total sum by individual gifts of five cents per member for foreign projects. The needy causes to which this money will be applied are: Medical supplies, school suplies, rural work supplies for China; supplies for schools and social centers in Latin America; medical and school supplies for Africa. In our home land the opportunities are great. Miss Ruth Brooks, rural worker on the Goldsboro circuit, Miss Priscilla Stegar, industrial worker at East Laurinburg, and Miss Elizabeth Tittsworth, student worker at E. C. T. C., Greenville, need contributions with which to promote the welfare of the folk whom they serve. Bennett College, Greensboro, needs tablecloths, size 72x72; napkins; old costumes to be used in plays. Christmas boxes with gifts for needy persons, especially children, will be most welcomed if sent to a project listed in this item. Defense area near Wilmington, Miss Mary Nichols, worker. (Miss Nichols' address is 18 N. Washington Street, Wilmington). A needy minister or superannuate (get blanks for this from Mrs. R. B. Hooker, Kinston, and approval of your district superintendent). Any Wesley House or Bethlehem House or school, such as Vashti or Paine College, are included in the list for N. C. conference; however, the last are not within the bounds of the conference. All money for supplies should be sent to Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, 201 S. William St., Goldsboro, marked for the project for which it is intended. Supply reports should be sent Mrs. R. B. Hooker, Kinston.

MISSION STUDY CLASSES

Mrs. W. G. Farabow, Fuquay Springs, writes that the W. S. C. S. of her church has held the fall mission study class, with sessions on October 13, 14 and 15. The text book "On This Foundation" was used as a background for the study and discussions were led by Mrs. R. E. Prince and Mrs. P. T. Farabow.

Early in October the W. S. C. S. of Edenton Street Methodist church held four sessions of mission study, also using the text book "On This Foundation," with supplementary material, posters, etc. Leading the discussions were: Mrs. R. J. Pearce, Mr. Charles Stapleton, Mrs. D. S. Coltrane, Mrs. H. I. Glass. Mr. Stapleton showed movies of scenes and events in Brazil, which country he has visited. Leading the devotionals at the four sessions were: Rev. A. S. Barnes, Mrs. W. C. Liverman, Dr. John C. Glenn, Rev. James H. Overton, Jr. Mrs. W. L. Nicholson directed the classes.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City district secretary, writes: "The week of September 29-October 2 was one of activity and inspiration in the Elizabeth City district with five educational conferences and zone meetings being held at Windsor, Edenton, Camden, Manteo and Belhaven. Impressive devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Pete Daniels of Wanchese, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City, and Rev. C. K. Knight of Camden. We were delighted to have Mrs. Dwight L. Fouts, conference secretary of young women and girls' work, and Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities, present their work in such a concise and helpful way. Mrs. Fouts stressed the importance of interest groups. Mrs. Cutchin stressed Christian social relations and gave many ways in which we might participate, reminding us that most of our work has been in the field of local church activities. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary missionary education and service, assigned by Mrs. F. S. Love of Burlington presented the fall mission study, "On This Foundation." Mrs. Boone first stressed the importance of study in the W. S. C. S. and then conducted her class in a most interesting and helpful way. "And a Highway Shall Be There," the spiritual approach to the fall study and a most fitting climax to the educational conferences, was given by Mrs. Love, who emphasized the fact that each of us has a definite part in the building of a great spiritual highway around the world. Quoting from Isaiah she closed her message with the personal challenge: 'Prepare ye the way of the Lord.' "

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THAT'S DONE

I have just gotten back from taking Miss Harbour and 12 of her younger baby cottage children over town to the barber shop. That's about the only thing I have gotten done this day according to schedule. Some of the little youngsters were making their first trip to the barber shop and were greatly interested in seeing the sights. The shop is run by F. L. Gobbel, a good Methodist layman, recently elected from Forsyth county to the legislature, as a school for barbers. He and his boys do a lot of free barbering for the Children's Home. So the little youngsters have been taken over. Soon it will be time to bring them back.

HE WENT TO WASHINGTON

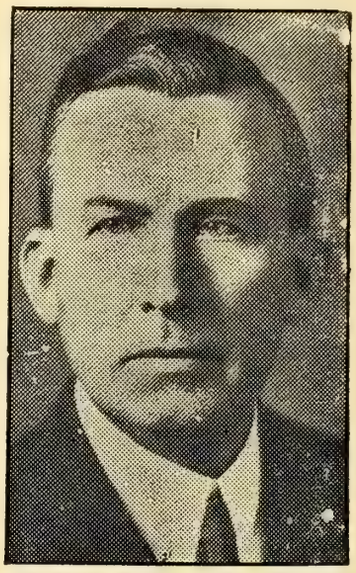
Arthur Griswold, who graduated from the Children's Home and from the Richard J. Reynolds high school three years ago and who for two succeeding years was in High Point College, has just blown in. He looks like a million dollars, more or less. He is in the United States Navy and is located on the Great Lakes. As a non-commissioned captain, one of his duties is to transport sailors from one area to another, having just landed 385 men at Norfolk, they having consumed all the space on a train of 21 Pullmans and three diners. Arthur tried to get in the air corps but because of some physical defect was turned down. He then went to Raleigh to see what could be done there. Finding nothing, he went to Washington, going the rounds there, eventuating in becoming a non-commissioned officer and is still climbing. You can't keep a Children's Home boy down if he has something that makes him go up.

A SUNDAY AFTERNOON

We have always run our project on a streamlined basis, but for the past several months we have been running on a skeleton basis. We have not employed anyone to take the place of six men who have answered our country's call since last spring. So the few of us left work on a whole-time basis, morning, noon, night and Sunday. Yesterday afternoon, a lovely Sunday afternoon, was used in making a case work trip, 100 miles away. A little boy and a slightly older sister, both of whose parents had died, had been wondering for two weeks whether the Children's Home's representative would come to see them for giving any encouragement for their coming to live at the Children's Home. This week being completely scheduled with duties, the Sunday afternoon was used. Two little youngsters, now deprived of parents and home, will have a home with us and such substitute parentage as we can offer.

GROWING BETTER

The picture this week is that of Dr. J .E. Pritchard, pastor of the Ramseur-Franklinville charge. Just before Methodist union Dr. Pritchard was president of the North Carolina Methodist Protestant Conference. After the merger he was appointed to lead our good friends on the Ramseur-Franklinville charge and is doing a swell job of it. Through the years his good people have been liberal contributors to our conference. But they, along with their good pastor, have been growing better. They have the distinction of leading the entire conference on a percentage basis in their contribution to the Children's Home, they having paid an amount equal to 35 per cent of the pastor's salary.



Rejoices in Good Works

ANYTHING IN NAMES?

Bethlehem, Ebenezer, Rehobeth, Asbury, Love's Grove, Plateau and Long Street are the names of congregations having paid in full during the past week their basal apportionment to the Children's Home. Several of them have paid their supplementary apportionment, completing their total quota. Bethlehem, on the Pleasant Garden circuit, should have been listed last week, that good congregation having followed its annual custom of paying its Children's Home quota the first Sunday after conference. Kindly note the list with their pastors and join us in grateful thanks:

Bethlehem and Rehobeth, Pleasant Garden circuit, Rev. T. F. Higgins.

Ebenezer, Belmont, Rev. R. H. Stamey.

Love's Grove, Stanfield circuit, Rev. J. R. Hamilton.

Asbury, Boger City, Rev. H. E. Stimson.

Plateau, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

Long Street, East Spencer, Rev. F. L. Setzer.

ON THE UP GRADE

After a survey of the various methods of financing orphanages it appears to us that we here in the Western North Carolina conference have as good or better plan than any investigated. We have the tried and true ten per cent basal apportionment, serving as a challenge to those charges satisfied with attaining that amount. In addition we have the graduated supplementary apportionment serving as a challenge to those charges desiring to do more. Many pastoral charges go beyond any apportionments yet outlined. The additional apportionments, caused by actual necessity, served as an added impetus for increased giving to the Children's Home during last conference year, our friends having contributed a grand total of a little over $9,000 more than the previous year. This amount is sufficient to cover the year's decline in endowment income. It has been interesting to note what our various pastoral charges have done for us during the past year. A full exhibit will later be published. Following are listed by districts the total number of pastoral charges having paid all or more than their basal and supplementary apportionments: Asheville, 11; Charlotte, 8; Elkin, 4; Gastonia, 14; Greensboro, 15; High Point, 29; Marion, 8; Salisbury, 21; Statesville, 10; Waynesville, 11; and Winston-Salem, 20.

JOHN R. HAMILTON

The following is taken from a letter from Rev. John R. Hamilton, pastor of the Stanfield charge: "Enclosed you will find a check for $79.50, the basal ten per cent and the additional two per cent in full for Love's Grove for the new conference year. We are happy to send our full amount and you will note that it is slightly more than last year's payment to the Children's Home. This is my fourth year on the Stanfield charge and our two churches have increased their giving to the Children's Home a little bit each year, as well as on all other items in our budget. We want you to know that everyone on this work believes in the Children's Home 100 per cent."

IN THE NAME OF JESUS

The following letter is received from a mighty good woman: "Enclosed find check for $25 to help clothe some little boy. It is a gift from my brother in the U. S. Navy. Since he has been in the service he sends his tithe to me and I place it where it will be at work for the cause of Christ. We both feel that it is fitting to place this amount with you so that it may serve humanity in the name of Jesus. Please omit any name if you mention this gift. No one except us three knows about it. God will know and reward."

Most modern preachers do not follow a Voice—they only hearken to an echo.—Elbert Hubbard.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

LAST WEEK'S ADVOCATE NOTES —I am quite sure that the many friends of the Methodist Orphanage enjoyed reading the notes on the Orphanage page in last week's Advocate. They were written by members of the Methodist Orphanage high school. I am endeavoring to make the Methodist Orphanage page just as informative and interesting as I possibly can.

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CONFERENCE IN WILSON — Bro. H. B. Porter and the members of his church entertained the conference in a most successful manner. It is not an easy undertaking to provide entertainment for an annual conference these times, but our Wilson friends rose to the occasion in a big way. I was proud of my old home town because of the gracious hospitality with which the preachers and delegates were received.

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FLAG POLE—This coming Sunday, November 15, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, we will have Flag Pole exercises on the Orphanage campus. Former boys and girls of the Orphanage have given us the flag pole, and last year's graduating class gave us a beautiful United States flag to go on the pole. We are expecting a large number of the members of the Orphanage alumni association and other friends of the Orphanage to attend the exercises. Dr. B. G. Childs of Duke University will make the address on that happy occasion. The public is cordially invited to be present.

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FEW APPEALS — It has been a source of great satisfaction to our pastors and church members that so little is said on our Orphanage page about money matters. The new financial plan on which the Orphanage operated during the last conference year relieved me of the necessity of appealing to our constituency so frequently. No one is happier over this change than the superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. The conference in session last week continued the same plan that was adopted a year ago at the annual conference in Durham. I am happy over the fact that the conference has given the Orphanage a balanced budget.

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LAYMEN'S DAY—Our laymen put on the greatest program at the conference in Wilson that I have ever known. Brother J. W. Smith, our conference lay leader, planned a great occasion, which was highly appreciated by the large number who attended the service. Dr. B. G. Childs, vice chairman, delivered the main address. Without doubt it was one of the most comprehensive and masterly addresses that I have ever heard from any layman. Duke University and the North Carolina cnoference are most fortunate in having a man of Dr. Childs' calling as one of their leaders. No layman whose good fortune it was to attend the laymen's day service can ever be complacent or indifferent toward the program of our church after hearing such outstanding speakers.

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QUILTS DESIRED — The recent cold spell reminded me very forcibly that winter is rapidly approaching. Through the years our good women of conference have furnished the Orphanage with plenty of warm quilts. Every housewife knows that quilts, like other household necessities, wear out. We have hundreds of beds, and we are going to need many quilts if we are to keep our children snug and warm through the winter. To know that our own children are warm and comfortable is fine. We also want to keep our church children in the Methodist Orphanage comfortable through the cold winter nights which lie ahead of us. I brought back with me from conference nine quilts. Providence church, on the Mt. Olive circuit, gave six quilts, and Mrs. A. E. Brown brought me three quilts from four young ladies of Hope Mills, on the Parkton charge. These quilts are highly appreciated and I want to thank the donors for their thoughtfulness.

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One day the dog entered the room and found the old lady in possession of the chair. He strolled over to the window and, looking out, appeared very much excited, and set up a tremendous barking. The old lady rose and hastened to the window to see what was the matter, and the dog quietly climbed into the chair, which suggests that the deceits we practice on others will, sooner or later, be repaid against ourselves.

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YOUNG ADULTS ON THE MOVE

Already the young adults are moving into the new year. Fine district and and sub-district meetings have been held in a number of places over the conference. Others are being planned.

Young Adults Rally at Salisbury

Under the leadership of Rev. Courtney Ross, district director, the three sub-district groups of young adults met at Coburn Memorial church Sunday, October 25, at five o'clock for a district-wide rally. Worship was led by Homer Gardner, president of the Coburn Memorial Young Adult Fellowship. Talks and discussions of young adult work were led by Carl H. King, Earl Brewer, and Courtney Ross. The group brought sandwiches, and coffee was served by the Coburn Memorial Young Adults. Following the fellowship supper the young adults were graciously invited by Rev. W. G. McFarland, Coburn Memorial pastor, to stay over for a special meeting featuring some mission work among the American Indians in pictures taken and shown by Rev. John Everington.

Hot Dogs and Young Adults in High Point

Rev. J. C. Swain and his young adults at Ward Street outdid themselves Monday night, October 26, as hosts to the High Point sub-district Young Adult Fellowship. Informality, fine fellowship, delicious hot dogs, and a deep interest in reaching and holding young adults in our Methodist constituency characterized the meeting. Many pastors were present and several new Young Adult Fellowships had just been formed in some of the churches. Earl Brewer led a discussion of this work. During the business session the following officers were elected for the year: President, George Elder, Rout 4, High Point; vice president, Mrs. Lila Samuels, Route 2, High Point; secretary, Mrs. Jeanette Cole, 1903 N. Main St., High Point; treasurer, Leola Smith, 905 Johnson St., High Point. Miss Hulda Whitely, secretary of the Conference Young Adult Fellowship, took a leading part in carrying out the program.

Greensboro District Young Adults

Rev. Rollin Gibbs, district director, took the lead in the fine meeting of young adults from a number of the churches in the Greensboro district. The meeting was held at West Market Street Tuesday night, October 27. An excellent program was arranged on which the following participated: Rev. L. B. Hayes, Rev. Charles Bowles of Wadesboro, Earl Brewer of Salisbury, Miss Jo-Marie Thompson of West Market Street church, and others. Miss Ola Stafford of Mount Pleasant circuit, a conference young adult officer, was present. Miss Evelyn Rothrock brought a large group of young adults from Burlington. Refreshments were graciously served by the young adults of West Market Street church.

World Service Is Young Adult Theme in Waynesville

The young adults of the Waynesville district are on the move. They had their fall district rally Thursday, November 5, at Long's Chapel, Lake Junaluska. Rev. G. W. Bumgarner, district director, and Carroll Warren, president of the Haywood county young adults and vice president of the Conference Young Adult Fellowship, were responsible for the meeting. Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, made the principal address in keeping with the theme, "Social Action and World Service." Mr. Klopp of Junaluska furnished special music for the meeting. Host pastor was Miles McLean.

Other Young Adult Meetings Planned

Other young adult meetings had been planned in Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Statesville, and Gastonia to take advantage of a visit from Dr. F. L. Gibbs, national director of Methodist Young Adult work. At the last minute Dr. Gibbs was pressed into service with the new national council of the Service Men's Christian League and could not be in these meetings. However, plans are under way for young adult rallies in these and in other sections of conference.

What Is a Young Adult Fellowship?

It is a fellowship of all the young adults in the church school. The term "Young Adults" covers an interest group and not a strict age group. Roughly, young adults are over 24 and under 36. But persons either younger or older with young adult interests may belong. The church has lost many young adults by not having a fellowship for them, and a working Young Adult Fellowship will be attractive to the thousands of young adult men who will be coming back into our communities after the war.

Do You Want to Start a Young Adult Fellowship?

Pastors, church school superintendents, superintendents of adult divisions, teachers or presidents of young adult classes or interested young adults may take the steps to start a Young Adult Fellowship in your church. It gives a wider fellowship than one class and tries to furnish a well rounded program to meet the vital needs of young adults.

Write a card to Earl Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury, for some free leaflets and other help in getting started.

TRAINING SCHOOLS

Transportation problems will make it increasingly difficult to hold big training schools. The trend of the time seems to be to have more and smaller schools in order to reach the most people with the least travel. Schools to be held between Christmas and Easter should be planned now. Individual churches or groups of churches desiring such schools should initiate plans now. All requests will gladly be received and prompt attention will be given.

Carl H. King.

NORTH WILKESBORO TRAINING SCHOOL, NOVEMBER 15-19

The training school beginning at North Wilkesboro Sunday afternoon is just another of many fine contacts we have had with Brother Waggoner and the good people in the "State of Wilkes." A week in the city last spring and a visit on promotion day enables me to say from first hand information that this church is carrying on a fine aggressive and constructive program. It is a real joy and privilege to be invited and to be of service in such a situation. Two classes will be offered in the school by Miss Elizabeth Oliver and R. W. McCulley. Hearty congratulations to the pastor, his family, and their congregation in the prospects for another happy year together.

Lexington School November 8-13

Brother John Hoyle, Jr., Mr. J. F. Spruill and Miss Sara Smith began the new conference year by calling their church school workers together for a week of study and inspiration. Mrs. E. H. Ould gave the course on How Christian Character Develops. Attendance was good and fine results were achieved. It is always a pleasure to be of service to and to be associated with our good neighbors across the Yadkin in Lexington.

HOLINESS

If God in Christ can paint the blush on the bud that hangs from the limb of the rose, and make the dew-drops of morning tremble like molten diamonds on the virgin white lip of the lily;

If he can plant the rivers in lines of rippling silver, and cover his valley floors with carpets of softest green, tacked down with lovely daisies and laughing daffodils;

If he can scoop out the basin of the seven seas and pile up the great granite of the mountains until they pierce the turquoise skies;

If he can send a Niagara thundering on a mighty and majestic minstrelsy from century to century;

If he can fuel and re-fuel the red throated furnace of a million suns to blaze his universe with light;

If on the lovely looms of heaven he can weave the delicate tapestry of a rainbow and at even-tide fashion a fleece of crimson to curtain the couch of the dying sun, and across the black bosom of the night that follows, bind a glittering girdle sprangled with ten thousand stellar jewels,

Then I do not doubt his power to make us holy, and keep us holy, and ultimately give us an order of life in which righteousness "shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea."—Anon.

He that studies his content wants it.—Proverb.

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Five youth assemblies were held during the summer with an enrollment of approximately 800 young people and 75 adult leaders. Assemblies planned for Hatteras and for the New Bern district had to be cancelled because of difficulties caused by the war. In spite of travel limitation attendance at Louisburg and at Murfreesboro was the largest in the history of our assemblies and the work done at the assemblies was of a very high order. The assemblies were again self-supporting and there is now a balance of $500 in the assembly fund.

Youth Caravan

For the first time we used one of the National Youth Caravans in our conference during the summer, and effective work was done by the caravan in five areas of the conference.

Youth Activities Weeks

Youth activities weeks were carried out in a large number of our churches during the summer, with many young people serving as leaders in these programs. With the curtailment of travel it is likely that in the future this type of program will serve in large measure as a substitute for larger group meetings of young people.

Methodist Youth Fund

Over $800 has been paid to the Methodist Youth Fund during the year and since an equal amount on the fund is paid to another source this represents a total payment by our young people of over $1600. Since the first pledges are made in January to this new project, we feel that the response thus far is a cause of real gratification.

College Work

Five institutions of higher learning are of immediate concern to our board and to our conference—Duke University, High Point College, Greensboro College and Louisburg College within the state, and Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn. Your conference staff feels a responsibility for representing these five institutions to the young people of our conference and for rendering any service possible to the institutions themselves. At the last session of the annual conference we made a plea for increased support for the institutions within the state and this increase was granted by the World Service Commission.

Methodist Student Work

More than 250 Methodist students were registered in the Methodist Student conference at Chapel Hill in February, the largest number ever to attend. Plans are now under way for the 1943 conference to be held at Duke Memorial church, Durham. Your executive secretary serves as dean of these conferences when they are held within the bounds of the North Carolina conference.

Methodist Student Day

Your staff has assisted in the promotion of Methodist Student Day and we are glad to note an increased interest in this day on the part of our churches. Twenty-three churches contributed $177.13 to the support of the Student Loan Fund of our church in connection with the observance of this day.

Pastors' School

The attendance at the 1942 Pastors' School was the largest in the history of the school. More than 500 were enrolled, with a large percentage of the enrollment coming from the North Carolina conference.

Fellowship of Study

The Fellowship of Study offers an opportunity of growth and development to every teacher of, or worker with, children who finds the time to read, during the year, at least four books in the field of Christian living and growth. The rapidly growing popularity of this fellowship is a good indication of its value to those who share in it.

This form of individual preparation and study for the task of those interested in better Christian living will necessarily be one of the major methods of training in the year ahead, and it is hoped that many persons will avail themselves of this opportunity.

The Christian Education of Adults

The adult work of the North Carolina conference has made progress during this year. The spirit of team work among the district directors and the district superintendents has enabled more local church school leaders to share in a constructive program through sub-district institutes. The adult work of the church moves forward under splendid leadership and through the co-operation of the leaders in the local church.

Bible Conferences

Bible conferences have increased in number and in interest during the year. Some of this interest was created in a two-day Bible conference institute held at Duke University May 11-12. The institute was sponsored by the Board of Missions and Church Extension, the General Board of Education, Duke University, and the boards of education of the North Carolina and Western North Carolina conferences. The leaders for this institute were A. J. Walton and M. Leo Rippy. There were 11 of the North Carolina ministers present for this institute. There seems to be a real need in the local church for the Bible conferences.

The Young Adult Fellowship

The first Young Adult Fellowship Assembly was held at Louisburg College July 4-5, 1942. The assembly had

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DELIGHTFUL LITTLE GUESTS

By Hilda Richmond

"Now, children," said Mr. Abner Potter, turning to the lively urchins on the back seat, as they neared the home of his boyhood, "your mother and I are counting on you to behave like little gentlemen while we are visiting grandfather and grandmother. If you do well," he patted a bulge on his pocket, "you'll get this candy, but if not, you will get nothing. Remember!" The skirmishing in the back seat was resumed and Mr. Potter could say to his wife without being overheard, "May, I don't like this business of bribing the boys, and it really doesn't work either, but what can we do?"

"I'm sure I don't know,'' said the worried Mrs. Potter. "William and his wife can bring their four to grandfather's and they make no trouble at all, but ours are little imps away from home. My mother had a way with us and it worked, but how she did it I cannot remember. I know your parents think I am a weak mother, and maybe they are right, but I certainly do try hard to bring the boys up properly."

Five minutes after the lively little boys had been kissed and caressed by their doting grandparents it was definitely settled in Mr. Potter's mind that no candy would be distributed on the homeward trip. Billy, the baby, had grabbed his grandfather's spectacles from the reading stand and was trying to put them on, upside down; Dick was pulling the cat's tail to hear her hiss, and Joey, having pushed a chair to the dining table, was helping himself from the fruit bowl.

Finally, Mrs. Potter took a twin on either side and each firmly in place by her on the davenport. This caused such a howling that conversation became impossible. In the meantime, Mr. Potter was administering punishment to Billy in the dining room.

Amid the confusion Mr. William Potter, his wife and four little ones arrived. What a difference! No disorder of any kind emanated from these new arrivals. Mrs. Abner Potter held her offspring firmly but she kept an eye on their small cousins as if to learn the secret of their good behavior.

After greeting their grandparents and other relatives, these newcomers settled down on the hearth rug, and each one drew out a toy the string of which was firmly fastened to himself. A small mechanized puzzle in a box, a soft bear with a little chain around the wrist of its small owner, a picture book, a frame with colored balls, all appeared as if by magic, for each child had his own chosen toy. Grandmother asked if cookies would be allowed, and Billy and his brothers set up a howl for some at once and soon scattered crumbs over the floor, but Mrs. William Potter said her four had lunched just before they left home so would grandmother please excuse them.

At the end of an hour all the parents and children arose and said good-bye. Mrs. Abner Potter remembered afterwards that the wraps of her little nephews were put on without confusion and that then the family had departed quietly, leaving the rest arguing and exclaiming over the trouble it was to take children visiting.

But on the way home Mr. and Mrs. Abner Potter said they had made some discoveries. "Bill and his wife had satisfied those children with bread and butter and milk and possibly had given them their candy in advance," said Abner Potter.

"And when the clock struck four they rose right up and started home," said Mrs. Abner. " No dilly dallying and arguing! Just a simple word to the children and they got ready quietly."

"And that idea of having the toys tied to the chilren! I never noticed that before," said her husband.

"And they didn't raise their voices in talking to the youngsters; they didn't have to, I noticed."

"And did you hear Jean say that they had played hard in the yard before starting? We have expected the boys to sit still without proper exercise to make them want to be quiet for a time."

"Let's try all those things this very day. There's time enough! We'll take them to Uncle Samuel's and see how the plans work out."

Evidently they worked for when Mrs. Potter put the children to bed that night she said, "I'm so proud of you. You were so well behaved at Uncle Samuel's this afternoon. It made your father and me very happy," and, prudently, she did not mention the visit at grandfather's a few hours before.—Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City.

MY MOTHER

By John Irving Pearce, Jr.

The sweetest love, the safest love,
The love that never lies;
The purest love, the gravest love,
The love that never dies.

All those and more is mother-love,
That beams from holy eyes;
There is no love that's half the love
That mother-love implies.

A WAYSIDE INCIDENT

The little Indian girl stood on the station platform, and a group of restless travelers, glad of whatever broke the monotony, had gathered in a circle about her, examining her wares. On every hand the desert stretched away, meeting the bare, black mountains, their sides scarred by gorges and barren of vegetation. Against their somber background the bright clothing of the Indian maid showed to good advantage.

"You pay two prices for what you buy here," said the man with his hat on one side, who had the air of knowing it all. "But the tourist is robbed everywhere. You might as well make up your mind to be cheated in the first place."

"This is not cheat," the Indian girl protested, "I make baskets myself and they take many days."

"Oh, of course, they all declare they are selling cheap," said the man with his hat on one side. "And why shouldn't they cheat if they can? I'd do the same in their places." He looked at a man on the other side of the crowd and winked unpleasantly.

The next remark of the Indian girl was unexpected. " 'For what shall it profit a man,' " she said in slow English, " 'if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?' That is what they taught us at the mission school, and I will not lie that I may sell my baskets, even though I go hungry."

It was a silent company that climbed aboard the Pullman at the conductor's signal. "It was not long for a sermon," said the man with his hat on one side, "but it's the kind of one you can't forget in a hurry."—Publisher Unknown.

CHILDREN'S SAYINGS

Billie, six, came home from school quite downcast.

"What's the trouble, Billie?" his mother asked.

Billie's reply was a question, "What makes a teacher 'shook' a little boy?"

"Why, because he is disobedient, I suppose." Then, "Billie, did the teacher shake you?"

"Yes."

"What were you doing?"

"She told me to sing louder—and I couldn't."

"But what did you do after she shook you?"

"I sung louder."—Christian Science Monitor.

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A little Indian lad had just been to school a few days when he said to the teacher:

"I would like your school better if you would have more of those recesses."—Indiana News.

Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 15

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By Rollin H. Walker

Things That Mar Family Life

Gen. 27:30-35; Matt. 5:31, 32; Luke 12:13-15

We often read in the papers that one has died of complications. When happiness dies in the home it almost always dies of complications. First there may be ignorance of the physiological laws governing sex relations. Then perhaps the man is so absorbed in the grand game of business that he does not read anything outside of the baseball news and the market reports; or the woman regards reading nothing but the society news, and so they become mutually bores to one another, and their manners show it. Perhaps when the man courted his wife he was careful of all the little courtesies that make women happy, but now that he has won her he neglects the gallantries that women have a right to expect. The thought of observing their wedding anniversary by some gracious token does not occur to him. Perhaps, on the other hand, the husband often comes home and finds that exasperating, persecuted martyr look on his wife's face that is harder to bear than the explosions of a spitfire. Perhaps he hurts her by complaining of the food. Men complain of back seat driving, but that is not nearly so hard to bear as cooking from the dining room table. Often they both give up going to church, and look for Sabbath uplift to the Sunday paper and the comic supplement, and thus they begin the week uninspired by any great Christian motive. The tragedy of the home begins a thousand times by neglect of the privileges of the Lord's Day.

And then, alas, the man sees a woman, or the woman sees a man, whom they surround with a glamour of romance, and they say in their hearts, O, if I were not chained to my present mate, how wonderful it would be to have such a companion! Jesus said, There is nothing covered that shall not be revealed, neither hid that shall not be made known and come abroad. Neither party succeeds very long in hiding such unlawful desires. Jesus gives these desires the ugly name of adultery, for when they are cherished they often work as much harm as the overt act.

It is notable that Matthew puts in immediate connection with our Lord's words about the seriousness of adulterous thoughts, the saying, If thine eye offend thee pluck it out and cast it from thee. He means for us to infer that these stern words especially apply to cases where a married man meets another woman to whom his affections go out with hot intensity. In such cases he must break off social relations with ruthless surgery, and refuse even to see the person who excites him.

One of the reasons for home tragedy is that neither the man nor the woman gives time to the home. In fact they do not have a home; they simply have a lodging place. And then, alas, the children find their interests elsewhere.

The writer as a college teacher is familiar with the problem son of the rich man. Dad has been so busy amassing wealth that he has had no time to be a pal to his boy, and so the poor neglected lad becomes a thorn in his father's flesh. And the father is outraged that the boy does not appreciate his obligation to measure up with his father's greatness; but he himself is largely to blame.

A common source of trouble is that, like Isaac and Rebekah, father and mother do not agree in their attitude toward the children. The writer has in mind the children of a good and great man, all of whom are comparative failures, and one of whom is a drunkard. And the main reason was that mother sided with the children against the standards that father sought to enforce.

Too much money aften brings tragedy in the home. The man who interrupted Jesus in his preaching and said, Speak to my brother that he divide his inheritance with me, might not have been involved in a family row if the inheritance had not been so large. A man often sacrifices everything to gather together money for his children, and then when he dies they disgrace him by bitter quarreling over his will.

Many children never see the light that comes from prayer on the face of either father or mother, and are not taught the Bible in the home. They know all about contract bridge, but little or nothing about the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. How can one wonder then that such practically heathen homes lack the joy and peace that always come from the enthronement of Christ?

IMMORTAL LOVE

Immortal Love, forever full,
Forever flowing free;
Forever shared, forever whole,
A never-ebbing sea.

We may not climb the heavenly steeps
To bring the Lord Jesus down;
In vain we search the lowest deeps,
For him no depths can drown.

But warm, sweet, tender, even yet
A present help is he,
And faith has still its Olivet,
And love its Galilee.

The healing of his seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain,
We touch him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

O Lord and Master of us all,
Whate'er our name or sign,
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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
F. S. Love, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Durham Ct., Bethany, 11 15
Carr, 7:30 15
Branson, 7:30 18
Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 6 20
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 11 22
Duke Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 11 29
Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 7:30 29

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
W. L. Clegg, D. S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Ahoskie, 11 22
Aulander, Aulander, 3 22
First Church, 11 29
City Road, 7:30 29

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wilmington, Trinity, 11 22
Carver's Creek, Council, 8:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Swansboro, Queen's Creek, 11 29
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 29

December

District Set-up Stewards' and Missionary Institute, 9:30 a. m., Fifth Avenue 3

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Bald Creek, Bald Creek, 11 15
Micaville-Tipton Hill, Windom, 3 15
Burnsville, night 15
Acton, Acton, 11 22
Asheville Ct., Reeves Chapel, 3 22
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, night 22
Wolf Mountain, 11 29
Rosman, Rosman, 3 29
Brevard and Ecousta, Brevard, night 29

December

Mills River, Mills River, 11 6
Etowah-Shaw's Creek, 3 6
Hendersonville, night 6
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 13
Saluda, 3 13
Tryon, night 13
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, night 27

January

Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 17
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 17
Leicester, Leicester, night 17
Central, 11 24
West Asheville, night 24
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 31
Haywood Street, night 31

February

French Broad Ave., 11 7

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Ansonville, Ansonville, 11 15
Morven, Shiloh, 3 15
New Hope-Bethel, New Hope, 7:30 15
Central Avenue, 7:30 16
Spencer Memorial, 7:30 18
Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Peachland, Harmony, 3 22
Lilesville, Wade, 7 22
Chadwick, 7:30 23
Belmont Park, 7:30 25
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 29
Calvary, 7:30 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

December

St. John's, 7:30 2
North Monroe, Grace, 11 6
Zoar, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 6
Central, Monroe, 7:30 7
Matthews, 7:30 9
Unionville, Union Grove, 11 13
Asbury-Derita, Asbury, 3 13
Marshville, Wingate, 7 13
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stalings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

January

Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 4
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11.....10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Watauga, Hensons, 11 15
Green Valley, Green Valley, 3 15
Creston, Creston, night 15
Boone, 11 22
Todd, Blackburn, 3 22
West Jefferson, night 22
Helton, Helton, 11 29
Warrensville, Warrensville, 3 29
Jefferson, Jefferson, night 29

December

Laurel Springs, Nathans Creek, 11 6
Sparta, at Sparta, night 6
East Bend, 11 13
Yadkinville, 3 13
St. Paul, St. Paul, night 13
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Couleemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

January

Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

South Fork, Bethel, 11 15
Vale, Reeps Grove, 3 15
Lincolnton, First, night 15
Rock Springs, Bethel, 11 22
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel, 3 22
Ebenezer, night 22
Cherryville Ct., Bess Chapel, 11 29
Concord-Elbethel, Mary's Grove, 3 29
Cherryville, First, night 29

December

Pelkville, Rehobeth, 11 6
Fallston, Lawndale, 3 6
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 6
Gastonia, Main Street, night 8
Belwood, 11 13
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 13
Lafayette St., Shelby, night 13
Boger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Cramerton, night 27

January

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24
Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February

Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

Missionary Institute and District Stewards' meeting at Cherryville, Tuesday, November 10. Missionary Institute will meet at 10 o'clock; luncheon at 12:30; District Stewards' meeting at 2.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

November

West Market, 11 15
Moriah, 7:30 15
Mt. Pleasant, 7:30 17
Gibsonville, 7:30 18
Proximity, 11 22
Guilford, Burnett's, 3 22
Jamestown, 11:30 22
College Place, 7:30 25
Reidsville Ct., Beth. 11 28
Pleasant Garden, 11 29
Stokesdale, 3 29
Tabernacle, 7:30 29

December

Glenwood, 7:30 2
Sandy Ridge, Delta, 11 6
Danbury, 3 6
Flat Rock, 7:30 6
Calvary, 7:30 8
West End, 7:30 9
Haw River, Midway, 3 12
Stoneville, 11 13
Spray, 3 or 5 13
Draper, 7:30 13
Bethel, 7:30 16
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 16
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 5 19
Leaksville, 11 20
Ruffin, 7:30 20

HIGH POIN TDISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Ward Street, 7:30 11
Seagrove, 7:30 14
Liberty Ct., Bethany, 11 15
Randolph-G. C., Bethel, 2 15
Liberty First, 7:30 15
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 17
Welch Memorial, 7:30 18
Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2 21
Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 11 22
Farmer, N. H., 7:30 22
Archdale, 7:30 25
First Church, H. P., 7:30 26
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 29

December

Main Street, 7:30 2
Highland, 11 6
Denton First, 7:30 6
South Davidson, Lineberry, 7:30 8

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Glen Alpine, 11 15
Marion Ct., Providence, 3 15
McDowell, Nebo, night 15
Baltersville, Penland, 10 22
Avery, Fairview, 3 22
Linville Falls, Concord, night 22
Gilkey, Gilkey, 11 29
Old Fort Ct., Pine Grove, 3 29
Old Fort, night 29

December

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 6
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 6
Pleasant Grove, night 6
Spindale, 11 13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
Cliffside, 11 20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 20
Forest City, night 20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 27
Avondale, night 27

January

Drexel, Bethel, 11 3
Rutherford College, night 3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11 10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3 10
Morganton, First, night 10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45 17
Valdese, Valdese, 11 17

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

China Grove, 7:30 11
Forest Hill, 11 15
Rocky Ridge, 3 15
Kerr Street, 7:30 15
Central, Spencer, 7:30 18
Stanfield, 11 22
Midland, 3 22
Epworth, 7:30 22
Jackson Park, 7:30 25
Norwood Ct., 11 28

Norwood, 11 29
Albemarle Ct., 3 29
First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 29

December

Trinity, Kannapolis, 7:30 6
New London Ct., 3 6
Rockwell, 7:30 6
Midway, Kannapolis, 7:30 9
Salem, 11 13
Friendship, 3 13
Westford, 7:30 13
Landis, 7:30 16
Ann Street, 11 20
Roberta, 3 20
Mount Olivet, 7:30 20
Bethpage, 11 27

January

East Spencer, 11 3
Woodleaf, 3 3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 3
Bethel-Boger, 11 10
Harmony, 3 10
Central, Concord, 7:30 10
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 17
Pfeiffer, 7:30 17
Mt. Mitchell, 11 24
North Kannapolis, 3 24
Badin-New London, 11 31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Olin, 11 14
Harmony, 11 15
Union Grove-Zion-Smith Chapel, 2:30 15
Maiden, 11 22
Balls Creek, Mt. View, 2:30 22
Catawba, 7:30 22
Taylorsville, 11 29
Hiddenite, Hiddenite, 2:30 29
Stony Point, 7:30 29

December

Hickory, Highlands, 7:30 5
Hickory, First Church, 11 6
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 6
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 6
Cool Springs-Providence, 11 13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 13
Lenoir, First Church, 11 20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30 20
Whitnell, 7:30 20
Hudson-Colliers, 11 27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30 27
Granite Falls, 7:30 27

January

North Newton, 11 3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30 3
Newton, 7:30 3
Mooresville, Central, 11 10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30 10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 10
Davidson, 11 17
Davidson, 7:30 17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30 24
Troutman, 7:30 24
Elmwood, 11 31

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Murphy, 11 15
Hiawassee, Ranger, 3 15
Sylva, 7:30 15
Clyde, 7:30 18
Cullowhee, 11 22
Webster, Webster, 3 22
Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 22
Franklin, 11 29
Macon County Methodist, Franklin, 3 29
Highlands, Cashiers, 7:30 29

December

Junaluska, 7:30 2
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 6
Shooting Creek, Marshalls, 7:30 6
Canton, 11 13
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30 13
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11 20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3 20

January

Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11 3
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Morning Star, 7:30 10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 17
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 3 17
Junaluska, 7:30 17

Waynsville District Missionary Institute, District Stewards' meeting, and a called session of the Waynesville District Conference at Sylva, Friday, November 13, 10 o'clock.

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Mount Tabor, 11 15
Maple Springs, 7:30 15
Central Terrace, 11 22
Green Street, 7:30 22
Kernersville, Main St., 11 29
North Davidson, Union Ridge, 3 29
City Mission, 7:30 29

December

Lexington First, 11 6
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 3 6
Erlanger, 7:30 6
Thomasville First, West End, 11 13
Thomasville Ct., 3 13
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 13
Winston-Salem, First, 11 20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 27
Rockford Street, 7:30 27

GROUSERS IN UNIFORM

On Scotland's heathery moors — once the happy hunting ground for such big guns as J. P. Morgan, the King of England and the Duke of Sutherland — humble Tommies, tars, and RAF men last week lined the butts for a crack at the lordly, red-feathered grouse.

In the prewar heyday, this was the world's costliest pastime, running into $10,000,000 a year for the seventeen-week season starting on the "Glorious Twelfth" of August. Some 700 or 800 moors were rented for as much as $40,000 per season per moor. Staffs of gillies (attendants) were hired as gun loaders and as beaters to stir up the birds. Up to $1,400 was paid for a pair of guns.

The sport went out with the war. Many grouse moors became prohibited military areas; others were given over to cattle and sheep. Last year army and navy air-force bases organized shooting parties to lessen the rapidly mounting grouse population and to increase food supplies. The Macintosh of Macintosh, the Duke of Sutherland's nephew, and a naval officer at the British Admiralty, arranged shoots for the men of the fleet. Thanks to the grouse and the fighting forces that downed them, fortunate officers, men, and Scottish farmers lived on rich fare hitherto reserved for the wealthy. Butcher shops in the vicinity of the preserve could not dispose of their regular allowances of mutton and beef.

This year because the grouse is more plentiful than ever, there will be still more shooting of the birds by men in the service. Sporting ammunition is difficult to obtain, but sporting guns, commandeered by the War Office when the Home Guard was first instituted, and since returned to their owners, are generally available around the Scottish moors. Officers welcome the sport as a chance to learn routines that will be useful for the second front. Lord Lovat, the 31-year-old Commando leader, reputed one of the world's best shots, is said to have developed his technique on his own vast preserve.

The only grouse against the new war-time grouse season is Scotland's ancient blue law prohibiting game shooting on the Sabbath. Authorities are putting the screws on the strict Scots to get them to relent in favor of "guns" in uniform.—News Weekly.

N. C. BOARD OF EDUCATION

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the help of Dr. F. L. Gibbs, director of young adult work from the Department of Christian Education of Adults, Nashville, Tenn. During the assembly the following officers were elected to serve this year: Mary Primrose Noble, president; Ruth Ingram, vice president; Nell Harviel, secretary; Flora Thompson, treasurer. The Rocky Mount and New Bern districts organized Young Adult Fellowships this year. This makes a total of four organized districts. There are possibilities in this area of the church work with young adults.

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In Memoriam

HAMILTON — Mrs. Dora Hamilton, wife of Mr. A. M. Hamilton and mother of 11 children, having reached the age of 65 years ,slipped away August 17, 1942, at her home in Salisbury, N. C. She was a loyal member of Main Street Methodist church of that city. Her interest in all current affairs, her outstanding loyalty to the pastors and church, and her devotion to her family were strong traits of fine Christian character. She was the mother of Rev. John R. Hamilton, pastor of Stanfield Methodist church, and Rev. Austin Hamilton, the supply pastor of Landis charge. For the four preceding years before her passing Mrs. Hamilton was confined to her bed most of the time by ill health, but through all her suffering and confinement her patience and cheerful Christian countenance proved a blessing to the family and community. The funeral service was conducted by the pastor, W. R. Bustle, who was assisted by Dr. C. N. Clark and Dr. W. B. West.

W. R. Bustle, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Helena high school, Timberlake, N. C., pays tribute to a beloved graduate of 1932, Staff Sergeant Hubert F. Pearce of Timberlake. Too much can not be said concerning this young man's good traits and qualities. They were transparent in his soldier's life as well as in his civilian life. May it be resolved:

First, That each citizen have the same kind consideration for his fellowman as did the deceased.

Second, That among his good traits his dependability and integrity must not be overlooked.

Third, That his noble character and general worth shall be a shining example for everyone.

Fourth, That a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Fifth, That a copy of this be sent to the family.

Hilma Garrett,
Sue Noell,
Robert Hamlin.

A TRIBUTE

It was Tuesday morning of September 22, 1942, that Gurney Thomas Royals fell asleep in Jesus at his home, 801 Willowbrook Street, High Point, N. C., son of the late Columbus N. and Elizabeth Dorsett Royals.

He was born in Davidson county, near Thomasville, January 28, 1882, age 60 years, 7 months and 25 days. On December 24, 1911, he married the former Miss Erma Morgan of Jackson Creek, Randolph county, who survives with one brother, Ben N. Royals, Wilson, N. C.; three sisters, Mrs. E. E. Hardy and Miss Hattie Rogers of Asheboro and Mrs. Clarence C. Ridge, Jackson Creek. In early manhood Mr. Rogers joined Fair Grove Methodist church. He was deeply interested in church work.

He was street superintendent of the city of High Point for the past eleven (11) years; always active in performing his duties in civic and all projects for the betterment of his community. He was a member of the Trophy Council 29, Jr. O. U. A. M.

Funeral services were conducted at the Main Street Methodist church Thursday at 3 o'clock, with Rev. N. C. Williams, pastor, Rev. R. L. West, Rev. Edward Suits and Rev. Joel B. Trogdon officiating.

Mrs. J. R. Boone and Mrs. John York sang No Tears in the Sky, and Noah and Cary Davis sang Sunrise Tomorrow and Does Jesus Care, with Fielding Kearns at the organ.

The lovely and numerous floral designs were carried by nieces, cousins and close friends of the deceased in charge of Miss Lyde Morgan. Active pallbearers were Weldon, Davis, Clay, and Grayson Royals, Haywood Hiatt, Sam Davis, Lawrence Beck and Billy Snyder. Interment was in the Oakwood Memorial Park cemetery.

Fare you well, my dear companion,
Fare you well, my darling husband.
All my thoughts are buried with you,
All my thoughts go onward with you.
Soon your footsteps I will follow
To the land of the blessed—
To the land of the hereafter.

Mrs. G. T. Royals.

MEEKINS — Dorothy Claire Meekins was born at Manteo, Dare county, N. C., July 25, 1924, and died April 2, 1942, at Duke hospital. She entered the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in the fall of 1941 to pursue studies preliminary for matriculating in the school of nursing at Duke University. She was stricken with a rare heart disease soon after returning to college following the Christmas holidays.

In the year 1930 she joined Mount Olivet Methodist church at Manteo and lived a life of devotion and service to the church and community that she loved. Throughout her brief life she was continually a symbol of that which is beautiful, true and good. Life to her was a sacred entrustment dedicated to Christian ideals.

Possessing a happy disposition, a radiant personality, a beautiful character, admirable qualities of leadership, the capacity to love and be loved by young and old, the death of Dorothy Claire leaves a deep and sincere sadness over this community.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Meekins of Manteo; two sisters, Maxine, a student at W. C. U. N. C., Helen of Manteo, Ernest E. Meekins of the U. S. Navy; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Meekins of Manteo, and several aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor at Mt. Olivet Methodist church, Manteo, on Saturday afternoon, April 4, at 3 o'clock. The large attendance of friends and relatives, including Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of W. C. U. N. C., classmates, a large and beautiful floral offering, showed the high regard in which she was held.

Beneath a cloudless sky with a brilliant Easter sun shining the body of Dorothy Claire Meekins was laid to rest in the Manteo cemetery.

M. W. Maness.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Haywood Street Methodist church, Asheville, wish to pay tribute to a most faithful member, Mrs. Nannie Morris, who passed to her reward June 19,1942.

Mrs. Morris had a beautiful Christian character and was especially devoted to her family and church. We are grateful to God for her example as a Christian mother and for her wholesome influence upon all who knew her.

Therefore be it resolved, that we extend to her family our sincere sympathy and assure them of our love.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy spread on the minutes of the society.

Mrs. A. C. Swofford,
Mrs. B. M. Smith,
Miss Nettie Snelson.

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CABLEGRAM FROM MADAM CHIANG-KAI-SHEK TO FIFTH AVE. CHURCH, WILMINGTON

Chancie D. Barclift, Minister,
Fifth Avenue Methodist Church
Wilmington, N. C.

Chungking, China
October 29, 1942.

My brothers, sisters and I are deeply touched by the tribute of your church in dedicating the educational building in memory of our father. Our American friends have often overrated us for what little we have done for our country, but it was left to you good Wilmington friends to recognize the fact that whatever we are and whatever we have accomplished is largely due to the selfless devotion to high idealism of our parents, who recognized that in Christian education lies the fundamental solution of world problems. For this reason they sent all six of their children to schools in America so that we might study Christian democracy at its source. There must be among you some who are father's personal friends and who remember with affection his radiant personality and his ceaseless endeavors to be of service. We, his children, send you our warmest greetings and appreciation.

Mayling Soong Chiang.

A DEDICATION OF INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE — THE CHARLIE JONES SOONG MEMORIAL AT WILMINGTON

In compliance with your request at conference, I am enclosing some material with reference to the dedication of the Charlie Jones Soong Memorial building on Sunday, November 1, 1942. Dr. Timothy Tingfang Lew was designated by the Chinese Embassy to represent the Republic of China to Fifth Avenue for the dedicatory services. He was accompanied by Mrs. Lew, who was designated by the embassy to read the cablegram from Madame Mayling Soong Chiang. Both Dr. and Mrs. Lew shared a part in the cornerstone laying exercises, Dr. Lew reading the minister's part in the litany and Mrs. Lew the scripture. A cornerstone was not placed in the building when it was erected 21 years ago, but we placed a cornerstone the day it was dedicated bearing the legend, "Charlie Soong Memorial Building, Erected 1921." Dr. Lew delivered an entertaining and masterful address at the 11 o'clock hour. At the evening hour Mrs. Lew read the cablegram from Madame Chiang Kai-shek and Dr. Lew brought greetings from the Chinese Republic. Also, Bishop Purcell preached and spake the formal dedicatory sentences. We all thrilled to the high inspiration of the hour as we recognized that the Christ of the East and West had met again at the altars of a church where 62 years ago one of the most far-reaching conversions of all times occurred.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Lew are graduates of our American schools. A Congregational minister, Dr. Lew holds, among others, the following degrees: Ph.D., D.D., S.T.D. and is also a member of the Legislative Yuan, National Government of China; Hon. Co-operating Secretary of the National Christian Council of China; and professor at Yenching University. Mrs. Lew, a third generation Methodist in China, holds an A.B. and an A.M. from Columbia University and was dean of women at Yenching University until the invasion of the Japanese.

I had to start the new year (and the first time in the ninety-two years history of the church a fifth year for a pastor) right last Sunday by calling attention to the Advocate.

THE SHADOW OF DEFEAT FALLS ON HITLER

The same week which saw the United Nations seize the miltary offensive in the two zones where they could muster overwhelming superiority, heard three speeches which were of almost as great importance as any military operations. One was made by Hitler, one by Stalin, and one by Vice President Wallace. All merit comment. Of the three, that by Hitler most clearly held out hope of a speedy military victory—for the United Nations! For the nazi people, speaking to his party followers in the Munich beer hall where he annually celebrates the anniversary of his first abortive putsch, plainly revealed that he feels the shadow of defeat beginning to darken his career. And it chills him to the marrow. "There is no comparison," he cried out to his selected group of nazis, "between 1918 and now." The kaiser had run away then? Yes, but the kaiser was a weakling. "This time the leader of the nation is not somebody who, in a critical moment, will flee abroad." It needs no great acquaintance with psychology to discern the fear of impending doom behind such words. They are the words of a man who is no longer confident of victory; who is, in fact, in mortal terror of defeat. The very fact that he denies any likeness between Germany's present situation and that of 1918 shows that he recognizes that the likeness exists. The very fact that he denies that he will fall like the kaiser shows that he has been brooding on the fear that he will. To Europe's few remaining neutral states, which have been wondering how the war would end and trying to shape their policies to anticipate the outcome, Hitler's speech must have told even more than the triumphant march of Eisenhower's and Montgomery's troops. Hosts of Germans, likewise, must have pierced behind the thin bluster of words to the hapless mind which they revealed.—The Christian Century.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE JOURNAL

Reply postal cards have been sent out from the conference secretary's office asking the number of copies of the Conference Journal wanted for this year. ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY PASTORS have made no reply; and the deadline for making change in the number of copies to be printed is at hand. Please send in the card at once; and when your supply of the journals arrives read the conference regulations concerning journals (see Conference Journal 1942, page 6ff). Pay for the journals this year is to be sent to your district treasurer.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT

There is a gratifying readiness in the district to increase World Service acceptances over last year. So far no quarterly conference has failed to increase, and the amounts have been very satisfactory. There is good hope that this will continue. Bethany, Liberty circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill, pastor, is the first church in the district, so far as we have information, to pay any obligation in full for the year. They paid the Children's Home 10 per cent yesterday—$26. The Le Barons, Liberty First, are to have a "dressed up" parsonage. The interior is being painted. The work for the year is starting well.

S. W. Taylor.

DISTRICT SET-UP MEETINGS OF N. C. CONFERENCE

District—Place	Date
Durham: Duke Memorial	November 23
Raleigh: Edenton Street	November 24
Rocky Mount: First Church	November 30
Elizabeth City: Hertford	December 1
New Bern: Kinston	December 2
Wilmington: Fifth Avenue	December 3
Fayetteville: Aberdeen	December 4

All meetings begin at 9:30.

RALEIGH DISTRICT MEETING

Convening at 9:30 the Raleigh district set-up meeting will be held in Raleigh at Edenton Street church next Tuesday, November 24.

Combined with this meeting will be the district stewards' meeting, a meeting of all the charge lay leaders of the district and our missionary institute.

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in our jurisdiction, and Mr. W. J. Smith, our conference lay leader, will be present. The program is planned for education and inspiration. We want to make it a day to be remembered for its contribution. Fill your cars. Lunch will be served at the church.

H. I. Glass, Dist. Supt.

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Get up! Take up! Go on! was the command of Jesus. The translation puts it thus, "Rise, take up thy bed and walk."

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Henry Ward Beecher said: "A text is like a gate; some men swing back and forth on it. I push it open and go in." A spark plug is this from the great preacher.

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Mark Twain is reported to have said that he sometimes got so disgusted with humanity that he wished Noah had missed the boat. But even with such moods at times Mark Twain was able to make the world do a lot of laughing at the foibles of men.

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Every one who makes a gift to the orphanages these days should keep in mind the work that is being done for body, mind and soul. Children eat and play and work and study as they grow to manhood and womanhood. This is ever of utmost importance in our child caring institutions. At Raleigh and Winston-Salem the care given and the life lived is ever of supreme consideration.

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Thirteen years ago President W. P. Few of Duke speaking in West Market Street, Greensboro, on the theme, "A New Leadership for a New Time," said: "The Napoleons and the Alexanders have always had a brief, even if sometimes a glorious, day. But I am predicting that yet there will be rougher sledding in the world for all the Caesars, the Kaisers, and the mighty manipulators of men. Carlyle's pagan admiration for the 'great man,' inspiring as it once was, is even now an antiquated thing. The great man of the future will more and more have leadership among men because of what he is, rather than by means of control over them through compulsion. . . . That is, greatness will tend, I think, to lose its pagan element and have more of a Christian meaning."

The following from a pastor's diary will be a reminder of personal experiences to every preacher with the heart of a true pastor: "I called on blind Mrs. S—— today. 'God is always good to us poor blind people,' she said gently. I never knew a man to lose his sight to whom God did not first give patience. My shut-ins are my chief inspiration. They know more of God than a dozen of us who are cumbered with much serving."

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Here is the origin of Edwin Markham's celebrated poem, "The Man With the Hoe," hailed by some as the "social battle cry of the next thousand years." Markham says: "As a hard-worked, sun-baked boy, I hoed and weeded the orchards and the gardens from dawn to dusk on my mother's farm and cattle range in the Guisun Hills. A thousand times I have felt the ache in the back and the utter weariness of the long unbroken day's work with no prospect ahead but another day's work." But let it be remembered that along with this weariness of body was a poet's soul able to phrase the immortal lines as he told of the man with the weight of ages upon his brow.

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Sir Alfred Zimmerman has said that the greatest obstacle between us and the building of enduring world peace is "the small scale individual." When pressed for an explanation he said "that of course he did not mean the need for men of great rather than of small gifts. He meant that what hinders our building a new world order is the narrow, selfish outlook of men, all grades of gift and standing, whether office clerks or financial magnates, storekeepers or colonial governors, artists, high school teachers or journalists, preachers, doctors or engine fitters. His call was to us all to break away from the cramping pettiness of the self-centered life and look out on wider horizons—to see and think and act with large-hearted realism."

Cool Heads and Warm Hearts for Hot Times

OUT of the great fraticidal strife known as the war of the sixties arose a tradition which persists even to the present hour and that insists, but for the hot-heads both North and South, there would have been no war. Their differences would have been settled without the shedding of blood. The same is true of most wars that have been carried on by civilized people. We are now in a war not of our choosing, but nevertheless we are subject to the common dangers of all wars.

It is generally known that wars breed hysteria and engenders emotional instability. It is a time when sound judgments become difficult to exercise. Hence the urgency for cool heads which are able to form correct estimates of men's motives and characters.

It is equally difficult to keep the heart right. Amid the ugly passions that are rife in war times, it is frequently difficult for one to love his neighbor, not to mention the impossible task of loving his enemies. We talk glibly about these things in peace times, but how many Americans just now have any love for the Japs? Really, a warm, loving heart is more difficult to possess than a cool head.

But it is for us to prove to the world that while passions surge about us in a way that make rational processes almost impossible, we will strive to show democracy at its best by keeping our heads cool and our hearts warm in the midst of a world war.

What are these values which we should keep inviolate? We let the Presbyterian Tribune answer as follows:

"We believe in government of the people, by the people, and for the people. We believe that every person is born with certain inalienable rights. We believe in the freedom of speech, assemblage and press. We believe that every citizen has equal rights before the law. Whether he be black or white, rich or poor, brilliant or ignorant, Catholic or Protestant, Jew or Gentile, Christian or atheist, he has equal rights to the privileges and benefits of our constitutional government.

"What, after all, makes a man truly American? Not the color of his skin, not the place of his birth, not the school or schools from which he is graduated, not the amount of money he may possess nor the membership in some particular political party or religious group. One may be lily white in complexion, born within the shadows of Mount Vernon, possess fabulous wealth, carry degrees from our greatest universities, belong to one of the two major political parties, and maintain membership in any of the great religious groups of America and still be minus those fundamental qualities necessary to sound Americanism."

A Cablegram of International Interest

ON the front page of this paper is a cablegram from Madame Chiang Kai-shek that should make a great appeal to Christian people everywhere and that should appeal particularly to all American citizens. What a faultless expression of a daughter's appreciation of the unselfish devotion and high idealism of her parents! This great woman at the same time pays tribute to the Christian democracy of America in a manner that should make an abiding impression upon us Americans.

One of these days the representatives of the allied nations will gather about the peace table to adjust the problems in hand and it becomes the business of the American people and the Methodists in particular to see that China receives what that great nation so justly merits. The present Emperor and Empress have for five long years led the fight against Japanese atrocities and saved their nation from being overrun by these enemies of civilization and of Christianity, and they are qualified to become leaders of the multiplied millions of the Orient.

A Bishop As Photographer

THIS is the picture era. Moving pictures and pictures that do not move. We have the candid camera and cameras that are not so candid. Every newspaper that expects to arouse the interest of the unthinking multitudes, and even of the men and women who can think, must possess a battery of photographers.

Even a Methodist bishop has taken to picture making. We refer to Bishop Oxnam, who uses a candid camera on certain types of clergymen. This good bishop has secured the following results:

"Step'nfetchet, who had the emptiness of the ages in his face and the laziness of the centuries in his whine." The man who "thinks he is a minister, but is really a high-pressure, boisterous, back-slapping, hand-shaking salesman." The professional, "a gentleman who looks out for his own interests in the job of

serving the Lord." The gossip, "whispering to laymen." Yes, he is a wonderful fellow, but he can't preach. "The Called Messengers"—"men who give the story of God's redeeming love to men that they might live."

Righteousness More than 4,000 Years Old

PROF. JAS. H. BREASTED, the greatest Egyptologist, and one time head of Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, says that character was counted of greatest importance in the childhood of the race and as evidence thereof quotes the following from the ancient records of Egypt:

From the Eloquent Peasant of Heracleopolis, twenty-third century, B.C.: "Righteousness is for eternity. It descendeth with him that doeth it into the grave . . . his name is not effaced on earth, but he is remembered because of right."

From an Egyptian tombstone about the twenty-second century, B.C.: "A man's virtue is his monument, but forgotten is the man of evil repute."

From Neferrohu, Prophet of Egypt, 2000 B.C.: "The people of this time shall rejoice, the son of man shall make his name forever and ever. . . . Righteousness shall return to its place, unrighteousness shall be cast out."

The Cliffs of Cornwall

AS one approaches England by the "Channel route" his good ship from its deck offers him a fine view of the cliffs of Cornwall where "in the pauses of his labor, the Cornish miner listens to the sobbing of the sea." The sight of that rugged shore brings up many things of interest, but to a Methodist none more interesting than the words of Augustine Burrell: "Wesley's missionary tours in Devon and Cornwall lack no single element of sublimity. To this day the memories of those apostolic journeys are green and precious, and a source of strength and joy; the portrait of the eager preacher hangs up in almost every miner's cottage, whilst his name is pronounced with reverence by a hundred thousand lips. 'You seem a very temperate people here,' once observed a thirsty pedestrian (who was, indeed, none other than the present writer) to a Cornish miner; 'how did it happen?' He replied solemnly, raising his cap, 'There was a man amongst us once, and his name was John Wesley.' "

The Negro Spiritual

ONE of the notable changes of our day is the larger place gained by the negro spiritual in American life. The negro school and the radio have magnified these songs in a marvelous way, and then, too, the whites have come to appreciate the significance of this music in disclosing the deeper experiences of a people who are so deeply religious and have lived in such close contact with the elemental forces of our life.

These songs are outbursts of religious fervor and, in many cases, are influenced by conditions which surrounded the people in whose minds they were born. As the Negro labored in the fields of the South out of his heart burst these spirituals of such fine fervor and of such religious significance. It has remained for these last decades to give proper place to this type of music. Especially popular are these spirituals with the Southern people who have been so intimately associated with the Negro through all the generations of our Southland.

Those who have studied these songs so deeply religious and so vitally a part of the things they have felt and suffered are agreed that the Negro spirituals express a sympathy of feeling between words and music not found in many compositions of learned musicians. In many songs that we see today, the tune gives one an idea and the words another. In the spiritual the words spoken convey a certain idea and the tune sung or played gives a similar feeling. For instance, the originators of these songs would never have taken words such as "Nobody Knows De Trouble I See" and placed them to a happy tune like "Every Time I Feel the Spirit." In every instance words and music harmonize and herein lies a thread of real artistry. Some of these songs are sad and some are happier. This is true because of the difference in living conditions of the people who originated them. In different sections there are different interpretations, different words and slightly varying melodies of songs that originally were the same.

It is well for us to keep in mind the fact that at first these songs were not written down but carried from place to place in the mind and feelings of the negro, being passed on to the generations. Frequently changed conditions caused slight variations in the songs, but the general themes remained the same. We do well to appreciate more fully the contribution the negro has made to our American life.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

My address is changed from Littleton to Laurel Hill, N. C.—D. D. Broome.

Please say my post office address is Charles A. Jones, St. Pauls, N. C.

Mennonites comprise 37.7 per cent of men in conscientous objector camps, according to figures compiled by the Mennonite central committee.

Man isn't so smart as he thinks he is. Thousands of years before he even thought of them, the turtle sported a streamlined body, a turret top, retractable landing gear, and a portable house.—Sunshine Magazine.

Just as we go to press Rev. Earl A. Cook, pastor of Mt. Mitchell charge, sends $25 for new subscribers from his charge, which is the first big list from the Salisbury district, but we are expecting other lists of new subscribers next week.

Women, as well as men, are engaged in the study of aviation at Western Maryland College. Courses in meterology, navigation and civil air regulations are being offered to the people of Westminster and vicinity as well as to the regular college students. Slightly more than one-quarter of the enrollment in these courses are women.

A November number of Collier's informs its readers that the "first church for Negroes in the United States was established in 1787 in an old blacksmith shop in Philadelphia. Its founder was Richard Allen, a former slave, who in 1799 was ordained in the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church and became America's first colored clergyman.

The following story could be placed under "It Really Happened." One very earnest and much beloved brother of the Western North Carolina conference wanted to impress upon one of his women members that he desired the cabinet to make the appointment best suited to her church. He said, "Dear sister, I hope that you will like your new preacher next year." "Oh," she responded, "Brother Blank, I hope the conference will not change our preacher. Every time we have had a change it gets worse and worse."

For six months labor organizations have been picketing one of Pasadena's leading stores because the proprietor will not force its employes to join labor unions, though they pay as high or higher wages than the unions require. A court decision, while not forbidding picketing, has forbidden violence and falsehood to be used, and then imparts this advice which should have recognition all over our country: "We are in a war which threatens the permanence of our institutions of business as well as of government and its guaranteed freedom. It is time for national solidarity and union for national defense. It is not a time for indulgence of internal strife of any kind."—United Presbyterian.

Very rare musical instruments and songs illustrating the various aspects of Chinese life were the background for an evening of music in the social rooms of Scarritt College (Nashville, Tenn.) introducing Dr. and Mrs. Bliss Wiant, who have recently arrived and will make their home on the campus of Scarritt College. Dr. and Mrs. Wiant will be working under the auspices of the board of missions, and will spend some of their time while in the States interpreting the life and customs of the Chinese people to church and other groups, to promote better understanding and a greater desire for co-operation with the Chinese. Dr. Wiant, who is a master musician, has studied at Harvard and at Boston University School of Music where he received an M.A. degree. He has made a study through 20 years of the ancient Chinese civilization and culture.

In accordance with requests from chaplains in the field, Dr. A. W. Gottschall, national director of programs in army camps, naval and air bases for the National Conference of Christians and Jews, urges families with men in the armed services to write to the men and encourage them to contact their chaplains. Service men should be assured by their families, says Dr. Gottschall, that "the chaplains are their best friends." Chaplains will welcome this advice on the part of parents and wives, and will be able to render greater service, Dr. Gottschall declares.

Fourteen young theological students were recently graduated by Leonard Theological College, Jubbulpore, India, and have entered the ministry of six different denominations in various parts of India and Ceylon. At the same time eleven wives of ministers received certificates for completing courses of study at Leonard, and one other wife received a certificate from the college's department of religious education. Twelve new students take the places of the graduates; seven in the department of theology, two in courses for student wives, and three in the department of religious education.

Dr. Hu Shih, IBK Cornell University, and formerly ambassador from China, will deliver the eighth annual lecture to be sponsored by the United Chapters in connection with the large winter meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. All IBK members and their friends are cordially invited to be the guests of the society for the program to be given on Wednesday evening, December 30, at 8:15 in the ball room of the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City. A brief musical program by the Columbia University choir under the direction of Lowell P. Beveridge will immediately precede the address.

Rev. Charles E. Winter of Hinghwa, and Rev. E. Pearce Hayes of Futsing, China, missionaries of the Methodist Church, report that recent months have seen one of the worst epidemics of bubonic plague they have experienced in 20 years in central China. Some cases have been found within the mission compound at Futsing. "It may be that the resistance of the people has been weakened by the years of privation," says Mr. Winter, "or that the home-made vaccine is not as effective as the pre-war variety. Recently I attended the graduation exercises of our primary school at Kio Sauh. A few days later one of the little girls who took part on the program died from bubonic. Some boys in the Guthrie high school and girls in the Hamilton girls' school have been struck with it." One of the great difficulties is in securing serum, but the mission hospitals are making good use of all they can purchase.

Our conference chariot is overcrowding and comes to a break-down. I wanted to attend the Upper South Carolina conference at Chester, but was advised that there was no more room in any hotel or home. I ran down one day and ran back at night, feeling sorry to be shut out. Is there no solution to this problem? Shall our preachers be shut out of the homes of our people at conference—shut out from meeting the family around the altar of prayer and leaving a spiritual blessing upon the home? Could we not have one rich day for the laymen to come in and attend to all business they are vitally interested in, and then let them go, unless they are on committees? Good business men do not want to loaf long afternoons at conference, when they have no business there to detain them. Our conference expenses could thus be reduced several hundred dollars. Of course we want our laymen at conference but we don't want our chariot to break down. I pray we may find a way out of this defeating dilemma.—O. P. Ader.

Bishop Frederick DeLand Leete, retired, now living at 730 Cherokee Ave., DeLand, Fla., has just completed his account of "The DeLand Family in America." In addition to genealogy the bishop has a second hobby, a collection of autographs numbering specimens of the handwriting, legible and illegible, of virtually all leaders of Methodism, past and present. The bishop and Mrs. Leete spent last summer in Indiana and Michigan.

During the missionary institute and set-up meeting, First church, Asheboro, the ministers' wives present held a brief business session and elected the following officers to serve the Ministers' Wives' Association of the High Point district: President, Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle, High Point; vice president, Mrs. Earl Lebaron, Liberty, re-elected recording secretary; treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur. Program committee, Mrs. Wilson O. Weldon, Mrs. W. R. Kelly, Mrs. O. L. Easter, Mrs. T. E. Strickland, all of High Point.—Mrs. J. E. Pritchard, Rec. Sec.

MINISTERS' WIVES AT WILSON

The Association of Ministers' Wives of the North Carolina conference had the lovely reception room of the Woman's Club of Wilson as the setting for the regular fall meeting held on Thursday during the annual conference. The colorful program booklets added to the bright arrangements of fall chrysanthemums made the room very attractive and gay.

A gracious message of welcome was spoken by Mrs. H. B. Porter of Wilson, responded to by Mrs. G. W. Blount. Mrs. Elmer D. Weathers, accompanied by Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, ably entertained the group with two vocal numbers, "The Morning Is Calling," Terry, and "To a Little Child" (Lullaby), Kersey.

As the main point of interest on the program, Mrs. Leon M. Hall of Hersley, Pa., took for her subject the word "Interlude," using as major theme the rights and privileges of ministers' wives. Mrs. Hall is a charming speaker and was welcomed by all present.

During the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. Ben F. Boone, president, there were reported three brides and seven new babies. This meeting was the occasion of the thirteenth anniversary of the organization; five past presidents were present and one member, Mrs. Brown, was recognized as having been present at each fall and spring meeting since the organization in 1929. Emphasis was placed on fellowship with each other, and it was suggested by Mrs. Boone that first names should be used. Each member present was introduced by her given name.

Mrs. Boone also urged that the wives, when moving, should leave the parsonage thoroughly clean.

A program committee was appointed, and the nominating committee, Mrs. E. R. Clegg, Mrs. W. A. Crow and Mrs. Edgar Fisher, was asked to meet and to report at the spring meeting.

After the singing of the hymn "Bless the Corners of This House," the meeting was closed with the collect, spoken in unison.

Mrs. Ben F. Boone, President.
Mrs. C. S. Hubbard, Sec.-Treas.

NEWS FROM HIGH POINT COLLEGE

At a meeting of the faculty of High Point College last week the matter of revising the college cirriculum to further prepare the young people for their place in the post-war period was discussed.

This matter was brought up in a recent questionnaire when the students were asked if in their opinion the curriculum should be revised to include courses to prepare them for services with the armed forces and prepare them for post-war period. The majority of the students felt that it should be revised. The faculty's opinion was that more mature consideration be given the matter and a committee was appointed to study the question and report back at a later meeting. M. N. Harrison was appointed chairman. Other members are Dean Percy E. Lindley, Prof. Edmund O. Cummings, Dr. Clifford R. Hinshaw, Dr. Helen Bartlett, Dr. Ben Hill, and Miss Louise Adams.

Five of the nine junior marshals were chosen last Friday at a meeting of the faculty. Kenneth Crouse of Lexington, chief. Others chosen were Eloise Cecil and Bonnie Lewis of High Point, Talmadge Cole of Asheboro, and John Perry of Enfield. The remaining four will be elected second semester.

NEWS NOTES FROM GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Because of outstanding work all through school, nine Grensboro College girls have been selected to represent Greensboro College in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges." The nine seniors are: Miss Ella Troy Woodson, Salisbury, accompanist for the glee club, the Emerson society and for the head of the voice department; Miss Nell Webb, Cherryville, president of the Y. W. C. A.; Miss Mary Elizabeth Temple, Kinston, first vice president of the student body; Miss Evelyn Colie, Goldsboro, editor of the Echo, the college yearbook; Miss Margaret Skinner, New Bern, president of the student body; Miss Kitty Wilson, Warrenton, president of the religious education club; Miss Lucille Cox, Asheboro, editor of the Collegian, the campus newspaper; Miss Bettie Prosser, Greensboro, president of the honor society, won the highest proficiency scholarship in her sophomore and junior years; and Miss Lamar Spencer, Carthage, president of the athletic association.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith spoke Sunday morning at the First Methodist church, North Wilkesboro, of which Rev. A. C. Waggoner is pastor. Dr. Smith spoke on "Why the Church Related College?" The speaker emphasized, "A Christian higher education is necessary both if the church is to survive as a necessary element in the total education picture. Not only must the church depend upon the church related college for its leadership, but the state itself must continue to have these free institutions." Dr. Smith also spoke Sunday night at the Winston-Salem Burkhead Methodist church, of which Rev. Irving Reid Wall is pastor. Seven members of the college glee club, under the direction of Walter Vassar, professor of voice, participated in the two services.

Rev. E. K. McLarty, pastor of Grace Methodist church, spoke to Greensboro College students Sunday night at their regular vesper service. During the evening's service Miss Betty Kirkpatrick of Leaksville led a short devotional and Miss Margaret Weldon of Stovall sang.

MR. CONOVER PRESENT AT WILSON CONFERENCE

E. M. Conover,a member of the New Jersey conference of the Methodist Church and director of the Bureau of Church Architecture of the Home Missions Council of North America, displayed an exhibit of church architecture during the recent session of the North Carolina conference in Wilson. He was present at the conference three days and conferred with many pastors and laymen regarding building and improvement projects, and distributed a quantity of informational material in printed and blue printed form.

During 1942 Mr. Conover spent 15 days in North Carolina, including five days lecturing at the pastors' summer school at Duke University and four days traveling to several churches in the New Bern and Wilmington districts. The consulting services of the Bureau of Architecture are rendered without charge unless a visit to the field is desired. In this case a contribution is asked toward the travel budget bureau.

In response to a postal card request, a survey blank forwarded on which local conditions and requirements may be described. A study is made of the data forwarded to the office of the Bureau at 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, and free recommendations and suggestive material is given to the local church or pastor.

AN INVITATION WRITTEN IN LETTERS OF GOLD

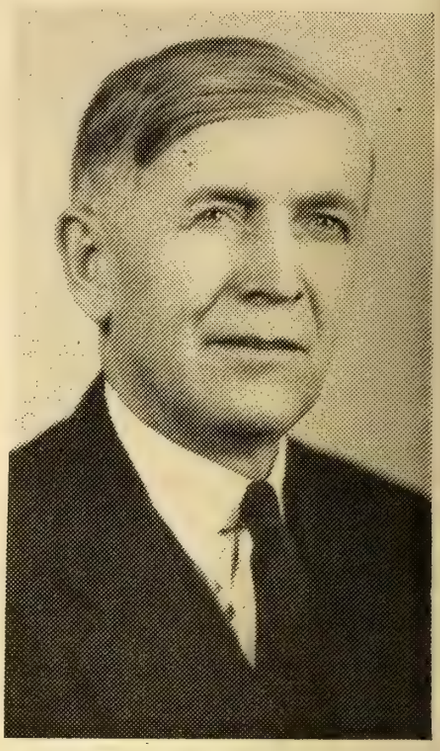
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Mr. and Mrs. Peter Joyner Brame
request the pleasure of your company
at their
Fiftieth Marriage Anniversary
Tuesday evening, November the seventeenth
from seven until ten o'clock
North Wilkesboro, North Carolina

Peter Joyner Brame Mary Gertrude Watson

Pee Dee Methodist Church, Rockingham Circuit, Dedicated on Sunday, November 1





Pee Dee Church plant, which was dedicated November 7, 1942, by Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, with Rev. W. V. McRae, District Superintendent, and Rev. J. W. Dimmette, pastor, assisting. This building was started July, 1940, and completed July, 1942, at a cost of $15,000. On November 10, 1940, the membership of the former Methodist Protestant church became a part of the Pee Dee congregation. Rev. J. W. Dimmette is pastor.

RESTORED MELODY

By John Marvin Rast

She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.—Proverbs 31:26.

Stranger incidents have occurred than this related of Fanny Crosby, the blind hymn writer, but few more inspiring. While on a visit to the McAuley Mission she asked if there were a motherless boy in the assembly, and if he would come forward and let her lay her hand on his head. A motherless youth came up, and she put her arms about him and kissed him. They parted. She went from the meeting and wrote the stirring song, "Rescue the Perishing." Later when Mr. Sankey was leading the song in a St. Louis meeting, he told the incident. A man in the congregation sprang to his feet and said: "I am the boy she kissed that night. I never was able to get away from the impression made by that touching act until I became a Christian. I am now living in this city with my family, am a Christian, and am doing a good business."

"Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore;
Touched by a loving heart, wakened by kindness,
Chords that were broken will vibrate once more."

GREAT RECORD AT MOREHEAD CITY

Some of the things worthy of mention at Morehead City during the past year are: The accepting and paying of the entire askings on World Service, paying off a long standing debt on the educational building, thus freeing our church property of all indebtedness, extensive improvements on the church auditorium, including decoration of the walls, rebuilding the organ, and a new carpet, digging back into the records for about ten years and finish paying off a World Service obligation, which was not met in full during one of its bad years, thus giving the church a clean record of meeting all obligations for all purposes through the years. The church has raised more than fourteen thousand dollars for all purposes during the year, and added 19 new members to the church. It has also more than doubled the list of Advocate subscriptions.

DUKE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF GUILFORD COUNTY MET IN GREENSBORO

Gilbert E. Powell was elected president of the Guilford County Alumni Association of Duke University at a dinner given November 13 on the 20th anniversary of the founding of the association in honor of all past presidents.

The only other officer elected was Lloyd E. Griffith, secretary-treasurer. Powell succeeds Roy Booth who presided at this session.

Five of the past presidents of the association made short talks, largely reminiscent of college days. Dr. D. W. Holt, Greensboro physician, spoke about the development of hospital and medical facilities at Duke. Kenneth Brim, after a review of legal activity under the famous late Dean Mordecai, turned to the development of football at Duke for the theme of his speech.

Bryce R. Holt discussed the physical education program and H. W. Kendall linked Duke with the history of education. James Coltrane, president last year, closed the series with a few general remarks about campus life.

Also speaking briefly were Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street Methodist church and a member of the Duke board of trustees, and Dr. A. W. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

The business session was followed by the showing of pictures of the Duke Georgia-Tech game.

I fear God, and next to God I fear him who fears Him not.—Saadi.

MISSIONARY INSTITUTES LAST WEEK

I attended four missionary institutes last week—Salisbury, Charlotte, Gastonia and Marion. E. D. C. Brewer, the secretary, has prepared an accurate report of the Charlotte meeting, which appears in another column of this paper.

The Salisbury institute was unusually enthusiastic and largely attended. Its being held Sunday afternoon accounted in part for the attendance and the enthusiasm, but not all. The new district superintendent is taking hold of his work with vigor and intelligence. The people are greatly pleased. First church, Salisbury, expresses delight with their new pastor, W. J. Miller. W. G. McFarland, the district secretary, was doing his work according to the style of a man in love with his job. Obviously that Sunday afternoon meeting was of great inspirational value and the beginning of a great year on the Salisbury district. Dr. Ezra Cox was the principal speaker at the evening hour.

Gastonia Institute

The Gastonia institute was held Tuesday at Cherryville. It began at 10 o'clock and continued with a short session in the afternoon following a noon time lunch.

The attendance was large and the interest on the part of the large congregation was all that one need desire. Rev. E. M. Jones gave due attention to all details of the work and carefully planned the district work for the new year. The outlook is unusually hopeful in this great industrial section of North Carolina.

Marion District

The Marion district institute assembled at 10 o'clock with Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, district superintendent, directing all the work of the occasion. An interesting feature was the introduction of pastors moving into the district. This usually routine matter was enlivened by the chairman asking each one how long he had served in his previous charge. Most of them reported four years or more.

The speakers for the morning session were as follows:

Devotionals, Rev. D. M. Nifong.

Statement, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S.



Hickory Grove-Friendship Parsonage, near Greensboro

Report of Church School of Missions, Rev. Garland Stafford.

Local Church Board of Missions and Church Extension, Rev. M. T. Hipps.

Fourth Sunday Missionary Program and Offering, Rev. Fletcher Nelson.

Presentation of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Guild, Misses Claudia Harbison and Joyce Decker.

Conference Missionary Secretary, Rev. L. B. Abernethy. Introduction of speaker.

Address, Dr. Ezra S. Cox, representative of Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York.

The foregoing limited report of these district meetings is only a hint of what was done to advance the interest of the kingdom. In fact all these institutes showed unusual promise of a good year ahead in Western North Carolina. And why should it be otherwise in this great land where abounds opportunities for doing good work for God and the church?

DR. D. E. CAMAK'S FINE WORK IN HENDERSONVILLE

An editorial in the Times-News of Hendersonville says many kind things about Dr. D. E. Camak who had given four years of acceptable service to Hendersonville Methodism and at the last conference moved to Marion. Dr. Camak before coming to Hendersonville was a promnent preacher in South Carolina.

We quote the following:

"Dr. Camak's monument for Christian endeavor and achievement was erected even before he came to Hendersonville, and he has since added measurably to his accomplishments. As founder of Textile Institute, now Spartanburg Junior College; as an author, and as a minister and teacher he has worthily influenced the lives of thousands of young people and, by the example of an exemplary life and the power of his pulpit messages has helped countless older people to live out careers of benefit to themselves and their fellows. Through the years he has, of course, had the help and inspiration of Mrs. Camak, who holds an important place of her own in the affections of the people of this community."



The new Friendship Church, seven miles west of Greensboro and across the highway from the Friendship-Hickory Grove Parsonage. The church has a membership of loyal and devoted people. Rev. H. C. Byrum is pastor.

When God Speaks

By CHARLES O. RANSFORD

Every man has his moods. His moods determine his reactions and attitudes. A person with a cheerful spirit looks on life as fair and pleasant. One of somber spirit sees only the dark and dreary way. God's world appears bright and beautiful to the cheerful. To the gloomy and morose the world is sorrowful and full of trouble. We are optimistic or pessimistic according to our moods and attitudes. God's world and all the people in it are just what we make of them. Whether we are glad or sad is of our own choice.

The poets, life's most pleasant interpreters have been men of moods. They sang with high joys in exultant notes or in mourning as their thoughts and feelings guided them. Tennyson's "In Memoriam" is an expression of his sorrow. Only his Christian faith sustained him and forbade despair. His "one clear harp in divers tones' would not permit him to yield to "his dead self."

Milton sang in "L'Allegro" of

Jest and youthful Jollity,
And love to live in dimple sleek,
And Laughter holding both his sides.

And in "Il Penseroso" of

Vain deluding Joyes,
The brood of Folly without father bred!
. . . . . .
Where glowing embers through the room
Teach Light to counterfeit a gloom.

Youth and age have different moods. For youth life is joyous and gay. The way always seems pleasant and a path of peace. Lord Byron whose life was misspent, "On My Thirty-sixth Year" wrote—

My days are in the yellow leaf;
The flowers and fruits of love are gone:
The worm, the canker, and the grief
Are mine alone.

Shakespeare puts into the mouth of Macbeth sad words of disappointment—

My way of life
Is fallen with the sere, the yellow leaf;
And that which should accompany old age
As honor, love, obedience, troops of friends,
I must not look to have.

William Cullen Bryant wrote—

The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year,
Of wailing winds, and naked woods, and meadows brown and sere.

Wordsworth sees a different world.

A sense sublime
Of something far more deeply interfused,
Whose dwelling is the light of setting suns.

William Herbert Carruth sees God.

And all over upland and lowland
The charm of the golden rod,
Some of us call it Autumn
And others call it God.

Bryant had another mood when he wrote—

To him who in the love of Nature holds
Communion with her visible forms, she speaks
A various language; for his gayer hours
She has a voice of gladness, and a smile
And eloquence of beauty, and she glides
Into his darker musings, with a mild
And healing sympathy, that steals away
Their sharpness ere he is aware.

James Thompson thus speaks—

Autumn nodding o'er the yellow plain
. . . . . .
Loveliness
Needs not the foreign aid of ornament;
But is when adorned, adorned the most.

The Lake Poets, Coleridge, Southey, and Wordsworth each caught inspirations of love and beauty and goodness in the contemplation of nature.

Coleridge said—

Flowers are lovely; love is flower-like;
Friendship is a sheltering tree;
Oh, the joys that come down shower like
Of friendship, love and liberty.
. . . . . .
Clothing the palpable and familiar
With golden exhalations of the dawn.

Southey said—

How beautiful is night!
A dewy freshness fills the silent air;
No mist obscures, nor cloud, nor speck, nor stain,
Breaks the serene of heaven.

Wordsworth sees beauty in the commonest flowers and says—

A primrose by a river's brim
A yellow primrose was to him.

A violet by a mossy stone
Half hidden from the eye!
Fair as a star, when only one
Is shining in the sky.

To me the meanest flower that blows can give
Thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears.

Nature has her moods and with the seasons puts on her beautiful garments. How sweet and fresh is a walk in the woods in the spring time, when flowers and plants and shrubs and trees put on their loveliness. Under one's feet are the grasses and the wild flowers. Striking one's face are the flowering shrubs and above one's head from dogwood, red bud and locust come sweet fragrance.

It is no wonder that the dogwood with its cross shaped petals in gleaming white has so many traditions, even that the tree on which Christ was crucified was a dogwood. Therefore it should never grow large again to make a cross, but should always have the emblem of his crucifixion in its fronded calices.

Summer has its beauty with all flowers and shrubs coming in beauty to gladden man's heart and feed both his body and soul with a divine nutriment.

Autumn surpasses all with fruitfulness and the beauty of the flowers and trees that struggled through heat and drouth or excess of moisture to come to the fullness of their lives for which all things were made.

Autumn is always restful after the heat of summer and man's toil and weariness. Autumn is not death. Autumn is the fullness of growth. The gold and red of the forest and the sered brown patches of earth are not the end of their growth, but their transition.

Our heavenly Father puts a beauty in nature in the days of transition. Had we the knowledge of the scientist we might know the sere and yellow leaves falling to earth was but God's way of enriching the soil and a protection and food for the falling seeds that they might live again.

God has a purpose and a beauty in all his processes. When color is put on the grasses and leaves he is calling our attention to his beauty and goodness and love for man in the perennial changes.

Life evermore is fed by death,
In earth and sea and sky;
And that a rose might breath its breath
Something must die. (Holland).

In his translation of "The Letters of St. Paul" Dr. Arthur S. Way makes 1 Corinthians 13:8, "Charity never faileth" read "Love's flower petals never fail." He gets this suggestion from James 1:11 and 1 Peter 1:24, "The grass withereth and the flower thereof falleth away." The Greek word in Corinthians translated "faileth" is pipto and the word in James and Peter "falleth away" is ekpipto.

The flowers and grasses and leaves may wither and fall but they do not die. They fall to earth to enrich the soil and live again each year in fairer flowers and grasses and stronger trees. It is an endless process of falling to live again. And living to give life unto others.

George Matheson in his much loved hymn, "O Love that wilt not let me go," has in beauty forever enshrined God's thoughts.

I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

The transition in nature through all the seasons is God speaking. Jesus said, "He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. Because I live, ye shall live also."

A THREE IN ONE DISTRICT MEETING

The pastors, district stewards, church leaders and members of the Waynesville district conference met at the Sylva Methodist church Friday, November 13, for an all day program.

The entire morning service was given over to a missionary institute program. After a devotional service conducted by W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, there was a talk made by Rev. J. S. Higgins of Highlands on "The Fourth Sunday in the Rural Church," and a talk by Rev. C. C. Washam of Clyde on "The Fourth Sunday in the Town Church." Then followed a paper by Rev. J. C. Madison of Waynesville on "The Church in a Distressed World." The principal speaker, Dr. Ezra Cox of the Board of Missions, was introduced by Rev. L. B. Abernethy, conference missionary secretary. Following the address of Dr. Cox, Mrs. E. L. McKee of Sylva spoke on "The Triumphant Church," and Mrs. Dale Stentz on "The Woman's Program for Christian Service." Rev. R. G. Tuttle, entertaining pastor who recently has been named district missionary secretary, gave a report by charges of benevolent giving of 1941-42.

After a delightful lunch served by the ladies of the Sylva church in their new educational building, the afternoon session opened with a program in charge of the district stewards with J. R. Long, chairman, presiding. After devotional service conducted by Rev. Ralph H. Taylor of Murphy, Mrs. C. O. Newell and Rev. W. E. Andrews spoke on "The Indians in Our Midst." The cause of Brevard was presented by President E. J. Coltrane, and the work of the laymen by J. R. Long. R. D. Coleman gave a report on district assessments for 1942-43. It was voted to accept the report as presented with the supplement that one percent be set aside for district parsonage fund and that Harley E. Wright of Canton be treasurer of said fund.

Following the program of the district stewards, Supt. Hutchins called a brief meeting of the district conference. After the roll call and upon his nomination the following were elected to serve for another year on the interim committee: J. C. Madison, Miles McLean, L. C. Stevens, C. C. Washam, W. L. Hutchins, ex offcio.

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted to elect Rev. C. C. Washam of Clyde as district treasurer of the ministerial support fund. There being no further business the conference adjourned. Besides the guests who took part on the program Dr. M. T. Smathers, district superintendent, of Asheville was guest at this meeting.

Miles A. McLean, Sec.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT MISSIONARY MEETING

The Charlotte district stewards' meeting and missionary institute convened at First Methodist church, Charlotte, Monday, November 9, under the leadership of G. T. Bond, district superintendent, and J. W. Fitzgerald, district missionary secretary.

W. B. West led the morning devotions. F. A. Wilkinson reported on the district work fund and asked for the apportionment of one-half of one per cent for this fund again this year. Mr. Wilkinson was re-elected treasurer of the district work fund. J. J. Akers was re-elected treasurer of the ministerial fund. P. T. Dixon was named to distribute the 1942 journals in the district. It was decided to pay the expense of Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Akers in their work.

Guy O. Bagwell, district lay leader, urged observance of Layman's Day, February 21, and emphasized The Methodist Layman, Men's Work Movement, and World Service. Mrs. C. E. Wakefield, district president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, praised the work of the women and urged them to be ready for the close of the year. A. W. Plyler reported a net gain of 1600 subscribers, the best of his 20 years with the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

E. J. Coltrane gave a good report of Brevard College and urged an observance of Brevard Day, December 6. L. B. Abernethy spoke in the interest of the Charlotte City Missionary Society. E. O. Cole lifted up his work as conference treasurer and the importance of developing superannuate homes.

Dr. Bond read the apportionments on World Service for the churches. The district apportionment was $28,791. He urged the churches to accept and pay all the askings and to do it as early in the year as possible. He lifted up the fourth Sunday as World Service Sunday in the church school. Brother Fitzgerald called attention to the missionary leaflets and other helps which were available for pastors and other leaders.

Climax of the meeting came when Dr. Ezra M. Cox, field secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, thrilled the audience with stories of the work of missions at home and abroad.

E. D. C. Brewer, Sec.

WARSAW-MAGNOLIA HAD A GOOD YEAR

There were 18 additions by certificate and 10 on profession of faith. Along financial lines we had great success. The salary was increased $375, which of course carried with it considerable increase in other finances. The amount of benevolences apportioned was not accepted in full, but salary and the benevolences as accepted were paid in full. Four churches, Carlton, Magnolia, Trinity, and Turkey went back and paid all the benevolences which they did not accept. Carlton overpaid the amount apportioned. Warsaw overpaid her acceptance nearly 50 per cent. More was paid on benevolences this year than last when the benevolences were accepted in full and paid. But what is more remarkable is the fact that each church had a surplus left in the treasury, a thing they never experienced before. On the whole charge this amounts to several hundred dollars.

Last year was the best financially this charge had ever known, but this year tops last year. This is the result of the Pib Club which I organized last fall, which has opened the eyes of our farmers as to the ease with which the church may be financed. The Pig Club was a "squealing success." There is no patent on it and many other country pastors are welcome to try it.

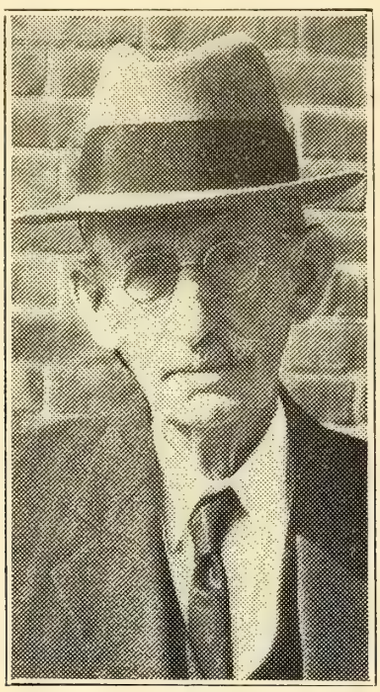
Trinity church is getting ready to build Sunday school rooms, which will be a great help.

We have just returned from Wilson and here at Warsaw the people of all denominations have given us a hearty welcome to start off another year.

C. T. Thrift.

AN AGED AND HONORED MEMBER OF THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE ENDS HIS EARTHLY SOJOURN

Rev. J.T. Stover, 90, and oldest member of his conference died November 17 at his home in Rutherford College, following a critical illness of four weeks. He took the retired relation in his conference about 20 years ago and since that time has made his home in Rutherford College. For almost half a century before his retirement he had been an active and effective Methodist pastor.



Rev. J. T. Stover

Rev. J. T. Stover joined the Holston conference in 1875 and transferred to the Western North Carolina upon its organization more than 50 years ago. For many years he has stood at the head of the chronological roll of his conference. Sixty-seven years is a long time to be a member of an annual conference, and until injured in an automobile accident a year or two ago he never had missed a session of his conference.

Brother Stover was a devoted Methodist preacher, true and honorable in all the relations of life and numbered his friends by the hundreds. He reared a family that has commanded the esteem of every circle in which they lived and served.

He is survived by five children, Miss Lockie Stover and Mrs. Virginia Cole, Greensboro; W. B. Stover, Charlotte; Mrs. T. P. Bumgarner and Rodney Stover, both of Rutherford College. He also leaves five grandchildren.

PLAN FOR NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE NEXT YEAR

The quota of one new subscriber for every fifty members of a charge holds for the coming year. On next page is the record made in 1942 by each conference. The coming year all new subscribers secured will be added to those of the past year. Of the 660 pastors last year 443 secured new subscribers, 114 of these got more than their quota—some three or four times their quota. This fine showing will be added to next year for all subscribers secured during the two years will be in the final report at end of this year.

Y'S AT LOUISBURG COLLEGE SPONSOR SOCIAL AND PERSONAL PROBLEM DISCUSSIONS

Mrs. Jesse Schnopp Grigg of the Family Life Community Program of Raleigh Schools and formerly a member of the Eastern Carolina Teachers College faculty, is conducting at Louisburg College a series of lectures and discussions on the problems of courtship and marriage or boy and girl relations. She is sponsored by the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. and is scheduled to lecture on five consecutive Fridays.

She presented in her first session, November 13, a background for the students. She traced the fluctuations of social codes and standards over a period of years and the importance of the matrimonial problem today in the light of an altered social world and enforced adapation of personal plans. She mentioned the threat of a serious depression in the marriage rate and the urgent need for thinking in terms of the post-war world. Mrs. Grigg referred to Jane Addams as the "morning star" in solving the problem of boy-girl relationships. She quoted Miss Addams' words: "The business of youth is mating, and the business of education is to help them mate successfully."

The honor roll for the first quarter was announced by President Walter Patten at the Friday chapel hour.

Four students had made this highest level of honors, as follows, according to rank: Horton Corwin, Ahoskie; J. Wesley Gentry, Roxboro; Annie Louise Sherlock, Elizabeth City; and Eleanor Beasley, Louisburg.

Twenty-one made the honorable mention roll, as follows, according to rank: Eaton Holden, Ira Helms, Mary Sykes, Lois Ashell, Shirley Smith, Marion Frederick, Martha Ann Strowd, Elizabeth Harris, Mary Modlin, J. E. Norris, Carol Temple ,Thomas Helms, Elaine Smith, Sara Hux, Louise Baines, King Moore Willis, Ralph Pegram, Dayton Hardwick, Jewell Jackson, Sue Margaret Harris, Julia Matthews.

The International Relations Club held its first meeting Thursday evening. The topic for the meeting concerned especially the African phase of the war, on which Mr. V. R. Kilby, head of history department, and Mrs. Elso Craig Yarborough, librarian, presented facts to familiarize the group as to the importance and the military value of this theater of war. Following these speeches there was open discussion, characterized by ready and eager student participation.

STARTING WELL AT MT. AIRY, ROCKFORD STREET

At the last session of the W. N. C. conference we were assigned to this pastorate. On our arrival one week later wo were most cordially received and welcomed to our new home.

The work of the new conference year is starting off with added interest. An increase in attendance at all services has been noted. We do not have a large membership, but we already observe that there are many faithful members. This is evidenced by an attendance of forty at prayer meeting last Wednesday evening. We are indeed thankful for a live, wide-awake board of stewards and efficient leaders in all departments. Recently several hundred dollars has been spent on painting the beautiful church edifice, and these good women of the Woman's Society of Christian Service have made many necessary improvements in the parsonage, which is now well furnished and modernly equipped. Since our coming the ladies have placed new rugs on the floors, new window shades and hall runner and other things.

We have every reason to believe that Rockford Street will go forward this year with a constructive program—a full program of church activities—and that, under God, we shall see results both spiritual and material. Of course in this program of objectives we shall not neglect the interests of the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

We would like to add that we feel fortunate in being located in a town with two Methodist churches. Dr. C. N. Clark is pastor of Central Street Methodist church, and it is always a happy privilege to be associated with him in the work of the Lord.

Edward M. Graham, Pastor.

Final Report on Game of Securing New Subscribers to the Advocate for 1942

The quota or goal is one new yearly subscriber for every fifty church members.

One star by the name indicates quota, two stars double the quota, and so on.

Durham District

3*J. W. Sneeden, Mebane.
3*V. E. Queen, Carrboro.
2*J. J. Boone, Graham.
*H. B. Lewis, Alamance.
*John Cline, Branson.
*W. B. Cotton, Mt. Hermon.
*M. C. Henderson, Saxapahaw.
*S. F. Nicks, Hillsboro.
*S. J. Starnes, Durham Ct.
*J. V. Early, Yanceyville.
*M. C. Ellerbe, Burlington Ct.
*J. F. Coble, Glen-Raven, Haw River.
*C. P. Morris, Orange Ct.
*M. C. Dunn, Carr.
*J. M. Culbreth, Chapel Hill.

Elizabeth City District

2*M. W. Maness, Manteo.
2*M. R. Gardner, Aulander.
2*W. N. Vaughan, South Mills.
2*H. F. Surratt, Windsor.
*T. J. Whitehead, North Gates.
*L. E. Sawyer, Bath.

Fayetteville District

*S. A. Maxwell, Aberdeen-Vass.
*W. F. Elliott, Stedman.
*W. E. Smith, Johnson Memorial.
*W. A. Parsons, Pinebluff.
*R. E. Brown, Hay Street.

New Bern District

*L. E. Sawyer, Marshallburg.
*W. A. Tew, Riverside-Bridgeton.
*G. W. Perry, Jarvis Memorial.
*C. E. Hix, Jr., La Grange.
*J. H. Miller, Morehead City.

Raleigh District

*J. W. Bradley, Princeton.
*H. M. McLamb, Fairmont.
*O. W. Dowd, Dunn.
*F. D. Hedden, Louisburg.
*R. L. Jerome, Hayes-Barton.
*R. L. Hethcox, Newton Grove.
*J. L. Smith, Oxford Ct.
*J. K. Worthington, City Road-White Memorial.
*O. W. Mathison, Vance.

Rocky Mount District

2*G. W. Blount, Spring Hope.
*D. D. Broome, Littleton Ct.
*C. B. Peacock, W. Halifax.
*J. G. Phillips, Bethel.
*T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
4*D. M. Sharpe, Nashville.
*H. L. Davis, Littleton.

Wilmington District

4*J. D. Stott, Pembroke.
2*M. W. Warren, Garland.
*J. F. Starnes, Carvers Creek.
*R. S. Harrison, Southport.
*W. J. Freeman, Bladen.
*E. C. Maness, Chadbourn.
*C. W. Barbee, Elizabeth.
*C. T. Rogers, Wallace-Rosehill.
*C. A. Jones, St. Paul.
*Walter Pavy, Town Creek.
*J. C. Chaffin, Whiteville.
*I. J. Strawbridge, Burgaw.
*F. W. Paschall, Trinity.

Asheville District

*A. C. Swofford, Haywood.
*R. H. Taylor, Asbury Memorial.
*C. W. Bates, Candler.
*J. R. Bowman, Rosman.
*E. O. Peeler, Oakley.
*J. J. Wood, Asheville Ct.
*R. W. Blanchard, Tryon.

Charlotte District

2*J. L. Trollinger, Polkton.
2*C. P. Bowles, Wadesboro.
2*C. E. Murray, Spencer Memorial.
*J .R. Warren, Indian Trail-Stallings.
*J. W. Fitzgerald, Belmont Park.
*J. E. Rink, Thrift-Moores.
*C. F. Womble, Homestead-Pleasant Grove.

Elkin District

15*Hoyt H. Wood, W. Jefferson.
2*A. C. Waggoner, N. Wilkesboro.
*F. A. Wright, Mocksville Ct.
*J. L. A. Bumgarner, Millers Creek.
*W. J. Huneycutt, Yadkinville.

Gastonia District

*J. G. Wilkinson, Dallas.
*F. R. Love, Trinity.
*C. L. Grant, Lowesville.
*G. W. Clay, Fallston.
*D. M. Nifong, Cherryville.
*S. W. Johnson, Kings Mountain.

Greensboro District

2*W. Kenneth Goodson, W. Greensboro.
*T .V. Crouse, Haw River.
*O. J. Jones, Madison.
*W. H. Yokeley, Mitchells-Vickory.
*C. W. Russell, Summerfield.
*E. M. Avett, Glenwood.
*E. P. Hamilton, Flat Rock.
*Paul R. Rayle, Draper.

High Point District

2*J. E. Pritchard, Ramseur - Franklinville.
2*C. H. Hill, Liberty Ct.
2*J. C. Gentry, South Davidson.
*J. W. Braxton, Asheboro.
*J. O. Ervin, Farmer.
*Paul Hardin, Jr., First.
*T. G. Madison, Shiloh.
*Y. D. Poole, Randleman Ct.
*J. D. Williams, Welch Memorial.
*Edward Suits, Rankin Memorial.
*J. H. Trolinger, Coleridge.
*C. E. Ridge, Pleasant Grove.
*G. E. White, Archdale.
*G. R. Brown, Liberty.
*R. E. Ward, Oak View.
*J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr., Seagrove.
*R. F. Huneycutt, Trinity.

Marion District

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2*W. J. Plint, Valdese.
*M. C. Reese, Henrietta-Caroleen.
*F. R. Barber, Cross Mills.
*J. R. Duncan, Rutherford College.

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6*Aubert M. Smith, Jackson Park.
2*E. A. Cook, Mt. Mitchell.
*E. A. Bingham, Albemarle Ct.
*W. O. Weldon, China Grove.
*Chas. Sharpe, Jr., Tabernacle-Palestine.
*L R. Spencer, Salem.
*R. C. Stubbins, Norwood.
*W. C. Sides, Jr., Friendship.
*J. W. Combs, Roberta.
2*E. A. Cook, Mt. Mitchell.

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2*John W. Moore, Mooresville Central.
*J. P. Hornbuckle, Sr., Highlands.
*J. E. Hipp, Boulevard.
*R. H. Kennington, Union Grove-Zion.

Waynesville District

4*R. G. Tuttle, Sylva.
3*H. D. Garmon, Robbinsville.
2*Melton Harbin, Fines Creek.
*J. C. Madison, Waynesville.

Winston-Salem District

5*R. Odell Brown, Pilot Mountain.
2*C. E. Williams, Rockford Street.
2*A. P. Ratledge, Walkertown.
2*J. H. Melzer, Marvin.
2*R. E. Hinshaw, Ogburn Memorial.
*J. T. Shackford, Winston Ct.
*C. D. White, First.

The following list is the names of all who have received one-half or better of their quota and are past the 50 yard line toward the goal:

Durham District

R. Z. Newton, Pittsboro.
I. T. Poole, Swepsonville.
W. K. Barrs, Lakewood.
J. C. Williams, Cedar Grove.
J. M. Ormond, Lakewood.
F. A. Lupton, Leasburg.
L. L. Parrish, W. Burlington.
W. L. Clegg, W. Durham.
H. E. Spence, Calvary.

Elizabeth City District

G. C. Wood, Roper.
J. R. Regan, Mattamuskeet.
L. T. Singleton, Moyock.
R. H. Lewis, Wanchese.
A. L. Chaplin, Columbia.
J. D. A. Autry, Kinnakeet.

Fayetteville District

D. L. Fouts, Jonesboro.
C. B. Culbreth, Siler City.
R. W. Barfield, Troy Ct.

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Leon Russell, New Bern.
R. L. Vickery, Grimesland.

Raleigh District

R. G. L. Edwards, Fuquay.
P. O. Lee, Clayton.
R. L. Crossno, Lillington.

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MRS. W. R. HARRIS, Editor, 15 Woodvale Ave., Asheville, N. C.

TO DELEGATES TO SOUTHEASTERN JURISDICTION CONFERENCE

Dear Co-worker:

Because of travel conditions, crowded hotels and defense industries in our cities, the executive committee voted unanimously not to hold a Jurisdiction conference in 1943. We deeply regret this necessity and are looking forward to more normal times when we can meet together again as a jurisdiction.

Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Pres.
Mrs. J. Roy Jones, Sec.

METHODIST WOMEN STUDY LATIN AMERICA

(Gastonia Daily Gazette)

With Mrs. Kenneth Todd in charge of arrangements and Mrs. J. W. Payne of Cherryville, conference secretary of missionary education and service, directing the study, the women of Main Street Methodist church in Gastonia held an interesing and comprehensive study of Latin America at an all-day session on Wednesday of the past week, using the text book "On This Foundation" by Rycroft. Assisting the leader with the discussions were Mrs. Charles W. Smith, Mrs. Geo. W. Loveless, Mrs. Kay Evan Glenn, Mrs. Zeb Harry, Mrs. Ben E. Atkins and Mrs. J. O. Fayssoux.

The class room was adorned with highly colored posters of the several South American countries, and at one o'clock a cleverly and attractively appointed Mexican luncheon was served in the dining room. Mexican pottery, baskets, charm strings and serapes from Mrs. Todd's collection were used in decorating the room and the table, and enchiladas and frijoles were served. During the luncheon hour a musical program of Spanish numbers was presented by Mrs. C. C. Carpenter. Fifty or more women were in attendance upon the day's program.

WEEK OF PRAYER OBSERVED

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Lincolnton Methodist church met at the church on October 20 for the observance of the week set apart for prayer and self-denial. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. Plato Miller, secretary of spiritual life groups in the society and in the Gastonia district. On a pastor placed in the front of the room were listed the institutions to which week of prayer gifts will be directed, viz: Wood Junior College at Mathiston, Miss.; Crandon Institute, at Montevideo, Uruguay; Granberry Institute at Juiz De Fora, Brazil; American School at Lins, Brazil, and Wesley Community House at Oklahoma City, Okla.

The topic used for the morning meditation was "Where Cross the Crowded Ways." The history of the Wesley House was presented by Mrs. Wiley Pickens, Mrs. H. A. Jonas, Mrs. J. E. Kale, Mrs. C. W. Seagle, Mrs. L. D. Thompson, and Mrs. J. L. Lineberger. Mrs. J .R. Gamble rendered a solo, "Beautiful Garden of Prayer," which was followed by Psalms of praise read responsively, and special prayers offered for our schools and Wesley Houses all over the world.

Several prayer hymns were sung and a message from the church was brought byMrs. C .W. Seagle, with the response from the community given by Mrs. Miller. The meeting adjourned for an hour and luncheon was served.

The topic for the afternoon session was "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and was also led by Mrs. Miller. Wood Junior College was presented by Mrs. M. H. Kuhn and Mrs. J. L. Lineberger. Mrs. J. R. Gamble sang "Above the Hills of Time the Cross is Gleaming," while the offering was being taken. This offering amounted to $20 for the causes for which the offering for the week of prayer are to be donated. The prayer of dedication of these gifts was followed by the hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," which closed the impressive and profitable service.

The following poem is found in "Travel the Jericho Road"—a book of poems by Mrs. Ethel L. Kithell of St. Louis, Mo., former corresponding secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Missouri conference:

MISSIONS

So you don't believe in missions!
Do you not know the heart of God
Broke on the Cross of Calvary?
Father, forgive, they know not what
They do, they don't believe in me!

So you don't believe in missions!
Can you forget the dying thief;
Who on the cross to me once cried—
Father, forgive, they know not what
They do; they too forget I died!

So you don't believe in missions!
Have you not heard the old, old story,
For all I came my life to give?
Father, forgive, they know not what
They do, they do not know I live!

So you don't believe in missions!
Do you not know that for your sin
I live to intercede above?
Father, forgive, they know not what
They do; they do not know I love.

So you don't believe in missions!
How can you then profess my name,
And still my very words deny?
Father, forgive, they know not what
They do; again they crucify.

(By permission).

A CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP CREED

By Bishop Ralph S. Cushman

God is the sovereign owner of all things.

Man is a steward and must give an account for all that is entrusted to him.

This acknowledgment requires, as its material expression, the setting apart, as an act of worship, of a separated portion of income.

Biblical history records the setting apart of the tenth of income as that acknowledgment.

This portion ought to be systematically administered for the kingdom of God, and the balance treated as no less than a trust.—From his recent book, "Will a Man Rob God?"

MRS. C. C. WEAVER LEAVES FOR CLEVELAND

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, our conference president, will leave Friday, November 27, for Cleveland, Ohio, to attend the annual meeting of the national board of missions and church extension of which she is a member. The woman's division is meeting a few days prior to the board meeting and Mrs. Weaver will be away for ten days or more. The meeting of the national board was held last year in New York City and Mrs. Weaver was also present at that meeting.

THE COSMIC SWEEP

By John Marvin Rast

Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning.—Amos 5:8.

Just as the setting sun is magnified in our sight because it is beheld through the horizontal layers of ether, so our vexations and griefs viewed through the lens of the world are inflated and distorted. The exhortation of Amos is ever timely, to "seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and maketh the shadow of death into the morning." Not a night of stars should be wasted on us. Meditating upon their infinite size and number our weary, wounded spirits cannot but be uplifted into the presence of Him who formed them and gave them their heavenly setting. Here is abundant balm for earth-bound life, and free for the seeking.

Eternal God, when we consider thy heavens, we do marvel that thou art mindful of us; yet they declare unto us that we, too, are in thy keeping, that in thy estmates we are of more worth than shining worlds and suns. O may we in our orbits faithfully radiate thy abiding love and peace.

A TESTIMONIAL

"All missionaries in China now feel they would not have missed these last years in China for anything. We feel we have gotten clear into the heart of the Chinese people and know them as never before. You do not know what the missionaries have meant to the morale of the Chinese people."—From a news bulletin issued by the Board of Missions and Church Extension.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

CHINESE CHRISTIAN ALLEGORY

Once a man fell into a dark slimy pit. He tried to climb up the sides but failed. Buddha came along, stopped and said, "Poor fellow, if he will come up I will help him." Then he went away. Confucius came and looked at the man and said, "Poor fellow, if he had listened to me he never would have gotten into that plight." Finally Christ came, saw the man, leaped down into the pit and lifted him out.

FIFTY FRUIT BEARING YEARS

"It is given to me a unique privilege, having helped organize a missionary society, having gone to the mission fields and then return to work again in the Mary Pescud society," said Miss Frances Burkhead, who presided at the 50th anniversary celebration of the Mary Pescud Missionary Society (now a unit of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church). The observance was held in the Joseph G. Brown auditorium of the Poindexter Memorial building on Friday evening, November 6, 1942. In the interesting historical sketch of the organization, Miss Betts said: "On Sunday afternoon, November 6, 1892, at 4 o'clock nine young women met to organize the Young Woman's Missionary Society of Edenton Methodist church in Raleigh. Rev. John N. Cole was pastor of the church at that time. The first president was Miss Mary Pescud who served with the following officers: Edith Royster, Frances Burkhead, Alice Jones, Mamie Robbins. Other members present at the first meeitng were Belle Fleming, Josephine Reese and Mrs. Patrick Wyatt. Mrs. J. L. Cuninggim (Aunt Lucy) conducted the devotional and helped organize the society. Early in the life of this organization it was decided to give of self, service and substance to the work of spreading the gospel and that high spirit of devotion has characterized the members for 50 years, we are humbly grateful to record." The historical sketch further points out that two of the charter members became missionaries, Miss Mary Pescud to Brazil and Miss Frances Burkhead to China. In 1899 the society voted to take a scholarship in Brazil. This has been continued through the years and many girls have been enabled to secure an education because of it. It is known as the Mary Pescud Scholarship and is now at Bennett College in Rio. Some other worthy achievements of the Mary Pescud Missionary Society have been: Financing a Bible woman in China since 1926; placing the names of Miss Pescud, Miss Burkhead and Mrs. Alma W. Edgerton in the Book of Remembrance at Scarritt College; assisting in the education of a Raleigh girl; clothing children at the Methodist Orphanage and many other forms of local work. Although the membership has never exceeded more than approximately 35, the society has for many years been the largest in per capita giving in the N. C. conference. In the fall of 1940 when, as a result of unification of the three branches of Methodism, the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild were organized, the Mary Pescud Missionary Society became a unit of the Guild, still retaining the name Mary Pescud. Three of the chosen members of the society still hold membership in the Mary Pescud unit of the W. S. G. They are Mrs. Josephine Reese Pescud, Miss Frances Burkhead and Miss Belle Fleming. Other highlights of the anniversary observance program include: "An Appreviation of Miss Pescud," by Miss Burkhead; Bible messages and prayer, Mrs. Earl Brian; greetings from the conference society, the woman's society of Edenton Street church and from the church by Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, Mrs. L. A. Watts and Dr. John C. Glenn, respectively; solo, "I Will Life Up Mine Eyes," Mrs. Leroy Thiem; "The Changed Name," Miss Belle Fleming; the roll of members 1894-1942, Miss Helen Yates; "Looking Forward," Mrs. Frances Hoffman. An offering was taken to be applied on the establishment of a perpetual memorial to Miss Mary Pescud, which will be in the form of a gift to the library at Bennett College in Brazil. Greetings were read from Bishop and Mrs. W. W. Peele, Mrs. Edith Royster Judd, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, Mrs. Maude Merriman Cunningham and others. Mrs. M. T. Plyler of Durham and Mrs. J. L. Sewall of Raleigh, both former members, were special guests.

CHANGES OF ADDRESSES

Because of changes in appointments at the recent session of the North Carolina conference two conference officers and one district secretary, all of whom are ministers' wives, are moving. It will be well to note and remember these changes of address. Mrs. B. F. Boone, conference secretary missionary education and service, has moved to Fairmont; Mrs. D. L. Fouts, conference secretary young women and girls' work ,is now residing in Whiteville, and Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary, has changed her residence to Maysville. We wish for each of these and for their husbands happy associations and fruitful ministry in their new fields of service.

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT NEWS

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, states that the third quarter reports in that district were most gratifying; the emergency gifts totaled $701; the pledge is "well up to date"; all of the fall zone meetings have been held and every indication points to a successful ending of 1942. Milwaukee society, Mrs. L. C. Davis, secretary literature and publication; Conway, Mrs. Henry Britton, secretary literature and publication; Zion-Conway, Mrs. M. C. Lassiter, secretary literature and publication; Severn, Mrs. H. P. Stephenson, president; and Weldon, Mrs. W. N. Gregory, secretary literature and publication, all attained the goal "Every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook." Incidentally, your conference secretary of publications, who is also your editor, is most desirous of obtaining full information concerning the number of societies which have achieved this lofty goal. If your society has done so, please write her.

NEW PROGRAM MATERIAL

Mrs. R. H. Broome of Ayden, conference secretary literature, announces that soon she will have a limited quantity of program material for 1943. Many societies order direct from Literature Headquarters and some order from Mrs. Broome. To those in this latter classification Mrs. Broome is appealing for an early order, since she wishes to fill them promptly. The price of each worship and program book is fifty cents.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City district secretary, shares with us the news that three out of seven zones in that district are organized 100 per cent. These are Gates county, Hertford-Bertie, Perquimans-Chowan. Harrellsville society is a new organization with eight members, 50 per cent of whom are subscribers to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. This society is contributing regularly to missions, has made gifts to the emergency fund and is reporting regularly to the district secretary.

WAYNE COUNTY ZONE

Wayne county zone was in session at Providence church on October 21. Mrs. John Chase presided. Principal speaker was Miss Mildred Hudgens, dean of women at Louisburg College and former missionary to Japan. Mrs. Gertie Matthews, district secretary, brought a message concerning the work in the district. Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, gave an inspirational address. using the theme, "Love Measured by Christ's Love." Rev. W. E. Howard of Mount Olive circuit, led the opening worship upon the subject, "Ideal Christians." Miss Ruth Brooks, rural worker on the Goldsboro circuit, told of her work. Mrs. Edgar Overman, extended a welcome, to which Mrs. Wiley Sauls of Eureka responded. Mrs. J. W. Rose of Pikeville rendered at violin solo, playing "Largo" by Handel; 150 registered for the occasion. The spring meeting of Wayne zone will be held at Salem church. Editor's note: We acknowledge receipt of items concerning meetings of Gates county, Northampton and Halifax zones. These will be published as early as possible.

The old see better behind than the young before.—German.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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WE CONTINUE

Our family continues to live. In fact, it is very much alive. There never seems to be a dull moment. The boys and girls work and play and study. School life goes well. The football is kicked around considerably. The junior commandos keep gathering scrap. In fact, the referee has to blow the whistle on them every once in awhile to keep them from getting iron that is essential for our ongoing. We have plenty of turnip sallet, and every once in awhile have pumpkin pie. We continue to live.

METHODIST METHODS

Methodists have always had a method for raising money. More than that, they have continually believed that their methods should lead towards definite goals. Such goals were called assessments in years past and gone. Eventually legislation was passed providing for acceptances on the part of local congregations of amounts to be secured and apportionments took the place of assessments. Funds for the Children's Home come under the head of apportionments, stated quotas to be raised in line with the choice of the local congregation.

CULTURAL VALUES

Attitude has much to do with accomplishments. The raising of the Children's Home apportionment, and for that matter for raising all congregational apportionments, can be transferred from a task to a joy if proper attitudes are encouraged. The church school offers a great opportunity for building up right attitudes on the part of formative youth towards giving to church enterprises. One of these fine opportunities is that of the fifth Sunday giving to our Children's Home family. Practically all of the largest congregational contributors to the Children's Home emphasize liberal fifth Sunday giving. The next fifth Sunday comes November 29.

CHILDHOOD FRANKNESS

Some weeks ago it was suggested that our various home mothers visit one another's cottages to note how well they were kept and what conditions governed the family life in them. Mrs. Emmons, home mother for the primary girls, reports that when Miss Hunter, Home mother for the primary boys, came to visit her family one of the little girls exclaimed, "We are so glad you have come! We have about worked ourselves down keeping our house clean during the past five days." Then the little girl sat down in relief as the two home mothers turned away to chuckle over the incident.

ERNEST IS EARNEST

In moving around to accommodate the painters at the Duke building Ernest's junior commando arm band was lost, and for several days he and his home mother worried over the misplacement. As Saturday approached when the junior commandos were to be entertained at one of the local picture shows and their admittance was dependent upon the wearing of the arm band, Ernest earnestly exclaimed to Mrs. Booth, his home mother, "We must find that arm band so I can get to be what I am!"



Jobs never push him—he pushes them

SMILES AND WORKS

The picture this week is that of Rev. S. W. Taylor, superintendent of the High Point district. He may be "Dr. Taylor," I do not now recollect. To this scribe he is "Brother Sam." He is a Davidson county product, having haled from the Yadkin College community. Brother Sam is a decided success. He smiles, works and gets things done. Believing in his church's program, he never stops to criticize anybody or any cause. He and his associate district pastors set their goals, roll up their sleeves and get the jobs done. Is it any wonder that the High Point district led all others in raising the Children's Home quotas last year?

THE BELL RINGERS

We are told that in England our allied friends have waited two years for their victory bells to ring. They rang last Sunday. The Children's Home victory bells ring every week. They ring when a congregation pays its basal apportionment with the assurance that the supplementary apportionment will be coming along during the year. In fact, an increasing number of congregations pay the entire apportionment, giving a little more tone to the bell ringing. Kindly note the congregations and pastors who rang the bell during the past week, and join us in grateful thanks:

May's Chapel, Maiden, Rev. J. C. Auman.

Casar, Polkville circuit, Rev. W. L. Scott.

Cramerton, Rev. L. P. Barnett.

Sharon, Shelby circuit, Rev. R. M. Hauss.

Canaan and Shady Grove, South Davidson circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright.

Wade Mill, Lilesville circuit, Rev. M. A. Lewis.

Crews, Crews-Sedge Garden circuit, Rev. W. B. Thompson.

A CONFERENCE SCENE

This scribe continues to remember various choice experiences of our recent annual conference. As time elapses the business transactions tend to be submerged as one is reminded of some choice conference happenings. I shall never forget the scene of those thirteen successful men who stood on the pulpit platform as the retirement ceremony was performed. There they stood casting their mantle upon the nine young men who stood around the altar facing them. It was more than a beautiul sight; it was a penetrating experience.

A GOOD SEASON

Reference has been made from time to time of the value of football to our family. Our boys play, play to win, while our girls cheer, cheer to win. We have had a lot of successful experiences. At this writing the varsity team has won seven games, tied one and lost one, the second team has won their two games while the reserves have won two and lost one. The 125 pounders have won three and lost one. The 100 pounders have won all their seven games with top-heavy scores, as is true with the 80 pounders, they having won their four games without being scored upon. The biggest winnings have come along with the clean playing, our best friends being among those with whom our boys play most regularly.

FROM A SUPERANNUATE

From an encouraging postal card from Rev. T. B. Johnson, an honored superannuate, we quote: "I will never lose interest in the Children's Home. When in the active ministry I never failed in any year to collect the Children's Home apportionment and to send in the fifth Sunday offerings as additional amounts. It was always easy to raise that fund. We are getting along very well and I am starting my fifty-first year as an itinerant Methodist minister, having had the privilege of attending the first day of fifty of our annual conferences. Our whole family is interested in you and the Children's Home. May you have many more years there."

Money never starts an idea; it is the idea that starts the money.—William J. Cameron.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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TRINITY CHURCH, RALEIGH — Recently Central and Epworth churches in Raleigh were merged into Trinity church. A few weeks ago the new church was opened with Bishop Purcell preaching the opening sermon. A large, enthusiastic congregation was present on that happy occasion. The new Trinity church is one of the most beautiful churches in Raleigh. Brother R. G. Dawson did a monumental piece of work in building the church during the first year of his pastorate. The congregation is justly proud of its pastor and new church.

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ARMISTICE OBSERVANCE —Armistice Day was observed at the Methodist Orphanage on Wednesday evening, November 11, with a program beginning at 7:30 in the auditorium. The audience sang "America, The Beautiful." Opening the program Lucille Craft, a student, read the scripture and Mabel Wells, another student, led the prayer. Two students, Harold Carrol and Russell Clay, read articles written for publication in the North Carolina Christian Advocate. A declamation of Patrick Henry oration, "Give Me Liberty Or Give Me Death," was recited by Russell Clay. The main feature of the program was an address by Secretary of State Thad Eure. He spoke on "How We Can Contribute to the War Effort." J. O. Sanderson, superintendent of the Raleigh city schools, introduced the speaker. B. M. Madison, principal of the Methodist Orphanage school, presided.

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ORPHANAGE REPORT — Brother A. L. Thompson, secretary of the Board of Hospitals and Homes, submitted the Orphanage report on Friday morning of conference. The report showed that our people are becoming more Orphanage minded with the passing of each year. The Orphanage was complimented on preparing programs for use in the church schools on fifth Sundays. By a unanimous vote every charge in the conference was asked to pay an amount equal to 7 per cent of the total amount raised, with some items deducted, which would give us a balanced budget. The report suggested that a large per cent of the 7 per cent Orphanage apportionment be paid during the Thanksgiving and Christmas season. By following this plan the Orphanage would have funds to meet its operating expenses for several months to come. The board of trustees feels deeply grateful to the conference for providing sufficient funds for our maintenance.

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FIFTH SUNDAY MAINTENANCE —By a vote of the annual conference each fifth Sunday is designated as Orphanage Day in the Sunday schools. Last year the Orphanage furnished appropriate programs for the observance of fifth Sundays, and it has been decided that we shall follow the same course this conference year. We were fortunate in securing Rev. James H. Overton, Jr., to prepare the programs for use in the Sunday schools last year. For this present conference year Prof. B. M. Madison, principal of the Methodist Orphanage school, has been asked to prepare the programs. On last Thursday we mailed a program to each Sunday school superintendent, with the request that a special committee be appointed to put the Orphanage program on the fifth Sunday in this month. A few days later we mailed all pastors a program with the hope that they will use their influence in putting on the programs in all the Sunday schools of the conference. All Sunday schools that observe the fifth Sunday as Orphanage Day and take a free will offering will get credit on their Orphanage apportionment.

IS THIS THE ARMAGEDDON OF SCRIPTURE?

See Revelation 16:16-18

The battle cry is sounding
O'er every land and sea;
The boom of guns resounding
With vast mortality:
The day of Armageddon,
Foretold by saints of old,
Seems now at hand to leaden
Our hopes, with hatred, bold.

The world is in commotion,
With universal strife,
Assuming large proportion,
As if to throttle life;
The continents and oceans,
The islands of the sea,
Pervaded with the notion
That war brings liberty.

The lands of many nations
Incarnadined with blood,
From men of fine devotion
Poured out as in a flood;
The mountain-tops resounding,
The air surcharged with strife;
Destructive guns are pounding
The knell of human life.

Great ships, mid air, no ocean—
Great guns upon the land,
With armies in commotion
On every golden strand,
Are striving for destruction
Of their contending foe—
Instead of sound construction
Relieving human woe.

O God, of loving kindness,
Look down in mercy still
Upon all human blindness,
And change this stubborn will;
Subdue this storm of passion—
Transform it into love;
Make brotherhood the passion,
Akin to thine above.

—Euclid McWhorter.

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Sunday, December 6, 1942

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THANKS TO MR. KING

Through the courtesy of Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference, Brevard College has been granted the privilege of preparing material on Brevard College Day for this page. We are grateful to Mr. King ;and we hope this material will be of special interest to all friends of Brevard College.

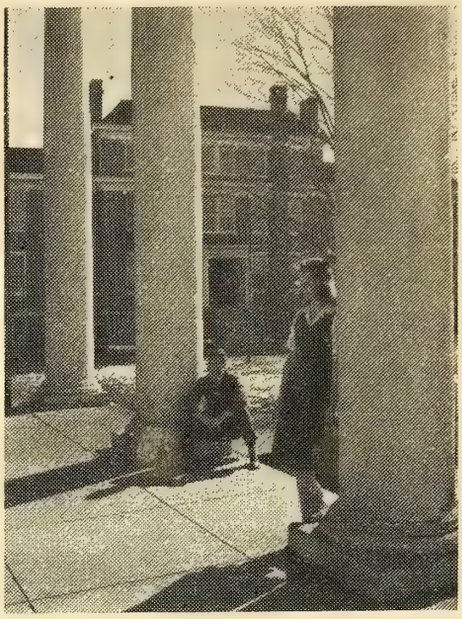
Brevard College Day, December 6

At the recent sesion of the Western North Carolina conference, permission was granted by the Commission on War Service and Finance for the observance of Brevard College Day, Sunday, December 6, 1942. One year ago similar provision was made for the observance of Brevard College Day on February 15. This action places two Brevard College observances in the same calendar year, but it is well to understand that the two observances are in two different conference years. On account of other special observances it was not appropriate to observe Brevard College Day in either January or February.

New Enthusiasm for Brevard College

I have just attended the missionary institutes in ten districts in the conference. District superintendents have gladly granted permission for me to present the cause of Brevard College and make a plea for the observance of Brevard College Day. As I have traveled over the conference territory, I have been tremendously impressed with the enthusiasm which I have discovered in each institute. There must be a cause for this enthusiasm.

The fact that the last annual conference adopted a permanent policy in regard to higher education within its boundaries is doubtless one cause for the enthusiasm. It is now the policy of the conference to have only one junior college; and this will be the only college owned and operated entirely by the conference. The way now has been cleared for the growth and development of Brevard College on a substantial basis. A new day has dawned for



Social Life is Wholesome

the institution; new opportunities for service have been opened, and a new spirit of determination to make the college function in the life of the church has become evident.

New Board of Trustees

For the past eight years Brevard College has been operated under the control of a board of 18 members. Under the provisions of the new charter there will now be a board of 24 members. On this board are some of the best laymen and ministers in the conference. The new board will study the college situation carefully and make provision for a program which will guarantee the operation of the college during the emergency created by the war and then make plans for its growth.

A Church College in Time of War

The enrollment at Brevard College at the present time is 310. Students will be admitted at intervals during the year and probably the total enrollment will be almost as large as in previous years. It is well known that the enrollment in colleges have decreased considerably within the last two years. With the lowering of the draft age to 18 years colleges will not expect as many men as in previous years. With certain adaptations in the college program, we believe that Brevard College will continue to function on a suitable level and that the future of the institution is now assured.

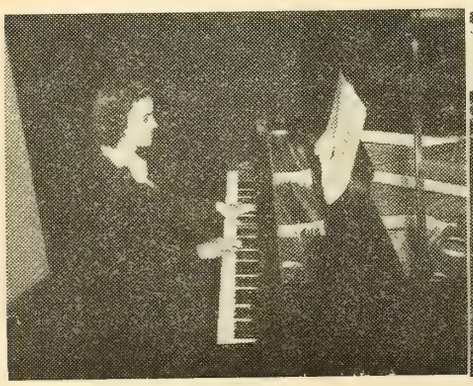
The Civilian Pilot Training program at Brevard has been a distinct success. Since its beginning 100 men have been given the elementary phases of training in aviation. Many men trained at Brevard College are now flying planes in Australia, the Solomons, North Arrica, and other parts of the world. New changes in curriculum and methods of operation are being made as rapidly as conditions permit. Brevard desires to make the maximum contribution to the success of the war effort and at the same time continue its program of constructive service to the church.

Contributions

A church has the right to expect that its educational institutions will make distinct contributions to its life and growth. Brevard can make a case for itself in this respect. Although the college was opened in 1934, ten of its graduates, after receiving advanced training in other colleges and divinity schools, are now in the active ministry in the Western North Carolina conference. Two of its graduates are in the North Carolina conference and two more in the Virginia conference. Ten graduates of Brevard are now in the Duke Divinity School. Others men are on their way. Within the next five years there will probably be 30 graduates of Brevard College in the Methodist ministry.

Six young women graduates of Brevard prepared for active Christian service in the church and five young women now at the college are expecting to enter a similar type of service. There is one graduate in Greensboro College and one in Scarritt College who are directing their preparation toward the same end. In the church schools and in the various young people's organizations in the Methodist church are to be found

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Music Is a Basic Course at Brevard



Students Use the College Library



One Form of the Self-help Program

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FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Church school fourth Sunday offerings are the church school contributions to the World Service program of the church. These offerings are applied on the acceptance for World Service by the local church. More than half the church schools in the conference are using their fourth Sunday offerings for this purpose, but many are not doing so. It is our goal that the time will come when every church school in the conference will share in this world service emphasis.

Remittances

Fourth Sunday offerings are sent to C. A. Dillon, conference treasurer, Raleigh, N. C. Heretofore we have supplied each church school with blanks for use in making the church school remittances. Since the regular blank provided by the conference treasurer now has a space in it for reporting fourth Sunday offerings we are this year discontinuing the special blank we have used in the past. The church school treasurer should turn over to the church treasurer the amount raised for World Service in the school and have the church treasurer designate on his blank that the money is a fourth Sunday offering. In a charge with several churches, if a charge treasurer sends in the money for the charge, the items sent should be listed by churches in the space provided for this purpose on the back of the blank. In the case of very small amounts to be sent in it might be well for the church school treasurer to turn over to the church or charge treasurer the quarterly amount raised rather than the monthly amount.

RESULTS OF NATION-WIDE BALLOT OF THE METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

In August, 1942, a ballot was mailed to every Methodist pastor in the United States for the use of the members of the youth division of his church, or churches, in voting on emblems, covenant, benediction, motto, and colors for the Methodist Youth Fellowship. Ballots were returnable before October 15. Tabulation has now been completed. Below are given the choices made by the youth of Methodism through this official ballot, to govern throughout the church from now on.

Emblem

Identification: The outer design is a combination of the Cross Pattee and the Maltese Cross. At the center is the Latin Cross. Binding the whole together is the Circle.

Meaning: The outer cross has eight points which stand for the eight beatitudes. A Christian exemplifies these eight qualities in his life. The four wings of the outer cross represent the four references in Luke 2:52.

The inner, or Latin, cross is empty (as distinguished from a Crucifix which includes the body of Christ) and symbolizes Christ's sacrifice and victory over death. We worship a living Christ. It teaches personal dedication to the Christ, who commanded his followers to take up the cross. As the Latin Cross stands at the center of the emblem, so sacrificial service which it represents, is central in all that we do.

The circle symbolizes our world-wide fellowship and our fellowship with Christ and with one another throughout eternity.

The letters stand, of course, for the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Covenant

"It is our purpose in the Methodist Youth Fellowship; To live clean lives following the highest that we know; to give our loyalty and service through the Methodist Church which we are a part, working with others that she may more perfectly follow the Master and more worthily bless mankind; to hold the ideals of unselfish service ever before us, striving continually for human betterment, placing the welfare of others above our own; and in simple trust, to follow Jesus as our Saviour and Lord."

Note: Through authorization of the Board of Education, the following is the basis for membership in the Methodist Youth Fellowship:

A. When one becomes a member in the youth division in a local Methodist church or of a Methodist student group on a campus, in whatever way their practice is for receiving members, he is thereby a member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

B. A member should wear the emblem only if he subscribes to the purposes, aims, and ideals of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

To meet the need in Item B, above, the covenant was chosen to state purposes, aims, and ideals.

Benediction

Leader: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

Group: The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. Amen.

Motto: "Christ Above All."

Colors: Blue and gold.

"According to the law of supply and demand—" began her husband, who liked to explain things.

"No one demands anything at a store now, dear," she interrupted; "it's the law of supply and request."—Alabama Christian Advocate.

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Children's Storyland



THE LITTLE RED HOUSE

Once upon a time there was a little boy who was tired of all his toys and tired of all his picture books and tired of all his play. "What shall I do?" he asked his mother.

And his dear mother, who always knew beautiful things for little boys to do, said: "You shall go on a journey and find a little red house with no doors and with a beautiful star inside."

Then the little boy's eyes grew big with wonder. "Which way shall I go," he asked, "to find a little red house with no doors and a star inside?"

"Down the lane past the farmer's house and over the hill," said his dear mother. "Come back as soon as you can and tell me about your journey."

So the little boy started out. He had not walked very far down the lane when he came to a very little girl dancing along in the sunshine. "Do you know where I shall find a little red house with no doors and a star inside?" the little boy asked her.

The little girl laughed. "Ask my father, the farmer," she said.

So the little boy went on until he came to the great brown barn, where the farmer himself stood in the doorway looking out over the pastures and grain fields.

"Do you know where I shall find a little red house with no doors and a star inside?" asked the little boy.

The farmer laughed, too. "I've lived a great many years, and I never saw one," he chuckled. "But ask the granny who lives at the foot of the hill. She knows how to make arrowroot taffy, popcorn balls and red mittens. Perhaps she can direct you to it."

So the little boy went on farther still until he came to the granny sitting in her pretty garden of herbs and marigolds. "Please, dear granny," asked the little boy, "where shall I find a little red house with no doors and a star inside?"

The granny was knitting a red mitten, but when she heard the little boy's question she laughed cheerily, "I should like to find that little house myself," she chuckled. "I would be warm when the frosty nights come, and the starlight would be prettier than a candle. But ask the wind, who blows about so much and listens at all the chimneys. Perhaps the wind can direct you to the little house."

So the little boy took off his cap politely to granny and went up the hill. The wind was coming down the hill as the little boy climbed up. As they met, the wind turned about and went singing along beside him. It whistled in his ear.

"O wind," asked the little boy, after they had gone along together quite a way, "can you help me to find a little red house with no doors and a star inside?"

The wind cannot speak in our words, but it went singing on ahead of the little boy until it came to an orchard. There it climbed up in an apple tree and shook the branches. When the little boy caught up, there at his feet lay a rosy apple. The little boy picked up the apple. It was as much as his two hands could hold. It was as red as the sun had been able to paint it, and the thick brown stem stood up as straight as a chimney. It was a little red house in which the apple blossom lately had gone to sleep. It had no windows.

"I wonder," thought the little boy. He took his jack knife from his pocket and cut the apple straight through the center. Oh, how wonderful! There, inside the apple lay a star holding brown seeds.

So the little boy called, "Thank you" to the wind, and the wind whistled back, "You're welcome." Then the little boy ran home to his mother and gave her the apple.

"It is too wonderful to eat without looking at the star, isn't?" he said.

"Yes, indeed," answered his dear mother.—Carolyn Sherwin Bailey, in Mother's Magazine.

I WISH

By Paul D. March

I wish I had a dog—
I wouldn't mind
If he were big
Or little,
Or what color
Or what kind.

He might be plain
Or spotted.
He might be smooth
Or shaggy.
He might have curly ears,
Or ears just raggy-taggy.

He might have a short tail
Or one long and fine.
It wouldn't really matter
As long as he was mine.

—Juniors.

"Shine, please, boy," said the six-foot-five soldier to the shoeblack.

The boy looked down at the vast expanse of boot before him.

"Bert," he called to another shine boy, "gimme a 'and—I've got an army contract."—Exchange.

Dad: "Now wasn't that a nice ride on my knee, son?"

Son: "Yeah, but I'd lots rather ride a real donkey."—Selected.

MY CATS TEACH ME

By Elizabeth Van Praag Dudley

My cats teach me politeness. When I pat them, if they are seated, they rise.

My cast teach me patience. At meal times, they wait silently in a corner of the kitchen until I see fit to give them their meal.

My cats teach me consideration. Because they gaze at me reproachfully when I turn the radio loud and disturb their naps, I tune it down.

My cats teach me refinement. Because they dislike noise, I enter rooms quietly. I do not slam doors. Because abrupt movements startle them, I move gently.

My cats teach me foritude. When "Dusky" was taken to a veterinarian to have a tooth out, he neither struggled nor made a noise; and he purred afterwards.

My cats teach me gratitude. A few pats on the head set "Dusky" purring like a smooth-running engine; a scrap from the table elicits a veritable serenade of purring.

My cats teach me repose. "Peewee" lies motionless on the window-sill meditating, plumy tail wrapped around white paws; Dusky sits long hours in a sunny window, watching with serene yellow eyes the world hurrying by.

My cats teach me forgiveness. Dusky, because he is blackout black, and because of his unfailing love for mankind which brings him where people gather, suffers much unintentional abuse. He is stepped on, pushed around, shut in dark places. Does he hold it against us? Never. Pick him up and apologize, and his purring apparatus is in instant action.

My cats teach me faith in a higher power. Their trust in me is implicit. They look to me for food, shelter, love and protection; whatever may come, they know I will not fail them.—Our Dumb Animals.

BIBLE BEES

The "bees" of the Bible never sting; they yield a great deal of honey, and it is their nature to be found together in swarms. Here are some of them:

"Be kindly affectionate one to another."

"Be sober, and watch unto prayer."

"Be content with such things as ye have."

"Be strong in the Lord."

"Be courteous."

"Be not wise in your own conceit."

"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers."

"Be ye followers of God, as dear children."

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."—Selected.

Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 22

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By Rollin H. Walker

Motives That Strengthen Family Life

Exodus 2:1-4; Joshua 24:14-15; Ephesians 5:28-41; 6:1-4

If the avoidance of accidents was dependent on the wisdom of individual motorists we would have crashes all the day long, but the red light of the divine warnings saves endless homes from wreckage. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, said the wise man. It certainly is the beginning of that good sense that makes family life run smoothly, and avoids the pitfalls and tragedies that beset the home. To say that we should not teach children to fear God is a head-on collision with Jesus (Luke 12:4-7). The fear of God is the gateway to the love of God, just as a healthy fear of disobeying parents often leads to the most lasting love for them. The foundation of family felicity is absolute, awe-struck submission of every member of the family to God.

But how shocking seems the saying of Jesus, Except a man hate his father and mother, and wife and children, he cannot be my disciple. That, however, was simply the Master's way of expressing the absolute necessity of making his service first. But when one does that, strangely enough, this kind of hatred of the dear ones in the family, while it may require us at times to go against their wishes, leads to a vast increase of love for them, because absolute devotion to Christ means a great accession of love for everybody.

Husbands, love your wives, says the apostle, even as Christ loved the church and gave himself for it. The thought of Christ's love for us is the most powerful of all motives to love. It marvelously restrains petulance and selfish insistance on our own way, and is an antitoxin to those sullen moods that make home a hell. Christ died for me, and he died also for my life partner. Hence any little sacrifice or self-denial that I make is as nothing compared with his overflowing and prodigal pity for me in my sins. A man or woman may have a hard, unyielding disposition. There is no natural rubber in their makeup; but the thought of Christ's love converts them into synthetic rubber.

And Paul goes on to say that, as husband and wife are one flesh, he that loves his wife loves himself. Everything he does to make her happy brightens his home. All that makes her a happier and better mother for his children makes his children better, and that enriches him.

Often a happy home begins when a child is born, and both father and mother have something that takes them out of themselves and demands complete co-operation in service and in love. And if there are no children there is always a chance to be a blessing to the needy children of others.

For the future happiness of the children they must be taught to honor their fathers and mothers. Father must insist on utter deference for mother; mother must demand respect and obedience to father. It is only thus that the children can be protected from making the same tragic mistakes that their forebears have made, and the experience of the race handed down from generation to generation. No civilization can last unless children, through training to obedience and respect for parents, can inherit the accumulated wisdom of the race. And then of course brothers and sisters must be courteous to one another. A young man who has not been taught to show gallantry toward his sister is almost sure in time to treat his wife shabbily.

But sometimes ,alas, parents are unworthy of respect. Here again the constraining love of Christ is indispensable. How beautiful it is to see a son or a daughter treat childish, unreasonazle parent with tender consideration! Their own children will be inspired by their example to be tender with them when age comes on and faculties fail. And not only that, but the children will be inspired to treat other aged and childish people with deference. One supreme motive for Christlikeness in the family is the fact that the home is the chief training ground for Christlikeness in all our social relations. The goal of life is to make the whole community a home, and finally the whole world a household of God. The child trained up in the forbearance, courtesy and co-operation of a genuinely Christian home is prepared for all the large social relationships of life. Should he even be smart enough to become President of the United States, or a member of the Cabinet, he will not know how to discharge his functions unless he has been disciplined in the give and take of a home in which refined consideration for others has been the dominant ideal.

PEACE COMMISSION ADOPTS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN POST-WAR PEACE AIMS

Realizing the need for active participation of church people in planning now for the post-war world, the Commission on World Peace, in annual session November 4 and 5, adopted an expanded educational program on the bases of a just and lasting peace which will be carried into local churches in all sections of the country.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. Ralph W. Sockman of New York, the 18 members (out of 23) of the commission who attended enthusiastically planned for a series of peace education conferences on the moral and spiritual bases for peace, and for new study materials directed to laymen and home and church.

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DURHAM DISTRICT
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FIRST ROUND

November

Cedar Grove, Cedar Grove, 6 20
Burlington Ct., Fairview, 11 22
Davie Street, 7:30 22
Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 11 29
Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 7:30 29

December

Mt. Hermon, Friendship, 11 6
Alamance, Center, 3 6
Orange, Efland, 7:30 6
Long Memorial, 7:30 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 8
Calvary, 7:30 9
Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 11 13
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 13
Lakewood, 7:30 16
Andrews Chapel, 7:30 17
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 11 20
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 20
Front Street, 11 27
Glen Raven-Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 7:30.....27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 30
Eno, 7:30 31

January

Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 3
Brocksdale, Allensville, 3 3
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 3
Trinity, 7:30 5
Webb Avenue, 7:30 6
Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10:30 9
Graham, 11 10
Haw River, 3 10
West Burlington, 7:30 10

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
W. L. Clegg, D. S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Ahoskie, 11 22
Aulander, Aulander, 3 22
First Church, 11 29
City Road, 7:30 29

December

Williamston, 11 6
Windsor, Windsor, 3 6
Edenton, 7:30 6
Plymouth, 11 13
Roper, Roper, 3 13
Gatesville, Gatesville, 11 20
Hertford, 7:30 20
Washington, 11 27
Bath, Bath, 3 27

January

Belhaven, Belhaven, 11 3
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 3
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 3
Manteo, 11 10
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 3 10
Wanchese, 7:30 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 7:30 11
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 12
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 3 13
Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro, 11 17
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 17
Columbia, Columbia, 11 23
Creswell, Creswell, 3 24
Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 27
South Mills, Newland, 11 31
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 31

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FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Hay Street, 11 22
Steadman, Bethany, 3 22
Johnson Memorial, 7:30 22
Person Street, 7:30 24
Downing Street, 7:30 25
Jamesboro, 11 29
Broadway, 3 29
Sanford, 7:30 29
Fayetteville Ct., 7:30 30

December

District Stewards and Missionary Institute, Aberdeen, 9:30 a.m. 4
Aberdeen, Q. C., 4:30 4
Raeford, 7:30 4

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 29
Grifton, 7:30 29
Atlantic, Williston, 11 6

December

Straits-Harkers Island, Straits, 3 6
Newport, 7:30 6
Ocracoke, 7:30 8
Morehead City, 7:30 9
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 13
Fremont, Eureka, 3 13
Snow Hill, 7:30 13
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 16
Aurora, 11 20
Pamlico, Bayboro, 3 20
Oriental, 7:30 20
Walstonburg, 11 27
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 27
Ayden, 7:30 27
Marshallburg, 11 3
Morehead Ct., 3 3
Beaufort, 7:30 3
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 11 10
Seven Springs, 3 10
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 10
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 13
Grimesland, 11 17
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 17

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 11 15
Clayton-Horne Memorial, 7:30 18
Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, 7:30 19
Stem, 11 22
Cary, 7:30 22
District Set-up, Stewards, Charge Lay Leaders, Missionary Institute, Edenton Street Church, 9:30.....24
Selma, 11 29
Princeton, Princeton, 3 29
Smithfield, 7:30 29

December

Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell,, 7:30 1
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 3
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 5
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Millbrook, Youngsville, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 10
Granville, Union Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Gillburg, 3 13
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 7:30 .13
Franklinton, 7:30 16
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 20
Oxford, 7:30 20

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wilmington, Trinity, 11 22
Carver's Creek, Council, 8:30 22
Wilmington, Epworth, 8 22
Swansboro, Queen's Creek, 11 29
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 29

December

District Set-up Stewards' and Missionary Institute, 9:30 a. m., Fifth Avenue 3
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 6
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 3:30 6
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 13
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 13
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 20
Shallotte, Camp, 7:30 20
Richlands, 11 27
Maysville, Lee's, 8:30 27
Jacksonville, 7:30 27

January

Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 11 3
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 3
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 10
Lumberton Ct., Buie, 7:30 10
Lumberton, 11 17
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 17
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 24
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 7:30 24
Tabor City, St. Paul, 11 31
Whiteville, 7:30 31

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Acton, Acton, 11 22
Asheville Ct., Reeves Chapel, 3 22
Pisgah, Laurel Hill, night 22
Wolf Mountain, 11 29
Rosman, Rosman, 3 29
Brevard and Ecousta, Brevard, night 29

December

Mills River, Mills River, 11 6
Etowah-Shaw's Creek, 3 6
Hendersonville, night 6
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 13
Saluda, 3 13
Tryon, night 13
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, night 27

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Polkton, Polkton, 11 22
Peachland, Harmony, 3 22
Lilesville, Wade, 7 22
Chadwick, 7:30 23
Belmont Park, 7:30 25
Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 29
Calvary, 7:30 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

December

St. John's, 7:30 2
North Monroe, Grace, 11 6
Zoar, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 6
Central, Monroe, 7:30 7
Matthews, 7:30 9
Unionville, Union Grove, 11 13
Asbury-Derita, Asbury, 3 13
Marshville, Wingate, 7 13
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stalings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Boone, 11 22
Todd, Blackburn, 3 22
West Jefferson, night 22
Helton, Helton, 11 29
Warrensville, Warrensville, 3 29
Jefferson, Jefferson, night 29

December

Laurel Springs, Nathans Creek, 11 6
Sparta, at Sparta, night 6
East Bend, 11 13
Yadkinville, 3 13
St. Paul, St. Paul, night 13
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Cooleemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Rock Springs, Bethel, 11 22
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel, 3 22
Ebenezer, night 22
Cherryville Ct., Bess Chapel, 11 29
Concord-Elbethel, Mary's Grove, 3 29
Cherryville, First, night 29

December

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 6
Fallston, Lawndale, 3 6
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 6
Gastonia, Main Street, night 8
Belwood, 11 13
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 13
Lafayette St., Shelby, night 13
Edger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Cramerton, night 27

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

November

Proximity, 11 22
Guilford, Burnett's, 3 22
Jamestown, 7:30 22
College Place, 7:30 25
Reidsville Ct., Beth. 11 28
Pleasant Garden, 11 29
Stokesdale, 3 29
Summerfield, 4:30 29
Tabernacle, 7:30 29

December

Glenwood, 7:30 2
Sandy Ridge, Delta, 11 6
Danbury, 3 6
Flat Rock, 7:30 6
Calvary, 7:30 8
West End, 7:30 9

Haw River, Midway, 3 12
Stoneville, 11 13
Spray, 3 or 5 13
Draper, 7:30 13
Bethel, 7:30 16
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 16
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 5 19
Leaksville, 11 20
Ruffin, 7:30 20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND

November

Randleman Ct., Mt. Lebanon, 2 21
Randleman-Union-St. Paul, 11 22
Farmer, N. H., 7:30 22
Archdale, 7:30 25
First Church, H. P., 7:30 26
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 29

December

Main Street, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 6
Lebanon, 7:30 6
South Davidson, Lineberry, 7:30 8
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
Why Not,, N. H., 7:30 11
Shiloh, Y. C., 7:30 12
Coleridge, Concord, 2 13
West Randolph, Mt. S., 7:30 13
Asheboro First, 7:30 16
Ashebroo Central, 7:30 17
Greer's Chapel, 11 20
Linwood, Bethany, 2 20
Denton Central, Denton, 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21
Calvary, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 30

January

Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11 3
Richland, W. E., 2 3
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 3
Oak View, 7:30 6

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Bakersville, Penland, 10 22
Avery, Fairview, 3 22
Linville Falls, Concord, night 22
Gilkey, Gilkey, 11 29
Old Fort Ct., Pine Grove, 3 29
Old Fort, night 29

December

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 6
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 6
Pleasant Grove, night 6
Spindale, 11 13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
Cliffside, 11 20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 20
Forest City, night 20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 27
Avondale, night 27

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Stanfield, 11 22
Midland, 3 22
Epworth, 7:30 22
Jackson Park, 7:30 24
Spencer, Central, 7:30 25
Norwood Ct., 11 28
Norwood, 11 29
Albemarle Ct., Union Chapel, 3 29
First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 29

December

Kannapolis, Trinity, 7:30 2
Salisbury, First, 11 6
New London Ct., 3 6
Gold Hill, Rockwell, 7:30 6
Park Avenue, 7:30 7
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30 8
Midway, 7:30 9
Salem, 11 13
Friendship, 3 13
Westford, 7:30 13
Landis, 7:30 16
Ann Street, 11 20
Roberta, 3 20
Mount Olivet, 7:30 20
Bethpage, 11 27

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Maiden, 11 22
Falls Creek, Mt. View, 2:30 22
Catawba, 7:30 22
Taylorsville, 11 29
Hiddenite, Hiddenite, 2:30 29
Stony Point, 7:30 29

December

Hickory, Highlands, 7:30 5
Hickory, First Church, 11 6
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 6
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 6
Cool Springs-Providence, 11 13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 13
Lenoir, First Church, 11 20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30 20
Whitnell, 7:30 20
Hudson-Colliers, 11 27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30 27
Granite Falls, 7:30 27

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Cullowhee, 11 22
Webster, Webster, 3 22
Bethel, Bethel, 7:30 22
Franklin, 11 29
Macon County Methodist, Franklin, 3 29
Highlands, Cashiers, 7:30 29

December

Junaluska, 7:30 2
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 6
Shooting Creek, Marshalls, 7:30 6
Canton, 11 13
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30 13
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11 20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3 20

January

Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11 3
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Morning Star, 7:30 10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 17
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 3 17
Junaluska, 7:30 17

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Central Terrace, 11 22
Green Street, 7:30 22
Kernersville, Main St., 11 29
North Davidson, Union Ridge, 3 29
City Mission, 7:30 29

December

Lexington First, 11 6
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 3 6
Erlanger, 7:30 6
Thomasville First, West End, 11 13
Thomasville Ct., 3 13
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 13
Winston-Salem, First, 11 20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 27
Rockford Street, 7:30 27

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Rocky Mount District

T. W. Lee, Middleburg.
M. Y. Self, Farmville.
J. Bascom Hurley, Seaboard.
Daniel C. Boone, Robersonville.
B. D. Critcher, Enfield.
J. E. Garlington, Spring-Garysburg.
W. J. Neese, Marvin-St. Paul.

Wilmington District

F. W. Paschall, Trinity.
W. G. Lowe, Shallotte.
A. D. Gray, Jacksonville-Marine Base.
C. N. Phillips, Epworth.
M. D. McLamb, Lumberton Ct.

Asheville District

C. B. Way, Bald Creek.
Z. V. Arthur, Hot Springs.
E. J. Harbison, Biltmore.
K. G. Holt, Fairview.

Charlotte District

D. V. Howell, Brevard Street.
P. T. Dixon, Morven.
C. M. Pickens, Oakhurst.
L. R. Akers, Big Springs.
M. G. Ervin, Chadwick.

Elkin District

Dewey Smith, Ararat.
G. C. Graham, Jonesville.
E. K. McLarty, Sr., Boone.

Gastonia District

C. D. Brown, Concord-El Bethel.
M. E. Leftwich, McAdenville.

Greensboro District

R. M. Courtney, College Place.
J. L. Love, Danbury.
J. J. Powell, Lee's Chapel.
O. C. Loy, Tabernacle-Julian.

High Point District

T. E. Strickland, Mt. Vernon.
I. L. Roberts, Randleman-Union.
O. L. Easter, Lebanon.
O. L. Brown, Calvary.

Marion District

Van B. Harrison, Bostic.
M. W. Edwards, Mill Spring.
G. L. Wilkinson, McDowell.
H. W. Bell, Marion Ct.
McRae Crawford, Gilkey.

Salisbury District

J. L. Ingram, Epworth.
E. M. Graham, Bethel-Boger.
G. N. Dulin, First.
J. W. Fowler, Kerr Street.
W. R. Bustle, Main Street-Rowan.
L. S. Furr, Gold Hill.

Statesville District

R. V. Martin, Harmony.
L. F. Strader, Stony Point.
R. L. Forbis, Balls Creek.
W. L. Harkey, Lenoir Ct.
R. H. Nicholson, Whitnel.
J. C. Reichard, Troutman.
J. Max Brandon, Sr., Grace-Rhodhiss.
Reid Wall, Granite Falls.
Elzie Myers, Bethel.
H. E. Jones, Elmwood.

Waynesville District

W. H. Pless, Beavor Dam.

Winston-Salem District

J. M. Barber, Hanes-Clemmons.
L. F. Tuttle, Main Street.
H. M. Robinson, First.
L. E. Mabry, Trinity-Mt. Carmel.
W. T. Albright, N. Davidson.

BREVARD COLLEGE DAY
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scores and hundreds of other young people who received their first college training at Brevard.

An Educational Outpost

Brevard College is the educational outpost of Methodism in Western North Carolina. The institution occupies a strategic place in the growth of the Methodis tchurch in this area. It is imperative that the only college owned and operated by this conference be maintained on an adequate basis. Brevard College Day gives an opportunity for our friends to find out more about Brevard College and to make a substantial financial contribution to its program of successful achievement. In this period of war Brevard will continue to serve because of the wholehearted support of men and women who believe in its ideals and its plan of operation. District superintendents, the numerous pastors scattered all over the territory, and the tens of thousands of devoted Methodists will help to make possible a sound financial structure for the operation of the college.

Eugene J. Coltrane.

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A TRIBUTE

We, as members of the Society of Christian Service, wish to express our deep gratitude and sincere appreciation for the service rendered by our most beloved and oldest member. It can truly be said she went about doing good, helping in every possible way. She carried sunshine and flowers and helped to spread cheer in lonely hours.

Mrs. Catherine B. Towe was a real Christian. To know her was to love her. She was an outstanding worker in all phases of the church. We realize that her place cannot be filled, but we submit to the will of our Father, for we know that "all things work together for good to them who love the Lord." God gave, he hath taken. He will restore her to her loved ones on that happy golden shore where parting will be no more.

Goodbye, dear sister, until we meet again

Mrs. D .W. Knight.
Mrs. W. E. Moore,

JOYNER—J. Robert Joyner, son of James T. and Arthenia Joyner, as born June 10, 1883, in the Farmville community of Pitt county. He spent the greater portion of his life in that community.

On December 12, 1912, he was married to Miss Mamie Carr of Greene county. To this union were born one daughter, Sula Arthenia, and three sons, Robert Carr, Mark Wesley and James Leslie Joyner.

He united with the Free Will Baptist church at the age of 16. At the age of 35 his membership was transferred to the Methodist church of Farmville. He was a loyal member of this church until at two o'clock on Sunday morning, August 23, 1942, his gentle spirit passed to the church eternal. Funeral rites were held at his late home at four o'clock on Monday by Rev. M. Y. Self, pastor of the Farmville Methodist church. Interment was in Forest Hill cemetery in Farmville.

He leaves to mourn their loss his widow, two sons, Mark Wesley of Newport News, Va., and James Leslie Joyner of the home; a granddaughter, Patricia Joyner of Newport News; a sister, Mrs. Neely Smith of Greenville; and a brother, Will T. Joyner of Farmville. They will not mourn as those who have no hope. Their loss will be his eternal gain.

He was a devout Christian, a devoted husband, a kind and loving father and grandfather, a good neighbor, and a friend to everyone.

The last several years of his life he was a great sufferer, but more his affliction with Christian fortitude. To his grief-stricken companion, his children, and all who will miss him most, we extend our deepest sympathy and commend them to Him who giveth light amid the shadows of life.

A Very Dear Friend.

A TRIBUTE

In behalf of the Woman's Society of Christian service of Lea's Chapel church, Roxboro, N. C., this is an expression of a deep sense of loss to our society, church and community in the death of Mrs. William George Rogers, on October 31, 1942, at her home on the Leasburg road. She was 71 years old.

Mrs. Rogers was a faithful member of Lea's Chapel church for more than 50 years, She was a strong co-worker in the church and Sunday school, and the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and was faithful in attendance upon all religious services until her health failed. She served her community and church with willingness, faithfulness and efficiency. She was a strong character, firm in her convictions. May her life of Christian service be an example to all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, W. G. Rogers; three sons, Thomas Ivey, Joseph Painter, and John Alden of Roxboro; four daughters, Mrs. B. G. Crumpton and Mrs. R. A. Gentry, Roxboro, Mrs. Haywood Bailey, Woodsdale, and Mrs. M. A. Morgan, Smithfield; a grandson, James W. Reams, Jr., Roxboro, whom she reared from babyhood. Surviving are 16 other grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Wade, Leasburg, and Mrs. C. E. Mumford, Laurel, Miss., and one brother, C. W. Painter, Semora, N. C.

The funeral service was conducted Monday afternoon in Lee's Chapel church by Rev. F. B. Peele and Rev. W. C. Martin. Interment was in the Rogers family cemetery.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will always cherish the memory of Mrs. Rogers and wish to express to the family our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

The golden gate was opened
And a gentle voice said come.
With her farewell unspoken,
She calmly entered her heavenly home.
Mrs. Kaye Harris Wilkerson,

President W. S. C. S.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Benjamin B. Basnight was born in Columbia, Tyrrell county, North Carolina, December 7, 1891. As a young boy he professed faith in Christ and united with the Methodist church in his community. In 1913 he married Miss Sarah Davidson. To this union were born the following children: Geneiva, Bartlett, Hazel and Clifford.

The family moved to New Bern 19 years ago and became loyal members of the Riverside Methodist church. Mr. Basnight served as trustee for many years.

On September 12, 1942, Mr. Basnight was called from his earthly abode to take his place in the kindom of the Lord.

He is survived by his family—two brothers, Joe Basnight of Colerain and W. B. Basnight of Norfolk; three sisters, Mrs. S. T. Isler and Mrs. J. L. Weatherly of New Bern, and Mrs. T. S. Pritchett of Norfolk, and one grandson.

Whereas, God in his all wise providence has seen fit to call home our dear friend, co-worker and brother, Benjamin B. Basnight; be it resolved:

First, That we as members of the Riverside Methodist church and Sunday school deeply feel our loss and wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family.

Second, That we shall miss him in our church activities and in his service to the community.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to members of the family, a copy put on the minutes of our Sunday school and a copy sent to a local paper, also the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

W. A. Tew,
C. H. Boyd,
F. H. Hardison,
L. C. Lawrence,
Committee.

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FIRST SET-UP MEETING OF NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Monday of this week in Duke Memorial church the first set-up meeting for the North Carolina conference met in Durham. Rev. F. S. Love, superintendent of the Durham district, assembled a large group for the work of the day. Though the day was dark and murky more than 125 came from all parts of this big district. The crowd was fully representative and the interest finely sustained. Ministers, laymen and lay women did well their part and gave close attention to the work of the day.

Brother Love introduced the new men who had come into the district. This disclosed that there had been quite a "shake up" in the district—especially so for the Durham district. The "wives" lunched together at noon. Evidently there would be some new faces in that group and some new acquaintances made.

Following the lunch hour the district stewards, the pastors and the women of Christian Service broke up into their groups to deal with their special interests. This made three quite formidable groups, far more workable than the entire assembly in one. Then the entire district group came together for the closing work of the day at 4:30.

The presence of Brother N. E. Booth, who has spent years in the African Congo, was much appreciated. His spirit, good cheer and triumphant faith was most refreshing. How wonderfully did he make to us the sense of God in Africa and how startlingly real did he make God to us in the Durham district meeting!

Features of the afternoon were the plans for Christian education most effectively presented by Rev. Robert Bradshaw. Then came the presentation by Dr. B. G. Childs of an appreciation from the lay leaders to Professor F. S. Aldridge for his many years of valuable service as lay leader of the district and his leadership in the North Carolina conference in promoting the work of the Golden Cross. Dr. Childs, at the request of Brother F. S. Love, spoke for the conference lay leader, Brother W. J. Smith, who was detained by having to attend a meeting of the draft board of Pitt county.

Speakers for the day as handed me by the secretary were: M. T. Plyler, J. C. Lentz, Golden Cross; F. S. Love, Missions; J. M. Ormond, Missions Tomorrow; M. C. Dunn, Mission Study (books and courses); Mrs. E. L. Hillman, W. S. C. S.; Dr. Newell Booth, "God Is Good"; R. W. Bradshaw, Board of Education; Dr. B. G. Childs, Laymen; Dr. C. E. Jordan, District Stewards; Rev. V. E. Queen, Conscientious Objectors; Dr. J. C. Glenn, Week of Dedication; F. S. Love, Soldier Boys. Dr. Newell Booth led in a closing devotional and dedication service.

A Second Meeting at Raleigh

Tuesday of this week the Methodists of the Raleigh district assembled at Edenton Street church under the guidance of Dr. H. I. Glass, superintendent of the district. The work of this set-up meeting was much the same as that the day before in Durham. Some of the same speakers appeared on the program and the group meetings were the same, even the "wives" lunched together as is their wont.

With those fine Methodists from Oxford, Henderson, Louisburg, Smithfield, Dunn and adjacent territory under guidance of H. I. Glass a good foundation was laid for an excellent day's work. There were such speakers as Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, F. S. Love, R. L .Jerome, Robert Bradshaw, W. J. Smith and others of no less interest in the work of the Methodist church. Every interest was given attention and plans were carefully laid for the year.

The luncheon served by the ladies of the church was one of those delightful occasions expected at this great old church. We hope to have details of the work of this second day of the set-up meetings of the North Carolina conference.

RADIO WATCH NIGHT SERVICE DECEMBER 31

The Commission on Evangelism of the Southeastern Jurisdiction is sponsoring a program on 100 radio stations in this area on the evening of December 31, 1942. This program is in the nature of a Watch Night service and includes an address by Bishop Arthur J. Moore of the Atlanta area, hymns by the Emory University quartette and a prayer by Dr. Manning Potts, pastor of Greene Memorial Methodist church, Roanoke, Va., and a member of the commission. The purpose of this program is to stimulate the people called Methodists, over two million of them within this jurisdiction, to a renewed devotion to the church, calling on them to observe New Year's Day as a day of prayer, and to rededicate themselves in the days of the new year to the cause of Christ.

One is reminded of the Christmas message of King George broadcast to his people in the far flung British empire two years ago, as he thrilled the hearts of his hearers throughout Christendom. "I said to a man who stood at the gate of the years, 'Give me a light, that I may tread safely into the unknown'; and he replied, 'Place your hand in the hand of God, and go forth in confidence and it shall be to you better than a lamp and safer than a known way.'" It is in this spirit that the Watch Night program for radio has been prepared by the Commission on Evangelism to sustain, to comfort, and to inspire Methodists throughout the South to a renewed zeal and a stronger faith.

This fifteen minute program will be broadcast by the radio stations in this area some time during the evening of December 31. Inquire of your local stations as to the exact time and tune in with thousands of other Methodists in the Southeast. If you wish a copy of the script of this program, please address a card to General Commission on Evangelism, 165 Eighth Ave., North, Nashville, Tenn.

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM DR. L. B. ABERNETHY, MISSIONARY SECRETARY

Please advise through your paper that my present address is 410 Clement Ave., Charlotte.

My mail has been delayed and caused a delay in mailing out checks for missionary donations.

L. B. Abernethy, Miss. Sec.

IMPORTANT TELEGRAM FROM BISHOP PURCELL

Attention is directed to resolution adopted by Western North Carolina conference setting apart Sunday, December 6, as Brevard College Day. Material and information will be furnished by the college. Our pastors are requested to comply with fitting observance.

Clare Purcell.

ADVOCATE FRONT PAGE THIS WEEK

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Paul talked much about reaching the goal. Now we say shove the ball across or get to home base. How important. One man gets on the job and has the work done while the other man is talking about what he is going to do. Examples are thick all about us.

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Speaking of the happy laughter of children, Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, in his own fine pleasing phrases, says: "Listen at the keyhole of any century and you will hear an astonishing and most delightful sound. It is the sound of the care free laughter of multitudes of bright and happy children. What resources of simple and unalloyed gaiety these children possess. From age to age they pass their joyous songs along."

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More is being insisted upon in our church gatherings urging that we should at once undertake a great spiritual offensive than ever before. All who long for a permanent peace insist that this will not come save by an offensive in the realm of the spirit. This plea is as insistent as is the demand in the army for a great military offensive. Such is expected to bring a military victory and a spiritual offensive is relied upon to secure the permanent peace for which men so eagerly long.

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Edgar A. Guest tells why he goes to church: "I go to church because I want my children to go to church. I want them to know something more of this life than business, sports, and selfish amusement. I know only one institution that will teach them that they are divine. The church will interfere with their pleasures at times, but their mother and I sometimes have to do that and we hope they will love us none the less because of it. The church will mystify and puzzle them and seem irksome to them now and then. But all things worth while demand something of us in sacrifice. I believe that the church and the things it stands for are necessary to our well being."

Six of the 47 volumes which the American Library Association has listed as "the outstanding religious books from May 1, 1941, to May 1, 1942" were written by members of the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, New York City. These books and their authors are: William Adams Brown, A Creed for Free Men; George A. Buttrick, Prayer; Daniel J. Fleming, The World at One in Prayer; Harry Emerson Fosdick, Living Under Tension; Ernest F. Scott, Nature of the Early Church; Ralph W. Sockman, Highway of God.

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"The power of the state must be used to make men free," stated Dr. Alexander D. Lindsay, Master of Balliol College, University of Oxford, who was guest at the annual alumni luncheon of Union Theological Seminary, Tuesday, November 17. In continuing Dr. Lindsay pointed to the ideal state set up by Roger Williams in Rhode Island in the eighteenth century as a government maintained to serve the community. "It was a feature of Roger Williams," he said, "never to define the area in which people must work and live, but rather maintain a civil freedom of thought and conscience."

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For a people to think themselves safe under a canopy of civilization is a perilous business. Men before the other world war said as much of Germany. Some insisted: No poverty among that people. Ignorance was gone or going with their high state of civilization and culture. Then of a sudden the heart of the Hun asserted itself. Now in these last days hell has broken loose again and the canopy of civilization has been swept away by bombing planes in the skies. It is fully as useless for a nation to rely on an ecclesiastical canopy overhead. Only the heart of a people changed by the power of the gospel and the enthronement of the Prince of Peace in a nation can we hope to bring in the new heaven and the new earth.

The Good New Days Ahead

THE race gets its vision through the eyes of youth; youth yearns for the good days ahead. While the past grips age and dead men's hands cling to the garments of religion, the heart of youth is eager for the days that are yet to be. The future lures.

Even our Christianity grows old and the effort is to find its life and vigor in the accumulations of the centuries gone. About cathedral altars, in ancient creeds and dogmas, in the theologies of the fathers, in the ecclesiastical systems of the centuries, we would find God and hear the voice of Christ. Though these have their value and fill their place, the living Christ is always to be found in the hearts and lives of devout men and women who still live and move and have their being in devoted and loving fellowship with their resurrected Lord. He is ever going on before. This is the Easter message of him who was dead and is alive evermore. Christianity is not the religion of the "good old days," but the promise of the good new days.

The living Christ is making all things new. How fortunate the world! Why should we have a desire to cling so tenaciously to those dark, bloody centuries in which the church of Christ has had a place? Though we can boast of prophets and saints and martyrs of whom the world was not worthy, there is so much of lust and greed and slavery and bloodshed and intolerance and inhumanity and war—all of which has had the sanction of the church—that much of it we would do well to forget. The theologians are going to have much to account for and the ecclesiastics have a record much of which will not fit in with the life and the love of Jesus manifest throughout the centuries.

In this process of making all things new embarrassments are ahead also. Certain social systems, industrial orders, political dogmas will undergo radical adjustments. Much of the ecclesiastical impediments of the past will be thrown to the junk heap. The real essentials of religion will have first place in the making of the new heavens and the new earth. Those who cry out for the old order and find security only in the ancient past are doomed to disappointment. The standpatters had a hard time in the days of Jesus among men; they are still having a hard time in this day when Jesus is making all things new.

Jesus is ever going on before working in and with men in making all things new—in making the good new days that are full of promise.

We are going to meet him—if we meet him at all—out there in the momentous days ahead and not in some remote past made sacred by philosopher, theologian, ecclesiastic, prophet, poet or saint. The new day for the church will come as has come every other revival of religion—in the hearts of humble and devout men and women who in lives of piety and godly living make Christ real among men. These go their simple lowly rounds little concerned about the disputations of the orthodox and the commands of the ecclesiastics. "He has gone on before; there ye shall see him." The days are ahead—the good days of peace and Christian conquest.

Wanted for Work Around Army Camps—$15,000

THE recent session of the North Carolina conference at Wilson called for a special free will offering from the churches for work around army camps in the state. This money is to be used to meet the religious needs of the people about these camps and is to be secured during the month of December so as to be available at once in the localities.

Bishop Clare Purcell, Rev. F. S. Love, conference missionary secretary, Mr. W. J. Smith, conference lay leader, and Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, president of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, compose the committee to determine the use to be made of this fund as well as the exact date on which it is to be presented in the churches of the conferences. Methodist people are confronted with an opportunity as well as called to face a responsibility here in our midst through all the eastern section of the state so recently filled with new populations.

If this call is properly presented in each and every church the people will be glad to meet the present urgent situation. A goal of $2,000 for each district can be reached before Christmas. Of course the regular funds of the Board of Missions are barely sufficient to meet the ordinary demands of the work. Such extraordinary demands must be met by special appeals to the people for their special help in this period of changing populations. All together for victory! Put the $15,000 to work to meet the present need.

"Gather Up the Scraps That Nothing Be Lost"

SUCH is the present day translation of the Master's words after feeding the five thousand. Scrap is the word amid the nation's salvage campaign. Under the strain of a great national emergency there has been a frenzied scramble for scrap iron, scrap rubber, scrap waste paper and pretty much every other sort of scrap. Attic and cellar and rubbish heaps have given up their treasures.

Jesus ordered the first collection of scraps on record that has attracted the attention of the centuries and of the nations of earth.

The more we learn about the ways of Jesus in the midst of the world's needs, the more are we impressed with his lordship everywhere. He was averse to prodigality. He was never unmindful of the fragments. Even the scrap of humanity by the wayside such as the blind beggar commanded his love and sympathy and his ever ready helpfulness.

Why should not his followers emulate their Master and Lord in gathering up the scraps? Not only crumbs of bread and bits of meat, but all those little things that can serve the needs of mankind.

The Birthplace of the Best Things of Life

ALL good things in life should be born out of emotion," says Hendrik Van Loon. "Whether that emotion be one of joy or despair is quite immaterial, provided there be an honest emotion. 'Without emotion, no art,' is one of the oldest of all divine laws, and it holds as good on this dreary day in the year of grace 1942 as it did tens of thousands of years ago when unknown painters scribbled their wild animals on the caves of France and Spain."

If art be born out of emotion, music and poetry and religion as truly have their birthplace in emotion. Why then attempt to make a syllogism the birthplace of religion or try to put it in an intellectual straight-jacket? A sermon of cold intellect, without emotion and passion, is but a stack of bones without flesh and blood and life. To parade skeletons in the pulpit is not preaching the gospel of the Son of God.

Why are so many people who should know better afraid of emotion in religion? There is a garden and a hill in our religion. But the garden is called Gethsemane and the hill is called Calvary. The greatest things of earth are not wrought out in cold blood.

For Three Hours They Sang

THE United Presbyterian carried a paragraph that reminds us of those early Christians who dwelt in the catacombs of Rome and of those heroic spirits who wrote the immortal chapters of the Protestant Reformation. Here is the story:

"On the 450th anniversary of the birth of Martin Luther, 3,000 German Protestant ministers announced from their pulpits that they would not submit to the Nazifying of their faith. This is a revolt against the Hitler program. Large numbers of both Protestant and Catholic churches are standing for a religious freedom in that country. A Hitler official appeared at a meeting in one of Germany's cities to read the Hitler edict requiring the flying of the Swastika flag of the Nazis over the nation's pulpits. The synod replied by singing Luther's hymn:

'A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper, He, amid the flood,
Or mortal ills prevailing.'

For three hours they sang this song and the envoy returned without having read his order."

This took place near the beginning of Hitlerism in Germany.

"The Third Wonder"

TWO things," said Kant, "fill me with breathless awe:

The starry heaven and the moral law.
But I know a thing more awful and obscure:
The long, long patience of the plundered poor."

These are the observations of one of our greatest philosphers. The patience of the plundered poor is the thing that amazes Kant.

Edwin Markham, in his immortal poem, "The Man With the Hoe," utters startling words of warning in the following lines:

"O masters, lords and rulers in all lands,
How will the Future reckon with this Man?
How answer his brute questions in that hour
When whirlwinds of rebellion shake the world?
How will it be with kingdoms and with kings—
With those who shaped him to the thing he is—
When this dumb Terror shall reply to God
After the silence of the centuries?"

PEOPLE AND THINGS

Rev. and Mrs. W. Jackson Huneycutt announce the birth of a son, Wiley Jackson, Jr., November 15.

Dr. H. B. Trimble of Emory University will preach in Franklin next Sunday morning and address a Macon county Methodist meeting in the afternoon. Following the afternoon address a quarterly conference will be held for the three charges participating.

The Quillian Lectures at Emory University are to be delivered by Dr. Edwin P. Booth, professor of New Testament of the Boston University School of Theology. Dr. Booth is somewhat new to our section, but comes highly recommended as an informing and stimulating lecturer.

Publication of the Western North Carolina Conference Journal is nearing completion and shipment will be under way in a few days. All preachers who have not already done so should immediately drop Secretary Nease a card stating the number of copies desired.

Rev. N. C. Yearby, retired Methodist minister, who has been living near Smithfield since his retirement, has accepted the pastorate of the Princeton Methodist church which was left vacant when the appointments were made at the recent meeting of the N. C. conference in Wilson.

Please state in the Advocate that I am retired and my permanent address is Laurinburg, N. C., on Vance street. I note my name does not appear anywhere in connection with appointments. Someone might get wrong impression of my status in conference. Thanks and best wishes.—M. F. Hodges.

Prof. F. S. Aldridge, because of bad health, asked to be relieved as lay leader of the Durham district. He was continued in harness, however, as honorary district lay leader of his district and as secretary-treasurer of the board. In this capacity we shall still have the advantage of his leadership and counsel.

This is to report with sincere gratitude a very generous "pounding" at the hands of the Shady Grove congregation Sunday morning, November 15. A ham, flour, suger, coffee, lard, bed sheets, etc., were among the gifts. Best of all a check for $90 to pay the World Service acceptance for Shady Grove for the year. We are grateful for this welcome given us for our return for a third year of service.—J. V. Early, Pastor.

And after you have served a turkey dinner to the entire board of stewards at the beginning of a conference year, "you may ask what you will and it shall be done unto you." That's the way it happened at Tarboro last week. It was the best stewards' meeting I have ever attended—the best spirit, the best interest in what the preacher had to propose, and the best response to the propositions. Every item of the church budget for the new conference year was voted an increase, including pastor's salary.—E. C. Durham.

Rev. Benson Baker, D.D., missionary of the Methodist Church to India, recently preached on "The World for a Parish" at Foundry church, Washington, D. C. During the 38 years that Dr. Baker has been in India, he has been the special representative of Foundry church—one of a number of notable "church missionary partnerships" between America and distant lands. "Their glorious period of service in India came to an end last year, and now they are back to spend the twilight years in the land of their birth. But still they belong to Foundry. Always, as is indicated on the Bulletin, we want them to be our living link with our work in far lands."

Says old Uncle Calhoun Webster: "When I see a man a-goin home wid a gallon o' whiskey and a half pound o' meat dat's temperance lesson enough for me. I knows dat eberything in dat man's house am on de same scale—a gallon o' misery to ebery half pound o' comfort."

At the general monthly meeting of the Woman's Christian Service, held recently at Ward Street Methodist church, High Point, Mrs. S. S. Swanson was honored by the society, which presented her with a life membership in the society, accompanied by a gold pin signifying life membership. This is the fourth member from Ward Street church to receive this honor.

While Tunisia and Algeria—French North Africa, Mohammedan North Africa—are today seeing American soldiers for the first time, these lands are not seeing their first resident American. For the Methodist Church has been in North Africa since 1908, and during all that thirty-four year period Methodist missionaries have been known to the Berbers, the Kabyles, the French, and the Italians.

Please announce in the Advocate that our new address is Box 22, East Rockingham, N. C. The people here have received us graciously. The Pee Dee church has given us a very generous pounding which has stocked our pantry for many weeks to come. Many things have been done for the parsonage in an effort to make us comfortable. The people speak highly of their former pastors, and everyone seems ready for a good year's work. Pray for us and for the work. —C. P. Morris, Pastor.

Civilian co-operation with the railroads at all times during the war is necessary. Mr. Cassetty suggests the adoption of the following "Patriot's Travel Code," which appeared in "Travelways," official railway guide of Chicago, by all who must travel by rail: "I will make travel decisions as far ahead as I can. I will be prepared to accept available accommodations. I will buy round trip ticket well in advance. I will make reservations as soon as possible. I will cancel reservations early if my plans change. I will avoid week-end travel. I will forego travel luxuries when necessary. I will cheerfully release space if military needs require it."

Rev. H. K. King, new pastor of the First Methodist church, preached his first sermon to the congregation Sunday morning, following his arrival Saturday. His subject related to the approaching Thanksgiving next Thursday, and was "The Grateful Heart." Mr. King comes to Henderson from Laurinburg, where he has been stationed the past two years. Prior to that time he had served Methodist First churches in Burlington and Elizabeth City. He succeeds Rev. B. C. Reavis, who ended a three-year pastorate here a week ago and left last week for Salisbury to reside temporarily as he prepares to go into evangelistic work.—The Henderson Dispatch.

Last Tuesday evening the members of West End, Greensboro, enjoyed a very unique program. A pot luck supper and study period of the mission book Latin America of the U. S. A. was announced. However, after about 35 of the members had enjoyed together a wonderful fellowship supper one of the brethren announced that the food that was left would be presented to the pastor, whereupon the stage curtain was drawn open and to our surprise revealed a bountiful supply of groceries, etc., for the parsonage pantry. This came as a complete but very happy surprise and we are truly grateful to these good people for this pounding. The study of Latin America of the U. S. A. was led by Mrs. John Talley, Mrs. V. C. Stockard and the pastor.—B. W. Lefler, Pastor.

Dr. Charles Mayo says: "The undeniable defect in a democracy is that government can rise no higher than the average intelligence of the people. Unless intelligent leadership can be developed, it must remain mediocre.. This explains our heroic attempt at general education to raise the general level of intelligence. We strive always to correct the social evils with new laws; therefore, laws are passed by the thousands. The success of democracy depends not on laws but on living up to the moral obligation."

We wish to write a few words from Branson Memorial, Durham. It is a new experience for us to be returned for a fifth year on a charge; but the past four years have been happy and in some measure successful. All the debts have been cleared from the church, and the basement of the church building has been completed, making adequate educational rooms for the church school and a beautiful addition to the building. There is not a cent of debt on all this. Also some loyal, useful members have been added to the congregation. On last Friday night, November 13, a large group of the members surprised us with an old fashioned and very enjoyable pounding, which we truly appreciated. We are praying for and expecting a great year in the Master's service. The Branson Memorial people are among the best in the world.—John Cline.

W. D. Bradfield, N. L. Linebaugh, S. H. C. Burgin and H. D. Knickerbocker closed 180 years of high ministerial service at the session of the North Texas conference. They have all filled positions of distinction and honor with credit and ability. They have sat together as delegates in more than one General Conference. They have all successfully held leading pastorates and presiding elderships, and have been wise counselors in the most important affairs of the church. Dr. Bradfield has won additional honor as a professor of theology. Dr. Burgin served as secretary of the General Board of Church Extension and Dr. Linebaugh rendered service as president of a girls' college and as assistant secretary of Church Extension. Four such men coming together to retirement on the same day in the same conference made a historic occasion in Methodism.

The world is soon to have a new and special brand of the Old Testament. It will be a 2,000-page volume and will be entitled "The Bible in the Hands of Its Creator." Its purpose is to explain for the first time the present sad condition of the world and also to dispose of the Bible's "inconsistencies" by spelling the doom of Hitler. The author of this new Bible is Boake Carter. It seems that the world has entirely misunderstood the Scriptures. The Satan of the Old Testament means Hitler. The Assyrians are the Germans. The "Ten Lost Tribes" are the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Judaic people. According to this volume God, in infinite wisdom, brought David Horowitz and Mr. Carter together. The former had been a hermit living in a cave near Jerusalem where he discovered the secret code which gave him the original meaning of the Bible names. Boake Carter observes Saturday as the Sabbath, celebrates the Passover, eats only "Biblically cooked" foods.—The United Presbyterian.

Bishop J. M. Moore's pen picture of H. D. Knickerbocker in the Southwestern Christian Advocate: "H. D. Knickerbocker has been a money-maker and a generous giver and a liberal spender. He is conservative in his thinking and ardent in his advocacy. He is impulsive in his opinions, but steadfast in his convictions. He loves fun and comes with him a bundle of jokes and anecdotes which he releases on slight provocation and on any occasion. Some are fine and funny and some are "punk." He loves everybody but some more than others. He has the average number of faults, whatever it is, but his virtues are far greater. Some people like him, some do not, he knows it, and is not perturbed. He may be unique, rare, individualistic and what not, but he is genuine, true, straightforward, noble and good. He has given the church and the people a great ministry and his work will live after him. He has been the friend of man and the servant of God. May his years be many, his labors be fruitful and the joys of the Lord be rich and bountiful."

E. A. LONG PASSED MONDAY

Edgar A. Long, 73, died at his home on Arlington street, Greensboro, Monday morning, after an illness of six weeks. He was born in Lincoln county December 26, 1868, son of Jacob Long and Martha King Long. His first wife was Miss Mollie Armstrong of Lincoln county; she died at Spencer December 24, 1906, leaving two sons and two daughters.

His present wife was Miss Carrie Clapp of Guilford county. They were married in 1910. He leaves two sons, James Long of Greensboro and Norris Long of Washington; two daughters, Miss Eunice Long, Black Mountain, and Miss Lola Long, deaconess in Houston, Texas. One son, Vernon, died several years ago. He is also surived by three brothers, Julius, Oscar and Preston Long, Lincoln county, two sisters, Mrs. Ben Wingate, Davidson, and Mrs. John Barker, Caldwell Station.

He moved to Greensboro 34 years ago. He had been with Southern Railway for 45 years. He joined the Methodist church in Lincoln county when a young man, and was a loyal member till the end. He had been a steward at Centenary for several years. He was a regular attendant until a few years ago when his health failed.

The funeral service was at Centenary Wednesday at 11 a. m. He was buried at Unity Presbyterian church in Lincoln county, where his first wife and his parents are interred.

This writer has lost, for awhile, a noble Christian and a beloved friend. A. C. Sherrill.

PARKER PARKING AWHILE

When a soldier of the Lord takes his task very seriously and works conscientiously and falls in line of duty he is a casuality of war, that war which will not close until the Prince of Life is on the throne in every heart everywhere. R. J. Parker is superintendent of our Latin Mission in Florida and pastor of San Marcos church, Ybor City. Recently while holding a cowboy's camp meeting in West Texas he suffered a severe heart attack making imperative a long rest. Mrs. Parker and the official board continues to run the church and Brother Richard does some superintending by mail. His letter sent to our conference and read to the cabinet sounds apostolic. It cheered our souls and aroused our sympathy. The many friends of that friendly man wish for him a strong recovery. "Cherrio," Brother Parker!

L. B. Hayes.

RAMSEUR-FRANKLINVILLE CHARGE

The fourth quarterly conference of this charge moved up the salary from $1800 to $2000.

The Ramseur church always raises its ten per cent for the Children's Home in the Sunday school on Thanksgiving. Yesterday Mr. W. E. Marley, the superintendent, announced that he was going to take five minutes to raise our $120, and when the pledging was over the cash and pledges—mostly cash—amounted to $130.

The Youth Fellowship of the Franklinville church had the largest delegation of any church at the Randolph County Methodist Youth Fellowship at Asheboro last Friday night. So we are expecting both of these churches to excel in many things this year. J. E. Pritchard, Pastor.

CHANGE OF APPOINTMENTS

Bishop Purcell has confirmed the following changes in the appointments:

McKendree—M. R. Gardner.

Wanchese—J. W. Sneeden.

Pink Hill—To be supplied.

Thomas McM. Grant.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY WIRE

Bishop Clare Purcell authorizes the appointment of N. C. Yearby to Princeton charge. H. I. Glass.

The Rural Church in North Carolina

By W. KERR SCOTT

In the past forty years we have made remarkable progress in our rural educational program in North Carolina. In the past twenty-five years we have made unbelievable progress in road building. In the past decade we have literally "lit up" North Carolina with rural electrification, and this program is now bringing untold joy and comfort to housewives who even five years ago only dreamed that such luxuries could be for them. On every side progress have been made for a better rural North Carolina, but the rural church with rare exceptions has lagged behind the other agencies.

Rural high schools now are equal in physical equipment to that of the colleges of forty years ago. While all is not perfection in our schools, yet all agree that from the standpoint of education our boys and girls on the average have much greater opportunies.

With the development of the road program all communities have been linked together with reasonably well kept highways. Ribbons of concrete running from one end of the state to the other connect the most remote community with a good trading center.

The automobile has played a big part in this development of rural living. Thirty years ago no one could even dream that the countryside could be provided with the privileges which the farmer now enjoys. Few there were who even believed that the farmer could support such a program. Many capable men thought that any such program of taxes to support schools and roads would wreck any farmer.

My duties carry me before many civic and professional clubs in the towns and cities of North Carolina. A hand raising invariably shows that 70 to 85 per cent of those present are from the country. These men are the progressive leaders of these towns and cities.

What we are today is the result of the efforts of generations past. What we shall be tomorrow will be the result of the efforts of generations past and today. These same progressive leaders, who grew up in the country, control for the most part the moral and economic destinies of our people. They received their moral training at the hands of the rural church and the rural home. While in the rural church, they are youngsters contributing their pennies to the support of the church. As they go away, they become members of the city church and contribute to the city church during their heavy income days. Many at their death leave substantial sums to the city church, forgetting the mother church of their youth. Go into the churches of our cities and towns and you will find that some of them are veritable cathedrals. It makes one feel sad to think of the mother church of most of the members. How pitiful is the equipment!. How lacking in every way to carry on the program!

If the country church in North Carolina today were to fold up entirely and cease to supply the city churches with members, within twenty-five years almost every church in the cities and towns would be truly a ghost building.

The greatest need in rural North Carolina today is a revived forward looking church program; a rural minister, educated and consecrated to his task and giving his full time to the services of only one church. Had I the power to do any one great thing for the future of the South, it would be my desire to tell the rural minister to go forth and worry not about his living, for an adequate endowment had been provided to sustain him and his family and to educate his children.

Rural North Carolina needs leadership. With all of the economic problems arising, with the new types of farm programs unfolding, such as the Triple A, the Soil Conservation, rural electrification, county rural health, and many other programs unheard of ten years ago, brains and vision are needed. Farm people need their own trained leaders who make their living from farming rather than professional leaders. They need men and women who can stand up before any group and who can challenge the powers that be for an equitable position in the market place. Right there is where the country church must come in to train and imbue right standards within the hearts of young men and women.

In the past decade in the process of acquiring better schools, roads, automobiles and in attempting to develop the new farm programs, we have left God out of them. The challenge to our farm people should be to rededicate ourselves to the task of bringing forward the country church. I am sincere in believing that not only does our moral welfare demand it, but that our economic welfare also demands it.

Our cousins in the cities are interested in our welfare if we but show our own interest. Our great country will go forward when we realize our mutual inter-dependence. Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, the great agricultural leader, once said, "The powers that transformed the humble fishermen of Galilee into mighty apostles of truth is ever present and can be used as effectively today for any good cause as when the Son of God turned his footsteps from Judea's capital and talked to the wayside children of poverty."

The South has been declared "economic problem number one." When the rural church program has been brought on a par with or ahead of all other rural programs and plays its part in the training of young men and women, there will be a new day for the South. From the wilderness of this great area leaders with the might of Samson will come forth destroying this great lion in their path. The common destiny of all of us is in the destiny of the rural church.

"He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

Education does not mean teaching people what they do not know. It means teaching them to behave as they do not behave. . . . It means training them into the perfect exercise and kingly continence of their bodies and souls. —John Ruskin.

While gold coins have been taken from us, it isn't against the law to possess a heart of gold.—Uplift.

REV. J. T. STOVER

Rev. John Thomas Stover was born in Montgomery county, Virginia, July 10, 1853, and died November 17, 1942; age 90 years, 4 months and 7 days.

In 1881 he was married to Miss Flora Pickens, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Pickens of Weaverville, N. C. Six children blessed this union. He is survived by five children, Miss Lochie Stover and Mrs. Virginia Coble of Greensboro, W. B. Stover of Charlotte, Mrs. T. P. Bumgerner and T. R. Stover of Rutherford College.

At an early age he was converted and united with the Methodist church and continued to love and serve his church until the last. In 1875 he joined the Holston conference. When the Western North Carolina conference was organized in 1890 from a part of the Holston he became a charter member. After unification he was, of course, a member of the new Methodist Church. Thus he was a member of three different conferences without transferring to a different locality. He served 44 years as an itinerant minister in pastorates in the western section of North Carolina. During this time he did not miss a roll call at the annual conference. However, in later year he missed only two, once when in the hospital with a broken bone and the last session.

He retired from the active ministry twenty-three years ago and settled in the Rutherford College community. During these twenty-three years he did not let his spirit atrofy but was always keenly interested in every phase of the community life. He adjusted himself to the changing times and conditions and was ever young in spirit. He was most loyal to his church in every way. He regularly attended the men's Bible class and both the morning and evening worship services. He said that even though he could not hear much that was said he wanted to be present and worship with the congregation, and pray for the pastor and success of the church. His public prayers with such an eloquent flow of language indicated his personal acquaintance with the scriptures and with his Saviour in such a way that all who heard felt lifted to a higher plane of Christian living. Truly, he was an inspiration in all the services and wherever he went he was loved and all knew him to be a man of God.

Funeral service was conducted on Thursday morning, November 19, at the Rutherford College Methodist church by Bishop Clare Purcell, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, and J. R. Duncan. He was then laid beside his wife in Weaverville.

J. R. Duncan.

SAVE THE CHILDREN FEDERATION

Dr. Samuel McCrea, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches, who recently returned from a trip to Europe, has reported to the board of the Save the Children Federation that as a result of examinations made by Swiss doctors who have visited France, the condition of many children has been found to be so bad that the time has passed for helping them. Relief efforts are therefore being centered upon those who have a chance to survive.

Dr. Cavert, who had gone overseas to confer with leaders of the Save the Children International Union of the Federation, which has been a member of the Union since 1932. In conjunction with Dr. Adolph Keller, chairman of the Save the Children Federation Advisory Council for International Work, conversations were held relative to plans that are being laid for child welfare during the post-war period.

The speaker revealed that the Save the Children International Union is participating in the work of aiding refugee children in Switzerland. These children, representatives of all nationalities, are being cared for largely in private families, which are making great sacrifices in sharing their rationed food with their charges.



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Pets in the Sex Education of Children

The True Story of a Laboratory Experiment

By DR. MASON CRUM, Duke University

One of the most troublesome problems with many parents is that of imparting to their children certain facts concerning sex and reproduction. In reality this should not be such a problem, but the fact remains, that for many, it is. Some parents secretly hope that the Sunday school teacher or the public school teacher will perform this duty, and thereby relieve them of a task which they would like to shun. This is particularly true of those parents who have not lived close to their children, and who have put off for too long a time the training of their children in this important area of knowledge.

I am sure that the earlier we begin the sex instruction of our children the better. And, I am equally sure that the teaching must be done indirectly and in the normal course of living. Do not make sex a special subject for study or investigation, but wait for the child to bring up the matter through his questioning. It is as much a normal expression of life as eating or breathing. Refer to it only as necessity demands or the occasion arises. Treat it as part of a whole—as one of life's normal functions. Never set it off to itself in the child's mind as something deserving of special consideration. Avoid whispering about sex, and above all, as someone has said, avoid the blushing attitude. Be frank, even scientific, and avoid a terminology which inclines to vulgar provincialisms or slang. Better err on the side of scientific terms.

It is noteworthy that rural children have many advantages over city children in the matter of acquiring sex knowledge and understanding. About the farm children live close to animals—they see more of real life than does the child brought up on paved sidewalks. The rural child lives close to the soil and thereby imbibes in a natural way many of nature's secrets. Here the processes of reproduction go on among animals before the very eyes of children, and they grow into a knowledge of sex in a perfectly natural manner. The new calf is born, and all living things about the place bring forth their young in due season. For weeks the mother cow is ponderous with her unborn young. The observing child learns that the babe is being nourished in its mother's body. There are fowls in the barnyard—copulation, the fertilization of eggs, laying time, brooding, incubation, and again the creation of new life. The panorama of life gradually and normally unfolds before the eyes of the growing child. He witnesses the nurture of a litter of young pigs as they tug at their mother's milk, watches the livestock feed and multpily, and is unabashed at the reproduction of life. All of these processes of life fall into a normal and natural pattern. He becomes aware of nature's plan to perpetuate the species and finds evidence of this principle in everything from the pollinization of the waving corn, to the birth of a babe in the family. He knows in his soul that "one touch of nature makes the whole world kin." Happy is the child who is privileged to live so close to nature, and who imbibes from her this pristine knowledge and wisdom unbiased by human sophistication, a pseudo-modesty and primitive taboos. It is true that, "To him who in the love of Nature holds communion with her visible forms, she speaks a various language." (Bryant, Thanatopsis).

Have you ever noticed how straightforward and upright looking the 4-H boys and girls are?. They live on farms and, besides going to school and an occasional picture show, breed beef cattle, dairy cows, pigs and poultry. To them all the creative functions of life are normal and a part of the warp and woof of life.

Now the city child must reproduce in his own environment at much of this close-to-the-soil living as possible. Parents should strive to bring to the city home as many of the experiences of the rural child as possible. Obviously the chances for doing this are very limited. But I do here offer one workable suggestion—that is pets.

Every child should have a pet, and preferably a female pet, so there would be close at hand, for observation, the reproductive processes of life, and the nurture of the young. Space will not permit the discussion of the desirable social attitudes growing out of the child's responsibility for and care of the mother and her young. It is obvious that the developments of these attitudes are very essential to a well-rounded personality. But this is another story.

In my own home the presence of a little cocker-spaniel dog, female, did more to educate my children in useful sex knowledge than all the school courses in sex education could have done. A little boy of eight was the chief beneficiary of this experience, though the knowledge spread to other children of the community. They beat a path to the spot where this little mother dog suckled her litter of five. It seemed that the whole community had been looking forward to the time when these puppies would arrive.

It would take too long to give the details of the learning process which grew out of this simple experiment. Thoughtful parents will understand how such an experience with a group of children enhances their knowledge of life.

The time came when the little dog had to be mated. Frank questions were asked, and frank answers were given, that is up to the point of a child's understanding. I think it is a good rule never to impart information which is beyond the child's comprehension. It is better to tell him that you will be glad to explain a little later when he can more fully understand. If he presses for an answer, I find it best to tell him frankly the facts. Scientific truth is remarkably wholesome to a child. His mind is unbiased by the tricks and hypocrisies of an artificial culture. Children want to know and the truth is clean. The little boy of eight pressed for an answer to the question of impregnation. He was told the essential facts, and was not surprised, but took the information as a matter of course, and has not raised the question since.

One can hardly convey in so brief an article the many aspects of the mystery of life which passed through the

children's minds. It was with affectionate regard that they cared for and protected the little mother-to-be, and watched her body expand as the embryo developed. They counted the days, passing so slowly it seemed, before the puppies were to be born. One Sunday afternoon there came five little puppies and all the finer instincts of childhood were brought into play. They watched them tenderly, cared for them, looked anxiously to the day when their eyes would be opened, talked confidently about male and female, the breeding period and the loveliness of every young thing. One is tempted to expand upon this point, and to suggest that perhaps the best we find in our encrusted social order sprang from such experiences of responsibility and endearment, especially as these experiences have come in the family relationship and in the gracious ties of home.

Epilogue: Vivian has had another litter—three this time! The children are not quite as excited, but much wiser. They have a new sense of assurance—the assurance which comes with knowledge and the sense of having shared in life's ongoing. To these children the mystery of life and the processes of reproduction are more than "sex education"—to them these episodes are a part of nature's plan; which is to say God's plan for all living forms. Thus life becomes a thing of beauty.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM SGT. WILLIAM P. MORGAN

Dear Editors:

For some time I have been planning to write to you and express my appreciation for the North Carolina Christian Advocate. I get it regularly, and in the September 17 issue I saw the article that you published about me asking for my former pastors to write to me. It has brought results and I am very grateful to you for your kindness.

My mother sends me the magazine, and after I read it thoroughly I give it to my chaplain. He is just as anxous to get it as I, and I know that it has proven useful to him in a thousand ways. There are always so many articles of interest in it for us to read, and no one could enjoy them any more than we do.

I attended Brevard College before entering the U. S. Army Air Corps and I find the Advocate very useful in keeping with the news of that institution.

My chaplain at one time was a Methodist minister, coming from the state of Kentucky, and a regular reader of the Advocate. He sends his regards to you. His name is a rather unusual one, but nevertheless here it is—Chaplain William R. Smith.

Keep up the good work that you and the rest of the Christians in western North Carolina are doing. We feel your spirit of co-operation over here, and the sooner more people fall into the good work and do their share the happier we will be.

Let me make the suggestion that each family that has a son in the service mail a copy each week of the Advocate to their loved one. I'll bet each copy will be read by at least five or six individuals. Could you suggest a better way to spread the good word?

May God bless you in your work and let us pray for a great victory for his kingdom.

A Christian friend,

Sgt. Wm. Paul Morgan.

STIRRING WORDS OF HARRY DENMAN

Dr. Harry Denman speaking before the South Georgia conference had this to say of the present national labor situation:

If the President of the United States has the right to send our boys 12,000 miles to Australia to give up their lives for this country, he has the same right to see to it that workers in American defense plants work forty or fifty hours if necessary to produce the equipment and supplies for those boys.

Soldiers die on a salary of fifty dollars a month, and they don't quit at the end of thirty-five hours, Dr. Denman said.

The British people make twice as many ships per day as the United States, Dr. Denman continued, with less material and machinery than we have. The difference, he asserted, is in the worker.

We'll never drink our way to victory, no matter what the Secretary of War says, was Dr. Denman's opinion. The military party controls America, and the liquor party controls the militarists. If we are going to make America great, the first thing we need is some great Americans, he said.

There is no ceiling on Christian fellowship nor priorities on prayer in an hour like this, he told the crowd that filled the Trinity church auditorium and balcony to capacity.

THE NORTH CAROLINA FOLK-LORE SOCIETY

The North Carolina Folk-Lore Society will hold its 31st annual session at three o'clock on Thursday, December 3, in the Virginia Dare ball room of the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh. The sessions of the State Literary and Historical Association and of The Art Society are scheduled for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, December 1, 2 and 3; full programs of all sessions will go to members of the State Literary and Historical Association some time in advance of the meetings.

The sessions of the Folk-Lore Society are always open to the public. The following program has been arranged:

Address by the President: "You All"—Southern Style. George P. Wilson, Greensboro.
Paper: This World and Others: A Study in Negro Psychology and Superstition.
Part I. One-Eyed Sal. A one-act play.
Part II. The Gospel According to Buckshot. Lowry Axley, Savannah, Ga.
Paper: A North Carolina Composer Uses Folk-Material. Mrs. George C. Eichhorn, Greensboro.
Paper: Folk Gestures. Francis C. Hayes, Guilford College.
Business session.

MINISTERS' WIVES ENTERTAIN THEIR HUSBANDS

The associations of ministers' wives of the Statesville district held a delightful meeting on Wednesday, November 11, in the educational building at First church, Hickory, with their husbands as special guests. Mrs. J. C. Auman of Maiden, president of the organization, offered the devotional. During a brief business session the president called for a report of recent improvements in various parsonages in the district and many improvements were reported. The nominating committee presented a slate of officers for the new year and the following were elected: Mrs. R. G. Allen of Statesville, president; Mrs. F. H. Price of Statesville, vice president; and Mrs. J. C. Reichard of Troutman, sceretary-treasurer. The association was invited by Mrs. O. L. Robinson to meet in the Taylorsvile vicinity in the spring with the wives in Alexander county as hostesses. Mrs. Mark Q. Tuttle read an article entitled "The Minister's Wife Needs a Sense of Humor," and Mrs. Auman urged those present to preserve their sense of humor.

Just before lunch time the president asked that each wife introduce her guest. Following this the invocation was spoken by the district superintendent, Rev. J. S. Hiatt. The table was attractively decorated with ivy and fall flowers. The luncheon brought in baskets by the members of the association was served buffet style, with fried chicken and many delicious foods for the guests to enjoy. Hostesses for the occasion were the wives of the Hickory area: Mrs. W. A. Kale, Mrs. H. C. Freeman, Mrs. J. P. Hornbuckle, Mrs. S. G. Ferree and Mrs. W. C. Newell.

Mrs. J. C. Auman, President.
Mrs. Mark Q. Tuttle, Secretary.

LENORA LASSITER KEARNS

Lenora Lassiter was born at Lassiter's Mill in Randolph county November 19, 1852, and died in Greensboro, N. C., August 24, 1942. She was the daughter of Micajah and Martha Winslow Lassiter. The home was Christian, and Micajah Lassiter's was always open house to the Methodist circuit rider of those days.

In 1871 Lenora Lassiter was married to Samuel Wood Kearns, a prosperous and enterprising farmer of that section of Randolph county. To them were born five children:



Mrs. L. M. Kearns and Miss Clyde Kearns of Greensboro, with whom she made her winter home after the death of her husband in 1918; E .T. Kearns of Thomasville, Mrs. L. K. Fuller of Whiteville, and Mrs. R. W. Fuller of Farmer. To the home of the latter she went every year to spend the summer in the community where she had lived her life.

Educated at the old Oak Grove Seminary, one of the best schools in that section of the state, becoming a member of Oak Grove Methodist church, and later, after her marriage, transferring her church membership to Farmer, or Concord Methodist church, Mrs. Kearns devoted her life to her home and her community in a way that commanded a wide influence and that now causes her children to "rise up and call her blessed."

In old age no troubles marred her peace, and serenity and calm assurance were her continual heritage from a life of service and devotion to the simple, yet great tasks of life.

The funeral service was conducted at the home of her daughter on Camden Road, Greensboro, on Wednesday, August 26, 1942, by Rev. R. M. Courtney and the body was then taken to Farmer where Rev. J. C. Erwin and Rev. W. B. Thompson, former pastors, assisted Brother Courtney in a final service. The interment was in the church cemetery at Farmer.

After many years I delight in paying tribute to this devout, good woman because in the days before I came of voting age I served as assistant, in the summer months, to the Rev. T .S. Ellington then pastor of the old Uwharrie circuit, and many times I found rest, recreation, and renewal of spirit in this splendid Christian home. J. B. Craven.

MAN'S GREATEST DISCOVERY

There is current a quaint story concerning a group of men who hotly disputed about what constituted the greatest discovery ever made by the human spirit. The intellectual argued for the invention of the alphabet, the mechanic for the construction of the first wheel, and the business man for the original application of the idea of interest on loans. Finally, according to this tale, a quiet member of the party suggested that the discovery of the divine in life meant more than all else. True it is that they who have found God form a notable brotherhood down the long path of the centuries. The adventures of some thirty or more of these spiritual pioneers provide Sherwood Eddy with the material for his latest book, "Man Discovers God."

The range and reach of this volume is the first characteristic to catch the reader's attention. For here are biographers drawn from more than 3000 years of history. The procession begins with Plato and ends with Schweitzer. Between these two figures march many celebrated individuals: Philo and Plotinus; the Old Testament prophets; Paul and the authors of the Gospels; Augustine and such mystics as St. Francis, Brother Lawrence, and Pascal; the giants of the reformations—Luther, Wesley, Bunyan, and Edwards; scientists such as Sir Isaac Newton and Arthur Compton; and certain modern pilgrims of faith including Tolstoy, Reinhold Niebuhr and Gandhi. Here are representatives of all the major continents and of all the major schools of thought. But one fact unites them in a single fellowship—each found God, though each came to know him in his own way.—Zions Herald.

CHARGE LAY LEADERS TO MEET

The district set-up meeting for our new conference year is to be held December 3 at Fifth Avenue Methodist church in Wilmington, beginning at 9:30 a. m. and will close at 4:30.

We are requesting every charge and church lay leader to attend, as the program for the year is to be worked out at this meeting. We are hoping to have with us our new conference lay leader as well as speakers from New York, Durham and Raleigh to present our church program for the new year. Please do your best to attend and bring with you all the church lay leaders from your charge.

Let's make this year the best for our Lord and our church. W. A. McGirt, Dist. Lay Leader.

THE WRITING ON THE WALL

The writing on the wall is everywhere now, for anyone to see—regimentation. Regimentation of jobs, of income, of living conditions, of time, thought, and action.

This is one of the demands of total war in seeking the greatest efficiency and production from available man and woman power. How to so gear output that our standards of living at home will remain "American" and our armed forces will be supplied on time with all the unprecedented needs of global warfare, is the problem.

In theory, it is protection through aqualization, "temporary" control of individual activity for the country's good in time of emergency.

While our people willingly accept "temporary" restrictions as a necessity of war, the thing to remember is that word "temporary." We must not drift into a mental attitude that will pave the way for permanent regimentation. That isn't the kind of people we are.

What we have, what we are fighting for, is our roots, growing deep into the soil of free enterprise and free thinking, and the privilege of minding our own business. That privilege is what we must go back to, after the war, if freedom as we have known it is to survive in America.—The Dare County Times.

A NEW BOOK OF REVIVAL HYMNS

The Hartford Music Company gave me free use of all their revival song plates they owned or controlled. Having served a number of churches and assisted pastors in revivals where they were poorly equipped with suitable song books, I have seen the need of a good book. I took advantage of this generous offer by this company and have selected 108 of the best revival songs in our Methodist books and have made a 132-page book titled "Old Time Songs." It is one of the best condensed revival song books I have seen. Every song in it can be used in a revival service. There are a few new songs, some of my composition, that will be most helpful. Any preacher interested in a good revival song book may get them by ordering directly from the Hartford Music Co., Hartford, Ark., our Publishing House at Richmond, Va., or J. B. Fitzgerald, Waxhaw, N. C. I will send sample copy to anyone interested. J. B. Fitzgerald.

BISHOP WELCH TENDERED 80TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

More than three hundred friends of Bishop Herbert Welch, "retired but still one of Methodism's most active bishops," tendered him a "birthday party" at Christ Methodist church, New York City, on Saturday, November 7. It was the occasion of his eightieth birthday.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell was toastmaster, and Bishop Welch the only speaker on the program. However, the Boston Area, over which Bishop Welch presided for several years when called to that task from retirement, presented him a token of its appreciation, through Dr. L. O. Hartman; and the John Street Church, New York City, of which he is a trustee, presented a bouquet of flowers. Seated with Bishop Welch was Mrs. Welch, and in the gathering was also their daughter, Miss Eleanor L. Welch.

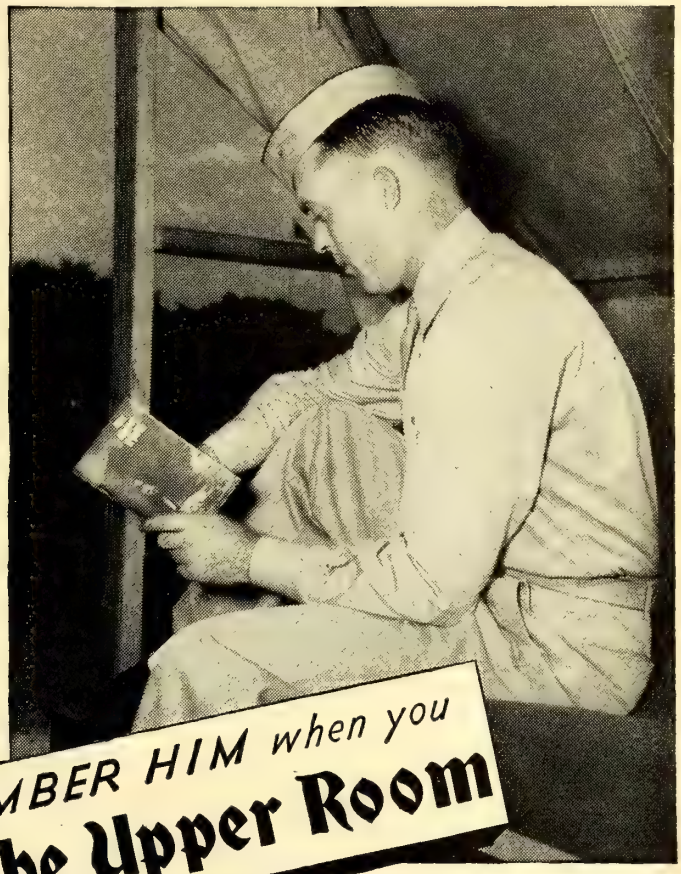
Among the institutions and organizations represented at the dinner were: The Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, of which Bishop Welch is chairman; Drew University of which he is a trustee; Ohio Wesleyan University of which he is a former president; the Pittsburgh Area and the Boston Area of the Methodist Church; John Street Methodist Church, New York City; the Board of Missions and Church Extension; the Foreign Missions Conference of North America; the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America; Wesleyan University, Bishop Welch's alma mater; the Association of China Colleges; the International Missionary Council; and the American Bible Society.

MEANDERINGS OF FIRST LADY

The latest role of Mrs. Roosevelt is ambassador of good will, entered upon recently when she arrived in England upon invitation of Queen Elizabeth. Mrs. Roosevelt's feats of strength and ubiquity can be explained only by the energy and "precedent busting" qualities inherent in the Roosevelt strain. Of her uncle, Theodore Roosevelt. John Morley after being a gust for two days in the White House wrote: "I have seen two tremendous works of nature in America. One is Niagara Falls and the other is the President of the United States."

The Roosevelts have never been adverse to rocking the boat. Theodore Roosevelt exhibited this characteristic of the clan when he ordered "In God We Trust" stricken from the penny, authorized procedure with the Panama Canal without congresisonal action, and dared to criticize British policy in Egypt while a degree was conferred on him at Oxford. This same disregard has sometimes cropped up in his kinsman, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, notably in his "Bring back beer" speech in Chicago, his sudden decision to enlarge the Supreme Court and to change the date of Thanksgiving Day.

It must always be remembered that the present First Lady of the Land is a Roosevelt. Since the cornerstone of the White House was laid 150 years ago the thirteenth of last month, the dwelling down at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue has never had another occupant like her. She has dashed off to more meetings, run in to more teas, put her finger into more pies, kept more political pots boiling, sat through more dreary banquets, inspected more projects, run up more mileage, shaken hands with more people, talked and written more and smashed to smithereens more precedents than has any other President's wife. Indeed, she is one of the most remarkable women of this age.—Jacob Simpson Peyton, in Christian Advocate.



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THANKSGIVING

Great God of nations, now to thee
Our hymn of gratitude we raise;
With humble heart and bending knee
We offer thee our song of praise.

Thy name we bless, Almighty God,
For all the kindness thou hast shown
To this fair land the Pilgrims trod,
This land we fondly call our own.

Here freedom spreads her banner wide
And casts her soft and hallowed ray;
Here, Thou, our fathers' steps did guide
In safety through their dangerous way.

Great God, preserve us in thy fear;
In danger still our guardian be:
O spread thy truth's bright precepts here,
Let all the people worship thee.

—Alfred A. Woodhull.

AN URGENT APPEAL

The following appeal comes from our loved missionary worker, Mrs. W. W. Hagood of Charlotte, and we feel sure that the secretaries of supplies in the local societies of our conference will respond gladly to this request from one who realizes the great worth of these coupons to our two Bethlehem Houses.

Dear Mrs. Harris:

Please make an appeal on our woman's page of the North Carolina Christian Advocate to the women of our societies, to send their coupons AT ONCE to the Bethlehem centers in Charlotte and Winston-Salem. There is a special rate on some of the coupons, which is in effect only to December 31, 1942. It takes time to clip, count and pack the coupons, and if each person who sends them would cut through the black lines surrounding each of them, the work would not be so trying on the person who clips them. I have just finished clipping eight thousand and I assure you it was no small task.

Your friend, Sallie W. Hagood.

Will not our secretaries of supplies in the local auxiliaries get their coupons together and send them in, so that they may be counted and reported as they should be? These coupons have been a great help to our Bethlehem houses, and much has been done for the comfort of those in these homes that could not have been done without the aid of the coupons. Let Mrs. Hagood know at once that the coupons have been sent in. (Editor).

NEW ORGANIZATION, WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT

We extend a welcome to our conference family to the recently organized Woman's Society of Christian Service at Pisgah church, Winston-Salem district. The following are the officers: President, Mrs. W. B. Thompson; vice president, Mrs. Paul Peddycord; secretary, Mrs. Ralph Brannock; treasurer, Mrs. Roy Crim; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. A. A. Phelps; secretary student work, Mrs. Dorothy Hough; secretary supplies, Mrs. P. R. Peddycord; secretary young women and girls, Miss Pauline Wilson; secretary literature and publication, Mrs. Mabel Vanhoy; secretary spiritual life, Mrs. Sam Stanley.

The address of all officers is Route 1, Kernersville, N. C., excepting that of the president, Mrs. W .B. Thompson, Route 3, Winston-Salem, and secretary, Mrs. Ralph Bronnock, Route 1, Walkertown.

FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED

By Maude England Pitts

It is quite an achievement for a couple to live together fifty years in these modern times, so the daughters of Rev. and Mrs. Ebenezer Myers thought the event should be celebrated. It was done in a very simple but beautiful way on the afternoon and evening of November 10 at the home of the fifty-year-old bride and groom on Vance street in Lenoir.

Many friends called to congratulate the couple who have served their day and generation so well, both in church and parsonage, and in walking circumspectly before their Lord.

The daughters who made the occasion possible are Mrs. Mark Goforth, Mrs. Fred May and Miss Helen Myers, all of Lenoir. The sons who came to complete the family circle are John of Charlotte, Campbell of Waxhaw, Tom of Lancaster, S. C., and Weaver of Washington, D. C. These seven children are all outstanding citizens, doing what they can to make the world better, and giving evidence of the excellent parsonage training they received at the hands of their godly father and mother. Lovely flowers added charm to the occasion, with vases of gorgeous yellow chrysanthemums and roses, and most attractive arrangements of dainty small chrysanthemums of all hues and colors. Three large yellow-iced cakes were the gifts of friends together with a varied array of useful gifts which had touches of gold. Tea and small cakes were served the guests and completed the air of hospitality already evident. On a table was displayed old violins—five in number—and when asked for a history of these violins, Mr. Myers announced the fact that he had made them all and only recently. Never a moment in his life is an idle one. If he isn't preaching, teaching Bible classes or visiting sick friends, he is in his workshop creating all kinds of useful and interesting things. Then he's also "a keeper of bees," but he doesn't have a bee who is as busy as he is! Her garden is Mrs. Myers' paradise, and she has a good one the year round. Besides the seven children there are 14 grandchildren and one great grandchild. They have kept the faith and their works do follow them!

(We join many friends in congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Myers.—Editor Woman's Page).

THANKSGIVING IN BIDAR, INDIA

This account of Thanksgiving observance in India comes from Mrs. Margaret Carver Ernsberm, for many years a member of the Methodist Mission in India, and who is now in the United States.

"Bidar the Beautiful" is famous not only in classical Indian literature, but also in modern church history. Under the inspired leadership of Rev. M. D. Ross, the district superintendent, there has grown up there a strong indigenous church, Christian in form and principles, but with a definite Indian color. The beauty of Bidar is apparent in the observance of its church festivals, and one of the chief Christian festivals is Thanksgiving Day. Activity by the schools, hospital and the entire Christian community combine to give substantial proof of the people's gratitude to God. Everybody wants to give something, no one must come with empty hands, and long before the day arrives in late October, the young people devote their spare time to earning money for their offering. . . . The day before Thanksgiving the girls prepare cakes and sweets to be sold in the church compound the next day; the proceeds from these sales go into the offering. School boys and hospital assistants clean the church, decorate the grounds and arrange the chairs and carpets, and the Girl Guides and Boy Scouts in costume furnish songs and games and one of the village bands furnishes the music. Dressed in gayest holiday attire the whole community gathers around, chat, eat sweets, drink coffee and comment on the sports and children's play.

Formal services are conducted inside the church and consist of prayer, songs, recitations by the young people and address by the pastor. At the conclusion of this service the thank offering is taken. This is a most dramatic moment. The collection plates are not passed but each one goes to the altar to present his offering. Anything anyone has to give is acceptable and sometimes among the gifts are fruits, grain, vegetables, chicken, goat or calf. The collection plates on the altar are often piled with coins by the eager worshippers and as the offering is made the people file out of the church.

An auction disposes of the articles which have been contributed and sometimes amounts to 365 rupees (about $120). This money has been given joyfully, over and above pledged subscriptions, by poor people who earn from twelve to sixty cents per day. But there is no thought of sacrifice. Happy family groups wend their way home, laughing, singing and rejoicing over the fine Thanksgiving Day offering. This is one of the beloved church festivals in the Bidar district.

In the land of the blind the one-eyed is a king.—Dutch.

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THANK GOD FOR MISSIONARIES

Thank God for health and strength among our missionaries. Thank him for the fine spirit he has given our new recruits. Pray that this may continue. Pray that they may be richly blessed in their efforts at learning the difficult languages. Pray that God may undertake for each of them in the difficulties of adjustment to mission station life, and to their co-workers.

READY FOR A NEW YEAR

Miss Leila West, chairman of publicity of the W. S. C. S. of Duke Memorial church, Durham, writes that at the business meeting of her society on November 2 officers for the ensuing year were elected. This organization has given a fine example of promptness in electing officers early, thus giving each ample time in which to acquaint herself with the duties of her office. New officers of the Duke Memorial society, in addition to Miss West, are: President, Mrs. F. R. Darkis; vice president, Mrs. A. H. Borland; recording secretary, Mrs. Roundtree Crisp; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. E. Alley; treasurer, Mrs. Emerson Tucker; secretary missionary education and service, Mrs. Irving Allen; secretary C. S. R. and L. C. A., Mrs. J. P. Breedlove; secretary student work, Mrs. W. R. Cherry; secretary young women and girls' work, Mrs. Howard Haines; secretary children's work, Mrs. Frank Green; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. J. H. Barton; secretary supplies, Mrs. A. M. Gates; chairman spritual life groups, Mrs. C. W. Peppler; chairman orphanage committee, Mrs. A. V. Cole; chairman baby division, Mrs. P. N. Highsmith; chairman birthdays, Mrs. J. C. Lentz.

NEW PLAN FOR LOCAL SALES

Two plans for selling World Outlook at 15 cents per copy on the literature table of the local church have been announced. Under the consignment plan any number of copies of a particular issue of World Outlook are shipped to the local church. Unsold copies may be returned and payment made for all copies sold at the full retail price of 15 cents each. Under the cash purchase plan 12 copies of World Outlook are sent for $1.25 and any number of additional copies above 12 for ten and one-half cents per copy. When these are sold on the literature table for 15 cents each, a profit is secured for the literature fund of the local church. It should be noted that in connection with the cash payment plan the minimum number of copies that can be purchased at the low rate of ten and one-half cents per copy is 12 and payment must be made in advance, with no privilege of returning unsold copies. Order blanks may be secured from World Outlook, 150 Fifth Avenue ,New York. Secretaries of literature and publication in local W. S. C. S., talk with your pastor about these plans, decide upon one of them and help him to circulate World Outlook among the entire church membership. Such procedure will go far toward making the membership of the churches more missionary minded.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, has shared with your editor a copy of her third quarterly report, which reveals that a new society was organized in New Bern district last quarter, bringing the total number in the N. C. conference to 501. Durham district has 81 societies, Elizabeth City 65, Fayetteville 67, New Bern 89, Raleigh 64, Rocky Mount 73, and Wilmington 64. Wesleyan Service Guilds total 45 with 5 in Durham district, 5 in Elizabeth City, 6 in Fayetteville, 5 in New Bern, 11 in Raleigh, 5 in Rocky Mount, and 8 in Wilmington. One new guild was organized in New Bern district last quarter. The total membership of the W. S. C. S. is 18,368 and of the guild 1205; 296 spiritual life groups were reported last quarter—far too few! Gifts to missions totaled $14,041.28; gifts to Christian social relations and local church activities $10,162.95; supplies $170.97. Total gifts to the emergency fund $3,173.90. There are yet 247 churches in North Carolina where there are no woman's organizations. That fact should challenge each organized society to purposeful action. Let's have many new socities during this quarter.

NORTHAMPTON ZONE

When the roll of societies in Northampton zone was called at the meeting at Concord church on October 22 only two failed to respond. Among the highlights of the meeting were: Stress upon student work and work among soldiers; introduction of the fall mission study and summary of quarterly reports by Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, district secretary; an interpretation of Japan by Miss Mildred Hudgens, dean of women at Louisburg College and former missionary to Japan; greetings from Louisburg College, Dr. Walter Patten, president; interpretation of praying hands by Mrs. Ernest Guthrie. Four adult and three baby life memberships were presented. Interesting experiences in rural work were given by Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess on Goldsboro circuit. Mrs. Mahlon Suiter led the morning worship and Mrs. M. L. Martin led the noon day devotionals. An appreciation service for the boys and girls in the service of our country was conducted by Rev. W. L. Maness. Rev. Mr. Maness read the 139th Psalm, emphasizing the verse, "If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea . . . even there shall thy right hand sustain me"; also "He shall sustain thee." The service roll was called.

FROM WEST CHINA

May Bell Thompson writes from West China: "You will be interested to know that our little Woman's Society of Christian Service here in Ting Chia had over 30 present at our last regular Sunday meeting; held the World Day of Prayer meeting in the church, with about 70 present; began last Saturday on our annual Christmas Home Week, wherein we visit a home each day, the children drawing the crowd by their sweet choruses and two women speaking (Evangelism and Christian Home); had about 100 out yesterday; also that we are giving a pageant next week on Methodist Woman's Work in 15 countries; and the next Sunday will be Woman's Sunday in our church. This is all done by the Chinese, for I am the only non-Chinese here in many miles of area.—The Methodist Woman.

THE GUILD HYMN

Our readers will be interested to learn that a meaningful Wesleyan Service Guild hymn has been written. We are not apprised of the author; however, the tune "Finlanda" (number 73, Methodist Hymnal) is used for the hymn. The words are:

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace for lands afar and mine;
This is my home, the country where my heart is,
This is my hope, my dream, my faith, my shrine.
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams and faith the same as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
A sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine;
But other lands have sunlight, too, and clover,
And skies are sometimes ocean blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,
A song of peace for other lands and mine.

ROY SMITH FROM JAPAN

Our only Japan missionary on the Gripsholm was Roy Smith, who has spent 39 years in Japan, 33 of them in the University of Commerce in Kobe, while carrying on a student evangelistic center there. Mr. Smith brings back reassuring reports. He was left free to carry on his usual teaching until the end of the present school year in March and was at liberty until he left Japan.—From a Missionary News Letter.

The happiest people are those who are too busy to stop and wonder whether they are or not.

When in doubt, always do the friendliest thing.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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THANKS FOR EVERYTHING

We have so much to be thankful for. It does not take a Thanksgiving season to cause us to be thankful. We live in the spirit of grateful thanks. But Thanksgiving tends to intensify our thanks. Among the many conditions for which we are thankful is that our family is well. Throughout the entire fall we have been freed from physical pestilence and have abounded in rosy health. Those who have had ailments have been well treated and have come through their sickness and accidents successfully. We live in the spirit of gratitude.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Our boys and girls are becoming Christmas minded. To them Christmas is all too far away. But with those of us who must implement the Christmas spirit it seems all too close by. Inquiring letters from sponsoring groups are already arriving in an effort to ascertain what will be a fitting Christmas gift for sponsored children. Santa Claus letters are being written and Santa Claus agents are contacting sources of supply for answering requests made. To many of our children Santa Claus is a real person, to others he is a kind spirit.

HEAR THE POLICEMAN

Walter Anderson, a man of fine physique and sterling qualities, was Winston-Salem's chief of police for nine years. He specialized in helping under privileged boys in the most backward situation of our city. In the early fall he accepted a similar position in the city of Charlotte. At the close of our annual conference there he greeted this scribe with a hearty handshake, stating that he had joined the men's Bible class of First Methodist church and that he had already agreed to speak for the Children's Home on the next fifth Sunday, well over a month away. That is the way Robin Kirby, the Children's Home representative at First church, gets good responses from his people for our family.

CHILDREN'S HOME APPORTIONMENTS

Far be it from this scribe to try to direct our various congregations in the methods for raising the Children's Home apportionments. But the suggestion is made that the fifth Sunday offerings be encouraged to apply in as large a way as possible with gratuitous giving rather than the attainment of a given amount. Such a spirit will not only exceed apportionments; they will tend to create a loving interest. Our supplmentary apportionments may well serve as bonuses, those fine gifts coming above and beyond the good old ten per cent apportionment.

CAMP GROUND HALLELUIAHS

The five congregations on the Balls Creek circuit, those surrounding the historic Balls Creek camp ground, where Rev. R. L. Forbis lives, have already paid their ten per cent apportionment. They have halleluiahed early in the year. Rev. John H. Green started off his year's work with the eight churches surrounding the historic Rock Springs camp ground with raising a major part of his charge's apportionment. Just how many of the congregations have paid in full is not now ascertained but Brother John and his crowd will halleluiah at an early date. The same is true with Hopewell and Concord on the Catawba circuit, where Rev. A. G. Lackey now leads. Both these congregations are in the halleluiah area.

MORE BELL RINGING

Listen to the music of the bell with all the "ten-ten-abulations." The cause for this sweet music helps us to merrily roll along. We couldn't get anywhere without those friends who help pay our bills. Those charges and pastors having paid their basal apportionment during the past week are herewith listed. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

Wesley Memorial, High Point, Rev. C. E. Rozzelle.

Eden, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. A. D. Shelton.

Bethany, Liberty circuit, Rev. C. D. Hall.

Hopewell and Concord, Catawba circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

Center, Friendship, Mt. View, Pisgah and St. Paul, Balls Creek circuit, Rev. R. L. Forbis.

Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden circuit, Rev. T. F. Higgins.

South China Grove, Mt. Mitchell, Rev. E. A. Cook.

Lowe's, Reidsville circuit, Rev. Byron Shankle.

THE VARSITY TEAM

We have had six football teams playing competitive schedules this fall. Topping the list is the varsity squad, whose picture is herewith presented. Coach Wilburn Clary started with this squad in the fall with a good line and a green backfield. In the first game this backfield fumbled twelve times, losing the only game so far played. This backfield isn't green any more. The record thus far is herewith listed, first figures standing for the Children's Home:

0	Mills Home	8
47	Kannapolis High	0
16	Gray High	0
33	Barium Springs	0
33	Albemarle High	0
59	Gaffney High	0
7	Lexington High	0
19	Junior Home	19
34	Concord High	0
43	Statesville High	0

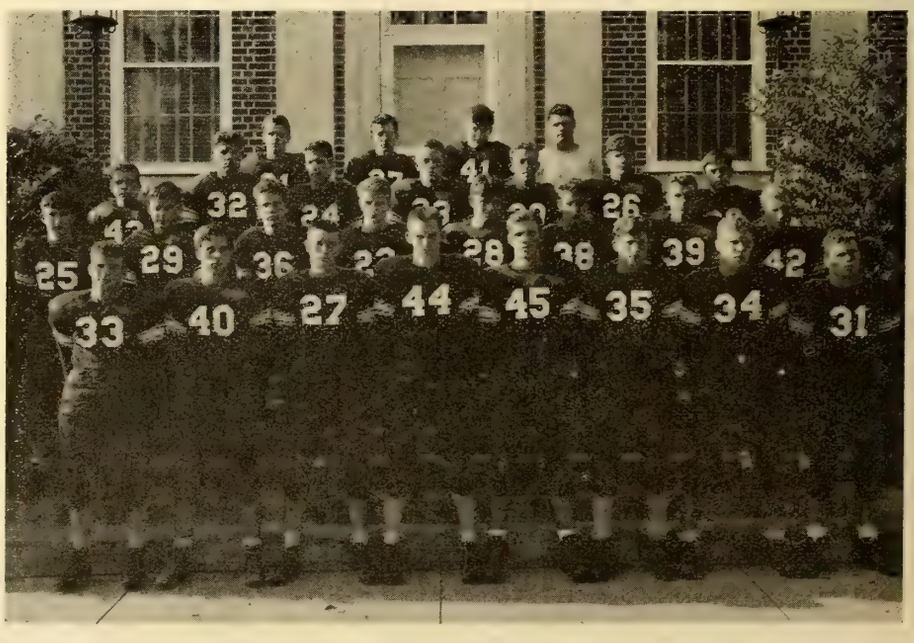
ALSPAUGH FIELD

We used to raise cane, molasses cane, on a portion of land just back of our school house. We now raise boys on this land. This rolling piece of land required quite a bit of grading to level it up and oval it off. When the matter was presented to one of our good friends, John W. Alspaugh, he readily agreed to contribute $5,000 for this grading, shaping and erection of fabricated steel bleacher seats. So for years our boys, little and large, have played on the turfed Alspaugh Field, played so long and so frequently as to wear away the heavy turf by the time the football season has closed. Raising cane is good business but raising boys is more than good business.

A SOLDIER'S PRAYER

Just before Robert Jones, one of our fine boys, went to join America's armed forces he left with me a copy of the following prayer which he said he wanted to make his own every day: "In thine unfathomable providence, O God of my fathers, thou hast called me away from my accustomed envi-

(Continued on page 23)



They practiced long, played hard and won well

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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PAID IN FULL—The Lillington charge, under the leadership of Brother R. L. Crossno, paid its Orphanage apportionment in full last week. This is the first charge that has gone over the top since conference. Jarvis Memorial church, Greenville, has paid a large part of its apportionment. Pastors and churches are taking advantage of the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons to pay a large part of their Orphanage obligations. The Orphanage feels deeply grateful to the pastors and churches for what they are doing for our Meth-Methodist Orphanage.

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AN INTERESTING STATEMENT—During the last several years the Methodist Orphanage has received between six and seven thousand dollars from Octagon soap coupons. We are at work now trying to raise sufficient funds from coupons to cover our large dining hall with battleship linoleum. On this page will be found a paragraph about Octagon soap coupons which appeared in last week's issue of the Advocate on the page edited by Miss Mary Gardner. I trust our many friends will read what she has to say, and will co-operate with us in reaching our objective.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION — Rev. James Allen Knight, a student in the school of religion at Duke University, has been secured by Edenton Street Methodist church to take charge of the religious education at Edenton Street church and at the Methodist Orphanage. He will speak to the junior congregation at Edenton Street each Sunday morning, and will preach to our junior congregation each Sunday afternoon. He will also supervise our young people's meetings every Sunday night. During the summer Mr. Knight will live at the Orphanage and will be in charge of our recreational program, as well as the religious activities of our young people. He comes highly recommended, and Edenton Street church and the Methodist Orphanage are to be congratulated on securing such an outstanding young man. Our high schools boys and girls attend church services at Edenton Street every Sunday morning, and will have the privilege of hearing Dr. A. J. Hobbs preach from time to time. The Orphanage extend to Dr. Hobbs a cordial welcome to Edenton Street and the Methodist Orphanage. Our best wishes go with Dr. John Glenn and Rev. James H. Overton, who served the Orphanage very successfully in every way.

A BONUS FOR COUPONS

To redeem eligible coupons with which to purchase new Battleship linoleum for the dining rom floor of the Methodist Orphanage $1200 or $1500 worth are needed. The Octagon soap authorities have agreed to give a bonus on all coupons redeemed between now and Christmas. Many institutions have raised thousands of dollars with redeemable coupons. Cannot we, as members of the W. S. C. S. as lcoal supporters of the Methodist Orphanage and as housewives who use the products from which the coupons may be obtained ,do as much for our Methodist home in Raleigh? One needs only to view or visualize the bare dining room floor and a group of girls vainly striving to keep it spotlessly clean, to realize the great need for sending in redeemable coupons to Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Orphanage. A woman should be appointed in every society who will see to it that coupons from all Octagon products, Ballard's Obelisk flour, Luzianne coffee and tea, Rumford baking powder and Health Club flour are collected and sent promptly to Rev. Mr. Barnes. —Miss Mary Gardner.

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ORPHANAGE HOLDS FLAG DAY SERVICE

Dr. B. G. Childs, head of the department of secondary education at Duke University, yesterday praised the Methodist Orphanage here for its record of 100 alumni in the armed service of the nation.

The occasion was the dedication of the new flag pole in front of the Vann building on the Orphanage campus.

Dr. Child's, the lay leader of the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Church, made a patriotic address dealing with the significance of the flag and national patriotism. He stressed the supreme importance of everyone's doing his own task well.

He was introduced by Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Orphanage. B .M. Madison, principal of the Orphanage, presided.

A service flag for the 100 boys formerly of the Orphanage and now in the armed service was present by Mrs. O. T. Cole, president of the Raleigh chapter of the Methodist Orphanage Alumni Association. Superintendent Barnes accepted the gift for the school.

The presentation of the flag pole was made by Harvey C. Maness on behalf of the alumni association, and the acceptance was made by Josephus Daniels, a member of the board of trustees of the Orphanage.

Music was provided by the girls glee club under the direction of Mary Ferree. Ruth Lewis, a student, read the devotional scripture, and Dr. A. J. Hobbs, new pastor of the Edenton Street Methodist church, gave the invocation.

Included on the program was an oration, "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death," by Russell Clay; Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address," by Everett Womble; "The Tribute to the United States Flag," by Virginia Daniels, and "History of the Flag," by Frances Tucker.—News and Observer.



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Daily			Daily
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10:00 AM Lv.	Berkley (700 S. Main St.)	Ar.	5:10 PM
11:52 AM Lv.	Elizabeth City	Ar.	3:25 PM
12:27 PM Lv.	Hertford	Ar.	2:38 PM
12:56 PM Lv.	Edenton	Ar.	2:15 PM
1:54 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:13 PM
3:10 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:05 PM
4:12 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	10:57 AM
5:40 PM Lv.	Wilson	Ar.	9:25 AM
6:15 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	8:36 AM
6:27 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	8:24 AM
6:42 PM Lv.	Zebulon	Ar.	8:11 AM
6:54 PM Lv.	Wendell	Ar.	8:00 AM
7:50 PM Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:15 AM

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BIBLE CONFERENCES HELD LAST YEAR

A new emphasis on Bible study led to the following Bible conferences last year which were reported to us, with their leaders:

Spencer Memorial, Charlotte, Earl D. C. Brewer.

Main Street, Gastonia, Dr. G. T. Rowe.

Leaksville, J. Elwood Carroll.

Central, Asheboro, Dr. P. E. Lindley.

Old Union (Randleman-Union), I. L. Roberts.

St. Paul's (Randleman-Union), I. L. Roberts.

High Point Sub-district (Youth), Sam B. Moss.

Bethel (Drexel Ct.), Garland F. Stafford.

Shady Grove (Rutherford College), J. R. Duncan.

Rutherford College, J. R. Duncan.

Matton's Grove (Pfeiffer Ct.), Courtney B. Ross.

First, China Grove, Wilson O. Weldon.

Harmony (Harmony Ct.), Robert V. Martin.

Clarksbury (Harmony Ct.), Robert V. Martin.

Turnersburg (Harmony Ct.), Robert V. Martin.

Mt. Bethel (Harmony Ct.), Robert V. Martin.

New Union (Harmony Ct.), Robert V. Martin.

Troutman, J. C. Reichard.

What Is a Bible Conference?

It is a leader and a group of people studying the Bible.

Who to lead? The pastor or someone secured by him for this purpose. We will be glad to help get leaders for these conferences.

What to study? Some books of the Bible. One of the shorter ones first, say 1 John or Ruth. Others questions to study: How did we get our Bible? How can we read our Bible at home and get the most out of it?

When to study? During prayer meeting time. Sunday night services. Two to five nights in one week. Work out the best arrangements for your folks.

Who to study? All young people and adults and children who are interested.

Where to study? At church, groups in the home, families in the home, and individuals.

Why study? Greater need now than ever for study of the Bible. So much misinformation about the Bible going around. Study should lead to growing Christians and more devoted followers of Jesus. Prayer life should be deepened. Need to know about how to read the Bible in the home.

How get started? Write any of the men named above. Ask them how they did it. Talk it over with your people. Dr. A. J. Walton, 150 Fifth Ave., New York, and Dr. M. L. Rippy, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., have helped. Or write Earl Brewer, Box 828, Salisbury, for further information. For a free copy of a bulletin on studying the Bible.

YOUTH AND THEIR LEADERS TAKE NOTICE

The following information appeared on the Advocate page of the North Carolina Board of Education last week, but we are repeating it in order that no one will miss seeing it.

Methodist Youth Fellowship

This all inclusive organization of Methodist youth is becoming firmly established throughout Methodism — in the local churches, colleges, on the sub-district, conference and national levels. Early this fall every pastor was asked to give his young people an opportunity to register their vote on the following matters: Emblem, Covenant, Benediction, Motto, and Colors for the Methodist Youth Fellowship. The ballots have been tabulated and the official decision of our youth is as follows:

Emblem



Identification: The outer design is a combination of the Cross Pattee and the Maltese Cross. At the center is the Latin Cross. Binding the whole together is the Circle.

Meaning: The outer cross has eight points which stand for the eight beatitudes. A Christian exemplifies these eight qualities in his life. The four wings of the outer cross represent the four references in Luke 2:52.

The inner, or Latin, cross is empty (as distinguished from a Crucifix which includes the body of Christ) and symbolizes Christ's sacrifice and victory over death. We worship a living Christ. It teaches personal dedication to the Christ, who commanded his followers to take up the cross. As the Latin Cross stands at the center of the emblem, so sacrificial service which it represents, is central in all that we do.

The circle symbolizes our world-wide fellowship and our fellowship with Christ and with one another throughout eternity.

The letters stand, of course, for the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Covenant

"It is our purpose in the Methodist Youth Fellowship: To live clean lives following the highest that we know; to give our loyalty and service through the Methodist Church which we are a part, working with others that she may more perfectly follow the Master and more worthily bless mankind; to hold the ideals of unselfish service ever before us, striving continually for human betterment, placing the welfare of others above our own; and in simple trust, to follow Jesus as our Saviour and Lord."

Note: Through authorization of the Board of Education, the following is the basis for membership in the Methodist Youth Fellowship:

A. When one becomes a member in the youth division in a local Methodist church or of a Methodist student group on a campus, in whatever way their practice is for receiving members, he is thereby a member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

B. A member should wear the emblem only if he subscribes to the purposes, aims, and ideals of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

To meet the need in Item B, above, the covenant was chosen to state purposes, aims, and ideals.

Benediction

Leader: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

Group: The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. Amen.

Motto: "Christ Above All."

Colors: Blue and gold.

A REMARKABLE RECORD

"Mothering" some 20,000 women and girls in Pittsburgh is the remarkable record achieved by Miss Ella M. Fieger, who retired on November 1 as director of women's and girls' work at the Pittsburgh Goodwill Industries Community House, where she has served for 25 years. Pittsburgh-born, Miss Fieger has devotedly served as "parent, teacher, grandparent, nurse and advisor." For 36 years she has been a deaconess of the Methodist church. "Training children and girls has been the chief joy of my life," says Miss Fieger. She has taught thousands to sew, knit, and crochet. Because of her instruction, many developed an interest in needlework that later resulted in full time jobs. Sunday school teaching, personal interviews and visits into homes throughout the community have enabled Miss Fieger to keep in close touch with many of her "children" and have endeared her to many others as well. Numerous "graduates," grown up and married, have through the years sent their own children to receive instruction from this teacher who has greatly influenced their lives, not only in teaching them to sew, but in personal counseling. Other alumni have returned to teach volunteer classes themselves at the community house.

If you laugh at yourself, there is still hope that with the Lord's help you'll amount to something yet.—Selected.

What chance has a man to control his destiny when he can't control himself?

N. C. Board of Christian Education

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CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Many of our church school superintendents are seeking help that will make their work more meaningful to those who look to them for leadership. Our leadership education department has prepared a correspondence course. "The Superintendent and His Task," which will be of great help to any superintendent who wishes to make a study of his job. We are printing herewith a statement by one general superintendent who has made use of this course:

"What one church school superintendent says—Dr. C. I. Bray, general superintendent, First Methodist church, Baton Rouge, Louisiana:

The new correspondence course, The Superintendent and His Task (617b), is, in my judgment one of the finest training courses made available for home or group study by the General Board of Education. I wish that every church school superintendent in the state would take advantage of the opportunity to take this during the coming winter. It would undoubtedly give to every person who would conscientiously study it a much greater conception of the importance and magnitude of the job. If all superintendents would take this work it would mean a great deal in increasing and improving the Sunday schools of the state. The author of the course, Mr. O. W. Moerner, is himself a successful superintendent of a large Sunday school, and has also had a wide experience in dealing with the problem of the smaller schools over the country.

In these days of rubber shortage and gas rationing, many may feel that they cannot travel so far to attend the training schools in the large centers. While I question this is not one of the better uses to which tires could be put, in view of the many less essential ways in which we wear out rubber, still it is going to be a factor to be considered. I would just like to say that by a much greater use of the correspondence courses offered by the Methodist Church, we could have much more good teacher training work than we have been having in the past, without driving very far to get it. Let us have at least one group study training course in each church school this winter, in addition to all the training schools we can organized, and we will be making a real advance in Christian work over the state."

Any superintendents interested in this particular correspondence course or in other courses for his teachers may secure information about such courses by writing to Miss Jessie Mae Back, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or to the conference office.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PLANS 1942-1943

We are distributing in the conference at the district set-up meetings a conference calendar that includes most items in a conference program. We frequently receive requests, however for the specific things that a local church should provide in its educational program. We have prepared such a list and are printing it below. If there are questions about any of the matters listed, we shall be glad for those interested to write the conference office about such questions.

Our plans for 1942-1943 in Christian education will include:

Special Days With Offerings

World Service Sunday: Each fourth Sunday.

Church School Rally Day, April 11.

Race Relations Sunday, February 14.

Methodist Student Day, June 13.

Summer Activities

Vacation church school.

Youth Activities Week.

Youth Assemblies, June 10-26.

Young Adult Assembly, June 26-27.

Christian Workers' Assembly, June 28-30.

Leadership Training Program

Training school or class.

Home study courses.

Learning for life school.

Bible conference.

Fellowship of study.

Christian Education Week.

Local Church Emphasis

Extended or additional session for children's division.

Strengthening Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Pledge to Methodist Youth Fund.

Organized Young Adult Fellowship.

Evangelism

Increased church school enrollment.

Preparation of children and youth for church membership.

Work in unreached areas.

Work in defense areas.

Spiritual growth for all members.

A PRAYER

Our Father, we are thankful that thou hast given us a place in thy kingdom. May we labor in thy service, being led by the Spirit of God, that we may be more than conquerors in all struggles of life. Through His name. Amen.

The optimist looks upon life as an unexpected dividend; the pessimist, as a note coming due.

For Quick Cough Relief, Mix This Syrup, at Home

No Cooking. No Work. Real Saving.

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Children's Storyland



THE OTHER LITTLE GIRL

"My bed is turned the wrong way. I don't like it this way."

"Well, we can easily turn it right, dear. When Jane gave your room such a fine cleaning yesterday, she changed things about a little, thinking you would like it."

"I don't. I can't look out of the window so well. No, that won't do yet. I don't get a view of the lake where the little boats sail. No—a little the other way, so I can see where the street crosses. If you had to lie here all day, mother, you'd want to see all you could."

"I'm sure I would, dear," said mother, in answer to the fretful complaints. "There, is that just right? Now, here is Jane with your breakfast. Such a nice breakfast, too, and she has put some pansies on your tray."

"I like pinks better. Pansies have no smell." "Well"—a few minutes after Jane had left the room—"if she hasn't forgotten to bring the salt! She's the most careless thing! Eggs without salt!"

"Oh, dear. Jane is always trying hard to please you. I'll call and she'll come in a moment."

"And then have to go back for the salt. And by the time she gets it here my egg will be cold."

After eating her breakfast, Betty asked: "Where is the book I was reading last night?"

"Why, I thought you had finished it. I am sure you told me you were reading the last story."

"I was, but there were two or three pages left."

"I sent it over for little Grace Murray to look at. It is hard for her not to be allowed to go anywhere now that her little brother has the scarlet fever."

"I think you might have asked me."

Betty turned over on her bed, thinking herself a sadly abused little girl. She was suffering with a sprained knee, and might not be able to walk for weeks. It still gave her some pain.

"But I could stand that if it were not that everybody seems set on doing something to vex me and make things harder for me."

She knew very well that this was not so, but it pleased her to think she thought so, and to believe herself very unhappy because of it.

Betty Sees Herself

In turning, she found her face brought directly opposite the mirror in the opposite corner of the room. In her changes, Jane had given it a different turn across the corner, and now a slight change in the position of the bed had brought Betty face to face with herself. No, Jane had not intended it, though we will not say she might not have done so if she could have foreseen.

Betty glanced at her face, then stared at it.

"You're the crossest, crabbedest, ugliest face I ever saw."

She had spoken quickly, yet even before she had finished the look had changed into one of surprise. She tried to bring back the ugly expression, but could not quite succeed, because much of the ugly feeling had gone, leaving the surprise in its place.

"I saw you, though," she said threateningly to the face in the glass. "I know now just how you look when you're cross, and you are cross most of the time. Everybody's seen you look so, and I suppose they're so used to it they don't think anything at all about it. I suppose you don't think it's anything to be ashamed of; but I do, and I'm ashamed of you."

She looked sternly at the face, shaking her head, and the face looked sternly back at her, shaking its head. It was amusing and Betty laughed.

And then what a change, and another surprise! Could that be the same face?

Betty tried to look cross and stern again, but the effort brought such a funny effect that she had to laugh, which provoked her so that she almost got the frown back. But the laugh finally got the best of it, and then the small girl lay quiet for a while gravely studying her face.

At length she spoke to it.

"You, in there, may look just as you please. But I'm going to leave that ugly face in there, and not look so any more, and I'm going to be aother little girl."

The idea pleased her as she lay and thought about it.

"You can't see voices; you can only hear them. But an ugly voice. if you could see it, would be just as ugly as an ugly face. It would be black and rough and cloudy. But when a voice is soft and kind and sweet, it would look, oh! like beautiful flowers. I'd like to have a voice like flowers, to go with the other little girl I'm going to be."

"Never mind, Jane."

In great anxiety to set Betty's tray exactly easy for her, Jane had spilled a little of the milk on the clean napkin. And, in her amazement at not hearing a growl because of it, she spilled a great deal more.

"Oh, dear, if I'm not awkward. See how I've spoiled your nice looking dinner. I'll be up here in a minute with another napkin."

"Oh, no. Don't go down for it, Jane. There's a clean towel on that chair. Spread that on."

Jane gazed at Betty in a surprise that made her laugh again. She glanced at the little girl in the glass, and saw that she was enjoying it as much as she did.

"It seems to me you're turning over a new leaf, too," she said, nodding approvingly to her after Jane left the room. "Well, we can both be other little girls. It will be all the more fun."

As the days went by, however—days in which Betty often suffered pain—it was not always easy to keep on a pleasant face. Old habits are always hard to overcome, and the pretty brow found itself often ready to tie itself into a frown and the lips to go down at the corners. But then there was that face in the glass. When she was alone with it, Betty sometimes shook her fist at it.

"You like to show me how ugly I look—don't you? Well, you shan't. I'm another little girl, even if I do look like you sometimes."

But one day she looked pityingly at the girl in the glass. "You poor little thing! As if it wasn't me all the time that makes you look cross. You look pleasant soon enough when I do. Well, it's a shame for any one to make two cross faces, one in and one out of the glass."

Betty's mother noticed the change which grew into the little face and voice—for the voice, you know, always keeps company with the face—and Betty sometimes smiled to see her surprise when she was looking for a frown and snarl and none came.

"I think my little girl is cultivating a very sweet spirit of patience," said her mother one day, putting a loving arm around her.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

A BOY TO HIS STOMACH

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What's the matter with you; ain't I always been your friend?
Ain't I been a pardner to you?
All my pennies don't I spend
In getting nice things for you?
Don't I give you lots of cake?
Say, stummick what's the matter, that you had to go and ache?
Why, I loaded you with good things yesterday; I gave you more
Potatoes, squash and turkey than you'd ever had before.
I gave you nuts and candy, pumpkin pie and chocolate cake—
And last night when I got to bed you had to go and ache!
Say, what's the matter with you?
Ain't you satisfied at all?

—Hunter Missourian.

Sunday School Lesson

NOVEMBER 29

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By Rollin H. Walker

What Is the Mission of the Church?

Matt. 18:15-17; Acts 1:8; 2:42; 6:1-4; 11:27-30; 13:1-3; 1 John 1:3

1. The very heart of the Christian conception of the church is that it is a living body whose head is Christ, and whose members can only function normally when united by faith to him, and joined in love to one another. According to the New Testament there is no such thing as a solitary Christian. If one isolates himself from the brotherhood he insulates himself from the grace of Christ. Each member, like one of the parts of a body, is to exercise a special function of ministry to all the rest. What is needed is not dead uniformity, but great variety and difference among the members, and at the same time perfect co-operation. If it were only possible to get all the sects emphasizing different aspects of Christian truth and different types of service to be perfectly tolerant of one another, and enthusiastically co-operative, we would be approaching the ideal.

2. In every church there must be peacemakers who, whenever the fire of jealousy or discord breaks out, form a kind of spiritual fire department to put out the flames. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. That is to say, there is something divinely efficient about them (Hebrews 12:15; Galatians 6:1).

3. The teaching ministry of the church is greatly emphasized in the New Testament. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, says the apostle, in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another. The church which does not have members who challenge the minds of the brotherhood to vigorous thought is most unfortunate.

4. And then we are told that the apostolic church continued steadfastly not only in the apostles' teaching but in the breaking of bread. Does this mean church socials, or communion services? It probably means both, for the sacrament in the early church was preceded by a common meal (1 Corinthians 11:17-34). Paul uses severe surgery to rebuke the rich Corinthian church members who did not wait for the poor before the meal preceding the sacrament was served. This common meal was intended to break down all social castes in the light of the fact that Christ died for all, and the bread and the wine were meant to symbolize the central teaching of Christianity.

5. The mission of the church is also to seek out and relieve its needy members. While the apostolic church insisted that no lazy member should impose himself upon its charity (2 Thessalonians 6:10; 1 Timothy 5:9-16), it also took care that all the desolate and the helpless should be relieved. It is a shame that we allow some of the lodges so greatly to excel us in this matter.

6. And this care for the helpless is not merely to be an outstretched hand of mercy to poor brethren in the local church, but it is to reach over national boundaries and minister to the men of other races and in other lands (Luke 10:35-37). The Gentile church at Antioch sent famine relief to the Jewish church at Jerusalem.

7. But in addition to witnessing to the world by the closeness and warmth of their brotherly love (John 13:35), the church is to bear witness by a brave proclamation of the gospel. They are to tell their experience of its transforming power (Matthew 10:27-33; Acts 4:29; Philippians 2:14-16). They are to carry out the admonition of the psalmist, Let the redeemed of the Lord say so.

8. And as Christ died for all the world, this enterprise of witnessing must reach to the ends of the earth (Matthew 28:16-20). Chosen men must be commissioned to carry the evangel into the thick darkness. When the church at Antioch fasted and prayed, the Spirit said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work unto which I called them. And that work was aggressive evangelism among the pagan population of the Roman empire. If the church today would only cut out some of its thousand needless engagements for an occasional time of persistent waiting upon God, the heavenly radio in no uncertain terms would guide them to attempt adventurous evangelism.

9. Today when the church has attained to social influence and power there is not the slightest doubt that in addition to the work of evangelism it has a divine commission to make organized protest against social and economic inquities, and to do this with such abandon of courage that the halls of Congress will hearken, Hollywood will tremble, and the liquor power will be conscious of such a bombing air raid as never dreamed of.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
F. S. Love, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Mt. Tirzah, Helena, 11 29
Bahama, Mt. Sylvan, 7:30 29

December

Mt. Hermon, Friendship, 11 6
Alamance, Center, 3 6
Orange, Efland, 7:30 6
Long Memorial, 7:30 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 8
Calvary, 7:30 9
Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 11 13
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 13
Lakewood, 7:30 16
Andrews Chapel, 7:30 17
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 11 20
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 20
Front Street, 11 27
Glen Raven-Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 30
Eno, 7:30 31

January

Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 3
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 3
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 3
Trinity, 7:30 5

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
W. L. Clegg, D. S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

First Church, 11 29
City Road, 7:30 29

December

Williamston, 11 6
Windsor, Windsor, 3 6
Edenton, 7:30 6
Plymouth, 11 13
Roper, Roper, 3 13
Gatesville, Gatesville, 11 20
Hertford, 7:30 20
Washington, 11 27
Bath, Bath, 3 27

January

Belhaven, Belhaven, 11 3
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 3
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 3
Manteo, 11 10
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 3 10
Wanchese, 7:30 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 7:30 11
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 12
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 3 13
Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro, 11 17
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 17
Columbia, Columbia, 11 24
Creswell, Creswell, 3 24
Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 27
South Mills, Newland, 11 31
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 31

February

Mojock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 7
Currituck, Mt. Zion, 3 7
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 11 12
Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
H. C. Smith, D.S., 1019 Hay St., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Jonesboro, 11 29
Broadway, 3 29
Sanford, 7:30 29
Fayetteville Ct., 7:30 30

December

District Stewards and Missionary Institute, Aberdeen, 9:30 a.m. 4
Aberdeen, Q. C., 4:30 4
Raeford, 7:30 4

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Vanceboro, Epworth, 11 29
Grifton, 7:30 29

December

Atlantic, Williston, 11 6
Straits-Harkers Island, Straits, 3 6
Newport, 7:30 6
Ocracoke, 7:30 8
Morehead City, 7:30 9
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 13
Fremont, Eureka, 3 13
Snow Hill, 7:30 13
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 16
Aurora, 11 20
Pamlico, Bayboro, 3 20
Oriental, 7:30 20
Walstonburg, 11 27
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 27
Ayden, 7:30 27
Marshallburg, 11 3
Morehead Ct., 3 3
Beaufort, 7:30 3
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 11 10
Seven Springs, 3 10
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 10
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 13
Grimesland, 11 17
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 17

January

Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 11 23
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 3 24
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 24
Pink Hill, 11 31
Jones-Trenton, 7:30 31

February

Dover, 11 7

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Selma, 11 29
Princeton, Princeton, 3 29
Smithfield, 7:30 29

December

Zebulon-Wendell, Wendell,, 7:30 1
Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 3
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 5
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Millbrook, Youngsville, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 10
Granville, Union Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Gillburg, 3 13
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 7:30 13
Franklinton, 7:30 16
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 20
Oxford, 7:30 20

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Swansboro, Queen's Creek, 11 29
Wilmington, Wesley Memorial, 8 29

December

District Set-up Stewards' and Missionary Institute, 9:30 a. m., Fifth Avenue 3
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 6
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 3:30 6
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 13
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 13
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 20
Shallotte, Camp, 7:30 20
Richlands, 11 27
Maysville, Lee's, 8:30 27
Jacksonville, 7:30 27

January

Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 11 3
Purgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 3
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 10
Lumberton Ct., Buie, 7:30 10
Lumberton, 11 17
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 17
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 24
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 7:30 24
Tabor City, St. Paul, 11 31
Whiteville, 7:30 31

February

Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 7
Garland, Garland, 7:30 7
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 14
Clinton, 7:30 14
Southport, 11 21
Town Creek, Bethel, 7:30 21
Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 28
Wilmington, Grace, 8 28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Wolf Mountain, 11 29
Rosman, Rosman, 3 29
Brevard and Ecousta, Brevard, night 29

December

Mills River, Mills River, 11 6
Etowah-Shaw's Creek, 3 6
Hendersonville, night 6
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 13
Saluda, 3 13
Tryon, night 13
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, ngiht 27

January

Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10

February

French Broad Ave., 11 7

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Thrift-Moores, Moores, 11 29
Calvary, 7:30 29
Wadesboro, 7:30 30

December

St. John's, 7:30 2
North Monroe, Grace, 11 6
Zoar, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 6
Central, Monroe, 7:30 7
Matthews, 7:30 9
Unionville, Union Grove, 11 13
Asbury-Derita, Asbury, 3 13
Marshville, Wngate, 7 13
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stalings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

January

Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 4
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Helton, Helton, 11 29
Warrensville, Warrensville, 3 29
Jefferson, Jefferson, night 29

December

Laurel Springs, Nathans Creek, 11 6
Sparta, at Sparta, night 6
East Bend, 11 13
Yadkinville, 3 13
St. Paul, St. Paul, night 13
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Cooleemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

January

Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Cherryville Ct., Bess Chapel, 11 29
Concord-Elbethel, Mary's Grove, 3 29
Cherryville, First, night 29

December

Polkville, Rehobeth, 11 6
Fallston, Lawndale, 3 6
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 6
Gastonia, Main Street, night 8
Belwood, 11 13
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 13
Lafayette St., Shelby, night 13
Boger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Clamerton, night 27

January

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24

Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February

Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

November

Reidsville Ct., Beth. 11 28
Pleasant Garden, 11 29
Stokesdale, 3 29
Summerfield, 4:30 29
Tabernacle, 7:30 29

December

Glenwood, 7:30 2
Sandy Ridge, Delta, 11 6
Danbury, 3 6
Flat Rock, 7:30 6
Calvary, 7:30 8
West End, 7:30 9
Stoneville, 11 13
Spray, 3 or 5 13
Draper, 7:30 13
Bethel, 7:30 16
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 16
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 5 19
Leaksville, 11 20
Haw River, Midway, 3 20
Ruffin, 7:30 20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND

November

First Church, H. P., 7:30 26
Rankin Memorial, 7:30 29

December

Main Street, 7:30 2
Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 6
Lebanon, 7:30 6
South Davidson, Lineberry, 7:30 8
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
Why Not,, N. H., 7:30 11
Shiloh, Y. C., 7:30 12
Coleridge, Concord, 2 13
West Randolph, Mt. S., 7:30 13
Asheboro First, 7:30 16
Ashebroo Central, 7:30 17
Greer's Chapel, 11 20
Linwood, Bethany, 2 20
Denton Central, Denton, 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21
Calvary, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 30

January

Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11 3
Richland, W. E., 2 3
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 3
Oak View, 7:30 6

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Gilkey, Gilkey, 11 29
Old Fort Ct., Pine Grove, 3 29
Old Fort, night 29

December

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 6
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 6
Pleasant Grove, night 6
Spindale, 11 13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
Cliffside, 11 20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 20
Forest City, night 20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 27
Avondale, night 27

January

Drexel, Bethel, 11 3
Rutherford College, night 3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11 10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3 10
Morganton, First, night 10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45 17
Valdese, Valdese, 11 17
Oak Forest, night 17

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Norwood Ct., 11 28
Norwood, 11 29
Albemarle Ct., Union Chapel, 3 29
First Street, Albemarle, 7:30 29

December

Kannapolis, Trinity, 7:30 2
Salisbury, First, 11 6
New London Ct., 3 6
Gold Hill, Rockwell, 7:30 6
Park Avenue, 7:30 7
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30 8
Midway, 7:30 9
Salem, 11 13
Friendship, 3 13
Westford, 7:30 13
Landis, 7:30 16
Ann Street, 11 20
Roberta, 3 20
Mount Olivet, 7:30 20
Bethpage, 11 27

January

East Spencer, 11 3
Woodleaf, 3 3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 3
Bethel-Roger, 11 10
Harmony, 3 10
Central, Concord, 7:30 10
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30 12
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 17
Pfeiffer, 3 17
Albemarle, Central, 7:30 17
Mt. Mitchell, 11 24
North Kannapolis, 3 24

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Taylorsville, 11 29
Hiddenite, Hiddenite, 2:30 29
Stony Point, 7:30 29

December

Hickory, Highlands, 7:30 5
Hickory, First Church, 11 6
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 6
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 6
Cool Springs-Providence, 11 13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 13
Lenoir, First Church, 11 20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30 20
Whitnell, 7:30 20
Hudson-Colliers, 11 27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30 27
Granite Falls, 7:30 27

January

North Newton, 11 3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30 3
Newton, 7:30 3
Mooresville, Central, 11 10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30 10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 10
Davidson, 11 17
Davidson, 7:30 17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30 24
Troutman, 7:30 24
Elmwood, 11 31

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

November

Franklin, 11 29
Macon County Methodist, Franklin, 3 29
Highlands, Cashiers, 7:30 29

December

Junaluska, 7:30 2
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 6
Shooting Creek, Marshalls, 7:30 6
Canton, 11 13
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30 13
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11 20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3 20

January

Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11 3
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Morning Star, 7:30 10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 17
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 3 17
Junaluska, 7:30 17

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

November

Kernersville, Main St., 11 29
North Davidson, Union Ridge, 3 29
City Mission, 7:30 29

December

Lexington First, 11 6
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 3 6
Erlanger, 7:30 6
Thomasville First, West End, 11 13
Thomasville Ct., 3 13
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 13
Winston-Salem, First, 11 20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 27
Rockford Street, 7:30 27

CHILDREN'S HOME
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ronment and tasks, to be a soldier in freedom's cause. Into a new life of duty and discipline and self-subordination I have entered with its unexpected testing of my character. My own will has been surrendered to authority. By hard routine I am being given a new fitness for future duties. Some of these experiences are not easy to bear. So I turn to thee who didst give thine only Son over to earthly discipline, and I pray for daily strength to be a good soldier of my country and of thy cause, and of Jesus Christ. Teach me to perceive dull routine's purpose, and the glory of a soldier's mission in this war. Grant me the gift of comradely spirit, that I may be a helper of my fellows. Teach me the highest uses of leisure time. Deliver me from all deterioration of ideals; that I may return to my home after the war a better man and a better citizen. May He who loves his own unto the end, inspire me to remain loyal to those I love. In action sustain me; and if I fall, grant it that it may be into the keeping of Christ, my Saviour. Amen."

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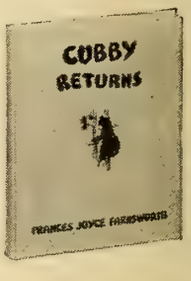
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Woman's College, Greensboro, To Have a New Chapel



A proposed new Chapel at Woman's College, Greensboro, in appearance will resemble this colonial picture. The purpose of the chapel: "To make religion a vital, realistic, every-day consciousness in the lives of our students at a time when the world needs rededication to eternal values, the Woman's College must have a chapel. A building of simplicity and dignity and beauty will be a constant, living symbol of our everlasting need of God."

WANTED—NEW STRATEGY FOR RURAL CHURCH

By E. Eldredge Brewster

As Methodists, we have a pioneering heritage. Our church in its early years was a dynamic, expanding movement. The leaders of the Methodist societies in colonial America met the pioneering conditions of their day with a pioneering spirit and strategy. The Methodist circuit preacher went where no one else would go. A concern for souls, an adventurous spirit, and a sense of urgency were the spiritual qualities, and the circuit rider and the camp meeting were the pioneering methods of early Methodism in America. Though other colonial churches had similar qualities, it was the pioneering strategy of our forefathers which endowed our church with its present unmatched geographical expansion. This strategy operating under the appointive system, with a largely untrained ministry, established within our church a tradition of short pastorates, evangelical preaching, and ministerial brotherhood.

It has been said many times that, though the day of geographical pioneering is over, the church is now confronted by a pioneering challenge in a new form. Today's challenge to the church presents itself in the Christianizing of areas of human living, occupational evangelism, community responsibility, and world citizenship. As in the day of human pioneering, a new strategy is called for. That "pearl of great price," our heritage of a dynamic, pioneering church, can only be preserved by incarnating it in a new strategy.

The Methodist Church has a stake in rural America. From the day of geographical pioneering, we have inherited a large responsibility. Of the 46,000 Methodist churches across the nation, 39,000, or 86 per cent, are definitely rural, being in communities of 2500 population and under. National problems are often present in an acute form in rural America. In many church areas the church has had to cope with declining population, sectarian competition, and economic frustration. With the coming of the automobile, the radio, and mechanized farming, the face of rural community life has been radically changed. The county has superseded the neighborhood in occupatoinal interest and group loyalty, the consolidated school has united a whole township behind the program of secular education, and urbanizing influences have invaded all aspects of rural life. The county agent, the 4-H Club leader, the Farm Bureau, and the Grange have been potent but too often unrecognized allies of the church in bringing a more satisfying life into rural areas. The church has often lagged behind these secular organizations in recognizing the present pioneering challenge to be found in rural America and the tremendous stake of the nation in the welfare of the people of the countryside. —Zions Herald.

BOSTON FIRE

America had one of the worst peace time tragedies last Saturday night in Boston, Mass., when an overcrowded night club caught on fire. Within a few minutes the whole place was ablaze, while men and women scrambled madly for doors, trampling each other under foot. One door serving as an emergency exit was barred fast, a revolving door became jammed with too many people trying to get through at once, other doors seemed to be too few, totally inadequate for the need. To date, nearly five hundred people are dead, and nearly two hundred more, more or less seriously hurt.

It was estimated that one thousand people were crowded into the small one and a half story building which housed the night club. Just two weeks ago an addition had been opened as the management tried to take care of ever increasing crowds. It is now tragically evident that safety measures did not keep pace with the growing trade. The fact that the fire was started by a high school boy, and that it was wholly accidental, is but further evidence of the labor shortage in this country. And the fact that it was all caused by a patron who wanted less light, simply adds to the tragedy.

Boston is not the best night club town by any means, nor do night clubs flourish there as in New York and Washington. But the growing popularity in a staid old town like Boston is evidence of the mad rush that is now upon us. It is a sad commentary upon the American people that in time of war, when everyone is working harder than ever and making more money than ever, we can find nothing better to do with our Saturday nights than to spend them in high revelry. We all need entertainment and diversion, and the harder we work the more we need, but it is doubtful if the night club variety is the type to send us back to our jobs on Monday morning refreshed and ready for the week. The fact that American industry has 11 per cent of its men absent every Monday morning is moral enough for this story.—The Dunn Dispatch.

A DOG'S LIFE WORTHY OF ALL HONOR

James Nankwell in a recent article says: A dog accepts us for what we are. He does not gossip about us behind our backs. His life is a perfect sermon on unselfish affection and devotion. He wlil run his legs off for you. He will submit to almost any hardship to make you happy. He will cheerfully risk his life for you if necessary. He is always ready to give his last full measure of devotion.

If you are moody or unkind at times, he will cheerfully forgive you. He never complains if his food is scant. He will bear burdens without complaint. He is thankful for the smallest favors. He does not sulk or nurse a grudge against you. He does not question your dress or looks or your position in life.

He is not temperamental like we humans. He tries to please on all occasions. He does not bore you with real or fancied troubles. His thanks and appreciation are genuine. He does not bear false witness. He is not deceitful. He is loyal to the last degree.

"If there are no dogs in heaven, what in heaven's name will become of some of their masters?" said that famous clergyman of other days, Henry Ward Beecher.

Telegram From President Coltrane

All reports indicate enthusiastic observance of Brevard College Day, Sunday, December 6, or at some later date in December. Prospects are bright all over conference. Literature and collection envelopes being mailed to all pastors. Brevard College is eager to merit confidence Methodists are placing in us.

E. J. Coltrane.

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The well known musings of Robert G. Ingersoll at the tomb of Napoleon contains a sentence that leads us to wonder if such will ever be said of Hitler: "I saw him in Russia, where the infantry of the snow and the cavalry of the wild blast scattered his legions like winter's withered leaves."

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Christmas and Easter are not far off. These give assurance to our humanity in spite of war and the death and desolation that cover the earth. So long as the child has a place and the songs of peace are in the sky, and the power of the resurrection bursts the bars of the grave, the future of humanity is assured.

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In a report of the Thanksgiving service held this year in Westminster Abbey it was said that certain American service men paused to do honor to the unknown soldier of the first world war. We wonder how many Americans who enter the Abbey pause at that other tablet to do honor to another victim of this war, Walter Hines Page, our American ambassador to the Court of St. James. This Carolinian was as truly a casualty of that conflict as was the man who fell on the battlefield.

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The North Carolina Christian Advocate is soon to enter upon its eighty-eighth year of unselfish service in the Old North State. This note is a plea for our thousands of devoted friends and supporters to continue their loyal devotion to their church paper which ever lends its best efforts to the support and promotion of every other cause of our Methodism making for the moral and religious uplift of our people. During the coming year we hope to make a still larger contribution to the work made possible by the fine growth and enlarged resources of the Advocate. In the last forty years under the wise guidance and devoted labors of men appointed to serve North Carolina Methodism we have achieved much.

Methodists of North Carolina feel much closer to the first lady of China since her gracious letter appeared on the front page of this Advocate, November 19. Madame Chiang Kai-shek is now in Washington. Her coming got the attention of the news agencies of the world because of the interest of the world in the future welfare of China.

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As always in the days of war and upheavals among the nations there are certain men who claim to be experts in the interpretations of ancient prophecies and their fulfillment. They are having a glorious time during this global war. Such agitators can be of no possible service to the welfare of humanity. They know nothing of which they prate to agitate the excitable populace. Were they to discuss those parts of the Bible easy to be understood, such as the Golden Rule, the Ten Commandments, and the Sermon on the Mount, they could render a valuable service in the days of sore need.

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In a discussion entitled "Aldersgate Once More," Lynn Harold Hough a few years ago made this confession: "I have had a very facinating time reading Freeman's Life of Robert E. Lee. I confess quite shamefully that I have read a great many biographies of Lee because long ago he became one of my heroes. Now I want to say quite reverently that the inner life of this man, who always had the reserve and restraint of a great gentleman, is revealed to anyone who reads the documents carefully as a life which centered in a personal experience of the great redemption. More than that, it is quite clear that in the very darkest and bitterest days of the war between the states and in the days before Appomattox, General Lee was able to carry on because of the sense of inner support which came to a man who had made the most of personal surrender to Jesus Christ which we are thinking about when we discuss Aldersgate."

Hold to the Main Issues

MOMENTOUS changes are upon us. The city, and not the plantation, is now the center of our life. The tides of humanity flow strong and full thitherward. In all that gathers about such a transformation, problems new and vexations bristle on every hand. The church must deal with these, not in the old, but in a new, fresh and effective way. Every factor and force should be employed, and the value of each duly recognized. Too many try to fit all endeavor into their own small notion of reform and advance. Some belittle and count as naught the evangelism and mighty emotional displays of the early years, while others urge the sufficiency of these alone. One good brother, with more zeal of a certain order than wisdom, affirms that every problem of Methodism would be solved if all church members would attend prayer meeting. Perhaps; but few do go, and not one-half can be induced to do so or will be found going. For these other means than the prayer meeting may prove more effective.

Far-reaching is our humanity, and Methodism has grown great with the process of the suns. Methodist folks in St. Louis and those on the borders of the Dismal Swamp see life at quite different angles and respond to influences wholly unlike. Conditions vary widely and each one has work to do in his own way. Though unlike, the tasks should be accounted of equal honor among men and fully approved in the skies. For instance, to hold a prayer meeting and shout at Gum Swamp is as essential to our Methodism and as acceptable to high heaven as to serve the sacrament with individual cups to the elite of a great city in beautiful St. John's. The boy in his little corner is fully as essential to creation's chorus as the great Pope under Peter's dome.

The peril confronting our church, rich with a history worthy of the best in apostolic days, is not in the changing order of these restless, uncertain times and the ever increasing complexity of the social structure which will not permit the simple life of other generations but rather in the pronounced tendency to ignore, if not to discount, the heart's experiences so essential to vital Christianity. The power of the resurrection first gave burning hearts to those who journeyed with the risen Lord. The old order is certainly no better than the new order, if life and power are wanting. As a matter of fact, both are worse than Ezekiel's valley of dry bones. Christianity depends not on any one order or form; much less does that part of it called by the name Methodism. Methodism stands for a conscious life in the soul of the believer, allowed to work itself out with the utmost liberty in all non-essentials. Keep the heart sound, and all else will find proper adjustment.

The Whole Thing in a Nutshell

HENRY J. KAISER, declared by some to be the world's greatest ship builder, has the following to say about the place of private industry in the great future that will follow the world war:

"It has to be pounded into Americans that now is the time to make industry great . . . we have the whole world to produce for and there is no limit to it if people only realize it." He pointed out that we have three "expendibles": initiative, energy and materials. American industry has plenty of all three. And only industry can make the fullest use of them. Kaiser warned that: "Leadership in industrial planning for after the war must come from within industry itself. It cannot come from government, although the government must be recognized in such planning. The government must co-operate in the planning, check and approve it."

We must get rid of that sort of tomfoolery which believes that two-by-four, or even a larger grade of politicians, are able to plan for and to control American industry. Private industry must be given a guarantee of freedom of control under equitable public regulation. Only this can make America great industrially as it has done in the past.

What They Say About Mother

EMERSON, eminent in the English world of letters, said: "Men are what their mothers make them." A Spanish proverb runs: "An ounce of mother is worth a pound of clergy." George Herbert declared: "One good mother is worth a hundred schoolmasters." Chas. Spurgeon, the great English preacher, who for years had the multitudes flocking to his big London tabernacle and whose books of sermons a generation ago were in millions of homes in England and America, with emphasis declared: "A man is not worth hanging who does not love his mother." "The mother is the only god on earth for whom there are no atheists," declared an eminent Frenchman.

Woman's College, Greensboro, to Erect a New Chapel

THE Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro is confronted by an ever increasing demand for a chapel to meet the urgent requirements of the college community. Steps already have been taken by the college and friends of the institution to meet this need. Funds are now being collected for such a building. It is a laudable undertaking and we expect it to enlist not only the interest and support of the great number of women in North Carolina and beyond its borders who have received their college training here, but this new chapel should enlist also the interest and support of the members of all churches who desire to aid the young women who will be educated in the college.

Dr. W. C. Jackson, dean of administration, gives the following information in regard to the present status of the proposed chapel:

"Of course, such a building cannot be erected during the war, but we can be ready to build when the war is over. We know that everyone wishes to purchase as many bonds as possible for use of the government in prosecuting the war. We suggest, therefore, that contributions to the chapel fund be made in the form of war bonds. Mr. Spencer Love of Greensboro, grandson of Mrs. Cornelia Phillips Spencer, for whom our Spencer Hall is named, has given $10,000 to start the fund. The present senior class of the college has contributed $1,500. Campus organizations and other friends are already planning gifts. To those who find it impossible to make an outright bond gift, we suggest starting a war stamp book for the chapel fund.

"This plan to build a college chapel has met with unanimous and enthusiastic approval of students and faculty, and we hope and believe that alumnae and other friends will give their approval and support."

Let one and all give good heed to this call that will mean so much to the students of the Woman's College through the years that are ahead.

Our God Fearing Founders

THE American chaplain who spoke at the Thanksgiving service last Thursday morning in Westminster Abbey, as reported by Bob Trout over the Columbia System, noted among the many things we have to be thankful for our God fearing founders.. These men laid broad and deep the foundations of this our great country. And by implication in all the chaplain said such men are to preserve the Republic.

The fifteen-minute broadcast in all its appointments might very well have been given in any American city in which were assembled our own boys. Many American soldiers were present at the historic Abbey, the scenes of so many historic events in English life.

Bob Trout noted that in entering many of the soldiers paused at the marker indicating the burial place of the "unknown soldier" of the other world war. Other touches given in the broadcast lent interest to this Thanksgiving service.

Religion Broadens; Truth Frees a Man

MUCH is made of the broad man. Around all our colleges and universities we have glorified him beyond measure. No little has been made of him when we desired to put over some political measure. Everywhere a kind of peculiar virtue gathers about the broad man.

The same may be said of the free man—a man who knows not the shackles. We have a horror of the man who must go bound in body or in mind. Our ideal is the man broad and free.

A notion is abroad that religion narrows and fetters men; the only hope, therefore, for one to be broad and free is to escape all the demands of religion and to be free from allegiance to religion. Far nearer the truth would it be to say that religion broadens a man; truth frees him. Religion broadens his sympathies; truth widens his outlook. Thus he becomes broad and free.

Many a man has a wide outlook and is free from every limitation, but he remains narrow and self-centered. An unlettered saint often goes far beyond the limits of certain academics who boast a world outlook. Religion has broadened the saint; truth has freed the selfish academic. Both religion and truth enter into making a man broad and free.

One scarcely needs to remind the reader of the difference between religion and the trappings of religion. We do know that nothing so narrows and fetters the soul as an ecclesiasticism. This makes the bigot and the slave. We here and now have in mind religion and truth as embodied in the Son of man, the Son of God. To know him is to make men both broad and free. Religion broadens; truth frees.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

We have hickory nuts, walnuts, hazelnuts, peanuts, but of all the nuts the biggest nut is the McNutt.

Rev. B. A. York announces that his P. O. address this winter will be Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Box 999.

The following appointments have been authorized by Bishop Purcell: R. F. Munns to Laurinburg; W. E. Smith, Downing Street; Henry Murphy, Johnson Memorial; Leon Stubbs, Hemp circuit.—H. C. Smith.

The current campaign to raise $9,000,000,000 for the war fund began December 1, and the first day brought in $1,500,000,000. A very good start. This is a big, rich country that should carry on the war to a successful conclusion.

I was heartily received at Valdese, and the loyal members have in many ways made us feel welcome. I have received a generous pounding, and since the night of the big pounding they continue to remember us with other good things to eat. We have a good group of people to work with and we are happy in our work.—P. L. Smith.

The Methodists of Cary have given a most cordial welcome to their new pastor and his wife, and have lived up to their reputation for generosity by a donation of food in large quantity, for which we are most grateful. Some much needed improvements are being made at the church and parsonage and the new year starts with a fine spirit of cooperation.—Edgar M. Hall, Pastor.

Bishop Purcell authorizes the transfer of Louisa church from Clyde to the Pigeon Valley charge. This movement is agreeable to the charges concerned. He also authorizes the appointment of Revs. W. B. Wilson and H. J. Basett to the Hiawassee charge. They are students from Young Harris College and will serve this charge jointly. Their address is Young Harris, Ga. Clyde becomes a station. The membership assumes the financial responsibilities of both churches —W. L. Hutchins.

Rev. Kenneth Goodson is pastor of Muir's Chapel church in a western suburb of Greensboro. Last Sunday's bulletin among other things of interest carried the following: "An order has been placed for our church windows. This is another project of which we should be proud. The windows will add much to the beauty and design of the church. We will eagerly await their completion. They ought to be completely installed by February 1. The oval window should be in the church by December 15."

The editor of one of our greatest magazines says: "I accuse no British or American officer of drunkenness on the field of battle, but I was in Singapore in 1939 and I never saw so many men disgustingly drunk in my life. And when I suggested that Japan might take advantage of such a Saturday night, was met with a gala of laughter and the invitation: 'Have a drink, American, we'll take care of the Jap when he comes.' I was told that this condition occurred every Saturday night."

Greensboro College will present Mark Hoffman, dean of the school of music, in a piano recital Sunday afternoon, December 6, at 4 o'clock in Odell Memorial auditorium. Mr. Hoffman's program will include: Toccata and Fugue in D minor (Bach-Tausig); Sonata Op. 53 (Waldstein)—Allegro con brio, Introduzione: Adagio molto, Rondo: Allegretto moderato (Beethoven); Variations on a Theme of Paganini, Books I and II, Brahms; Ballade in G minor (Chopin); Berceuse (Chopin); Scherzo in C sharp minor (Chopin), and in concluding the program Mr. Hoffman will play two selections by Griffes, The Fountain of the Aqua Paola, and Scherzo Op. 6.

This is to report that we have been kindly received and generously pounded on the Murfreesboro charge. On last Wednesday night, November 18, we were pleasantly surprised when about 25 of our members here visited the parsonage family and gave us hearty welcome and a generous pounding, and this was not enough for them—they came this week and installed an electric range in the parsonage, for which we are very grateful We are pleasantly situated here with these good people, and we are looking forward to a good year on Murfreesboro charge.—C. L. Spencer, Pastor.

Einstein, the great Jewish intellectual, after recalling his bitter disappointment at the failure of the universities, the press, the intellectuals, and the great newspaper editors of Germany to oppose the suppression of freedom by Nazism, he goes on: "Only the church opposed the fight which Hitler was waging against liberty. Till then I had no interest in the church, but now I feel great admiration and am truly attracted to the church, which has had the persistent courage to fight for spiritual truth and moral freedom. I feel obliged to recognize that I now admire what I used to consider of little value."

The board of aldermen of this western North Carolina town has passed an ordinance aimed at itinerant sidewalk preachers prohibiting sidewalk services, except on designated vacant lots, and then only with written permission from the mayor, which must be obtained in advance. No alms donations or other contributions of cash or commodities may be accepted legally. Singing or the playing of musical instruments to attract a crowd is also prohibited. Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches, expressed some concern over the issue of religious liberty which may be involved in the new ordinance and declared that the Council would seek further information on this recent action on the part of Marion officials.

The Carrolls of Leaksville received the most thorough pounding of their life on Friday night, November 6. As a total surprise great groups of the congregation arrived heavily loaded with all manner of food supplies and household utensils—including even coffee, sugar, an ironing board and a wheelbarrow! I really expected to receive a sledge hammer as the rocks for cracking had already been piled in the back yard from the basement excavations of last year—you know about the heating plant and parsonage renovation and improvements. These are fine folks here on the banks of the Smith and Dan rivers and are doing commendable work despite a shortage of nearly ten per cent of their members who are in military service.—J. E. C.

American military uniforms may be new to the people of Tunisia, North Africa, but American baseball uniforms are well known there. For more than 20 years ago a Methodist missionary who hailed from Baltimore, C. Guyer, Kelly, Ph.D., organized the first baseball team, "The Carthage Orioles," representing the Methodist Foyer in Tunis; and the movement spread so that at the beginning of the present war there were 160 baseball teams in Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, and Libya as part of Dr. Kelly's "North Africa Baseball League." In Tunis he organized some 300 boys into 16 baseball teams; they represented nine different racial groups—French, Italian, Spanish, Maltese, Arab, Kabyle, Jewish, Greek, Turkish and Negro, and some of mixtures of these groups. A link was forged between these teams and various teams and players in America, and much has been accomplished by way of developing international, inter-racial and inter-religious good feeling and understanding. Babe Ruth and other famous players have been honorary members of some of these North African teams.

We have long been accustomed to writing on paper, drinking from paper cups, eating off paper plates and drying our hands with paper towels. But in the future we may be getting our food from paper cans, hanging our paper clothes on paper hangers, not to mention walking on paper shoes and riding on paper tires.—Southern Pulp and Paper Journal.

Your pastor and family are happy to be on the Burlington circuit for another year. They could have moved at annual confeence, but it seemed that a number of people were anxious for their return. Some took a definite expression for their return and we appreciate the interest manifest. Since returning this year more than 200 persons have given a public pledge to give "their best service to Christ and their church" this year. Such a wonderful pledge. Two hundred and more people giving their best will carry this charge to "places where it has never been before." We may well expect a wonderful year this year.—M. C. Ellerbe.

When aggression first struck in China the churches were not wholly prepared to meet the shocks of war. But as they faced intolerable conditions and indescribable suffering they found resources that made them superior to the accidents of war and the pangs of hunger. Thus it was that the Christian groups came to have a new place of respect and leadership in the refugee centers and even more influence when they returned to their homes. There they discovered that the gentry and, in many instances, the missionaries, were not available to help the hungry and the homeless. Through their help of the unfortunates, the Christians across the whole of occupied China served themselves into the hearts of the people. They not only fed the hungry, they ministered to the spirits of men.

The China International Famine Relief Committee, of which Rev. C. Bertram Rappe, Methodist missionary to Chungking, is chairman, is co-operating with the Nationalist Government of China in carrying out a number of irrigation and canal projects in five counties of Free China. The government furnishes the funds and the International Committee the engineers and other personnel. Recently this group opened at Santai a large canal with three locks; they raise boats 60 feet and take them around dangerous rapids in the river which formerly was notorious for its wrecks. Other irrigation projects are helping increase wheat and rice production by 40 per cent. The committee has also organized 140 co-operative societies, and is carrying on rehabilitation work among families of soldiers who lost their lives in the present war.

C. T. Thrift's estimate of our bishop: "We regard Bishop Purcell as the greatest bishop within our knowledge. He is not as eloquent as Galloway, who was our greatest orator; he is not as profound as Wilson, who was our most profound thinker; he is not as scintillating as Kilgo; he is not as scholarly as Hendrix; he is not as legally-minded as Denny. But in all of these realms Bishop Purcell measures up pretty well. He is a good speaker and can handle an annual conference with tact and expedition. As a man and a Christian he shines as a star of the first magnitude. He lives a radiant life. He is the soul of sincerity. Behold a man in whom is no guile. Bishop Clare Purcell is the most lovable man this writer knows today. Taking him by and large we might say that he is the greatest bishop we have met with in these more than four decades we have been knowing bishops of the Methodist Church. North Carolina Methodism is most fortunate to have him as its leader."

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET IN CHARLOTTE

The executive committee of the Section of Church Extension of the W. N. C. conference will meet in First church, Charlotte, at 10 o'clock on Monday, December 14. Persons having applications to bring before this committee will please attend this meeting.

Ivon L. Roberts, Sec.-Treas.

HOW CAN A CHRISTIAN SUPPORT THE WAR?

A correspondent asks us to explain how it is that we can remain a Christian and support the war. The answer has been set down in these columns many times and in many ways, but let us be as simple and explicit as lies in our power.

We agree with our correspondent that a Christian is one who does his best to follow Jesus. What, then, shall we do with utterances of Jesus like "Resist not evil." Our answer is that we accept such utterances for what they were intended to teach, viz., the non-resistance is a powerful and effective weapon.

Many years ago Dr. Francis Greenwood Peabody wrote some wise words about the "occasionalism" of Jesus' teachings, which means the way in which he adapted them to the people he was addressing or to the need of the hour.

It is a great thing not to resist evil and just as great a thing to resist evil. It all depends on circumstances.

As to the present world struggle, it seems to us right to take up arms against the tyrants and by force of arms overthrow them. It seems to us wrong not to take up arms against them.

If we tried nonresistance upon them, let them fatten themselves upon the wealth of our country and educate our children in storm-trooper ideals, we should, in our opinion, be faithless stewards.

We can fight and hold steadily the conviction that war must be done away with. We can put heart and soul into this war and abate not one jot or tittle of our belief that the supreme task before the world is to outlaw war as a means of settling international disputes. We can preach mercy and recognize that the greatest mercy conceivable is short, sharp, decisive work to overthrow the governments of Germany, Italy and Japan.

How can we be a Christian and support the war? Rather ask how can we be a Christian and dodge supporting it? How can we leave the Belgians, the French, the Dutch, the Russians, the Chinese and the others in the condition in which they are today?

If after the war we do not take an interest in these other nations, or if we do not work for a Christian peace and an international organization to support it, then we hope our correspondent will reopen the matter.—The Christian Leader.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

The trustees have accepted a challenge of a friend who would donate $10,000 to the college provided trustees and the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church would contribute $10,000 each. Some of the members of the board, knowing of the proposition, had secured money which was reported at the meeting. The rest is expected to be paid by the first of January.

Various plans were discussed for adjusting the college program to war needs. In his report of the college Dr. G. I. Humphreys showed that the college already is contributing largely to the war program through various special war courses offered, and also through its chemical engineering, pre-medical, pre-dental, and business administration courses.

The fine student enrollment for the current semester was also brought out in the president's report. It was, however, an eight per cent decrease from last year's enrollment, which was the largest in the history of the school. The capital assets of school increased within the last twelve months by $17,500.

BREVARD COLLEGE DAY—DECEMBER 6

No one has asked me to write this, but I cannot refrain from saying something about Brevard College as Brevard College Day approaches. Since coming to Brevard Methodist church just one month ago, I have spoken three times at our chapel services in the college, and have mingled with both students and faculty quite a bit. This is indeed a church-related school. There is the finest spirit of co-operation between the college and the churches of the community. Many of the faculty members take leading parts in church work here in Brevard and vicinity. Mrs. E. J. Coltrane is president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in our church. Prof. C. E. Trowbridge teaches a large class of young men and women. Miss Mabel Cherry—former missionary to Korea —is another of our best church school workers, and leader also in all of our missionary programs and activities. Dr. E. J. Coltrane, our president, is here and there all over the conference from Sunday to Sunday, preaching and otherwise helping our pastors and representing the college to our people. He is a very busy man. The students themselves sing in our church choirs and teach in our church schools. Some of the boys preach in nearby churches from time to time, and otherwise render valuable service to the pastors of the community.

It is a great joy to be associated with this fine institution. I wish it were possible for all of you to come and see what we have here, to sit in our well equipped library and watch the seriousness of purpose written in the faces of these earnest young men and women as they go about their work, and to see the devotion of this splendid faculty. It would de difficult to find a more self-sacrificing group of men and women anywhere. Hats off to Brevard College! On December 6 I sincerely trust that every church in the conference will send in a handsome offering to this fine educational venture. War conditions are making it most difficult for all of our colleges, but exceedingly so for our church-related colleges, we are told. Me must stand by them now, so that when this horrible war is over they may take their places once more in the training of our young men and women for the new day. So please be generous when December the sixth comes.

Wm. A. Jenkins.

LETTER FROM DR. SWINDELL LOVE

The statement below furnished by Rev. A. D. Leon Gray is illustrative of the need the special offering to be made on the 13th of December will meet. The conditions portrayed by our pastor at Jacksonville are even more serious at Wilmington. Nothing is being done at Cherry Point and there is a growing demand for our ministry at Fayetteville, Goldsboro and Elizabeth City. An offering worthy of our great Methodism and the Lord we represent will do much to strengthen the hands of our pastors in these places and remind the boys that the church cares.

Ministerial Needs in the Jacksonville Area

Jacksonville (proper), churches adequate for the present.

1. Personal evangelism for the many new families who are migrating to the area.
2. Literature for distribution, which will be tools to win people to the church.
3. Recreational and social facilities for the civilian defense workers and others which will be comparable to the U.S.O. for service men.

Federal trailer project: 965 trailers in camp eight miles from Jacksonville, located on the New River Marine Base. There are now 840 of these trailers rented to defense workers and their families. (A company house which can be used for religious, recreational and social activities).

1. Regular worship services, church school, and other religious activities.
2. Personal ministry—evangelism, instruction, comfort, etc.
3. Literature for distribution.

Federal Non-Commissioned Officers Housing Project, New River: 700 housing units filled with families of service men, many of which are now in the war zones, principally the Solomon Islands. (A house of worship is being erected in the area).

1. Regular worship service, church school, and other religious activities.
2. Personal ministry—comfort, evangelism, etc.
3. Literature for distribution.

Federal Commissioned Officers Housing Project, New River: 280 housing units filled with families of service officers, many of which are in the war zones with the enlisted men. (There are two navy chapels nearby, within two miles). A school house will soon be available for use in religious activities. Note: There is no church school program in the navy chaplain activities.

1. Church school activities.
2. Personal ministry comparable to the above.

OLD CHURCH DEDICATED TO M. L. BENEDUM

Named for the Number One layman of the Methodist church, who is also the Number One oil pioneer of the world, the restored, remodeled and debt-freed birthplace of Methodism in the Pittsburgh district was dedicated with impressive ceremonies.

Hundreds of prominent Methodist divines and laymen from throughout western Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia were in attendance as the administrative unit of the new Methodist center, located on a corner in downtown Pittsburgh that for almost a hundred years has been known as "Old Brimstone," was formally and officially christened as Benedum Hall in honor of M. L. Benedum, Pittsburgh's world famous oil wildcatter.

Mr. Benedum, a native of Harrison county, W. Va., successfully led a recent financial campaign which netted $262,000, the amount necessary to liquidate the mortgage against the property and to provide funds for the remodeling and renovating of the handsome new church center on the very site where Methodism in the Pittsburgh district was born. The center is located at the corner of Smithfield street and Seventh avenue in the heart of Pittsburgh's Golden Triangle. —Clarksburg Exponent, W. Va.

DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENT BY BISHOP PURCELL

By action of the North Carolina conference at Wilson, Sunday, December 13, was set apart as the day for presenting in all of our churches the needs of our camp and industrial defense communities in the bounds of the North Carolina conference. An overwhelming challenge presents itself at Fayetteville, Wilmington, Jacksonville, Cherry Point, Goldsboro, Durham, and other points. Multiplied thousands of soldiers and induustrial workers are in this area. Our local congregations are urgently requested to make a generous response to this appeal. I hope every pastor will give his people an opportunity to participate in this offering. Clare Purcell.

CHANGES OF APPOINTMENTS IN ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

Bishop Purcell has authorized the following changes in appointments concerning the Elizabeth City district:

J .W. Sneeden is appointed to Wanchese.

B. C. Reavis is appointed to Hertford.

R. F. Munns is appointed to Laurinburg instead of Hertford.

L. T. Edens, supply, goes to Stumpy Point.

W. L. Clegg, D. S.

THE 104TH ANNIVERSARY OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE

The 104th anniversary of the founding of Greensboro College will be observed Saturday, December 5, at the college, according to Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college, who has announced that Dr. E. L. Hillman, pastor of the First Methodist church at Rocky Mount, a member of the college board of trustees, and one of the leading ministers of the North Carolina conference, will deliver an address to alumnae, faculty and students at 11 a. m. Saturday in Odell Memorial auditorium. An academic procession composed of members of the faculty and representatives of the alumnae association and the board of trustees will precede the morning's program.

On this day memorial porches at either wing of Main building will be dedicated to the late Dr. J. Roddey Miller, former head of the English department, and the late Henry Grady McEntire, former business manager of the college.

Following the chapel program ,the alumnae will be guests of the college at a luncheon at one o'clock in the college dining room. Mrs. H. T. Prosser, Greensboro, president of the general alumnae association, will preside over a meeting of the executive committee of the association which will meet at 2:30 p. m. in the student council room in Main building. Also on the afternoon's schedule is an informal get-together in the alumnae room at 2:30 o'clock, with Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students, presiding. All alumnae, faculty members and guests are invited. Miss Agnes Jeter, head of the department of physical education, and Miss Mary Brock, alumnae secretary, are in charge of arranging a student-alumnae athletic hour which will take place at 3:30 p. m. on the athletic field on the back campus.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion, is chairman of the home coming committee and head of the group which arranges plans for the memorial dedications. Also on the committee are: Mark Hoffman, dean of the school of music; T. C. Harrell, business manager; Miss Mary L. Ginn, professor of English, and Mrs. Louise Perry, acting head of the department of speech and dramatic art. Miss Annie Pegram, head of the department of mathematics, heads the committee arranging the academic procession.

Among those founders and benefactors whom the school will honor December 5 are Rev. Messrs. Moses Brock, Peter Doub and Samuel S. Bryant, who aided in securing a charter for the institution in 1838. In 1946, Rev. Solomon Lea was made first president and at this time the first faculty weer elected. In 1903, when the school was threatened with financial ruin, the alumnae, led by Miss Nannie Lee Smith of Greensboro heroically took the matter in hand and saved the school. During the vigorous canvass $25,000 was raised, $6,500 of this amount being raised by West Market Street church. Later on, as the school grew, numerous benefactors endowed it. Among these are B. N. Duke, Andrew Carnegie, J. A. Odell, for whose wife the auditorium and music building is named; J. W. Fitzgerald of Linwood, and Mrs. Mary Lee Hudson of Shelby, both of whom have contributed toward the erection of dromitories; Mrs. W. R. Johnson of Concord. Outstanding work for the college has been done by Rev. T. M. Jones, an early president; James A. Gray, Mrs. John W. Hanes, C. H. Ireland, Dred Peacock, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Dr. Samuel B. Turrentine of Greensboro, president emeritus of the college, and numerous others whose love, sacrifice and contribution have guided the school through its history.

DR. J. H. SCARBOROUGH WAS BURIED IN MISSOURI

A special to the Charlotte Observer from Warrensburg, Mo., says: "Funeral service was held November 28 at the Methodist church for Dr. James H. Scarborough, well known educator from North Carolina, who died Wednesday after a long illness.

Dr. Scarborough, a native of Montgomery county, N. C., came to Missouri more than 40 years ago. He was head of the department of mathematics in the State Teachers College at Warrensburg until 1937 when he retired from active service and was made professor emeritus.

He received his education at old Trinity College, now Duke University, and Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

Dr. Scarborough was a York and Scottish Rite Mason and for 15 years was secretary of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation of the state of Missouri. He was also prominent in church work, being a member of the board of stewards of the Methodist church.

For the past few years he had been a resident of Asheville, N. C.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ethel Corbett Bowman of Selma, N. C., and Washington, D. C.; a stepdaughter, Birma Bowman; two sisters, Mrs. Leroy Lisk of Candor, N. C., and Miss Laura Scarborough of Ellerbe, N. C.; and a brother, W. B. Scarborough of Laurel Springs, N. C."

MISS ELLIOTT'S 94TH BIRTHDAY

Following a custom for the past several years, the relatives of Miss Mattie Elliott of 515 E. Bragg St., Greensboro, joined in the celebration of her 94th birthday at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. H. Sullivan, wife of Mayor Sullivan, Sunday, November 29. Thirteen nephews and nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces and in-laws, down to the fourth generation were present; also one visitor. The relatives present: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sherrill, Mrs. C. M. McLean, Mayor and Mrs. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, Spencer Sullivan, and Misses Margaret Gray Elliott, Nancy and Georgiana Elliott.

"Aunt Matt" was born south of Greensboro in 1848, the year Zachery Taylor was elected President, the year the Mexican War closed. After the death of her father, Spencer Elliott, in 1891, she with her mother and three sisters moved to Greensboro. She joined Pleasant Garden Methodist church before she was nine years old.

When she moved here she transferred her membership to Centenary church, which she served faithfully as a Sunday school teacher and member of the missionary society. She has been regular in her attendance till her hearing became bad. She still attends occasionally. Her general health is good for a person of her advanced years.

Quite a number of her friends called Saturday and Sunday evening, bringing gifts and good wishes. She has been a reader of the Advocate for many years. She has lived under 21 of our 31 Presidents. A. C. S.

ISOLATION

By A. C. Gibbs

No hands but mine shall touch my mighty ship.
Like Crusoe, I will lay her massive keel
To plow Life's depth and ride her swelling storms—
Alone. She must be strong and sound and true.
Her prow must be of purest burnished steel;
For she must meet alone the shock of wave,
Wind whip'd and driven by furious forms
That guard the dragon'd realms of Monster Deep.
Sufficiency, her name on either side,
Will shout from every mast her sanctity.

She stood at last in graceful form complete,
No stain upon her faultless decks of white—
A monument of chastity unique.
No help had I in building her. She's mine!
She's mine from stem to stern, from mast to hold;
Nor help can e'er be mine in launching her.
(I had not thought of that!) The heavy bar
Within my hand should send her on her way.
I was alone! I heaved with all my strength.
She did not move. She's rotting in the docks!

Our Father Who Art in Heaven

The Lord's Prayer begins with the words, "Our Father who art in heaven."

Theodore Parker as he bowed his old gray head before thousands in Music Hall, Boston, prayed: "Our Father who art in heaven and on earth and everywhere for good."

Some people in churches today do not care to say "Our Father." That, to them, is ascribing human qualities to deity. It is anthropomorphism. The objection seems rather silly when we realize that we are human beings and cannot possibly conceive of God except in human terms. We do not have to limit our idea of God to any term that we use. We know that all terms are limiting and that God is the unlimited.

But we shall not stop using words because words cannot express all that is involved. We shall express what we can and let the wings of imagination carry us further.

The late Studdert Kennedy put his finger on a better reason for not saying "Our Father." He said: "When I try to tell a small boy in the slums that God is his Father, I often wonder what he makes of it when his idea about fathers may be that they beat mothers and are generally drunk."

Ernest Fremont Tittle meets this difficulty as follows: "It is not only in the slums that the word father may have connotations which hardly make it a fit symbol for the love of God. It is necessary to speak as the New Testament does of "the God and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ."

The picture of the Divine Father that Jesus gave us shows a God of love.

Dr. Tiittle put it: "On the lips of Jesus no other name of God appears as often as Father. For him it denotes not only love but majesty, power and the right to command; but love is central in his thought. The majesty of God is the majesty of holy love. The commands of of God are the commands of love. The power of God is love.

There are associations with the phrase, "Our Father who art in heaven," which it is foolish to throw away. The honest phrase, "Oh, thou principle of consecration," may do as much with the heart of God as "Our Father who art in heaven," but it will not do as much with the heart of man.

It always seems to us rather unnecessary and foolish to emphasize the division of the race into sexes by substituting for "Our Father who art in heaven." "Oh, thou who art our father and our mother too." Such procedures always seem to us to assume that worshippers have no brains and that they don't realize the tremendous implications of the word father used in such a connection. Of course if the object of the prayer is to make votes for women's rights, it probably is an adroit use of language, but in such a case, it ceases to be prayer.

Prayer ought to stimulate thought as well as deepen and purify emotion, but when it takes us to the tariff or the Townsend plan, or even the status of females or males as such, it is not very good prayer.

It is "Our Father" not "my Father," as has been pointed out a thousand times. We fear it will have to be pointed out many more times before we get it into our heads and before we are willing to act as if it were true.

Only one ever lived up to the meaning of the word "our" perfectly and the rest of us didn't let him preach very long.

Still the ideal remains. It has survived wars and rumors of wars, catastrophes, and strange madnesses that have seized the race. It is the ideal that people everywhere in the world can live in peace. Our churches exist to serve this ideal. Can we do anything better in this next church year than to use intelligently and devoutly the great prayer of our Lord?—The Christian Leader.

REV. JOHN T, STOVER

Ninety years a sojourner on this earth, sixty-seven years a Methodist preacher. Rev. J. T. Stover at his passing last week stood in a class by himself in the Western North Carolina conference.

Much more than any other man among us he became a connecting link between present day Methodism and that of a century ago. He was a member of three annual conferences without a move or transfer. Born in Montgomery county, Virginia, he joined the Holston conference of the M. E. Church, South, sixty-seven years ago. With the establishment of the Western North Carolina conference in 1890, he automatically became a charter member. The merger three years ago made him a member of still another conference.

Brother Stover has left carefully prepared and interesting accounts of his work. He tells what he received to a penny and how it was applied. Some years these records show he received half as many new members into his churches as he received dollars for salary. He records proudly that the first charge he served sent out three preachers during his pastorate—and he refers to them as "sons of the Gospel."

He refused to lose touch with rapidly changing times. He commanded excellent English and like to write. When he could no longer preach, he became a reporter to the county paper and his news items were always interesting. His use of a typewriter at ninety, I think, speaks lots for his ability to adapt himself to a new day.

His zeal for the cause of Christ and his love for the Methodist Church held to the end. When he could no longer hear the sermon he, nevertheless, sat inside the chancel to share in the public worship of the church.

His home going was a real triumph. Surrounded by loved ones and friends he embarked with utter confidence and no misgivings. Our people—and preachers—die well.

A beautiful and simple service was conducted in the Methodist church at Rutherford College by Bishop Clare Purcell, assisted by Rev. J. R. Duncan and the writer. His body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Weaverville beside that of his wife who preceded him by about eleven years.

C. S. Kirkpatrick.

Old friends are best. King James used to call for his old shoes; they were easiest for his feet.—Selden.

HON. JOSEPHUS DANIELS TELLS PREACHERS HOW TO AROUSE SLEEPY CHURCH MEMBERS

Honorable Josephus Daniels, editor of the News and Observer, through the years has enjoyed many national and international honors, but he has never lost interest in the illiterate, common sense Tar Heels that he knew in his boyhood days. As a result he writes an interesting column under the non de plume The Rhamkatte Rooster, from which we clip the following:

The Old Codger fell into a sort of ruminating attitude as if he was going back a long ways, and Ye Editor waited, knowing the Old Codger would pull something good out of his memory. Finally he was alert and said:

"The best way fer to keep a amen corner member awake wuz practiced by Rev. Walt Holcomb. He married the daughter ov Sam Jones an' as a revivalist he has sum ov the Sam Jones ways. He wuz a-conductin' a revival in the Methodist church at Waynesville when Bishop James Atkins wuz a sort ov John Wesley in the mountains. He wuz a young feller then an' decided that insted ov preachin' from the pulpit—it wuz up hi an' not near his hearers—he wud stand at the altar rail where he wuz on the level with the fellers in the pew. As he wuz a-warmin' up he observed that the Sunday school superintendent wuz a-settin' on the front seat sound asleep. It disconcerted the eloquent young preacher. Observin' that the sleeper had left his note-book on the altar rail, Preacher Holcomb, quietly so nobody cud see, tuck it up an' pithched it into the lap ov the sleepin' brother. He cum too quick an' wuz soon a-sayin' 'Amen' to Brother Holcomb's evangelistic sermon. Nobody in the church saw it 'ceptin' Jo-see-for-us Daniels, who happened fer to be in Waynesville to cool off from Rolly heat. He not only seed it, but he made it a text fer a whole kolumn article in the Rolly Nuisance Disturber on 'How to Keep Deacons and Sunday School Superintendents Awake in Church.' In course he expanded the incident fer to adorn a tale an' point a moral. He sed Mr. Holcomb had a way of wakin' up sleepers in church, an' sed when he saw a man sleepin' in the front pew he tuck up a Bible an' flung it at the head ov the sleeper so hard that sum ov the contents ov the Bible went through the skull ov the superintendent and tuck effect on his brain an' made him repent an' become a good listener an' a doer ov the Word. An' that Rolly editur proceeded at some length to commend the Holcomb plan an' advise all the preachers fer to adopt it if the Rev. Walt haddent patented it, so that there wud be nò sleepin' in the pews while the preacher wuz a-preachin'."

Ye Editor asked the Old Codger if that was the way his preacher managed to keep him awake in the Rhamkatte church. Scorning to reply to such insinuation, the Old Codger stalked out without a word.

JOB OF PHYSICIAN, CLERGYMAN AND PATIENT

Ministering to health is a joint job for physician, clergyman and patient, William W. Cox, M.D., president of the Essex County Medical Society, declared at a meeting on Clergy-Physicians Relationships at the Newark Academy of Medicine. The conference was sponsored by the Essex County Hospital Council and the Neuro-Psychiatric Society of New Jersey and was attended by 75 doctors, ministers and rabbis.

"Ideally," Dr. Cox said, "the doctor should himself have been exposed to religious teaching to insure his being awake to the value of this great force."

The conference, according to Rev. Seward Hiltner, executive secretary of the Commission on Religion and Health of the Federal Council of Churches, demonstrated how progress is being made in the all-important area of co-operation between doctors and clergy, one of six major aspects of the relationship of religion and health dealt with a pamphlet, "Religion and Health in the Local Community," recently issued by the Commission on Religion and Health of the Federal Council of Churches.

Another speaker, Rev. Lloyd E. Foster, minister of the old First Presbyterian church, Newark, said: "We must all see the essential unity of the patient's experience. The X-ray sees the bones but not the heart; and we must see both bones and heart."

Said William J. Runyan, M.D., of the Montclair Community Hospital: "The Christian doctor as well as the minister is an ambassador of Christ to his patients."

The Religion and Health pamphlet, according to Mr. Hiltner, is the first program book issued in this field. It deals, in addition to clergy-physician relationships, with the following subjects: Religious ministry in hospitals, education of ministers for work with individuals, co-operation between religious and non-medical health workers, education for laymen and women, and co-operation with mental health and public health activities.

Copies are available at the office of the Commission on Religion and Health, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, at 25c a single copy; 20c each in lots of 10 to 95 copies; and 15c each in lots of 100 or more.

REQUEST TO SAVE LETTERS FROM SOLDIERS

Ministers and other church workers are requested by the North Carolina Historical Commission to save the letters which they receive from soldiers, it was stated by Dr. C. C. Crittenden, secretary of the commission.

The letters home of the soldiers in war time form one of the most valuable sources of social history. Not only are the accounts of his experiences valuable, but the effects of the war on the soldier himself, on his attitudes toward life and religion, toward home and friends, and even toward his enemy, are of great value to the student of the future who attempts to measure the impact of the war on present day society. To preserve these sources of history, the North Carolina Historical Commission, in co-operation with the State Office of Civilian Defense is attempting to gather today the materials from which history will be written in the future. In wars of the past, society has not attempted to preserve its history until years afterward, and consequently much valuable material has been lost.

Among the best letters which are written by service men are those written to their ministers. Because of this, the Historical Commission would like to urge ministers to save the letters which they receive from service men. These letters may be turned over to the county war boards collector, or mailed to the Collector of Records, Historical Commission, Box 1881, Raleigh.

If the minister desires to keep the letters permanently, then it may be possible that the commission can copy these letters and return them. At any rate, copies will be accepted, if the originals are not available.

DR. ALBEA GODBOLD IS NOW PASTOR IN ST. LOUIS

Inclosed will be found my check renewing my subscription to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. The paper keeps me well informed on what is happening in North Carolina Methodism, and keeps me in touch with many friends in that area. You are still doing a good job of editing the paper. Your work merits praise.

Please change by address for the paper from 1191 Peabody Ave., Memphis, Tenn., to 5068 Washington Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo.

If you have not already noted in the Advocate that I am now pastor of St. John's church St. Louis, I would be glad to have you insert a line in the paper to that effect that my friends may know where I am.

This is a great church with a very beautiful and well appointed church plant. I find a remarkable loyalty and devotion to the church among the membership. We are enjoying the work here. Albea Godbold.

LEAVE YOUR SNAKES AT HOME WHEN YOU ATTEND CHURCH IN KENTUCKY

The Religious Telescope is a good religious paper that should have "Microscope" added to its name, because it can see as well close at hand as at a great distance. This observation has resulted from the following:

"While in Kentucky, please refrain from the use of snakes in your regular worship. The courts there have ruled that the practice is unlawful. The occasion was the fanatical activities of a religious group who persisted in trying to demonstrate that snakes won't hurt a good man—or woman. So when you go to church in the Blue Grass state, better leave your snakes at home."

LIGHT ON THE UNKNOWN WAY

And I will lead them by a way that they know not: in paths that they have not known will I lead them.—Isaiah 42:16.

It is an unknown way that we are traveling. It always has been an unknown way. Over two thousand years ago one called Isaiah realized it. He expressed his convictions in the majestic and moving language of this text.

No one can live very long in this world without sensing the mystery of life. It is profound. And there is this curious paradox: the greater the knowledge the deeper the mystery.

Some people claim that there isn't any great mystery in religion and claim it loudly and insistently—so loudly, so insistently, that they reveal the fact that inside they are not so sure. Their scheme of salvation—the wrath of God, the infinite debt we have to pay, our utter inability to pay the debt contracted thousands of years before we were born—the blood of the cross paying for us—all these things make everything plain as a pikestaff, they say, but even the best of such thinkers when up against reality sense mystery. We live in a scientific age—never before was there so much knowledge—but beyond the little light of this study or that study stretches impenetrable shadow.

Nothing is simpler than space. We know what it is. We set aside a little space for a garden or, if it is too small, we buy the adjoining lot. We want space enough for our desk. When we build houses in the city we leave spaces for light and air. We all know about it.

But where does space end? What lies beyond? We all know time. We hold church services at eleven o'clock and we give an hour and fifteen minutes to them. That is very simple. Time is time—sixty seconds make a minute, etc. But when did time start? What will be taking its place when the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll?

Now and then we use the expression "now and then." What unites "now and then"? Who can tell the relationship of "here and there" or "before and after"?

We understand length, breadth, thickness. Can we conceive of time as a fourth dimension?

Have we penetrated the mysteries of relativity? Einstein has. And again and again he writes, "It is impossible for an observer on a planet moving thus and so to know." There is knowledge. We can't keep up with it. Things mysterious to us are clear to someone else. But the greater the man, and the wider his knowledge, the more he understands the length and breadth and height and depth of all enveloping mystery.

All this stimulates enquiry. It creates the intellectual life. We should not have libraries and laboratories if there were no mystery.

Yet here we are living in a world where we have to fend for ourselves and in the midst of all this mystery.

Is it reasonable to believe that some great power walks with us to give guidance and help? Can God help without destroying freedom? Can a parent or teacher guide and inspire without destroying the initiative of a child? To us the answer in both cases is yes. Guidance is not coercion.

If God is walking with us, and respecting our freedom, can we believe with Isaiah that God will bring us often by a way that we know not and in paths that we have not known?

How can we believe anything else when we look back over our lives and see how many safe mountain passes have opened up for us as we have come closer to what has appeared to be an impassable mountain barrier? How often do we have to say, "It turned out better than I imagined it could," or "Who could have foreseen that"?

We can write a history of civilization, but we cannot measure the intangible forces always operating.

It is true of nations and individuals alike—by a way that we know not. God often leads us. We declare that we do not intend to be a policeman for the world, and all at once we find ourselves co-operating with the entire free world and even senators approving or keeping still about it.

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.

There isn't any rhyme or reason to the leaving of God out. There is nothing intellectual about it. Here he is. Our Refuge, our Strength, our Help, our Mighty Fortress. If we think so highly of realism, we had better reckon with the mightiest reality of all.—The Christian Leader.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE CELEBRATES THANKSGIVING

In view of transportation difficulties, Louisburg College relinquished its Thanksgiving holiday for an extra day at the beginning of Christmas holidays. A program of Thanksgiving events, however, was carried out, offering a home-like celebration, especially for the many students who were spending their first Thanksgiving away from home.

At 10:30 a. m. a Thanksgiving service was conducted by Rev. Forrest D. Hedden at the Methodist church. The college choir had charge of the special music for the occasion. Almost a hundred per cent of the college students voluntarily attended.

Immediately after a delightful dinner, with Thanksgiving touches, was served to faculty, students, and guests in the dining hall under the supervision of Miss Virginia Peters, dietitian. An intramural football game was played by the young men on the athletic field.

In the evening a second China Relief offering was given just outside of the bookstore, which was closed by seeming unanimous consent in order that the money usually spent there at that hour could go for this worthy cause. Miss Virginia Peyatt, instructor in oral English, read the story of a small boy's sacrifice for Chinese sufferers.

Mr. James E. Byerly, for the past four years of the college music department, and now in the United States Navy, is at present a member of the midshipmen's choir, which sings at the Riverside church, New York City, each Sunday evening. He went into service about a month ago.

PEOPLE'S BIBLE SCHOOL GROWS

People's Bible School on High Point Road is rejoicing in one of the best years of its history. November 29 (last Sunday) was rally day there. On that day a campaign was launched to raise $2,000 for new building. On this opening date amounts totaling $5,000 were announced. One generous friend donated $2,000 for a new dining room.

Jim H. Green, President.

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

WHAT MAKES A NATION GREAT?

Not serried ranks with flags unfurled,
Not armored ships that gird the world,
Not hoarded wealth nor busy mills,
Not cattle on a thousand hills,
Not sages wise, nor school nor law,
Not boasted deeds in freedom's cause—
All these may be, and yet the state
In the eyes of God be far from great.

That land is great which knows the Lord,
Whose songs are guided by his Word;
Where justice rules 'twixt man and man,
Where love controls in art and plan;
Where breathing in him native air,
Each soul finds joy in praise and prayer—
Thus may our country, good and great,
Be God's delight—man's best estate.

—Alexander Blackburn.

A HEART TO HEART TALK WITH CHURCH MEMBERS

Let's take an inventory of ourselves. Do we church members know that we have been born again? Do we church members keep our church vows? Do we read our Bibles every day? Do we pray every morning before we leave our rooms and thank God for keeping us through the night, and ask him to lead and guide us in the paths of righteousness and to keep us from all harm and danger through the day? Do we church members talk to the unsaved and tell them we would like for them to give God their hearts, that God loves them and Jesus died on the cross that they might have salvation? Do we church members take God's name in vain—do we swear? Are we sober church men? Do we church members drink liquor and wine and beer? Do we church members commit adultery? Do we church members practice bigamy? Do we church members backbite and talk about our neighbors and say all kind of ugly things about them? Do we church members envy our brother member because he has a better job than we have, and so covet and desire his place and work some scheme and give him a dirty deal that he may get his brother's job? Are we as a church member so little and low down and undermining and dirty to be guilty of such an unchristian act? Oh, how we church members need to ask God to make us Christian men and women—Christians that God can trust us with his love and to do his will. Do we church members who are parents teach our children to read God's word, or do we let them go to the picture shows regardless of how dirty and unclean they may be? Do we church members go to the picture shows on Sunday; do we go to football games on Sunday; do we visit the sick and those that are in prison? Do we church members keep the Golden Rule—do unto others as we would have them do unto us? Do we church members pray for our enemies? Do we church members speak a kind word to those that are discouraged? Do we church members stop long enough to read the sign board to see which road we are traveling? You know the word of God says that there are two roads, the broad road and the straight and narrow road—one leads to destruction and the straight and narrow road leads to life everlasting. Which one are we traveling? Do we church members gamble for money; do our church women play bridge for prizes? Do we church members read trashy novels? If we are guilty of these things we lack something. We need to be born of the Holy Ghost and fire and to be holy, sanctified unto God, not conformed to the world but transformed to higher things above.

W. D. May.

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By Grace Noll Crowell

I like to think that some time life will be
Safe and sane once more; that we may find
Peace again and old tranquility
Of heart and mind.

I like to think of order on the earth—
Of order in the homes where women move,
Folding clean linens, keeping a glowing hearth
For those they love.

I like to think that horrors will not last,
That men will till their fields and reap their grain
Unhurriedly, the driving fury past,
To never come again.

I like to think the air itself will clea
And bear us only music, sweet and low,
The evil tidings over and the fear—
God, grant it may be so.

LETTER FROM AFRICA

A letter from Miss Lorena Kelly, missionary to Africa, dated August 9, 1942, was received a few days ago and brings the gratifying news that, in spite of the hazards of the day, she had arrived safely in "Africa's sunny land," experiencing no fear during the trip, even when in mid-ocean a ship appeared in the distant horizon and gunmen rallied to their posts. She spoke especially of the consideration and concern of the steamship company who was not blind to the dangers of the sea, and in anticipation of possible attacks from the enemy went to great expense to protect the ship, passengers and crew from danger, and exerted constantly every effort to make the ship inconspicuous as possible as it plowed its way through the ocean. Eleven misionaries were on board, one a missionary in Tanganyika, Mr. Johnson, who took the pictures of the Zam Zam which appeared in Life December 15, 1941. Mr. Johnson started on the Zam Zam with his family, but after going through the awful experience of the sinking of his ship, he left his family at home and started out alone to continue the task to which God had called him. It was marvelous that everyone was saved in that awful tragedy, and interesting to note his undaunted faith, and he was going with as much joy as though he had never heard of a shipwreck. Through the efforts of the missionaries aboard Sunday services were held on the boat each Sunday. The ship on which these missionaries made the trip to Port Elizabeth where they disembarked was sunk, much to their great regret, on the return trip to the United States, not a great distance from the American shore. Places of interest visited en route to Africa were Johannesburg, the "New York of Africa," Zimbabwe ruins near Fort Victoria in southern Rhodesia, and the famous Victoria Falls, each visit adding to the enjoyment of the trip. Miss Kelly says the journey was a wonderful one.

Reaching the field she was given the same appointment she had before coming to America—teaching in the Bible school and normal school and supervising the rural schools of the Wembo Nyama district. In the rural schools adults as well as children have been included in the educational program with the response most gratifying. Hundreds of homes have been improved and made beautiful; some adults have entered the schools and scores of people have been helped spiritually.

With conference just over Miss Kelly has been given her same work for another year and in addition will have charge of the girls' home. She says: "I shall have to include in my thinking, along with helping to train teachers and preachers and providing school supplies, baseballs, etc., for rural schools, dolls, playhouses, picture books, schedules for dates, wedding dresses, marriage ceremonies, etc. I anticipate the year with great eagerness.

Perhaps many of you are wondering what effect the war is having on our work. Thus far we have been able to carry on our program as zealously as ever. Our missionaries on furlough in America have not been able to get back, and this gives some missionaries additional work. Many native men of the country have been called to the army, and within the last week I heard of one young man, a trained medical assistant, who had been sent all the way to Egypt. The natives are being called by the government to gather great quantities of rubber from the forests, the great need for this substance for war purposes having brought about this action.

Please consider this whole letter a personal note to my friends. I thank God for each of you and for your interest in our fine African people. I pray that as you continue to manifest that interest you will realize increasing joy and happiness in your own hearts. And please remember there is no better place in the world to send a letter occasionally than in the heart of Africa.

With best wishes to each of you, I am, Sincerely,

Lorena Kelly, M.E.C.M.
Wembo Nyama, Lusambo, Congo Belge, Afrique.

AN INTERESTING CONVENTION

The 60th annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, N. C. Division, held in Dilworth Methodist church in Charlotte, October 13-15, presided over by the president, Mrs. L. E. Brown of Waxhaw, was an important and most interesting meeting. Mrs. Brown addressed the convention, giving in the opening of her talk the motto of the W.C.T.U.: "For God and Home and Every Land." She said as home is the center of that slogan, so it is the center of every woman's life. She should fortify it with faith in God and earnestly pray for the progress of temperance to world-wide proportions.

She submitted figures based on reports of the Revenue Department of the U. S. Government which array the problem of intemperance before our eyes. She gave statistics as to the consumption of alcoholic beverages last year ;the money spent for these beverages which far exceeds money spent on education and religion, and showed how the manufacture of spirituous liquors takes fruit, syrups, grain and other products from legitimate food production, while millions of people are starving for the necessities of life. In its constitution the W.C.T.U. makes a declaration of the principles for which it stands. These are: (1) Abstinence from all intoxicating liquors by the voluntary choice of all right minded men and women; (2) the careful and systematic training of the young in scientific, moral and religious principles underlying temperance and carried out in all schools and juvenile organizations; (3) one standard of purity for men and women; (4) the prohibition of the liquor traffic, the opium traffic, the gambling house, and the haunts of shame. The Union also believes in living wages and equal pay for equal work; in courts of conciliation and arbitration; and in justice according to the Golden Rule of Christ.

Among prominent speakers at the meeting were Miss Martha Cooper of Evanston, Ill., secretary of the Youth's Temperance Council, who spoke on "The Need of the Youth Movement"; Chaplain Lloyd Teague of Camp Sutton, whose subject was "Women As Citizens," and Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte, on "Responsibility of Christians to Temperance."

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN B. LUDWIG

On July 6, 1942, Coburn Memorial church in Salisbury suffered a great loss when God called from earth to heaven Mrs. Annie Mahaley Ludwig, wife of John B. Ludwig. She was a faithful member of Coburn church for 40 years. Mrs. Ludwig was also a member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for many years and attended the meetings whenever possible and always responded cheerfully and generously of her time and means to any calls made upon her.

She suffered much over a period of years but bore her suffering with Christian fortitude and patience. A devoted wife, loving mother and loyal member is gone from our midst. She is survived by her husband, three daughters and three sons, two of whom are in the armed service of their country.

"We, the women of Coburn Memorial Woman's Society of Christian Service, bow in humble submission to the will of God, and ask that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family to the N. C. Christian Advocate and spread upon the minutes of our society."—Mrs. D. E. Ray and Mrs. Fred Luther, Committee.

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PRAY FOR ALL THESE

Pray for those who through ignorance of Satan's wiles and ignorance of the Word have been led astray in false teachings. Pray that they may be led to rest in grace alone and trust the Word above their experiences. Pray for those who are to deal with them that they may have much wisdom and love in all their attempts to help them. Pray for a curbing of all Satan's attempts to hinder God's truth from reaching souls.

BAZAAR FOR SOLDIERS

On several occasions we have published items concerning activities at Soldiers Town Home, which is sponsored by a group of Christian women of Fayetteville who are designated the Soldiers' Service Club." Soldiers Town Home is located in the former Hay Street Methodist church parsonage. Hundreds of soldiers from Fort Bragg visit Town Home daily and there find relaxation, fellowship, friendship and a happy diversion from camp life. The members of the Soldiers' Service Club are planning a Christmas bazaar at Town Home, the purpose of which is twofold. The bazaar will make it possible for the soldiers and their wives to purchase gifts at a reasonable price and will, at the same time, aid in financing the home. In order that the bazaar shall be successful it will be necessary for many donations of articles to be sent. Mrs. Florence Highsmith, one of the loyal members of the Soldiers' Service Club, is appealing to the women of North Carolina conference to send gifts for the bazaar and that they be sent as near December 1 as possible. Always any plea for help for Soldiers Town Home has met with pompt and hearty response. We are confident that the response to this appeal will be no exception. Send articles to Soldiers Town Home, 310 Old St., Fayetteville, N. C.

DECEMBER AND REPORTING

December reminds us that the end of another conference year is near, which also reminds us that it is time to take an inventory of the work in the local societies. Have the members of your society given cheerfully and sacrificially to missions? Has your society held the required number of mission and Bible study classes this year? Are the members of your society subscribing to and reading the Methodist Woman and World Outlook and has your society attained the goals "Every officer a subscriber" and a one-third increase in subscriptions? Has your society been alert to the opportunities of Christian social relations and local church activities work and of supply needs? Has your society promoted missionary education of children, young women and girls' work, student work? And has your corresponding secretary reported each quarter to your district secretary and the officer of each department of work to the conference officer of that department? Let each society take an inventory of the work which has been accomplished this year and let every society report not later than January 5, 1943. Conference officers are: President, Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, New Bern; vice president, Mrs. W. A. Thorne, Roanoke Rapids; conference secretary, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, 911 W. Johnson St., Raleigh; recording secretary, Mrs. S. S. Holt, Graham; treasurer, Mrs. F. B. McKinne, 201 S. William St., Goldsboro; missionary education and service, Mrs. B. F. Boone. Fairmont; publications, Miss Mary Gardner, 206 W. Edenton St., Raleigh; (send literature and publications reports to Miss Gardner instead of to conference secretary literature); secretary C. S. A. and L. C. A., Mrs. J. H. Highsmith, Whitakers; supplies, Mrs. R .B. Hooker, Kinston; children's work, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, Rockingham; young women and girls' work, Mrs. D. L. Fouts, Whiteville; student work, Mrs. H. Lee Thomas, Carthage; literature, Mrs. R. H. Broome, Ayden; Wesleyan Service Guilds, Mrs. R. C. Gary, Henderson. District secretaries are: Durham, Miss Florine Robertson, Burlington; Elizabeth City, Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City; Fayetteville, Mrs. D. C. Lawrence, Sanford; New Bern, Mrs. Gertie Matthews, New Bern; Raleigh, Mrs. T. R. Smith, Rt. 1, Henderson; Rocky Mount, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Conway; Wilmington, Mrs. N. P. Edens, Maysville.

GATES COUNTY ZONE

The Gates county zone, Elizabeth City district, held its fall meeting at Savages church on October 14. Mrs. Riddick, zone leader. presided at the morning session and led the opening worship. An Episode from Latin America was discussed by Mrs. C. V. Cross, Mrs. M. L. Greene and Rev. T. J. Whitehead. Miss Ona Patterson discussed "Many Lands and Many People" and "Indelible Marks of History"; Mrs. T. J. Whitehead discussed "Relationships to America"; Mrs. D. A. Willey stressed some phase of the work and made suggestions as to what might be achieved in each local society by studying the exhibit on Latin America. A completion test on Latin America, followed by prayer led by Rev. Mr. Whitehead closed the morning session. At the afternoon session Rev. Mr. Whitehead led the devotionals, basing his remarks on Romans 10. Mrs. C. T. Derby gave a report of the Christian workers' assembly at Louisburg College. Items of business were transacted. Mrs. Willey expressed her appreciation for the co-operation which she has received during her term of office as zone leader. Rev. Mr. Whitehead proounced the benediction.—Mrs. W. G. Byrum.

MORE LIKE SELMA NEEDED

The members of the W. S. C. S. of Edgerton Memorial church, Selma, have caught the vision of the way in which The Methodist Woman and World Outlook are meeting the needs of those who are working through the medium of the missionary enterprise in helping to build a world Christian community. In catching the vision and acting upon it, they have also found much more joy and fruit bearing in the service. A group of 20 women make up the active membership of the W. S. C. S. of Edgerton Memorial and each of these 20 women are better informed, more interested and more joy bearing Christians because they are subscribers to The Methodist Woman and World Outlook. Not only "every officer a subscriber" but every member. Please, please, let's have more societies like Edgerton Memorial.

EDENTON STREET GUILD

The six sesions of the fall mission study classes of the Wesleyan Service Guild of Edenton Street Methodist church were concluded on Tuesday evening, November 24, with a spiritual message on "The Highway" given by Mrs. H. I. Glass. Topics discussed at the other five sessions were: "Many Lands and Many People," Mrs. R. J. Pearce; "Indelible Marks of History," Miss Daisy Waitte; "Education Through Literature and Schools," Mrs. C. D. Douglas; "Evangelical Movement," Mrs. A. W. Hoffman; "Social Changes in Mexico," Miss Frances Burkhead (a former missionary to that country); "A Trip to South America," Mr. John Park; "Opportunities for Social Work," Misses Helen Yates, Sallie Reese, Bessie Brown, Mary Lee Vaughan and Mrs. Emily Miller. Leading the devotionals were: Miss Burkhead, Miss Reese, Miss Lalla Betts, Miss Mattie McDonald, Mrs. L. A. Watts and Mrs. Earl Howard. The text book "On This Foundation" and supplementary material were used for the study on "Missions in Latin America." Miss Waitte is secretary of missionary education and service. At the monthly business meeting on November 23, the members of Edenton Street Guild voted to take as a spceial project the signing for total abstinence of strong drink and to use their influence to secure many other signers and, as far as possible, to use their influence in creating public sentiment against the evils of alcohol and legalized liquor.

SHALL AMERICA DO AS WELL?

A letter from Miss Alice Walton of the Methodist Missionary Society, London, England, says: "We are greatly encouraged over here just at present, as a few weeks ago when our income for 1941 was totaled up we found that we had an increase of nearly £6,000. We feel that the women in Britain are saying that even though there is destruction and chaos in so many directions, the building up of the kingdom of God shall go on. I think this giving has been a pledge of their devotion to their Master and a sign of their belief that the kingdom of God will be established some day, however sinful may be the hearts of men."—From Christian World Facts.

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WE GIVE THANKS

We observed Thanksgiving Day. We did more than that. We gave genuine thanks for our many blessings. All operative tasks except the essential ones, such as milking the cows, cooking the food and firing the furnaces, were cancelled for the day. Part of the family went with the glee club over to Centenary at ten o'clock in the morning for the Thanksgiving service. A large number of the younger boys got their sticks and with their captain, Mr. Binkley, went rabbit hunting, their sticks serving as guns and certain vociferous boys serving as dogs. The boys jumped sixteen rabbits and sixteen rabbits got away. After the noonday meal general visitation about on the grounds abounded, overflowing into window shopping expeditions over town. The pre-school age children at the baby cottage enjoyed a royal entertainment at Salem Academy, those fine young women having arranged to give them a mighty good time. Some of the older members of the family went to the Bowman Gray Stadium for the Reynolds High-Hanes football game. Our varsity team went to Asheville and took the severest licking in our modern athletic history. By nightfall everyone was ready to continue their thanksgiving for a happy day, a happy home and a healthy environment.

WE HAD TURKEY

We have only one turkey dinner in the entire year, but we are glad to have that. It came on Thanksgiving day. There was plenty of it and plenty of all that should go with it. Our family, usually sufficiently well fed, was exceedingly well fed on Thanksgiving day. One little pre-school age youngster, when asked what he was thankful for on Thanksgiving day, replied, "I am thankful for the turkey."

WE ARE EXPECTANT

We feel assured that our friends are doing a lot for us these days. The Thanksgiving season is the golden harvest season for orphans. Our Methodist people begin their liberal sharing on or before Thanksgiving and extend the good work through the Christmas holidays. These days are our expectant days. In fact, they are our confident days.

WE GO TO WORK

The Thanksgiving holiday period is over and we are back at work. Most of our boys and girls were going to school before good daylight this morning. Others were gathering up the vegetables before the sun could get a good peep at them. The G-men, sometimes called garbage boys, were getting the soiled clothes to the laundry, the dining rooms were scenes of activity and the smaller boys were raking the leaves from off the campus. On this day we have a mind to work.

WE HAVE FRIENDS

Rev. James P. Hornbuckle, Jr., young pastor of the Seagrove charge, writes: "The weather was bad, the crowd was small. Only 48 present, but we raised our 12 per cent apportionment. I am enclosing check for $78.50."

Young Hornbuckle is a preacher's boy.

"Here comes another bell ringer. Am enclosing check for $20 covering ten per cent apportionment for Jonas Ridge, Linville Falls charge." C. C. Murray, P. C.

Jonas Ridge is high up on the Blue Ridge mountains where the wind is cold but the spirit is warm.



We need him many hours every day

"Am enclosing check for $50 covering H. L. Fink's clothing sponsorship for two little girls. Mr. Fink became interested in the work of the Children's Home a year ago when we visited the home and one of your school girls showed us around in such a fine way. You are doing a wonderful job." Rev. F. W. Kiker, Concord.

"Enclosed you will find a check for $25. I wish to share at this Thanksgiving time with the Children's Home a part of the allowance my late husband has provided for me." Mrs. W. M. Wagoner, Winston-Salem.

"First church is happy to welcome today three guests from the Children's Home. Margaret and Mildred Childres are being entertained at the home of Mr. M. G. Crouch and Jack Hayworth is with Mr. Tom Golden. We feel close to these fine young people and all their friends at the Children's Home." First Church, Hickory, Bulletin.

WE RANG THE BELL

Our old dinner bell is cracked. It has about rung out. Our apportionment bell is melodious. It rings in the good tidings. Those causing the pulling of the bell cord during the past week are herewith listed. Join us in grateful thanks to them:

Seagrove, Rev. J. P. Hornbuckle, Jr.

Bethlehem, Cherryville circuit, Rev. J. E. B. Houser.

Salem, Morganton circuit, Rev. F. W. Dowd Bangle.

Bollinger's Chapel, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. G. L. Wilkinson.

Jonas Ridge, Linville Falls circuit, Rev. C. C. Murray.

Cox's Chapel, Sparta circuit, Rev. C. R. Allison.

Maylo, Gastonia, Rev. J. N. Wise.

Rock Springs circuit, eight churches, Rev. John H. Green.

Ebenezer, South Fork circuit, Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

Cliffside, Rev. E. L. Kirk.

Randolph, Liberty circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill.

Mt. Pleasant, North Davidson circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright.

Olin, Olin circuit, Rev. D. T. Huss.

First Church, Lenoir, Rev. J. C. Cornett.

WE HAVE A GOOD MAN

Mr. H. B. Simpson, for fourteen years treasurer and business manager of First Methodist church, Charlotte, whose picture is herewith presented, this week assumes the position of bookkeeper, purchasing agent and maintenance supervisor at the Children's Home. He and Mrs. Simpson, with their two interesting little boys, will live on the Children's Home grounds. Mr. Simpson is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and a former science teacher in the Rocky Mount high school. Mrs. Simpson hails from Lenoir. Following her graduation from Lenoir high school she attended Woman's College of the University of North Caroiina. Both Mr. and Mrs. Simpson are outstanding church workers We welcome these good people into the Children's Home family. Mr. Simpson succeeds Mr. Paul C. Walker, resigned.

WE SANG SOME

At the invitation of Rev. W. B. Thompson, our girls' glee club went yesterday to Pisgah, a former Northern Methodist congregation, one of the three up and going congregations on the Sedge Garden work, close by Winston-Salem. We had a lovely time with our new friends and celebrated with them and other friends from Crews and Sedge Garden, the other two points on the charge, over the improvements in the way of Sunday school rooms and ground improvements at Pisgah. The Pisgah people love their enterprising pastor and are happy in their new associations.

WE CASE WORK

We will try to get some case work done during this and next week. The matter cannot further be delayed, even though we think we are overwhelmed with other work. Some of the needed visitation is beyond the Blue Ridge, some is closer by, but all of it is insistent. Our tires are thin but our purpose is clear.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

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DEEPLY GRATEFUL — Recently several friends have sent us nice warm quilts and blankets to keep our children warm through the cold winter nights. As winter approaches we are going to need more quilts and blankets, and I trust that other friends will remember us by sending us a number of them.

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THANKSGIVING SERVICES —The school held a special Thanksgiving service in the auditorium on Tuesday evening, November 24, at 7:30, with the senior class conducting the program. All the grammar grade and high school students attended. Songs used included "Come, Ye Thankful People," "America, the Beautiful," "The Crusaders' Thanksgiving" and "We Gather Together.' Leonard Franklin read the scripture and Mary Jane Shields led the prayer. Ella Louise Smith, Gerald Rowe, Clifton Holloway and Elise Ormond gave Thanksgiving poems. An account of the history of Thanksgiving was given by Sally Biggs and Paul Smith read the First Thanksgiving Proclamation. Dorothy Howell told about the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers and Josephine Smith discussed some of the things that we are thankful for. Jean Hayes told a Thanksgiving Fable and Mr. Madison gave the closing prayer.

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TURKEY DINNER FOR THANKSGIVING —Last Christmas Brother W. H. Basnight, prominent business man of Ahoskie and an outstanding member of Basnight Memorial church, gave turkeys for our children's Christmas dinner. Before leaving Ahoskie Monday, after preaching at Basnight Memorial church Sunday night. Brother W. H. Basnight gave me three hundred and two pounds of turkeys to bring to our children for Thanksgiving dinner. He had the turkeys nicely dressed and packed in my car, and I was happy to bring them home with me. This generous gift on the part of Brother Basnight is genuinely appreciated by our boys and girls and official staff. Every child in theOrphanage had an abundance of turkey, with all the "fixings" that go along with a turkey dinner. Such tangible expressions of good will and love are deeply appreciated by everybody at the Methodist Orphanage. I was greatly impressed with Brother Basnight's beautiful, altruistic spirit.

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SUPT. VISITS AHOSKIE—On Sunday night, November 22, I had the pleasure and privilege of speaking to the congregation of Basnight Memorial church in Ahoskie. The evening was very unfavorable because of rain, but a large congregation assembled for the service. The Baptist minister and his congregation worshipped with us. Bro. A. L. Thompson, the popular and beloved pastor of Basnight Memorial church, and his congregation received me most cordially. I spoke on our Orphanage work and the people heard me gladly for the cause which I represented. There were present in the congregation a former Orphanage girl and boy who now have families of their own. It was a real pleasure to see them and to know that they still remember with gratitude the years that they spent in the Methodist Orphanage. Brother Thompson is enjoying a most successful pastorate at Ahoskie. Basnight Memorial church building would do credit to a community several times as large as Ahoskie. The church membership is not very large, but is generous and loyal. The Methodist Orphanage has a large place in their thinking and giving. I had the privilege of being the guest of Brother and Sister Thompson in their parsonage home. They have three lovely children, who added much pleasure to my visit.

CROSSES

The world is full of crosses
That lift their arms and spread
The gaunt great sign of sorrows
Above the sleeping dead.

On hills above the highways
The trees of crosses rise,
And there in their strange ways
They silhouette the skies.

More rows and rows of crosses,
Poles planted in the ground,
Display our tragic losses,
The heartaches we have found.

But still there on the crosses
The light of hope we see,
For Christ redeemed the sinners
On a cross at Calvary.

The darkness of the crosses
May be our shining light,
For joy comes through our sorrows,
And through the darkness light.

Crosses, tragic crosses!
The world's a Calvary.
O God forgive our crosses,
Our own Gethsemane.

But through the pain of crosses
Help us to catch the light;;
The light that comes through crosses
To end this world of night.

—Ralph Ernest Webber, in Religious Telescope.

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SOME HELPS FOR SMALLER CHURCHES

The following will help workers plan for all age groups, and can be secured on request, from Box 828, Salisbury:

504-B The Church Board of Education in the Small Church.
511-B Worship in the One-Room Church School.
525-B The Survey. (Suggestions for a religious census).
101-B The Nursery Children and the Church.
160-B The Plan for Missionary Education of Children in the Methodist Church.
161-B Missionary Materials for Use with Children.
180-B Reaching and Keeping the Children.
183-B The Children's Division of the Church School.
2036-B Suggested Reading for Seniors and Young People—and the Adults Who Work with Them.
2037-B Suggested Reading for Adult Workers with Intermediates.
2043-B A Guide to Program Materials for Methodist Youth.
2044-B The Methodist Youth Fellowship.
2069-B Do You Know the Answer?
400-B Adults in the Small Church.
402-B The Young Adult Fellowship.
403-B Adult Classes—Why?
702-B Home Study Courses in Religion and Christian Service.
711-B The One-Teacher Christian Workers' School.
29-B The Extension Class or School.

The following helps should be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, Richmond, Va.:

185-H The Church Plans for the Children, 15c.
190-B Toward Better Teacher-Children's Division Yearbook, 10c.
2004-H Youth Division Manual for Use in the Small Church, 10c.
1078-H The Methodist Youth Fellowship—A Vital Force, 25c.
460-H Adults at Work in the Small Church. 15c.

Literature for Church School Classes in the Smaller Churches

By planning carefully, church school workers can get the very best material for their pupils, in suitable amounts, so that no one is neglected, and there is a minimum of waste. It is time to order materials for the winter quarter, so the following suggestions are given:

Children's Division. (Birth through 11 years). All teachers and officers should have: Child Guidance in Christian Living, The Christian Home, and one copy of their pupils' material. Nursery workers should have Religious Nurture in Class and Home. Primary workers should have the Bible Lesson Picture Roll.

The pupils should have:

Nursery (2-3 years old), My Book for Winter.

Beginner (4 and 5 years old), Beginners' Lesson Pictures.

Primary (6, 7, 8 years old), Primary Class, and Pictures and Stories (story paper).

Junior (9, 10, 11 years old), Junior Quarterly, and Trails for Juniors (story paper).

Youth Division (ages 12-23):

All teachers should have The Church School, The Christian Home, The Highroad, and a copy of their pupils' material, if it is other than the Highroad.

All officers should have Highroad, Workshop.

Pupils should have one of the following: Highroad, Stories for Youth, or Abingdon Quarterly. Story papers for intermediates (12-14) is Boys Today and Girls Today; for seniors and young people (15-23) it is Classmate.

Adult Division (24 years of age up):

Officers and teachers should have: Church School, Christian Home, and a copy of their pupils' material.

Pupils should have: Adult Student, or Wesley Quarterly.

Elective courses for adults are carried in Adult Student and special courses for parents are in The Christian Home.

The Adult Home Department should distribute: Home Quarterly, Christian Home, and Challenge.

For the very small church, without classes for each age group, the following materials are suggested:

For classes of younger children (approximately 4, 5, 6 and 7 years): Officers and teachers need Primary Class, Child Guidance in Christian Living, Christian Home, and Bible Lesson Picture Roll. Pupils need Primary Class, and Pictures and Stories (story paper).

For classes of older children (approximately 8, 9, 10, 11 years): Officers and teachers need Junior Quarterly, Child Guidance in Christian Living, and Christian Home. Pupils need Junior Quarterly and Trails for Juniors (story paper).

WILKESBORO AND N. WILKESBORO JOIN IN TRAINING SCHOOL

During the week of November 15-19, Rev. A. C. Waggoner and Rev. F. H. Shinn brought their workers together at North Wilkesboro. Each evening they gathered in two classes to plan to increase their service in the church.

The classes were Better Music in the Church, taught by Rev. R. W. McCulley, and How to Teach in the Church School, taught by Miss Elizabeth Oliver. The workers of North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro were most enthusiastic and made plans for several immediate improvements in the fields of the two courses. The instructors were delighted with the cordial hospitality they found, and carried away many glowing reports of these fine people, and of their mountain climate. Approximately forty-five persons were in attendance, during an unusually busy week.

Lexington School

The Lexington school was the first of the new conference year and proved to be a good beginning in our training work. Approximately forty people attended the class, and thirty completed the work for credit. This was an increase in the number of people participating in the last school held in Lexington.

Asheville School

In spite of gasoline and tire rationing the people of Asheville responded as usual to the training school held November 15-20. Mrs. Ould, Mrs. Reed and Dr. Rowe rendered excellent service and the people were delighted with their classes. At the close of the school the group voted for another school on the same week next November and requested the same teachers to return. Asheville hospitality was at its best. Homes, hearts, and churches were opened to the faculty. The following churches were well represented with persons taking credit in the school: Asbury Memorial, Biltmore, Bethesda, Central, French Broad Avenue, Haywood Street, Hillside-Merrimon, Oak Hill, Oakley, Swannanoa, Weaverville, West Asheville, and First Christian.

The presence of the ministers not only encouraged their people to attend, but added much to the school. Many of the pastors thoroughly enjoyed the Bible course with Dr. Rowe. Those in attendance were: Dr. Lambeth, Dr. P. S. Kennett, E. J. Harbison, V. R. Masters, E. W. Needham, E. O. Peeler, A. C. Swofford, F. O. Dryman, and N. C. Williams.

THY WILL BE DONE

Not in dumb resignation
We lift our hands on high;
Not like the nerveless fatalist,
Content to do and die:
Our faith springs like the eagle
Who soars to meet the sun,
And cries exulting unto thee,
"O Lord, thy will be done!"

When tyrant feet are trampling
Upon the common weal,
Thou dost not bid us bend and writhe
Beneath the iron heel.
In thy name we claim our right,
By sword, or tongue, or pen;
And even the headsman's axe may flash
Thy message unto men.

Thy will! It bids the weak be strong,
It bids the strong be just;
No lip to fawn, no hand to beg,
No brow to seek the dust.
Wherever man oppresses man,
Beneath thy liberal sun,
O Lord, be there, thine arm made bare,
Thy righteous will be done!

—John Hay, Secretary to President Lincoln and Secretary of State under Presidents McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt.

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YOUTH'S CHRISTMAS OPPORTUNITY

At Christmas time our youth frequently desire some opportunity to give expression to their Christmas spirit outside their immediate circle of relatives and friends. Such an opportunity came to the attention of the Conference Youth Council at its meeting on Thanksgiving Day, and the council gave its hearty approval to the plan suggested. In the letter below our publicity superintendent gives a clear explanation of the plan. We trust many of our youth groups in the conference will share in this opportunity.

Dear Methodist Youth:

Christmas is barely three weeks away, and plans are being prepared all over the conference to make it a rich and creative experience. It has been difficult to find an answer to the repeated requests for a Christmas project; we hope our suggestion is not too late to fit in with your plans.

About six months ago the United States government was forced to remove all West Coast Japanese and Japanese-Americans from civilian life to assembly centers. Seventy-five thousand of these people are American citizens, loyal Americans every one, not interned on suspicion or as a result of crime, but put in a place of safety to protect them from the anger and hatred aroused by an unworthy prejudice against their race as a whole. The hardships, heartbreaks, and almost impossible living conditions necessitated by suddenly transplanting 124,000 people en masse have been met with faith, determination and courage—a shining example to us all.

For the moment the more immediate need is for recreational equipment. At Heart Mountain, Wyoming, in a little city of about ten thousand, there are one thousand youths like ourselves—and only sixteen bats, a dozen softballs, three basketballs, a few volley balls, and absolutely nothing else. Their library has only five hundred volumes; one antique film a week is shown to a small percentage of the population.

This is our chance to make Christmas real for more than a thousand young people. Perhaps you will present the idea to the young people of your church school, from infancy to college age, to give one gift each to a youth their age—something that he himself would enjoy. The gifts may be anything that any other American boy or girl would like—small dolls, toy autos, books, board games (such as Monopoly), tools and athletic equipment. It has been suggested that a gift card bearing the name, address, and age of the giver be placed inside each package, for an interesting correspondence may spring up. Attractive gift wrappings will greatly increase the pleasure. Outside the package attach a removable tag stating (1) the nature of the gift, (2) for a boy or girl, and (3) for which suitable as: "Harmonica for boy 12." We suggest that all the gifts from your church be packed in one large, securely tied carton, marked with the name of the youth division of your church, and shipped to: "Heart Mountain Relocation Project, Heart Mountain, Wyoming."

The plan is fairly simple and needs little organization, but immediate action. We hope it will be helpful.

Jack Easterling, Pup. Supt.

STUDENT RECOGNITION DAY DECEMBER 27

Student Recognition Day, always an important feature in a church's annual program, should be even more significant this year in the light of recent developments with reference to our 18-19-year-old young people. In days ahead our young people are having placed upon them responsibilities formerly laid upon those much older. Many of these young people have been away from the local church for several months and will be away after Christmas for months to come. At this particular season the church has a real opportunity to show its interest in these young people and establish a vital contact with them that shall have far-reaching effect in the period just ahead. We are, therefore, urging our local churches as far as possible to take advantage of this season to recognize its student group with a special service dedicated to them.

A good program for Student Recognition Day is found on pages 50-52 of the December issue of the Highroad. Other programs are available from the Division of Educational Institutions, 810 Broadway, Tenn., or from the conference office.

REQUESTS FOR SERVICE

We are anxious to serve every section of our conference in as vital way as possible. Much of our service must necessarily be rendered by correspondence, but we want to spend as much time as can be given to it to service in the churches themselves. Already numerous requests have been received for such service and we are rapidly filling up our schedule. We are suggesting, however, that others who desire the services of members of the conference staff send in their requests at an early date in order that these requests may receive early consideration. Staff members serve in set-up meetings, training schools, workers' councils, group planning conferences, and work of similar nature.

He is an eloquent man who can treat humble subjects with delicacy, lofty things impressively, and moderate things temperately.—Cicero.

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DADDY'S BIRTHDAY PRESENT

Connie and Beth were going to the show. Mother said they could not go if it rained, but they wanted to go anyway.

"Let's hurry, Beth," whispered Connie, "let's go before it rains. I know it is going to rain. Then mother won't let us go!"

"I think it has already begun to rain, Connie. Maybe we had better not go today," replied Beth.

"Oh, Beth, there is nothing to do here, let's slip out. I'm all ready. Get your coat on!"

Beth did not much want to go. She knew it was raining. She knew her mother had said they could not go if it rained. But Connie kept right after her. They were both ready to go now.

"Connie, where are you and Beth going?" called Larry in a very loud tone of voice.

"Oh, nowhere," whispered Connie, "you run along."

"Mother, mother!" called Larry at the top of his voice, "where are Connie and Beth going?"

Just then mother came downstairs. "Oh, girls, it is raining. Mother said you could not go in the rain. I don't want you to get wet."

"But mother, we are all ready. Why can't we go?" whinned Connie. "There's nothing to do here."

"You may sew; or have you read your new books?" said mother.

"We don't want to sew, and we don't want to read! We want to go to the show," Connie pouted.

Larry began to sing :"You can't go to the show 'cause it's going to rain some more. You can't go, you can't go!" He sang in a tune all his own.

"Hush. Larry!" said Connie impatiently.

"I know what you can do. Tomorrow is daddy's birthday, and you may make him a birthday cake. I will give you the recipe and you can make it all by yourselves," said mother.

"I want to make a birthday cake, too," called Larry. "I want to eat a birthday cake."

"Oh, Larry!" said Beth, "let daddy eat it. But we will let you help us make it. Run and wash your hands."

In just a minute Connie and Beth were in the kitchen. They were reading the cake recipe mother had given them. Soon there were three busy children. What fun they had!" Of course Larry helped. Before they had finished he looked like a clown. He had cake batter from one ear to the other.

"I want to taste that now," said Larry. "That's good, Connie, do you want me to put some chocolate in it?"

"No, Larry, that is not a chocolate cake, this is daddy's birthday cake," answered Connie.

"Where's the cream? Don't we have ice cream for a birthday?" continued Larry.

"But Larry, tomorrow is daddy's birthday. Then we shall have the ice cream," explained Beth.

At last the cake was finished. They had been very careful. It was a beautiful cake, and they were all happy.

Just then the door opened, and in walked daddy.

"Well, I have caught a new pig in the kitchen!" And he grabbed Larry. They all had to laugh.

"Daddy, we wanted to surprise you, but you caught us. Look what we have made for your birthday," said the girls.

"What?" said daddy in surprise, "you made it?"

"And me, daddy!" chimed in Larry. "Well, this is a happy surprise! This is the best birthday present I ever had."

How good the children felt. Connie was glad she did not go to the show. —Cynthia Smyth Newsome, in Storytime.

"Are your children doing all they can for you to make you comfortable?" a doctor inquired of one of his seriously ill patients.

"Yes, they're keeping up my insurance," was the reply.

Teacher: "Bill, where is the Suwannee river?"

Pupil (after much hesitation): "Far, far away."—Advance.

FEEDING THE BIRDS

✧

"Oh, goody," cried a little bird
Who found some grains of wheat,
"On such a day I didn't think
I'd find a thing to eat!

"For snow lies deep upon the ground
And limbs are glazed with ice.
To find a meal spread for me
Is wonderfully nice."

Now other birds flew down and soon
They'd eaten everything.
Then up into the tree they went
Where each begon to sing.

And Bob and Betty, watching them
Beside the window, heard
And were so glad they'd spread the wheat
For every hungry bird.

—Myrtle G. Burger, in Our Dumb Animals.

I'LL PAY YOU FOR THAT

This little parable, by an unknown author, teaches its own lesson:

A hen trod on a duck's foot. She did not mean to do it, and it did not hurt the duck much; but the duck said, "I'll pay you for that!" So the duck flew at the old hen, but as she did so her wing struck an old goose who stood close by.

"I'll pay you for that!" cried the goose, and she flew at the duck, but as she did so her foot tore the fur of a cat who was in the yard.

"I" pay you for that!" cried the cat, and she started for the goose, but as she did so her claw caught in the wool of a sheep.

"I'll pay you for that!" cried the sheep, and she ran at the cat, but as she did so her foot hit the foot of a dog who lay in the sun.

"I'll pay you for that!" cried he, and jumped at the sheep, but as he did so his leg struck an old cow who stood by the gate.

"I'll pay you for that!" cried she, and she ran at the dog, but as she did so her horn grazed the skin of a horse who stood by a tree.

"I'll pay you for that!" cried he, and he rushed at the cow.

What a noise there was! The horse flew at the cow, and the cow at the dog, and the dog at the sheep, and the sheep at the cat, and the cat at the goose, and the goose at the duck, and the duck at the hen. What a fuss there was! and all because the hen accidentally stepped on the duck's toes.

"Hi! hi! what's all this?" cried the man who had to take care of them. "You may stay here," he said to the hen, but he drove the duck to the pond, the goose to the field, the cat to the barn, the sheep to the fold, the dog to his house, the cow to her yard, and the horse to his stall.

And so their good times were over because the duck would not overlook a little hurt which was not intended.

"A little explained,
A little endured,
A little forgiven,
The quarrel is cured."

—Selected.

A WELL LIGHTED VILLAGE

Two Irishmen came to a railroad crossing. The gates were down.

They stopped their car, settled down until the train should pass, and both fell asleep.

With thundering wheels the express dashed past, causing them to open their eyes.

"I say," said one, "wasn't that a well-lighted village we passed through?"

"Yes," yawned the other. "An' did you notice that the first house was on fire?"

Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 6

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Meaning of Church Membership

Colossians 3:1-17

As one studies this marvelous passage from Colossians he is struck with the fact that it was all new to these people, as new as a radio would be to the native of a jungle of Borneo.

Before considering Paul's good advice, let us look at the beliefs that made it possible to carry out that advice, for Christianity is far more than a road map. It is also an engine and fuel.

First of all, says Paul, remember the wonderful thing that has happend to you. The fact that Christ has come and given you a new sense of the love of God, and a new power over your evil tendencies, is a promise of greater things in the future (Ephesians 1:13-14; Philippians 1:6), for Christ is at the right hand of God. He is a moral power plant of the universe, and unlimited current is available for you. And as in due time his hidden glory is to be manifested to the whole world, so you at his coming, if you have been faithful, will shine out as the sun (Matthew 13:42). With this great hope before you, and this great power available, put to death, says Paul, all the vile tendencies of your nature, and set your mind on things above.

It is interesting to note that in the chain gang of low vices against which Paul exhorts the Colossians, covetousness is classed with the worst sexual sins. If a man in an American church were found to be a patron of brothels, he would at once be ostracised; but if it was discovered that he had persuaded a poor widow to pay much more for a home than it was worth, while his course would not be approved, no drastic action would be taken. But the New Testament classes him along with the vilest of sinners. Paul stops to call him an idolater, for whenever a man is more anxious for things than he is for fair dealing, things are his god.

It is plain that the Colossians have been rescued from the most outbreaking sins. Having exhorted them to avoid sexual vice and covetousness, Paul turns to sins of the tongue and temper, and says, How also put away anger, wrath, malice, railing, shameful speaking out of your mouth. And of course, says he, you will not be liars, seeing you have put on the new man which is taking on the image of Christ.

And now he attacks race and class prejudice which, alas, often remains with a man after he has become quite religious. But, says Paul, there ought to be no race or class prejudice in a real Christian. You are to forget, says he, whether you are Greek or Jew, bond or free, and you will even ignore the fact that a brother stems from the savage Scythians. If Christ condescends to dwell in his heart, who are you to look down on him?

But as is always the case in Paul, what a man is to put off is followed immediately by what he is to put on. Paul never tries to expel a devil without inviting in an angel (Luke 11:24-26). You are God's elect, says he, and as God's elect you must put on a heart of compassion, kindness, lowliness and meekness. Strangely enough, the sense of supreme exaltation as God's elect is to be manifested by lowliness. This is one of the startling paradoxes of Christianity (John 13:3-4).

One is especially struck by the fact that Paul does not for a moment forget that these Colossian Christians will be trying to one another. They have, so to speak, bad breath, and coming some of them from Jewish ancestry with its pride and intolerance, and others from Greek ancestry with its anti-Semitic prejudice and supercilious intellectualism, it will take a large amount of the grace of Christ for them to live together in peace and happiness. Hence he doubly stresses the grace of forbearance. You must also enrich your minds, says he, with the word of Christ, and you must learn psalms and hymns and spiritual songs so as to make your meetings joyful and attractive. And then you are to go out into your daily life and transform all its drudgery and all of its petty details into a dignified service of Christ, for whatever you do by word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, and be very thankful for the privilege.

MISSIONS AND THE NEW TESTAMENT

Every book in the New Testament was written by a foreign missionary.

Every epistle in the New Testament that was written to a church was written to a foreign missionary church.

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The disciples were called Christians first in a foregin community.

The map of the early Christian world is the tracings of the missionary journeys of the apostles.

The problems which arose in the early church were largely questions of missionary procedure.

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The only man among the twelve apostles who did not become a missionary became a traitor.—Selected.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT

F. S. Love, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Mt. Hermon, Friendship, 11 6
Alamance, Center, 3 6
Orange, Efland, 7:30 6
Long Memorial, 7:30 7
Duke Memorial, 7:30 8
Calvary, 7:30 9
Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 11 13
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 13
Lakewood, 7:30 16
Andrews Chapel, 7:30 17
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 11 20
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 20
Front Street, 11 27
Glen Raven-Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 30
Eno, 7:30 31

January

Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 3
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 3
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 3
Trinity, 7:30 5
Webb Avenue, 7:30 6
Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10:30 9
Graham, 11 10
Haw River, 3 10
West Burlington, 7:30 10
Bynum, Bynum, 11 17
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 17
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10:30 23
Milton, Purley, 11 24
Leasburg, Leasburg, 7 24
Mebane, 11 31

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

W. L. Clegg, D. S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Williamston, 11 6
Windsor, Windsor, 3 6
Edenton, 7:30 6
Plymouth, 11 13
Roper, Roper, 3 13
Gatesville, Gatesville, 11 20
Hertford, 7:30 20
Washington, 11 27
Bath, Bath, 3 27

January

Belhaven, Belhaven, 11 3
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 3
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 3
Manteo, 11 10
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 3 10
Wanchese, 7:30 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 7:30 11
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 12
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 3 13
Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro, 11 17
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 17
Columbia, Columbia, 11 24
Creswell, Creswell, 3 24
Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 27
South Mills, Newland, 11 31
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 31

February

Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 7
Currituck, Mt. Zion, 3 7
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 11 2
Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

H. C. Smith, D.S., 1019 Hay St., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

December

District Stewards and Missionary Institute, Aberdeen, 9:30 a.m. 4
Aberdeen, Q. C., 4:30 4
Raeford, 7:30 4
Maxton, 11 6
Laurinburg, 3 6
St. John-Gibson, 7:30 6
Biscoe, 4 9
West End, 7:30 9
Parkton, 7:30 10
Red Springs, 11 13
Rowland, 3 (Purvis) 13
Caledonia, 7:30 13
Hamlet, 7:30 17
Rockingham Ct., 11 (East Rockingham) 20
Laurel Hill, 3 20
Pine Bluff, 7:30 20

January

Glendon, 11 (High Falls) 3
Hemp Ct., 3 (Pleasant Hill) 3
Hemp, 7:30 3
Siler City, 11 10
Siler City Ct., 3 10
Goldston, 7:30 10
Rockingham, 11 17
Roberdel, 3 17
Ellerbe, 7:30 17
Troy, 11 24
Troy Ct., 3 24
Carthage, 11 31
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 31
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Atlantic, Williston, 11 6
Straits-Harkers Island, Straits, 3 6
Newport, 7:30 6
Ocracoke, 7:30 8
Morehead City, 7:30 9
Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 13
Fremont, Eureka, 3 13
Snow Hill, 7:30 13
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 16
Aurora, 11 20
Pamlico, Bayboro, 3 20
Oriental, 7:30 20
Walstonburg, 11 27
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 27
Ayden, 7:30 27
Marshallburg, 11 3
Morehead Ct., 3 3
Beaufort, 7:30 3
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 11 10
Seven Springs, 3 10
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 10
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 13
Grimesland, 11 17
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 17

January

Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 11 23
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 3 24
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 24
Pink Hill, 11 31
Jones-Trenton, 7:30 31

February

Dover, 11 7

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Apex-Macedonia, Apex, 7:30 3
Newton Grove, Newton Grove, 11 5
Oxford Ct., Shady Grove, 11 6
Louisburg Ct., Bunn, 7:30 6
Millbrook, Youngsville, 7:30 8
Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 10
Granville, Union Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Gillburg, 3 13
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 7:30 13
Franklinton, 7:30 16
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 20
Oxford, 7:30 20

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT

T. M. Grant, D.S., 218 S. Grace St., Rocky Mount.
FIRST ROUND

December

Elm City, Elm City, 7:30 2
Warrenton, Macon, 11 6
Warren, 3 6
Norlina, Norlina, 8 7
Middleburg, Middleburg, 7:30 8
Rich Square, Woodland, 11 13
Northampton, Jackson, 3 13
Bethel, 7:30 14
Weldon, 11 20
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3 20
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 21
Rosemary, 7:30 22

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

District Set-up Stewards' and Missionary Institute, 9:30 a. m., Fifth Avenue 3
St. Pauls, St. Pauls, 11 6
Pembroke Parish, First Church, 3:30 6
Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 13
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 13
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 20
Shallotte, Camp, 7:30 20
Richlands, 11 27
Maysville, Lee's, 8:30 27
Jacksonville, 7:30 27

January

Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 11 3
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 3
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 10
Lumberton Ct., Buie, 7:30 10
Lumberton, 11 17
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 17
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 24
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 7:30 24
Tabor City, St. Paul, 11 31
Whiteville, 7:30 31

February

Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 7
Garland, Garland, 7:30 7
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 14
Clinton, 7:30 14
Southport, 11 21
Town Creek, Bethel, 7:30 21
Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 28
Wilmington, Grace, 8 28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT

M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Mills River, Mills River, 11 6
Etowah-Shaw's Creek, 3 6
Hendersonville, night 6
East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 13
Saluda, 3 13
Tryon, night 13
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, ngiht 27

January

Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 17
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 17
Leicester, Leicester, night 17
Central, 11 24
West Asheville, night 24
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 31
Haywood Street, night 31

February

French Broad Ave., 11 7

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

North Monroe, Grace, 11 6
Zoar, 3 6
Trinity, 7:30 6
Central, Monroe, 7:30 7
Matthews, 7:30 9
Unionville, Union Grove, 11 13
Asbury-Derita, Asbury, 3 13
Marshville, Wingate, 7 13
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stallings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

January

Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 4
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT

A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Laurel Springs, Nathans Creek, 11 6
Sparta, at Sparta, night 6
East Bend, 11 13
Yadkinville, 3 13
St. Paul, St. Paul, night 13
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Cooleemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

January

Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Pelkville, Rehobeth, 11 6
Pallston, Lawndale, 3 6
Kings Mountain, Grace, night 6
Gastonia, Main Street, night 8
Belwood, 11 13
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 13
Lafayette St., Shelby, night 13
Boger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Cramerton, night 27

January

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24
Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February

Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

December

Sandy Ridge, Delta, 11 6
Danbury, 3 6
Flat Rock, 7:30 6
Calvary, 7:30 8
West End, 7:30 9
Stoneville, 11 13
Spray, 3 or 5 13
Draper, 7:30 13
Bethel, 7:30 16
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 16
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 5 19
Leaksville, 11 20
Haw River, Midway, 3 20
Ruffin, 7:30 20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND

December

Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon, 2 6
Lebanon, 7:30 6
South Davidson, Lineberry, 7:30 8
Pleasant Grove, 7:30 9
Why Not,, N. H., 7:30 11
Shiloh, Y. C., 7:30 12
Coleridge, Concord, 2 13
West Randolph, Mt. S., 7:30 13
Asheboro First, 7:30 16
Ashebroo Central, 7:30 17
Greer's Chapel, 11 20
Linwood, Bethany, 2 20
Denton Central, Denton, 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21
Calvary, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 30

January

Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11 3
Richland, W. E., 2 3
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 3
Oak View, 7:30 6

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Bostic, Oak Grove, 11 6
Sunshine, Cedar Grove, 3 6
Pleasant Grove, night 6
Spindale, 11 13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3 13
Rutherfordton, night 13
Cliffside, 11 20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3 20
Forest City, night 20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11 27
Avondale, night 27

January

Drexel, Bethel, 11 3
Rutherford College, night 3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11 10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3 10
Morganton, First, night 10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45 15
Valdese, Valdese, 11 17
Oak Forest, night 17

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Salisbury, First, 11 6
New London Ct., 3 6
Gold Hill, Rockwell, 7:30 6
Park Avenue, 7:30 7
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30 8
Midway, 7:30 9
Salem, 11 13
Friendship, 3 13
Westford, 7:30 13
Landis, 7:30 16
Ann Street, 11 20
Roberta, 3 20
Mount Olivet, 7:30 20
Bethpage, 11 27

January

East Spencer, 11 3
Woodleaf, 3 3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 3
Bethel-Boger, 11 10
Harmony, 3 10
Central, Concord, 7:30 10
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30 12
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 17
Pfeiffer, 3 17
Albemarle, Central, 7:30 17
Mt. Mitchell, 11 24
North Kannapolis, 3 24
Badin-New London, 11 31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Hickory, Highlands, 7:30 5
Hickory, First Church, 11 6
Hickory, Westview, 2:30 6
Hickory, Bethel, 7:30 6
Cool Springs-Providence, 11 13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30 13
Lenoir, First Church, 11 20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30 20
Whitnell, 7:30 20
Hudson-Colliers, 11 27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30 27
Granite Falls, 7:30 27

January

North Newton, 11 3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30 3
Newton, 7:30 3
Mooresville, Central, 11 10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30 10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 10
Davidson, 11 17
Davidson, 7:30 17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30 24
Troutman, 7:30 24
Elmwood, 11 31

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Canton, First, 7:30 3
Hayesville, Oak Forest, 11 6
Shooting Creek, Marshalls, 7:30 6
Canton, 11 13
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30 13
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11 20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3 20

January

Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11 3
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Morning Star, 7:30 10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 17
Pines Creek, Pine Grove, 3 17
Junaluska, 7:30 17

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND

December

Lexington First, 11 6
Trinity, Mt. Carmel, 3 6
Erlanger, 7:30 6
Thomasville First, West End, 11 13
Thomasville Ct., 3 13
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30 13
Winston-Salem, First, 11 20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30 20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11 27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3 27
Rockford Street, 7:30 27

January

Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 3
Morris Chapel, 3 3
City Mission, 7:30 3
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 10
Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 3 10
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 7:30 10
Davidson, Mount Olivet, 11 17
Burkhead, 7:30 17
Pilot Mountain, 11 24
Pinnacle, 3 24
Walnut Cove, St. Mark's, 7:30 24
Lewisville, 11 31
Concord, Sharon, 3 31
Crews, Sedge Garden, 7:30 31

February

Thomasville, Community, 11 7
Thomasville, Maint Street, 7:30 7
Unity-Fairgrove, 11 14
Kernersville Ct., 3 14
New Hope, Oak Summit, 7:30 14

PICKETT PRAISES INDIAN CHURCH

"There were giants in the early missionary days—but I do not have any pessimism about the church in India today," says Bishop J. W. Pickett of Bombay.

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In Memoriam

A TRIBUTE

On Monday night, October 5, 1942, at 9 o'clock, the soul of Mrs. J. L. Self, age 61, passed to the great beyond to be with the Christ she loved so much.

Funeral services were conducted from the Sapling Ridge Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. H. B. Lewis, assisted by Rev. J. A. Burgess, a former pastor.

The church and the Woman's Society of Christian Service have lost one of their best members; but may God select someone to carry on in her place. We cannot understand why one so useful should be taken, but we know God never makes a mistake. Her beautiful Christian character was a benediction to all who came in contact with her.

She manifested a spirit of loyalty to her church, home and community that is rarely ever seen. She loved her church so much that she was always there on the Sabbath with a warm smile on her face to greet each one that came into the church. Her life was consistent with her profession. Her greatest joy was in Him.

She was always ready to minister to the sick and needy. She had a warm place in her heart for children. For many years she taught the little children in Sunday school and will be greatly missed in their group..

She was a good wife and a loving mother and will be greatly missed by them.

She is dead and yet lives—in deeds, in the lives of those she influenced. What a heritage to her family and her host of admiring friends. May we keep in memory her life of usefulness and service in her church, home and community. And may the peace of Christ abide with the bereaved family.

Mrs. Wade H. Perry.

HUFF — Ellen Parmelia Poindexter Huff, daughter of Robert C. and Martha Ward Poindexter, was born February 5, 1856, and died October 22, 1942. In her early girlhood she joined Macedonia Methodist church, later moving her membership to East Bend Methodist church.

In 1856, on February 5, in the town of East Bend, at the home of R. C. Poindexter and his wife, Martha Ward Poindexter, there came a little girl, who was christened Parmelia Ellen, and remained to bless the home and hearts of her father and mother, brothers and sisters, those that were there, as well as those that came afterwards. They were many. A large family, but all loved "Sis Ellen" whose sunny disposition cheered the household and whose ready hand was ever willing to help in all tasks and any problems that were to be solved. To the home her life was not only a blessing, but to all the kin, the whole surrounding community basked in the sunshine of her genial, happy, helping disposition, and all who knew her were affected by its rays.

She attended East Bend Academy under Rev. Moses Baldwin and Mrs. Addie Transou Baldwin and made a fine record. But ere she finished a stranger, one J. G. Huff, came to East Bend and started up a shop across the street in front of her father's home. It was a case of love at first sight, and soon school was abandoned and on November 17, 1875, she and J. G. Huff were married and she went over the road to live with him and be his helpmeet. And she was a true helpmeet in every senes of the word. In a short while with her help Huff's Buggy Shop became an enormous affair, hiring many hands, boarding them in the house, thus enlarging her activities, which she performed as cheerfully and smoothly as if it were a pleasure party, and her children, of which there were ten, all received from her all the tender loving care that a mother should give them,and brought them up "in the way they should go." She was widowed in July, 1921. Since then she has gone on cheerfully, helping her children and everyone else in every way she saw they needed it, and poured the oil of love all the way.

October 22, 1942, "the silver cord was loosed," the golden bowl was broken and she has met her four loved ones who had gone before, and left Laura, Charlie, Mattie, Lillian, Ethel and Gates, to keep the memory of their wonderful mother in mind and live as she did until they follow her to the Light that is shining over her.

G .A. Hovis, Pastor.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst Mrs. Dan Phillips, a member of our Woman's Society of Christian Service of Marvin church, Pineville charge; therefore be it resolved:

That we, the members of this society mourn the loss of her, our friend and co-laborer, and bow in humble submission to the will of Him who makes no mistakes and thank God for her life, extend our sympathy to her dear children and other members of the family; and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, a copy sent to the family, and a copy be kept by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Marvin church.

Mrs. J. Leonard Rayle,
Mrs. Lucy H. Hudson,
Mrs. James E. Crane.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Denver and Bethel Methodist churches wish to pay tribute to the memory of our beloved member, Mrs. Isabel Mundy, who passed away October 5, 1942.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and pray that God may guide them and they may meet her where there is no pain or sorrow.

Resolved, that our society has lost a member who was a great inspiration to the entire community; that this be sent to the family, to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and inscribed upon our minutes.

Mrs. D. E. Bolick.
Mrs. O. F. Howard,
Mrs. Jennie Gordon.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The passing of Mrs. Anna Summey on September 8, 1942, leaves one less spoke in the wheel of Stanley Methodist church and the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

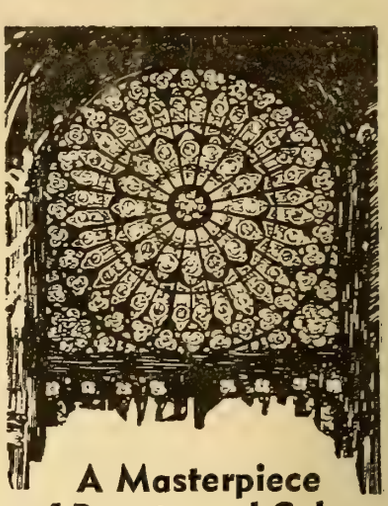
Mrs. Summey was a steady, quiet, unassuming person who put "first things first." She was very cheerful during her year of illness.

Deeming her life worthy of emulation, we resolve:

First, to be more Christ-like.

Second, to send a copy of these resolutions to members of her family for their comfort, and one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate as a tribute to her.

Mrs. T. E. Hovis,
Mrs. T. L. Saunders,
Mrs. J. O. Withers.



A Masterpiece of Beauty and Color

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My Kind Of Folks

MY KIND OF FOLKS are (1) common folks. They are the only kind of people with whom I feel at ease. Abraham Lincoln felt the same way about it. His utterance, "I think God must love the common people because he made so many of them," has become a classic. As I write these lines I look at a penny and then at a five-dollar bill. Each contains the likeness of the emancipator. When the hooded Indian gave place to Lincoln on our pennies I resented it. It seemed to me that it cheapened our greatest American to put him on our poorest coin. It was most fitting of course to put him on the five-dollar bill. That was dignified and worth while. But if this man of the common people had been given his choice, he would have chosen the penny. It is the coin of the common people and of the little child and he loved each with a great love. He was a type of the Christ of whom it is said that "the common people heard him gladly."

My kind of folks are (2) Bible-loving folks. Last vacation we worshipped one Sabbath in the United Presbyterian church of Conneaut Lake. Bible school followed the preaching service. A woman with the stamp of Christ upon her face came to me with a request. "The teacher of our class is sick today," she said, "won't you teach us?" We teach a class pretty regularly during eleven months of the year, and we felt justified in taking time off along that line during vacation. However, we consented. Never have we taught a more responsive class. They knew the Bible! In this age when the Bible is sold more and read less than almost any book, it was refreshing. Some fifteen, mostly elderly men and women, were in that class. We began to ask them biblical questions, most of them hard questions, and they answered in unison. I suppose we asked them fifty questions and they did not fumble one. When the quiz was over, we complimented them on their biblical knowledge, telling them that we felt a little like the Queen of Sheba in the presence of Solomon. One of them asked a question, "Don't you think that country church people know their Bible better than city church people?" There was no evasion in the answer: "Certainly I do."

My kind of folks are (3) Christ-loving folks. That naturally follows. It becomes easy to love Christ when we study his book. The assurance ring is in our love and faith. A stanza of an old hymn is repudiated as rank heresy:

'Tis a thing I long to know,
And it gives me anxious thought;
Do I love my Lord or no,
Am I his or am I not?

Unmasking his verbal batteries on that heresy, rugged John McNeill used to say: "You will realize how ridiculous it is when you change three words:

'Tis a thing I long to know,
And it gives me anxious thought;
Do I love my wife or no,
Am I hers or am I not?"

—The United Presbyterian.

Message to the Church From the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church

(Adopted at Cleveland, Ohio, December 7, 1942)

ONE year ago today this nation was thrust suddenly into the horror and the peril of a world war. Month by month since that day we have watched the grim shadow of this mighty struggle move across our land. The attack upon all we count dear has united America as she has thrown into the conflict her material wealth, her creative scientific skills, her millions of sons and daughters. Fully mindful of the dangers ahead of us, of the strength of the foes that would conquer us, we have yet seen the spirit of America, that intangible quality of life that is the bulwark of a free people, rise to meet the challenge of this moment and dedicate itself to the service of mankind upon the altar of victory.

Methodism's life has been strangely interwrought with the life of the American nation. We have been near to the heart of our country from the time of her birth and in every crisis of her expanding history. The adventurous pioneer did not out-distance the Methodist circuit rider. The soldiers of the Republic found upon every battlefield the comforting ministry of Methodist chaplains. The very philosophy of our democratic way of life was nurtured in the warm heart of an evangelical tradition that sprang out of a gospel that opened wide the doors of salvation to all men and preached the essential worth of every human soul. The Methodist Church is historically and intrinsically a part of that glorious inner life of the nation that is the true "spirit of America." We must not forego our responsibility for the preservation of this continuing spiritual heritage. As Methodists we reaffirm our devotion to the obligations of Christian citizenship and we pray for the guidance of God upon the President of the United States and those who are associated with him.

We are under no illusion regarding the un-Christian character of war as a method of settling international disputes. Nor do we forget our own shortcomings and sins relative to the conditions that produced this struggle. But we are in the midst of it now because there has arisen in the world a pagan philosophy driven by un-Christian motives and bent upon establishing its will upon mankind. Against this ideology and its supporters the United Nations have set themselves with grim determination. We pledge ourselves to the destruction of this brutal and unwarranted aggression and to the preservation for all mankind of the sacred liberties of free peoples. In the lurid light of this global conflict we see the outlines of man's selfishness, secularism and pride against the backdrop of history. But we also discern, dimly and prophetically, the emerging vision of a world fashioned after the mind of Christ and worthy of him who died upon a cross to redeem it and ever lives to furnish the power to make it a reality. The night is never hopeless when God waits in the dawn.

That which lends moral significance to the suffering and loss that is involved in the present war effort is the ardent hope which we have for a just and righteous postwar world. There will be a tomorrow. Increasingly men everywhere are realizing that it must be built on a spiritual pattern. Christ was never more contemporary than at this juncture in history. There is enough spiritual vitality in the world to change the structure of society. This power needs to be mobilized. We do now call upon our church in deep humility and high dedication so to bear the Christian witness that His will may be done through us. For most of us this will mean sacrifice; for many of us it will mean a cross. And yet we cannot be His disciples unless we are willing to do His will. Do we dare seek first the kingdom? Let every one examine his heart and answer before God if he has given up every known sin; if the love of Christ has cast out the blindness that keeps him from esteeming all men as brothers, regardless of race, color or creed; if the security of his own economic status has made him indifferent to the agony of men and women and little children who "have only a crust of bread and a corner to weep in." Let him answer if he has robbed God by the paltry sum he has given to the church and the larger share he has withheld for self. Let him face with Christ a world in the throes of unspeakable anguish and ask himself what he has done to make this our church a powerful and redemptive agency for bringing in the kingdom of God upon the earth. These are solemn inquiries but these are solemn days. Our boys are dying on battlefields in every continent. Theirs is no light and casual gift to a better world. It is their all, the supreme sacrifice, and falling they ask us if we are willing to live in Christian self-sacrifice for the better day for which they so gallantly die. We shall not build a new world order at any lesser cost.

We would assure the peoples of every land who are in the service of their country that they have the devoted love and earnest prayers of the Methodist Church. We salute in Christ the chaplains on land and sea. We respect those who in good conscience cannot bear arms, but are eager to serve their country with a devotion similar to those who go forth to war. Our hearts go out in sympathetic understanding to fathers and mothers who sacrificially give their sons to their country and upon them we pray the sustaining grace of the God of all comfort and strength. Let us commit ourselves anew to his will in Christ and trust ourselves to his fatherly goodness. He has never yet forsaken the faithful nor withheld his love from the broken-hearted.

God is not dead. His kingdom has not been defeated; it has been delayed. Jesus Christ still lives and is Lord of time and eternity, the same yesterday, today and forever. Not one promise that he has made to men has been withdrawn or invalidated. The moral order of the universe is unshattered. No power of hell can destroy the church of the living God. The darkness cannot conquer the light. The cross still stands amid the wrecks of time. To true believers he has given the keys of the kingdom. His holy church may open the doors of new life to a war-worn and spiritually hungry generation that deeply yearns for a new world of peace and righteousness. Lift up your eyes and behold: the morning cometh, the shadows will lift and "all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God."

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Could we do better for the boys scattered around the world than enclose these words of Phillips Brooks along with the Christmas reminder?

The earth has grown cold with the burden of care,
But at Christmas it always is young;
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair,
And its soul, full of music, breaks forth on the air
When the song of the angels is sung.

* * *

The church must be the church—an agent of divine redemption. It must pursue its main task of presenting the claims of Jesus to everyone, everywhere. It must raise the cross within the sight of every human being and make the Word of God accessible to all the bewildered, confused, and sin-sick. We must ring the earth around with hosannas to the King of kings and the Lord of lords.—Ernest Lynn Waldorf.

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"This earth has Christmas, wherefore, earth, exult, lift up your voice and sing Christmas carols, not to the angels in high heaven, but to God the Father for the gift of God the Son." Thus exulted Bishop William A. Quale in one of his ecstatic moments. Then he continues: "Merry Christmas! We be his children, his little children, his bigger children, his big children. We must do as he did and does. Christ gave gifts to men."

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These coming weeks are harbingers of the better world yet to be. Peace and good will springs new and fresh in the hearts of the multitudes on busy feet looking for the gifts to make glad little children. Christmas will soon be here and the stockings must be filled. The rapturous songs of the angels will fill the skies once more, since the birthday of Him who gave gifts to men draws near. These are the days in which the godless folly of war becomes the more glaring. The silent skies have set up a song—the song of peace on earth and good will towards men.

"A sower went forth to sow." This is one of the great texts of the Bible. It tells of one of the immortals. Jesus said learn the lesson of the lilies and the birds and the sowers. Above all else, the world needs the sowers of the seeds of righteousness. Jesus kept close to life and the inner forces, to the spiritual realities rather than the material forms.

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For days and days Christmas has been in our thoughts as we have planned to send remembrances to the soldier boys scattered afar in the ends of the earth. And then, too, in our affections are the little children still in the home nest. So in a most unusual way for us all, Christmas and the Christmas spirit extends around the world. Is it not well in these days of war and anxiety for us to magnify the coming of the Christ child and to exalt together the Prince of Peace?

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We have never found comfort in the "Second Coming" of which so much is made by those who "love his glorious appearing" in some far off day. Our consolation is in the Presence that gave the glowing heart to the lonely, disconsolate pilgrims who trudged the road in the deepening twilight of that first resurrection day. He who was with them then promised to be with them to the end. Not in some far off time in glorious pagentry but as a continued presence has He assured us that He will guide, comfort and sustain us all the way. This enables us to keep step with God as he moves on to the conquest of the world. Then we can move in the direction that God is going because we have the guiding presence of Him who is "the way, the truth and the life." Too many of us think of religion as a far off something and Jesus as one to appear in that "far off time" rather than a Presence that enables us to endure "as seeing him who is invisible." Paul won in the fury of the storm because there stood by him a man in the darkness.

What Puts the World Forward?

WE westerners make much of progress. Progress is really our watchword. It oftentimes becomes an obsession. Many feel that we Americans have made too much of progress in our efforts to escape the stagnation of the older civilizations. Be that as it may, the elements that make for progress are of first concern.

In the forefront of all advance is the man, and back of every movement for progress is the power of personality. Personality only puts the world forward. The bondage of circumstance is always with us and the pull of all that has gone before makes itself felt. Dead men's hands often hold us fast. Race, nation and family are always making themselves felt in the life of the present generation. So true is this that some say there is no escape from the bondage of heredity—the incubus of the past is ever upon us. So are the fetters of the present. Climate, topography, forms of group life in the midst of which we live hold us fast. Still, the conviction abides that man is more than all the past and that he is able to buffet the waves of circumstance in the struggle to go forward.

If civilization means anything in the struggle of the race, it is that man is able to overcome as he proceeds. By the processes of edu-education and training, he is enlarged and freed in his own personal life so that he becomes a power in making possible the institutions that make for the progress of the race. In a most real and abiding sense, an institution is the lengthened shadow of a great man. Man is the measure of all things. He quickens, he guides, he blesses, or he damns his age.

Thoughts, feelings and ideals embodied become potential beyond all the measurements of a man. The upheavals of the race and the way marks of the centuries belong to those periods of the new learning and of the new sense of God in the life of man. Man is able to get first hand knowledge of God; then watch out for a Paul or a Luther or a Wesley. Such men put the world forward. So evident is this that Carlyle claimed that the history of the world is a record of its great men.

So the preachers are right when they urge that each individual makes his contribution to the world; that each does something to bless mankind; that all should do their utmost in helping to put the world forward, ever keeping God over all and in all. Enable all to know that there is really and truly such a thing as the potency of personality. To be specific, men are the measure of every civilization.

Girded With Fresh Experiences

MUCH is being said about the days to follow the war and the place of the church in the new era. Well may we set ourselves to the task ahead. Only the minister who has put on the whole armor of God and has come to gird himself afresh by an experience with the person and the power of the Son of God will be able to stand in the midst of this present storm, with its wreck and ruin, able to declare with confidence, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation," in which we can make possible a better humanity. This citizenship in the new order is not a modern dream. Henry Van Dyke summed up in a brief poem the requirement of citizenship in the new order:

"Four things a man must learn to do,
If he would make his record true:
To think without confusion clearly,
To love his fellow men sincerely;
To act from honest motives purely,
To trust in God and heaven securely."

This present year at the Delaware conference a serious effort was made to determine our attitude to the world after this war. Hornell Hart has reduced this statement to 100 words, and later in conferences, reduced it to 25 words. His epitome calls for a "just and durable peace; abandon hate and revenge; feed, heal, rebuild; remove trade barriers; abolish racial discrimination; build a democratic world commonwealth, preventing aggressive wars by a world police force." The language is practical and objective. Only the power of God can make us sufficient for these things.

A Perfect Score in Football

ANOTHER football season is now closing and with it ends the playing career of Mel Hein. For a score of years, counting high school, college and professional work, he has been playing football, and enthusiastic spectators have counted it a perfect score. For one half of these twenty years he has been the perennial all-star center of the National Football League. Other positions may have been a

matter of debate but never that center of the Giants. And for eight times he was picked as the best man on the job.

His playing career is over, as he becomes a coach at Union College. Steve Owens, his former boss, says of him:

"That boy has everything. He's even handsome, which doesn't matter a hoot, but it tops off Mel Hein's career in a nice way. But just think of it. He's big and fast and strong and smart and he was a sixty-minute player, game after game and season after season. And off the field as quiet and modest and gentlemanly a boy as anybody ever met."

Yes, and gentlemanly on the field, too. The players on rival teams and the officials of the game will certify to that. He has been the Chevalier Bayard of pro football. He never used foul tactics and, to show that such conduct pays dividends, foul plays were never played against him. Even in the heat of wild scrimmaging, rival players remembered that Mel Hein always played fair and they stuck to that code against him. It must be that a great player of that type leaves a definite impress on the game for the better.

The Great Objective of a Mystical Experience

DR. RUFUS M. JONES, who has written no little on mysticism and mystical experiences, has in the following excerpt selected from "The Lost Radiance" said some things that are of great practical value, especially for those who would link mystical experience with quietism. These are his illuminating words:

"It has been assumed that a mystical experience, a discovery of God, acts as a kind of intoxicant and carries the person into a comfortable quietism. 'God's in heaven; all's right with the world.' You have to have a mighty experience to say that all's right with the world nowadays. Even Pippa would only say it on a bright Sunday morning. It has been supposed by a good many persons that a mystical experience is an end in itself. A person finds God and that is the terminus **ad finem,** and 'let the old world stew in its juice.' He has reached his Beulah Land. We used to sing that Moody and Sankey hymn, 'I've reached the Beulah Land.' I never knew what it meant, but I used to sing it. Just opposite to that is the normal effect of finding God. Almost no major mystic in Christian history has approved of quietism. The great mystics come back from the high mountains with an imperative sense of mission for the world. Isaiah's seraphim is a perfect symbol of the right attitude. Each had six wings, and with twain he covered his face (reverence), with twain he covered his feet (humility), and with twain he did fly (activity). And Isaiah, when he saw it, said: 'Here am I; send me.' "

Dr. Elbert Russell Awarded the Mayflower Cup

"THE History of Quakerism" by Elbert Russell, dean emeritus of the Duke University Divinity School, has won this year the Mayflower cup which is awarded annually for the best book written by a resident North Carolinian. A list of 30 books were submitted in the competition.

A board of awards was composed of Dr. Hubert A. Royster, president of the association; Dr. Frank C. Brown and Dr. Chester S. Sydnor of Duke University; and Rev. Douglas L. Rights and Santford Martin of Winston-Salem.

This writer heard President Few once say that Dr. Russell could make the best chapel talk of anybody he knew. It appears that this board of awards had a like estimate of his book.

In "The History of Quakerism" Dean Russell speaks whereof he knows, for he too, is a Quaker. A native of Tennessee, he is a graduate of Earlham College with A.B. and M.A. degrees, and received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago. In 1924-25 he was a special lecturer for the American Friends Service Committee in Germany and Austria.

"Lord of the Pots and Pans"

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, SR., IN his later life, went to distributing a beautiful poem which he had printed on a card and gave to his friends. Perhaps this is worth more than the new dimes passed out to the children wherever he met them. The poem follows:

Although I must have Martha's hands, I have a Mary's mind;
And when I black the boots and shoes, thy sandals, Lord, I find.
I think of how they trod the earth each time I scrub the floor;
Accept this meditation, Lord, I haven't time for more.

Warm all the kitchen with thy love and warm it with thy peace,
Forgive me all my worrying and make all grumbling cease.
Thou who didst love to give men food, in room or by the sea,
Accept this service that I do—I do it unto thee.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

Our thanks to the many who are sending in renewals to the Advocate. Such aid keeps the presses going.

The congregation can tell the date and temperature of your sermon pretty well. If the sermon comes from cold storage, they know it.—Fred Stone.

WPA has been ordered out of existence. The Associated Press reports that it has spent more than ten billion dollars and provided aid for some 30,000,000 people. It could have added, and aided materially in two national elections.

Don't indulge in the pulpit in scolding or complaint. Do not find fault with small audiences, or berate those who are absent, or show bad temper in castigating delinquencies. Complaint produces irritation and discouragement, and does no good.—Selected.

Circle number four of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of West End Methodist church delightfully showered Mrs. Reid, who has been a shut-in for 15 years. Even the other half (the cook) was not forgotten. The family greatly appreciates this expression of kindness and cheer.

"When I was a boy," said a gray-haired physician, who was in a reminiscent mood, "I wanted to be a soldier, but my parents persuaded me to study medicine." "Oh, well," consoled his sympathetic neighbor, "such is life. Many a man with wholesale ambitions has to content himself with a retail business."

The Statesville Landmark says: "Skunks should be encouraged, the Department of Agriculture urges—and we shall do our best. Would phoning in a word of cheer be enough?" This is enough to prove that the editor of the Landmark is familiar with the skunk's reputation in Iredell county.

Dr. Seavy Highsmith, 68, dean of Cumberland county physicians, and a leader in civic and religious life of Fayetteville for more than 40 years, died Tuesday morning in the Highsmith Hospital after a two weeks' illness. He was entering his 42nd year of practice in this county and had earned a wide reputation as a general practitioner of a high order.

Should my many friends back in North Carolina like to remember me in one way or another at the Christmas season and do not recall my address, let me give it again. The address is 118 N. Westmoreland, Tucson, Arizona. I shall be quite happy to hear from any or all of them. Merry Christmas to friends all in the bounds of our conference.—J. A. Dailey.

Pfeiffer Junior College was fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges at the annual meeting held at Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tenn., last week. The approval gives Pfeiffer a rating along with the very best in the South and in the entire country. The second semester at Pfeiffer begins Wednesday, January 20. Any who are interested in attending the second semester should make arrangements now.—W. S. Sharp, President.

We have received a cordial reception at Gibsonville, have been greeted by splendid congregations and have found the work thoroughly organized. For our comfort and pleasure the good people have re-decorated two of the rooms at the parsonage and given us a substantial "pounding." The congregation has accepted a ten per cent increase in World Service apportionment and have already paid the entire Children's Home apportionment of $210. We are looking forward to a successful and happy year with these splendid people.—R. A. Hunter.

The newspapers of this country have written columns and paragraphs not a few about the dear old WPA which the President while ago sent to its grave. But none of them said that this old friend was so bad all the time that he was not worse sometimes than he was all the time.

In the presence of other people, never say a good word for the absent ones. Always find fault with your absent friends. Always show your impatience with the imperfections of those who are not present. Pan them good and proper. In that manner you will win enough enemies eventually to sink your own success; but what do you care what becomes of your own success just so long as you can drag down others?—Selected.

Rev. Wilson O. Weldon of First church, High Point, has been in Columbia, S. C., this week participating in the University Christian Mission at the University of South Carolina, where he was the Methodist representative on a team of eight speakers. Before graduating from Duke, Mr. Weldon attended this university and last May was the commencement preacher. Dean P. E. Lindley of High Point College preached last Sunday morning in First church, and at the evening service Mr. John Everington gave an illustrated lecture.

We were greeted back to the Benson charge for the fifth year with the largest pounding that it has been our privilege to enjoy since coming to the Benson charge. This is evidence of the loyalty and good will of the fine people that compose the Benson charge. Things have transpired on this charge during the past four years—a net gain of 71 members, churches remodeled and paid for, parsonage completely redecorated inside. There has been a constant increase in giving to the various causes of the church until now this charge is standing alongside of many of the larger ones. This has been brought to pass by the loyalty and fine cooperation of the people of this charge. Five years go well. —H. A. Chester, P. C.

Victrola records of folk songs are desired by the physical education department of Allen high school, Asheville, says Miss Julia Titus, superintendent. Although a victrola is available, records are needed for folk games for the department. The school will pay transportation costs, says Miss Titus. The address is 331 College Street, Asheville, N. C. An increase of 40 students is reported in the enrollment of the school, which was founded over 50 years ago "to train Negro girls for better home-making, to train for Christian living and to lay a good scholastic foundation for further education." The work of the school which begins with the sixth grade and continues through high school, is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Reports have reached the desk of Bishop Herbert Welch, chaiman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, showing that conditions in Greece are simply appalling. It is said that some food is now to be sent there by the Germans, but judging from other experiences not much is to be hoped for from that source. Some who know the situation by reliable messages fear that if other help is not given nine-tenths of the people in that tormented nation will perish before spring. Disease and starvation are ravaging city and country alike. Children already have died by the tens of thousands. Aid for these unfortunate victims of war is desperately needed now! The Christian heart of the Methodist Church is challenged to answer this appeal. Gifts may be sent for the work of any or all of these agencies through the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

A UNIQUE CHURCH CONFERENCE AND BOARD MEETING IN EDENTON STREET CHURCH, RALEIGH

Unique and impressive in its type and attended by a vast number of members was the program of the church conference, official board meeting and meeting of the board of stewards of Edenton Street Methodist church on Wednesday evening, December 2.

Mr. Gurney P. Hood, chairman of the official board, presided and explained the financial plan and budget. Other topics of discussion and their speakers included: World Service and Benevolences, Haslin Simon; Orphanage, Russell Clay; Sustentation Fund and Claimants, C. E. Jordan of Durham; Youth Fellowship, Miss Ruth Phillips; Service Men's Quarters, Mrs. Marion Wyatt; Red Cross, Lewis Powell; Episcopal Fund, B. Troy Ferguson; Golden Cross, A. M. Noble, Raleigh district lay leader, Smithfield; Our Young People, Rev. James Allen Knight, assistant pastor, Edenton Street church; General Administration Fund, Mrs. L. A. Watts; Preachers' Retirement Fund, Dr. H. I. Glass, Raleigh district superintendent; Stewardship, W. H. Weatherspoon; Approval Financial Plan, R. M. Lockhart; Submission and Approval of Budget, A. Wade Pridgen.

Preceding the business session Rev. A. J. Hobbs, pastor, led in a devotional period. A group of children from the Methodist Orphanage sang several selections.

Rev. W. B. Penny, pastor Jenkins Memorial Methodist church, pronounced the benediction.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

The student body of High Point College turned out in full for the Pearl Harbor service in the college chapel at 7 o'clock Monday morning, the anniversary of the first Jap attack.

Following the presentation of the American flag, the oath of allegiance to the flag and the singing of the national anthem, Dr. E. Excelle Rozzelle, pastor of Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point, spoke, using as his subject, "Building Your House on a Volcano and Being Married to Danger." He brought out the fact that the world is married to danger now, and everyone, especially the favored college student, would have to do his full part to bring it out and make a lasting peace.

It is known that over 250 boys and girls from High Point College have joined the various branches of the military forces, and are scattered to the four corners of the globe. This list of names was read during the service by Rev. N. M. Harrison, vice president of the college, who had charge of the program. After the reading of the names of those killed in action taps was sounded and the audience stood in a silent prayer. The whole service was marked by a seriousness and prayerful meditation. The program ended with the singing of "America."

A large number of the parents of the college boys in the armed forces attended the service and were guests of the college for breakfast.

3,401 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN FALL TERM AT DUKE

Duke University's fall enrollment is 3,401 students, just 157 fewer than the 1941 fall enrollment of 3,558 students.

The nation's demand for engineers, doctors, and nurses is reflected in rising interest of Duke students in these fields. There are 321 students registered in the College of Engineering, 265 in the School of Medicine, and 235 in the School of Nursing.

The enrollment breakdown for the fall semester shows that there are 2,153 men and 1,248 women at work on the two campuses. There are 1,662 undergraduate men and 885 students in the Woman's College.

Eighty-two men and 63 women are in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 31 men and two women in the School of Law, 127 men in the Divinity School, 11 men in the School of Forestry, 10 women in the School of Dietetics. Forty-five women technicians are being trained at Duke Hospital.

PER CAPITA SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S HOME

In fairness to the districts numerically small per capita amounts should be given as well as totals. The per capita support of the Children's Home by districts follows, as of the conference year just closed:

Charlotte	$0.583
Gastonia	0.574
High Point	0.572
Salisbury	0.551
Greensboro	0.528
Greensboro	0.528
Waynesville	0.523
Winston-Salem	0.508
Asheville	0.483
Statesville	0.465
Marion	0.439
Elkin	0.287

W. L. Hutchins.

THE BLACKBURNS GO TO AFRICA

Rev. and Mrs. Linwood E. Blackburn of Fayetteville were among the 18 young people who, on Sunday afternoon, December 6, were commissioned as missionaries and deaconesses of the Methodist Church. The service was held at 3 p. m. at Epworth-Euclid church. The commissioning service was presided over by Bishop Robert E. Jones of Columbus. The principal address was made by Bishop James C. Baker of Los Angeles, president of the International Missionary Council, and the commissioning was carried out by Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta.

Mr. Blackburn is a graduate of Duke University, Cornell University, and the Kennedy School of Missions. He is going to Africa to engage in agricultural and evangelistic work.

Mrs. Blackburn is a graduate of Greensboro College and the Kennedy School of Missions. She will engage in educational work.

MRS. WATSON B. DUNCAN PASSES

Mrs. Watson B. Duncan of St. George, South Carolina, on December 3, 1942, shortly after her 84th birthday passed from us.

She was born at Manning, S. C., November 14, 1858, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Herman Holleyman Huggins. On February 6, 1889, she was married to Dr. Watson B. Duncan of the South Carolina conference, and together they itinerated in the cause of Christ for 41 years until the death of her husband in 1930.

Rites were held at the St. George Methodist church with her pastor in charge. The South Carolina ministers were assisted by Rev. A. C. Gibbs of Elkin. Interment was at Manning.

The children living are Mrs. James Olin Horne of St. George, Watson B. Duncan, Jr., of Tampa, Fla., and Herman Duncan of Elkin.

She has many fast friends with North Carolinians, whom she has come to know intimately during these past few years because of her extended visits to this section.

Herman Duncan.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE HOLDS PEARL HARBOR DAY

A program commemorating the first anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor was held at the regular chapel hour at Louisburg College Monday. Dr. Walter Patten, president, led the devotional service. The selection "God of Our Fathers" was then given by the college choir. Mr. V. R. Kilby, head of the history department, was the principal speaker for the occasion. In his speech he stressed the lessons that America had gained from the attack and pointed out the need for Americans to look within themselves and find the lessons to be learned from the tragic incident.

MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK MAY VISIT NORTH CAROLINA

Jesse S. Cottrell of the Charlotte Observer Bureau, Washington, sends his paper of December 7 the following interesting story:

"Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of China's generalissimo, now visiting in this country, has expressed an earnest desire to visit North Carolina before she leaves America and see early scenes in those states amid which her distinguished father once lived.

"Madame Kai-shek is the youngest of the famous Soong sisters. She was born Mei-Line Soong (which she has anglicized to Mayling), the daughter of Charles Jones Soong.

"Like her two older sisters, Eling (now Mme. H. H. Kung) and Chingling, (now Mme. Sun Yat-Sen), Mme. Chiang went to school in this country. She studied first at Wesleyan College in Macon, Ga., arriving there in 1908; and attended college at Wellesley, where she graduated in 1917. She immediately returned to China, and has not since that time visited this country.

"Since her marriage to Chiang Kai-shek, Mayling Soong has taken an active part in the life of her country. As the generalissimo's private advisor, confidante and secretary, she has become the interpreter of the western world to him, and also has become the interpreter of China to the western world.

"Charles Jones Soong, father of the famous sisters, originally from the remote island of Hainan, shipped to the United States as a cabin boy in the 1880's, landing at Wilmington, N. C., and, helped by Gen. Julian S. Carr of Durham, N. C., entered Trinity College, now Duke University, and in 1885 received a theological certificate from Vanderbilt University. After his return to China he helped to found the Chinese Y.M.C.A. He married a Miss Ni of Shanghai, a woman of "unusual charm and perspicacity."

HOW DIVINE ARE THE APPOINTMENTS?

How divine is the cabinet in the annual conference? Has it power to inspire confidence and to lead men to deeper consecration? Is it more human than divine, or more divine than human? Does it exult in the brief experience of authority that is accorded it? Does it regard with seriousness or levity the responsibility that rests upon it in providing for the comfort and efficiency of the ministers and the successful ongoing of the churches involved? Being permitted to enjoy a seat in the bleachers for thirty-five years, and never having had more than a peep on the inside of that holy place in some hotel (?), I have only had the opportunity of observing at a distance. Neither am I at this time indulging in any recrimination on that phase of our properly constituted authority.

It might fairly be asked: What constitutes a good appointment? How much does a good salary for the minister play in it? Nearly every pastorate has enough to do to engage and employ all the power of the average minister, and yet some charges require different skills and tactics in meeting particular situations. There may be a perceptible lack of divinity in the making of many of the appointments, but the pastor receiving the appointment may change the proportion and may make the divine dominant and change the "curse" into a blessing. Balaam may play a double role and the dumb ass may have to reprove him. The angel of God's presence has caused the messenger to fall to the ground more than once to cause the intended curse to be changed to a blessing. Shakespeare was on the right track and going down the main line from God to man when he said:

"There is a divinity that shapes our end,
Rough hew them how we will."

O. I. Hinson.

NEW PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

The Right Reverend Henry St. George Tucker, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church, is the new president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. Bishop Tucker succeeds Dr. Luther A. Weigle of Yale University and will hold office for two years.

This is the first time a president of the Council has come from the Episcopal communion. By action of its general convention in 1940 the Episcopal Church became a full-fledged member of the Council. It is of interest to note that in England, the British Council of Churches is also headed by the top-ranking official of the Episcopal Church, the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Bishop Tucker began his career in the church as a missionary in Japan. In 1912, following six years as president of St. Paul's University, Tokyo, he was elected to the office of missionary bishop, and was consecrated in Kyoto. When the United States entered the first world war Bishop Tucker immediately volunteered for service and served with the rank of major in charge of civilian refugee work in Siberia under the American Red Cross. After the war he resumed his episcopal duties in Japan.

In 1923 Bishop Tucker resigned on account of ill health and returned to America. Shortly thereafter he became professor of pastoral theology in the Theological Seminary at Alexandria, Va. He was elected bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of Virginia in May, 1926, and a year later became bishop of that Diocese.

HAWKINS' CHAPEL DESTROYED BY FIRE

It is with deep regret that we report the complete destruction by fire of Hawkins' Chapel during our special Thanksgiving service Sunday morning, November 29. All seats and furniture were saved except that of one Sunday school room under the place where the fire started in the roof; $4,300 insurance was carried on the building that had a value of more than $6,000 in normal times, and it is estimated that it will take $10,000 to replace the structure at present prices. The congregation plans to rebuild as quickly as war conditions will permit, as there is no other church in the community or even a vacant building of any kind in which to meet for service or Sunday school.

This building was recently completed under the fine leadership of Rev. D. D. Broome and dedicated Easter Sunday morning by Bishop Purcell and Dr. L. C. Larkin, at that time superintendent of the Rocky Mount district.

As pastor I shall endeavor to set up small group Sunday schools in the homes of the members, and administer to the spiritual life of the people in the community as much as conditions will permit, and my prayers are that the members will be patient and faithful to carry on even without a building for our church. Daniel C. Boone.

NEWLY APPOINTED CHAPLAINS U. S. NAVAL RESERVE

Albert James Clements, Bloomfield, Iowa.
Oral Victor Hitchcock, Dunedin, Florida.
John Hill Markley, Fresno, California.
Olin Edgar Parrett, Lawence, Indiana.
Robert Grey Reis, Eureka, California.
William Compton Riley, Somerville, Texas.
Fred Harris Shinn, Waxhaw, North Carolina.
Merritt Hugh Webb, Metuchen, New Jersey.

The 104th Anniversary of Greensboro College Fittingly Observed December 5th

Dr. E. L. Hillman, pastor of the First Methodist church, Rocky Mount, spoke on the subject, "Threads for the Web Begun," when he delivered the morning's address for the 104th anniversary of Greensboro College, Saturday, December 5, in Odell Memorial auditorium. The speaker was introduced by Dr. Luther L. Gobbel, president of the college.

Referring to the day on which the educational institution honors its founders and benefactors and the day on which numerous alumnae return to their alma mater, Dr. Hillman declared, "Today is the day we pay tribute to those men and women who have added their threads of wealth and sacrificial service to be woven into rich Christian character, influence, and leadership in the lives of hundreds of young women who have gone out from Greensboro College." The minister related the history of the college, telling of its beginnings, its struggles through difficult periods and its revival and growth which have come through devotion and sacrificial lives to those who have loved the institution. Dr. Hillman mentioned the great contribution made to the college by "the distinguished presidents who have toiled with unflagging zeal to carry forward the high purpose of the beloved institution" and he paid tribute to the line of faculty members who "have shared their lives and knowledge with their students," mentioning also some of the benefactors who have aided the school financially and others who have shared their personalities for the progress of the school.

Immediately following the address, two newly built memorial porches were dedicated to two members of the college staff who died last year—the late Dr. J. Roddey Miller, former head of the English department, and the late Henry Grady McEntire, former treasurer and business manager of the college. A memorial tablet of marble at the west entrance was unveiled by little Sue McEntire, five-year-old daughter of Mrs. McEntire and the late Mr. McEntire. Dr. L. L. Gobbel paid tribute to Mr. McEntire and Dr. A. W. Plyler of Greensboro made the prayer of dedication. A bronze tablet at the east porch of the main building was dedicated to Dr. J. Roddey Miller. Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion, paid tribute to Dr. Miller, and little Roddey Miller, young son of Mrs. J. Roddey Miller and the late Dr. Miller, unveiled the tablet. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president emeritus of the school, made the dedication prayer. Music for the dedication service was sung by members of the college glee club.

Preceding the program, the academic procession, made up of the faculty, the speakers and of the board of trustees and alumnae association, entered the auditorium. Miss Mildred Towne, professor of organ, played the processional prelude, "Procession du St. Sacrament" (Chauvet), followed by the invocation by Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Methodist church. After the group sang a hymn Rev. E. K. McLarty, Jr., pastor of Grace Methodist church, read from the Scriptures. The college glee club, under the direction of Walter Vassar, sang "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" (Ippolitoff-Ivanoff) and Mark Hoffman, dean of the school of music, played a piano composition, "Scherzo in C Sharp Minor" (Chopin). Rev. L. B. Hayes, district superintendent of Greensboro Methodist district, pronounced the benediction.

After the program, the alumnae and speakers were guests of the college at luncheon in the college dining room. Following this, at 2:30 p. m., the executive committee of the alumnae association, led by Mrs. H. T. Prosser, alumnae president, met in Main building, and at 2:30 Mrs. Mary Ivy Swank, dean of students, and Miss Alia Ross, instructor in music, entertained guests, faculty and alumnae at an informal party.

Dr. Harry W. Myers, former president of the University of Kobe, Kobe, Japan, spoke to Greensboro students at their chapel services at noon Tuesday, December 1, in Odell Memorial auditorium. Dr. Harry W. Meyers went to Japan in 1897, where he was a missionary until his return to the United States last June. Mr. Meyers is a brother of Dr. Charles Meyers, pastor of the First Presbyterian church here, and father of Harry B. Meyers of Greensboro, with whom he is now living.

Mr. Meyers told the students about his experiences during 180 days of solitary confinement in three Japanese prisons. He explained that when he went to Japan he found the people there an artistic, literary people and it was through military guidance of school systems and of the people as a whole that the Japanese derived the belief that their race is supreme, their ruler divine, and that they are destined to rule all the world. By this strong training and teaching, these ideas have taken a firm hold on the Japanese people. In telling of the various ways he passed time in the prisons, the missionary mentioned a few books which he was allowed to have with him for awhile, a Greek testament ,an English testament and several volumes of Shakespeare. Even these books were taken away later. Aside from unpleasant experiences, the speaker told of spiritual growth and certain kindnesses in the prison. "Through bitter experiences in Japanese prisons, God has given me a blessing none can take away."

The speaker was introduced by E. O. Watson, professor in the department of history and economics.

A LETTER FROM BROTHER GUY S. LANE

I am writing to tell you how glad I am that when you retired you did not give up the Advocate.

As you know, I have been taking the Advocate a long time, but from my viewpoint, no editors have ever gotten out as good or helpful a paper as you are getting out, and I was afraid when you retired that you would not be the editors anylonger.

It did my heart good to learn that you were still carrying on, and that we would continue to get the things told us that we need to have told us.

Another thing, I reckon you think I have not done what I said I was going to do about that article "Why Prayers for Peace Had Not Been Answered." I have just had more than I could do, and have had no chance to do anything about it. I wrote just one man after seeing you,and he suggested all sorts of things to do, but I had to stop right there, because I was overworked. Besides just before conference in helping out churches I got low on my tithing money, and will have to replenish it before I can do anything. I want to write more, I feel like I ought to, but it seems that the business of this old world is knocking me out of the better things that make for eternity.

With very best wishes, I am, Sincerely yours,

Guy S. Lane.

Homesick

Ninety years ago in the city of Tunis in North Africa where at this writing a great battle between the Allied and Nazi forces is imminent, there died a lonely American. This man, who never married and never had a home of his own, had in 1822, while living in a small lodging room in Paris, written on a dull October day a play called "Clari, the Maid of Milan," and had introduced into it a song that has since become famous throughout the world. It was "Home, Sweet Home." Writing later to a friend, the author of the beautiful song said that the depressing influences of the sky and air were in harmony with the feeling of solitude and sadness which that day oppressed his soul. To this present hour, whenever and wherever the song of the lonely man is sung it stirs deep memories of home and the long ago, and brings reminiscent tears to world-weary eyes.

John Howard Payne, at the time of his death, was just beginning a second period of service as American consul in Tunis, which is only three miles from the ruins of the ancient city of Carthage. He was buried in Tunis under a beautiful pepper tree in the Protestant cemetery of St. George, where his body remained for more than thirty years until it was finally removed to the United States. Home at last, the author of "Home, Sweet Home" found a final resting place in Oak Hill cemetery, Georgetown, Md.

John Howard Payne was homesick all his life. Leigh Robinson, a member of the Washington bar, who gave the funeral oration in Georgetown, furnishes us a pathetic picture of the haunting loneliness of the man. He says:

> Payne's career was the unhappy one of disappointment; a history of baffled aims; a life no wise proportioned to boyish promise and precocity, but rather the melancholy nonfulfillment thereof. . . . Thus it came to pass that middle life stole upon him and found him not unfriended, indeed, but undemanded and unavailing. In all that made life beautiful and noble to him, failure was his familiar voice. He was one who had crossed swords with the world and had not overcome. The fight of life which had been woven for him, which in so great a measure he had woven for himself, had left him among the slain. . . . The hammer of destiny had shivered his ambition. His life was in ashes before he was forty. The enchanted garden he had hied him to, so swiftly and so gladly, shut its gates in his face.

"Home, Sweet Home" with its plaintive Sicilian air expresses the longing of the homesick soul of John Howard Payne—of the souls of men and women everywhere. In each of us there is an inexplicable restlessness, a longing for a happier and a more abundant life than is our lot on earth. What is it? Is it the unsatisfied reaching out from finite bonds of the Infinite? St. Augustine expresses the homesickness of the soul for God in these unforgettable words: "Thou hast made us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless till they rest in Thee." He also says: "Our good lives with Thee and can suffer no loss, because Thou Thyself art our God, and we have no need to fear that there will be no place for us to return to because we have fallen away; for, though we be absent from it, the home of the soul falls not into decay, for the home of the soul is Thine eternity."

Man is a seeker for perfection, an incorrigible idealist, a persistent hoper for the realization in his own life of the good, the beautiful, and the true. He is a lonely wanderer, a pilgrim of the night, ever searching, ever seeking to find his way to his eternal home.

Miniature of the heavenly home is the earthly home. Whittier in his "Snow-Bound" gives us a beautiful picture of family life and love through which we can catch a vivid glimpse into the very heart of God. The poet sings:

> O Time and Change!—with hair as gray
> As my sire's that winter day,
> How strange it seems, with so much gone
> Of life and love, to still live on!
> Ah, brother! only I and thou
> Are left of all that circle now—
> The dear home faces whereupon
> That fitful firelight paled and shone.
> Henceforward, listen as we will,
> The voices of that hearth are still.

How those beautiful lines stir the memory of the long ago!

Homesickness has been defined as a "longing to return home." But in these busy modern days it has come to mean a "longing for the return of the home"; for there is no sadder development in our time than the progressive disintegration of that ancient institution. In the large cities, street after street is crowded with monotonous rows of boarding houses, or apartment buildings of one- and two-room suites. In the suburban areas, large eight- and ten-room houses stand empty, or are being torn down to make room for small cottages. In many sections of the rural areas, big farmhouses are falling into disuse, and the land is being cut up into small sections for truck gardens or tenant farming. These things symbolize the passing of the home of which Whittier sang.—Zions Herald.

AN APPRECIATION OF LAURINBURG

Two of the happiest years of our life have just been spent in the lovely town of Laurinburg, with the good people of Scotch-Irish-American stock who make that community a delightful place. I don't believe any pastor and his family in our conference have been made more comfortable personally, nor been given more loyal support in the work, than were we by the people of our church there. From our first day with them, when we were welcomed to a new parsonage, with pantry, coal bin, and dining room table filled to overflowing; through the installation of a modern oil-burning hot-air heating plant; on out to the recurring kindnesses of many homes, the daily good will of all families, and the devotion of leaders and workers to the kingdom, we were inspired and blessed as much if not more than we were able to minister.

This church includes kinsmen of Bishop Purcell in its membership, and it has given to the larger church Brother J. D. Bundy of our conference. Three of Dr. R. B. John's brothers—J. T. John, Maxcey L. John, and Dr. Peter John—are among its staunchest members. Dr. J. W. North's daughter, Mrs. Thomas J. Gill, was for years one of its ablest and most beloved leaders. She was its senior member when we arrived, and passed to the church eternal only last September. And now, in addition to its soldiers of the cross at home, with heart-aching over our world's present agony, it has seen 75 of its men and one of its young women (Lieut. Nurses' Corps) answer the country's call to service in the past year (more than 10 per cent of its total membership).

The clean moral atmosphere of Laurinburg is quite noticeable. There is no ABC store, and not one of the town's American-born drug store or restaurant owners allows beer

or wine sold on the premises. Laurinburg's lovely trees, planted by our Miss Alice Covington's father, are a delight to townsmen and tourists alike. Our church property, at the corner of Main and Church streets (cross road of two national highways) is the prettiest in town. All the churches work together beautifully. They are preparing now to minister to the boys who will be stationed at the new air base between Laurinburg and Maxton, augmenting the work of the U.S.O. center soon to be organized. Laurinburg is perhaps the only town in the state that nearly doubled its population during the last decade. My hat is off to this excellent community and its lovable people. H. K. King.

AM I A BORE?

At once your analytic mind will suggest that the question cannot be answered, for when a man knows himself to be a bore he automatically ceases to be one. It is of a bore, as the Romans would have said, not to know he is one. It is not uncommon to hear such a man making fun of others, using words such as these, "The fellow's such a bore, but bless my soul, he has no idea of it!"

The problem is not how to detect this fault in others; that is easy enough. It is rather how to test ourselves. We know the bore when we see him, and wildly look for ways of escape. But is there any scientific test that we can apply to ourselves?

Here I come to the purpose of this discourse. I have learned a certain test. There was a senior statesman who gave advice to a younger statesman when he confessed his diffidence on rising to speak in a certain assembly. "My dear fellow," said this Nestor, "there is no reason whatever to be frightened. In this place all you have to do is to speak as long as you like and as often as you like. You will rapidly acquire that contempt for your audience which every bore always has."

Contempt for his audience, small or large, is the mark of a bore. Every bore always and everywhere has it.

Once upon a time there were six men who met together after they had been speaking in six places to six audiences. There was an observer present who had heard that one of them was an Abysmal Bore, and being himself a student of human character he set himself to discover which was the man.

They spoke freely of their adventures that evening. Of course their speeches had all gone well. Of course all of them displayed more or less of that delight in their own prowess which marks all or nearly all orators, without an alloy of which there would be no oratory. But there was one man who had done well of course, but as he put it, "That was easy enough with those half-wits. Really I began to wonder whether it was worth while to take the trouble to enlighten their thick skulls. Still one must do one's best, even with such people."

"That is the man!" the observer said at once. And on making inquiry he found that the audience had been prevented from stampeding only by their Christian education. "The man bored us extremely," they said. "He spoke below our heads; he seemed more concerned to get his opinions out than to speak to us; we signed an appeal to the people who sent him to let his admitted gifts be used upon the people in a neighboring city, where they deserved such a fate."

It comes to this: when I begin to have a contempt for my audience, then at once I can suspect myself and say, "Good heavens, I am it!"

Ever yours solemnly, Quintus Quiz.

—The Christian Century.

WARMTH AND DIGNITY

By W. Everett Henry

Why cannot we have both warmth and dignity in our church music? The question rose up and demanded attention during a program introducing "music week."

The choirs from the city churches had been brought together, and each was making its contribution to an afternoon of sacred music. Some were "robed," others not. Most of the choirs sang stately and beautiful anthems with reverence and dignity. Then came a group of singers—they could hardly be called a choir—without robes, without sheet music, and they sang a simple number with gospel truth in it and with such warmth that the whole audience felt it and responded to it.

Now, what do we have here? Does the dignified in church music have to be cold and the warm undignified? Are warmth and dignity here mutually exclusive? Does warmth need to ooze out as we cover our variegated "Sunday best" with robes and take in hand sheet music rather than a "gospel" hymnbook? Must all the warmth be squeezed out of a piece of music before it can be dignified? Must otherwise warm human hearts be disciplined into coldness before they can sing dignified music in a dignified way?

Wherever the fault lies, the whole life of the church cries aloud for its correction. A cold solo or a cold choir number contributes much to a cold sermon and a cold service, and that kind of service is far from reflecting the heart of Christ. We need both warmth and dignity in music and in sermon if we are to worship and serve acceptably. But if we cannot have both, then let dignity suffer rather than warmth. In church work, decreasing warmth and increasing failure go hand in hand.—The Watchman-Examiner.

TRUTH NEVER DIES

Truth never dies. The ages come and go.
The mountains wear away, the stars retire.
Destruction lays earth's mighty cities low;
And empires, states and dynasties expire;
But caught and handed onward by the wise,
Truth never dies.

Though unreceived and scoffed at through the years;
Though made the butt of ridicule and jest;
Though held aloft for mockery and jeers,
Denied by those of transient power possessed,
Insulted by the insolence of lies,
Truth never dies.

It answers not. It does not take offense,
But with a mighty silence bides its time;
As some great cliff that braves the elements
And lifts through all the storms its head sublime,
It ever stands, uplifted by the wise;
Truth never dies.

As rests the Sphinx amid Egyptian sands;
As looms on high the snowy peak and crest;
As firm and patient as Gibraltar stands,
So truth, unwearied, waits the era blest
When men shall turn to it with great surprise.
Truth never dies.

—Michigan Christian Advocate.

METHODIST CHAPLAINS

Numerical report by conferences of Methodist ministers on active duty on December 1, 1942, as chaplains in the army and navy:

Name of Conference	No. Chaplains
Alabama Conference	4
Baltimore Conference	17
California Conference	12
Central Kansas Conference	6
Central New York Conference	5
Central Pennsylvania Conference	8
Central Texas Conference	14
Central West Conference	2
Colorado Conference	6
Dakota Conference	3
Delaware Conference (CJ)	2
Detroit Conference	6
East German Conference	1
East Oklahoma Conference	8
Erie Conference	10
Florida Conference	19
Genesee Conference	8
Holston Conference	10
Idaho Conference	2
Illinois Conference	14
Indiana Conference	17
Iowa-Des Moines Conference	8
Kansas Conference	10
Kentucky Conference	5
Lexington Conference (CJ)	4
Little Rock Conference	6
Louisiana Conference (CJ)	3
Louisiana Conference	10
Louisville Conference	5
Maine Conference	1
Memphis Conference	7
Michigan Conference	4
Minnesota Conference	4
Mississippi Conference (CJ)	3
Mississippi Conference	8
Missouri Conference	5
Montana Conference	3
Nebraska Conference	11
Newark Conference	8
New England Conference	10
New England Southern Conference	5
New Hampshire Conference	5
New Jersey Conference	13
New Mexico Conference	1
New York Conference	9
New York East Conference	6
North Alabama Conference	10
North Arkansas Conference	2
North Carolina Conference (CJ)	2
North Carolina Conference	18
North Dakota Conference	4
Northern Minnesota Conference	7
Northern New York Conference	5
North Georgia Conference	9
North Indiana Conference	11
Northeast Ohio Conference	21
North Mississippi Conference	5
North Texas Conference	5
Northwest Indiana Conference	2
Northwest Iowa Conference	5
Northwest Texas Conference	11
Ohio Conference	17
Oregon Conference	4
Pacific Northwest Conference	6
Peninsula Conference	6
Philadelphia Conference	12
Pittsburgh Conference	6
Rock River Conference	2
St. Louis Conference	6
Savannah Conference (CJ)	1
South Carolina Conference (CJ)	3
South Carolina Conference	9
Southern California-Arizona Conference	9
South Georgia Conference	9
Southern Illinois Conference	3
Southwest Missouri Conference	4
Southwest Texas Conference	13
Tennessee Conference	6
Texas Conference (CJ)	1
Texas Conference	22
Troy Conference	12
Upper Iowa Conference	2
Upper Mississippi Conference (CJ)	1
Upper South Carolina Conference	9
Virginia Conference	24
Washington Conference (CJ)	1
Western North Carolina Conference	22
West Oklahoma Conference	11
West Virginia Conference	8
West Wisconsin Conference	1
Wisconsin Conference	3
Wyoming Conference	3
Wyoming State Conference	1

WESLEY FOUNDATION COMMISSION MET TUESDAY OF THIS WEEK

The Wesley Foundation Commission appointed by the two conferences of North Carolina met at Duke University on Tuesday, December 8, to review the work of the year and to plan for the coming year. Of special interest was the action of the commission to aid in student work at Fairmont church, Raleigh, among the students of State College. A student program, with Dr. John C. Cell as chairman, has developed a work there worthy of the highest praise. The commission has determined to aid in securing a student helper for this work. A monthly appropriation will be made for this work the next year as has been done in the past at Chapel Hill and College Place, Greensboro.

A delegation from the Fairmont church was present and presented their plans and prospects at State College to the commission, which met with unanimous approval. More of this will be presented later through the Advocate.

All the members of the commission were present except Dr. G. Ray Jordan who was detained by other duties. Reverends J. M. Culbreth, pastor at Chapel Hill, R. M. Courtney, pastor at College Place, Greensboro, and H. M. McLamb, pastor at Fairmont, Raleigh, were present and entered in the deliberations.

Regular monthly contributions will be made for the student work at all three units of the University of North Carolina to aid in the work among these thousands of young men and women.

M. T. Plyler, president, presided over the meeting, and J. G. Phillips of Bethel, secretary and treasurer, kept the records. This was the most satisfactory meeting yet held.

REV. ROLLIN GIBBS SENDS US A SOLDIER'S LETTER

The following letter came to me from one of our soldier members and I thought you might like to print it in the Advocate, as it seems to be typical of the chaplain's and local church's influence. Use your own judgment of course, and if it seems unwise to print it don't bother any more about it. Thanks. L. G. is a faithful member of our church and was an usher when he left for the army.

Rollin Gibbs, Mt. Pleasant Ct.

Dear Friends:

The program was handed to me at the chapel service this morning. It was prepared by our chaplain with the purpose of sending us his personal greetings as well as evidence of our attendance at church.

Everything is so different here from the ways of home life, but it was a privilege to learn that the church and its services help to remove the feeling of strangeness and I realized that the church is the one thing in common with the family, the community and army life. Through the ministry of the church I feel that we are still united.

We have the opportunity in the military service to practice the faith in which we have been reared. The chaplains give us spiritual leadership and guidance in morale and morals. Our chaplain assures me that I will always be welcome at his office when I am in need of spiritual guidance or personal advice.

I wish that all of you could have attended the chapel service with me this morning; it was devotional and helpful and all the men seemed to enjoy and appreciate it. I know that your prayers were with me as mine were with you.

A friend, L. G. Clapp.



Our School Helps Us to Discover Religious Truth and Apply It to the Problems of Life

Week-Day Religious Education in North Carolina

Growth

Phenomenal progress has been made by the people of North Carolina during recent years in promoting a sound program of week-day religious education. Today at least seventy communities in the state provide for their children elective courses devoted to the teaching of the Bible in the public schools. This is almost double the number reported a year and a half ago. The vast majority of the classes are being taught by well trained teachers approved by their local committees on week-day religious education and by the State Department of Public Instruction. North Carolina is the first state in the Union to include the certification of Bible teachers in its professional program. This adds emphasis and dignity to the work in the eyes of the community. The various denominations of the state are co-operating wholeheartedly to insure the success of the movement.

Need

It is evident that the citizenship of North Carolina senses the dangers inherent in an education whose content is largely secular. The people of the state realize:

1. That there are more than 300,000 children in this state unreached by any form of religious education.

2. That juvenile delinquency is everywhere on the increase and will be aggravated by the chaos of modern warfare.

3. That our democratic institutions can endure only if they are undergirded by spiritual foundations. Civil liberty has its roots in Christian teaching.

Citizens of North Carolina are convinced that education of the mind without adequate cultivation of the soul tends to breed a materialistic philosophy of life which stifles the liberty of the spirit. From an understanding of this fact arises a determined effort to increase the religious elements of the public school curriculum.

Operation

Week-day religious education in North Carolina is a co-operative enterprise sponsored by the North Carolina Council of Churches and committees appointed by interested denominations. Decision as to how the program is to be inaugurated and administered is wisely left to the leaders in each local community. This makes possible a high degree of flexibility to meet the circumstances and needs of different groups. The movement may be started by a small number of enthusiastic persons representing a civic or religious organization. A substantial majority of the citizens of the community should be convinced of the worth of the proposal and the consent of the local school board must be secured. Success of the venture usually requires the united support of the religious forces of the community in order to raise the budget and provide instruction acceptable to the participating units.

WATCH WORDS

By John Marvin Rast

Speak evil of no man.—Titus 3:2.

Paul in his letter to Titus gave profound Christian counsel in few words when he admonished: "Speak evil of no man." Think of the heartaches which could have been avoided if this precept were followed. Like every other virtue whose abuse is a vice, wholesome thinking and speaking of others is strengthened through habit. In the Book of Proverbs we are reminded that "a word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." And Job suggests that by our words we can put men on their feet. We naturally confide in those whose walk and conversation betoken brotherly love that knows no waning. Upon them rests the destiny of builders of the kingdom of God.

Father, forgive our thoughtlessness, our perversity of spirit. Breathe upon us thy tolerance and thy will to peace and joyful accord, through Christ our Lord.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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AN APPEAL FROM CONFERENCE TREASURER

Just one final appeal for the year from the conference treasurer:

The members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Western North Carolina conference are wanting to know what we have done this year and what is the task before us in order to come up December 31, with all obligtions paid, as is our habit.

At the close of the third quarter I had received $43,814.99. As our pledge was $60,000 it left a balance of $16,185.01 to be raised during the fourth quarter. Please look after your regular collections carefully. Besides this there came the call from headquarters for an additional gift of $6,153.50 to help take care of the deficit in funds to meet appropriations. Of this emergency gift we paid in third quarter $3,727.98. That was a noble gift, but it still lacks $2,345.52 of meeting the amount expected of our conference. As our division officers had figured that a minimum gift of twenty-five cents per member would meet the need, and as many women have given far in excess of that, it is evident that many more have not contributed at all. I earnestly beg that you will place this matter before your societies, urge that each one make some gift, that those who have given give again, and with your fourth quarter reports send me enough to take care of your quota. Any society sending as much as $25 on emergency fund this quarter has the privilege of making a life member.

And now, may I ask once more that you do not delay in sending these reports. The time at which I am required to make my report to my superior officer makes it necessary for us to get your reports by January 5. Do not lose your credit by waiting later. Let us clear up both of these funds and keep our record for giving in full measure; and may it be pressed down and running over, as God has prospered you.

Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Treas.,
316 S. Fulton St., Salisbury, N. C.

SEVEN KEYS TO PROGRESS

In the Woman's Society of Christian Service—1943

Mrs. V. F. Devinny, Secretary

Keys have an important function in our daily lives. What a dilema we are in if we forgot to take our house key when we go marketing, and return with an arm full of bundles, only to find ourselves locked out. Or, what a situation confronts us when we close the automobile door only to find we have left the keys on the inside! With keys we can lock our most valuable possessions. Certain kinds of keys are symbols of honors attained or conferred. Symbolically we can have keys with which we can lock ourselves in or out of opportunities. In 1943 the local Woman's Society of Christian Service is to have seven keys to help advance the work of the organization. They should be th emeans of opening new doors of opportunity, and each of the seven keys has its rightful and important place on the key ring of the Woman's Society of Christian Service activities, and even the smallest society should find these keys usable. No society can do a well rounded, effective piece of work this year without using all the seven keys. . . . Seven according to biblical idea is a "perfect number." These are the seven keys that will help perfect your organization.

1. Master key (spiritual life); 2. key to the bookcase (programs, literature, and magazine study courses; 3. key to the home (increasing memberships through visitation); 4. key to the community (Christian social relations, activities growing out of study); 5. key to the bank (increased giving through stewardship education); 6. key to the school room (young people's and children's work); 7. key to the alarm box (supplies, reports).

A poster for the purpose of visualizing these activities, together with a leaflet of methods and suggestions as to how to use the keys will be sent as was the efficiency aim poster last year to the corresponding secretary in sufficient quantities for each local society to have ONE. Appoint a keeper of the keys for 1943 and give her time at each monthly meeting to report on the progress the society is making in attaining the keys. Open the doors of service in 1943 with the seven keys of progress.

OFFICERS TRAINING DAY

Officers Training Day for the district, local society officers and chairmen of circles of the Asheville district was held at Central church, Asheville, Wednesday, December 2, from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. with Miss Amy Hackney, district president, presiding.

The meeting opened with "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," followed by an impressive worship service with the theme, "The Spiritual Side of Worship" by Mrs. Mabel Baughman of Hendersonville, district leader of spiritual life, who closed her message with prayer.

After the worship service the representatives, 85 or more in number, gathered in the various rooms of the church for group meetings, led by the district officers, and after 30 minutes of instruction and discussion, reassembled in the Charles Wesley Byrd Bible Class room to report the findings of each group to the entire audience.

A check-up of the organizations of the district was led by Mrs. Allen Luther, district corresponding secretary, and three of the number were found to have met, already, their year's obligations in full, with encouraging prospects for securing the entire district pledge by the close of the year.

Dr. W. A. Lambeth, Central's pastor, was introduced and brought greetings and spoke interestingly of the close relationship between the conference, the district and the local societies, paying a beautiful tribute to the religious and organizational genius of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, and closed his talk with a prayer of gratitude for our great Methodist leader.

The meeting closed with an impressive spiritual life retreat led by Mrs. Mabel Baughman, assisted by three representatives of the local societies. "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" was used as the opening hymn, after which Mrs. Baughman spoke of the great need for growth in spiritual power and of the special God-given gifts by which to secure this power. Prayer, the first mentioned, was presented most impressively by Mrs. F. C. Smathers of Hendersonville; Service, also necessary in attaining Christian growth in spiritual power, was presented in an inspiring talk by Mrs. F. O. Dryman of Weaverville, and the closing message on "Knowing and Doing the Will of God" was most effectively given by Rev. H. E. Bolick of the Acton charge, who closed the day's meeting with prayer."

1943 PROGRAM THEME FOR W. S. C. S.

Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, secretary of Woman's Division, announces as the program theme for 1943: "A New Earth Wherein Dwelleth Righteousness"—a theme timely and significant. Mrs. Bourne insists that "every society should use its every resource to make these meetings informing, interesting, stimulating and productive of definite results, in terms of deepened personal, spiritual experience, in more generous, sacrificial giving, and in practical Christian service in every relationship of life."

The twelve topics for the year bear directly on the theme, and "each worship service is based on the program topic and is developed so as to make the worship an uplifting and integral element in every program."

The first of these programs for January includes an installation service which precedes a moment of meditation leading into the pledge service. Such a service should be well planned and publicized far in advance of the year's opening meeting.

The program material, price 50 cents, should be secured by every society at once so that plans may be made for a successful meeting for the first one of the year, which is in some respects the most important.

This material which includes the program book, worship services and pamphlet, "A Good Neighbor," may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, O. (See page 32 of The Methodist Woman for December 1942, for full information as to prices).

"Square thyself for use," says an oriental proverb, "a stone that will fit in the wall is not left in the way."

The acts of this life are the destiny of the next.—Eastern Proverb.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

PRAYER, 1942

To hearts that are breaking in silence
From pole to re-echoing pole,
To lips crying out in their anguish,
At tortures too great for the soul,
To spirits of freedom in bondage,
To innocence shackeled by fears,
To millions awaiting the morning
On pillows all wet with their tears,
God's mercy!

TIME TO CHECK

Mrs. W. C. Chadwick, conference president, and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, are urging that all societies in the N. C. conference check on certain items during this present quarter. They include: Ordering program material for 1943 from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum St., Cincinnati, Ohio; price 50 cents. Pledge cards for the January meeting should be ordered at the same time. They are free. If your society does not have a Revised Guide, price 10 cents, and report books for the corresponding secretary and the treasurer, 35 cents each, be sure to order them. Secure quota of the Emergency Fund (the quota was 25 cents per member; the conference quota was $5,157, and the amount paid so far is $3,173.90, leaving a deficit of $1,983.10), and send all money for the Emergency Fund, so designated, to Mrs. F. B. McKinne, conference treasurer, Goldsboro. Life memberships may be applied on the Emergency Fund. If your society has observed the week of prayer send offerings to Mrs. McKinne. Check carefully and ascertain if your society had made the efficiency aim and strive to make it as nearly 100 per cent as possible. At the end of this quarter DON'T FAIL to see to it that your corresponding secretary sends both fourth quarter report and annual report to our district secretary and that the secretary of each department of work reports to the conference secretary of the respective departments. Forms for all reports are found in the corresponding secretary's book.

NEW ZONE LEADER

Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Rocky Mount district secretary, writes: "After seven years of untiring service as leader of Southern-Central zone, Mrs. L. N. Stephenson of Rocky Mount offered her resignation at a recent meeting held in Pinetops. It is truly hard to find women who are willing to follow such a leader as Mrs. Stephenson has been, for she has given unsparingly of her time and resources; however, after much deliberation and consideration, we have found one who is very capable and a whole-hearted supporter of all church causes, who will fill the vacancy, namely, Mrs. H. Bruce Russell, 805 S. David street, Tarboro. Mrs. Russell was unanimously elected by the group as a zone and we pledge to her the same support and more than was given her predecessor. Every officer in the zone, please note this change in leadership and be ever present to help."

"A NEW EARTH . . ."

At the Raleigh district set-up meeting held in Edenton Street Methodist church on November 24, Mrs. E. L. Hillman, Rocky Mount, president of Southeastern Jurisdiction W. S. C. S., chose as the subject of her address the theme which the women have chosen for 1943: "A New Earth Wherein Dwelleth Righteousness." Said Mrs. Hillman: "Christian people over the world today are longing for a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. This will not come easily. When the peace treaty is written, certainly there will be a new earth, but it will not be a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness unless groups such as Christians who have gathered here today see to it." Mrs. Hillman listed certain lights that are shining in these dark hours: A Protestant group who forgot its denominational boundaries to feed the hungry and care for the missionaries in war stricken areas, and the interest of Christian groups in securing a just and desirable peace. "That," declared Mrs. Hillman, "is closely linked up with the cause of missions. She urged that her hearers, as southern white people and as Christians, break down race prejudices, stating that doing so would go far toward bringing a just and durable peace. Said she: "Our attitudes toward the Japanese now will in a large measure determine the reception which our missionaries will receive in Japan after the war. Speaking of preparing missionaries for service after the war Mrs. Hillman said: "There is an abundance of money in America. I wonder if we, as Christian people. are urging that some of this surplus be saved to send missionaries into the fields after the war and the fields now open. Now is the time when we should train our boys and girls for the mission fields so that when the peace treaty is written we shall have large numbers ready for work. This is a practical idea which Jesus has set for us—'A new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness.' If righteousness is to prevail it must come in the human hearts, in the North Carolina conference, in the United States, and throughout the world, and it must come with our prayers and our dollars until righteousness covers the earth as waters cover the sea.

PROFITABLE VISITS

Miss Elizabeth Lee and Dr. A. W. Wasson of the Board of Missions and Church Extension made a very profitable visit to Mexico recently, attending the General conference of the Methodist Church of Mexico. They report a session which had much of inspiration and promise for the future accomplishments of this young and growing church. Dr. Cartwright has just returned to the office after six weeks spent in the field. Half of the time was given to group and individual conferences with missionaries, the balance to promotional work in the Northwest Jurisdiction. In Nashville and Chicago he met with groups of missionaries to consider better methods of work. At Los Angeles, Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon joined Dr. Cartwright and they called together all of the China missionaries residing in that area. Forty-five were present, including both active and retired missionaries. In San Francisco a similar group was convened in Berkley at the California College in China. Former and furloughed missionaries and language school students made up the groups.—Missionary News Letter.

CHILDREN IN THE WORLD TODAY

An original essay, written by Wallace Evans, age 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Evans, missionaries in Cuba, is both interesting and timely. Wrote Wallace: "So often you older people think that we children are only interested in playing; that we never think of the way the children of other countries are living and the horirble deaths many of them are dying. You think that the flag means nothing to us. This is not true. We do play every day and run little errands for mom because we know that we must live as we have always lived, that we must work always to do the right. We know how children in other nations are suffering and we want to help if we can. We want to learn to love the children in the nations we are fighting. Each day we learn again just what being an American means. Each day we become more proud of our nation. If we are proud of our nation, we must be proud of our flag, and our flag must mean more to us than something every parade should have. We wish to learn again the story of our flag. We all want to know just what our flag means to us as children in the world today."

SPECIAL OFFERING DECEMBER 13

At the recent meeting of the annual N. C. Ministers' Conference in Wilson, a resolution was passed relative to an offering for the purpose of aiding in defense areas in North Carolina. Of particular interest to the women of N. C. conference is the fact that a portion of the offering will be applied on the building of an educational unit of the proposed church plant in Wilmington, where Miss Mary Nichols, deaconess, has been doing such active and vital work since September 1. Among other defense areas which will be aided by the offering will be Soldiers Town House, Fayetteville; Cherry Point, Jacksonville, Elizabeth City. Every member of each of the more than 700 churches in N. C. conference should respond cheerfully to these causes in the special offering to be taken on December 13.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

AN OLD TIME FRIEND

At the annual conference in Charlotte this scribe ran up with Rev. T. A. Sikes, a superannuate minister of the North Carolina conference, who used to be business manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. When Friend Sikes complimented the writer on his page in the Advocate he was reminded of his friend's statement when he was with the Advocate, "Woosley, about all you write on that page is what somebody else says." We laughed about the incident and agreed that if someone else could say what one wanted said it was well to use it. So a good deal of this page this week has been written for us.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME

"Our Thanksgiving offering for the Children's Home in Winston-Salem amounts, to date, to $236.07. The officials of the church are very grateful for this expression of generosity on the part of many of our people. There are probably other people in our congregation who would like to make an offering. If so, their additional offering will help swell the total towards $500, the minimum amount which the annual conference expects of Central church. Many people believe that the administration of affairs in our Children's Home is equal or superior to that of any other institution in our entir edenomination."— Central, Asheville, Bulletin.

IN THE HALLELUIAH AREA

From the young pastor of the new Claremont-Shiloh charge in the Balls Creek camp ground area, comes the following encouraging message: "Enclosed you will find two checks. The $10 one is the fifth Sunday offering from Bethlehem church. The check for $100 is the ten per cent apportionment of Bethlehem church located here in Claremont." Thus the double barreled station starts off in the true Bethlehem spirit.

DOLLARS AT WORK

Mr. Ira G. Shamel, superintendent of mails in the Winston-Salem postoffice and a moving spirit in the Marvin, Winston - Salem, congregation, writes as follows: "Today we asked the folks at Marvin to make an investment in the greatest character building institution in North Carolina—our own Children's Home. Because of my personal knowledge of the Children's Home, the superintendent, the staff, the boys and girls, I could not let the occasion pass without telling them of the accomplishments of the Home. We reminded our folks that there are 400 children there whom we dare not neglect and they gladly met the challenge for our apportionment in full—$110. We know of no better way to put a Christian dollar to work than this way."

WORK DAY OFFERING

Our friends in Ramseur like to help somebody today and every day. Note what Mr. V. C. Marley, church treasurer, writes: "The work day offering still goes over easily at Ramseur and the Thanksgiving season gave us a good chance to get it together. My brother, your friend's namesake, Woosley Marley, is Sunday school superintendent now and handled this splendidly. Enclosed find check for $150. The fifth Sunday offering on the following Sunday amounted to $41.94, an additional contribution."

A GOOD EXAMPLE

Rev. W. S. Smith, who quietly but solidly works at what he has to do, writes as follows: "I am sending my personal check for $25 as an additional amount to be credited to our church. This is my Thanksgiving offering. It, with what you get during the year from fifth Sunday offerings and from specials, will be our contribution towards the extra amount the conference has asked us to raise for the Children's Home. Our treasurer is sending check for $220 covering the ten per cent apportionment. I trust things are going well for you and our children there."

DO IT NOW

OVERLOOKING THE RIVER

There is a little church sitting high on the bank above the Toe river in Mitchell county that has always been exceedingly interesting to this scribe. The land is so steep that excavation had to be made to get a sufficient level place for the church to be placed. The congregation reaches the church by walking over a high suspension bridge suited only for pedestrains. That little church on the mountain side through the year has thoroughly believed in the work of the Children's Home. A leading spirit in this congregation has been Mr. A. C. Tainter, whom I have been pleased to call Brother A. C. Tiser, now located in Spruce Pine but whose interests are still at Penland. Brother "Tiser" writes: "The Penland Sunday school sent me their fifth Sunday offering to forward to you—$7.02. We had our first quarterly conference there on the first Sunday, at which time the Penland congregation gave their entire Children's Home apportionment to our good pastor, Brother Lovitt. Suppose you have this amount by now. Glad to see that you are still getting along all right with your family, and hope you will continue to stay out of the red."

A LADY OF COLOR

Miss Elizabeth Baldwin, colored, for a long time a servant in the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. B. Turrentine, at Greensboro College, is a member of West Market Street Mehodist church, Greensboro. She is more than that. She is a member of that congregation's Woman's Society of Christian Service. She is more than that. She is a liberal contributor to the church and to the society's causes. She does more than that. Read what she says: "I wish to pay $20 for one year to sponsor the clothing of a little child in the baby cottage. While I personally will pay, I wish it to be counted as one of the West Market children."

SOLD ON THE CHILDREN'S HOME

This scribe was very fond of Rev. H. G. Hardin, Sr., during his lifetime. After his passing he became very much impressed with his son, Rev. H. G. Hardin, Jr. He can never forget that big hogshead of Mount Airy apples he had forwarded to the Children's Home when beginning his first charge, the hogshead being too large for any door on our premises. Late "Grady" came to Centenary, Winston-Salem, as assistant pastor and director of Christian education. Our close friend, in sending a Thanksgiving contribution from Black Mountain, his present charge, writes as follows: "My association at the Home will always live with me as one of my most delightful experiences. Through the Printshop, the Church Membership Classes, the Junior Church and in my other associations I was 'sold' on the work there as I could never have been otherwise. Please express to the staff there my appreciation for their co-operation in all the above activities. I am enjoying my work here."

THE BELL RINGERS

The apportionment bell ringing has been encouraging during the past week. We have had continual cause for giving grateful thanks to those who have been interested in the orphan's cause. Join us in grateful thanks to the ball ringers herewith listed:

Green Street, Winston-Salem, Rev. C. G. Hefner.

Connelly Springs, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. G. L. Wilkinson.

West Market Street, Greensboro, Dr. J. B. Craven.

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Stokesdale, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. D. A. Shelton.

Midway, Welcome circuit, Rev. C. O. Kennerly.

Bethpage, Kannapolis, Rev. W. B. A. Culp.

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

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CHICKEN POX—Several days ago one of our little girls developed a case of chicken pox, and since then several other cases have developed. So far we have only had 13 cases, and I do not anticipate any new cases, since we have the situation well in hand.

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SOLO FLIGHT—Last week I had a most interesting letter from Douglas Tucker, one of our former boys, who is in the aviation service of the government. He is now in Texas but was in California for several months. His graphic description of his first flight alone was both interesting and thrilling. He made the flight successfully and will soon be in active service where the need is greatest. Douglas is a fine young man and I confidently expect him to render distinguished service for his country.

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HIRAM MASONIC LODGE — On Wednesday night, December 2, I had the privilege of taking part in the 142nd anniversary of the Hiram Lodge. This is one of the oldest and best Masonic lodges in the state. Dr. Hubert Poteat of Wake Forest College, was the guest speaker on that occasion. Like his father he is a deep thinker and a wonderful orator. The occasion was one of the most delightful that I have ever attended. Masonry is the oldest fraternal order in existence and is noted for its unselfish service and devotion to every worthy cause. I feel honored to play some humble part in th altruistic service which Masonry so gladly renders.

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FIFTH SUNDAY — Most of the Sunday schools of the conference observed the fifth Sunday in November as Orphanage day. An appropriate program had been furnished every church school in the conference for the fifth Sunday observance. A great many church schools have sent in their contributions which have been credited on their Orphanage apportionment. I am happy to state that more church schools are observing fifth Sundays than formerly. The purpose of the programs is to inform our people better of the workings of the Methodist Orphanage. Most of the church schools take free will offerings on fifth Sundays for which the churches get credit on their Orphanage apportionment.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY — It is highly gratifying to know that so many preachers and churches are raising a good part of their Orphanage apportionment in the early part of the conference year. There is no better time to raise money for the Orphanage than during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Many of our pastors and churches are taking advantage of this opportune time to meet their obligations to the Methodist Orphanage, and I appreciate such a generous response. The increased cost of living is working a great hardship on the Orphanage. In addition to this, we have just had to pay out $2,500 in taxes. The Conference Board of Lay Activities at the meeting during the annual conference urged the pastors and churches to pay their Orphanage apportionment during the months of November and December. The Orphanage appreciates the loyal support of our Board of Lay Activities.

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SUMMARY — December 4 marked the close of our Orphanage football season. On that date we played the big Henderson team and lost to them 19-7. The two previous years we came off victorious over the Henderson team. During the season we played ten games —lost two, had two scoreless ties and won six. We only had two regular players left from last year's team. Our boys were rather small and inexperienced. Taking everything into consideration I think we had an unusually good season. The opposing teams scored 57 points against our boys, while our boys scored 100 points against them. Mr. Fred Smith, one of our Orphanage teachers, has charge of all athletics for our boys including football, basketball and baseball. He is a high-toned Christian gentleman and is an exceptionally fine coach. He has been sought by other schools, but we hope we can keep him for several years to coach our boys. Mrs. A. W. Pridgen, wife of our business manager, coaches the girls' basketball teams, and she has been most successful with our girls.

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Will land you at Falsehood Bay.

But it isn't healthy at Gossip Town,
And I will not follow you there;
I would rather live at Thanksgiving Street,
In the house that is called All-Prayer.

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What They Say About Home Study

Here is what some individuals from all over our church say who have taken home study courses:

"This course (Understanding Children) will help me to be a better mother, for now I understand children better."—A mother and teacher of adults in Halstead, Kansas.

"This study (How Christian Character Develops) gave me a better understanding of how I can help pupils achieve Christian character."—A teacher of juniors in Knoxville, Tenn.

"This study (The Work of the Young Adult Fellowship) has given me a broader view of the things that can be done for our young adults. I have discovered the most important need of our young adult group is worship. I shall make a more thorough study of the needs of the young adults in our church. I plan to suggest that we have regular evenings of social and recreational activities.—A teacher of young adults in Pinetta, Florida.

"This course (The Methodist Youth Fellowship) has given me a better understanding of the important place young people have in the church, the community and in the world; that the Christian young person has many opportunities. I plan to do further reading in the field of worship, recreation and community service, taking up next a study of worship. I also plan to attend an institute."—A caravaner in Stanberry, Missouri.

What They Say About the Group Study Plan

Here are some statements from leaders of study groups in various parts of our church:

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"I feel that as a result of this study (What It Means to Be a Christian) the young people have a deeper understanding of religious living. They have been very interested and frank in their discussion."—A group in Clever, Mo.

"Due to the work of this class (The Educational Work of the Small Church) our church school has decided to use Methodist literature. They have always used union literature. They also decided to set up a board of education. As I have looked over the papers I have been convinced that these people are very much interested. Will you please send us a sample copy of every piece of church school literature so that we will be able to order our literature correctly next quarter?"— A group in Seneca, S. C.

"This course (Evangelism) is extremely good for the workers in a personal visitation ccmpaign, also to help the people of the church to see the workers in a personal visitation campaign, also to help the people of the church to see the whole program of the church as evangelistic."—A group in El Dorado, Ark.

How to Use Home Study Courses

"In my community where the membership is scattered ,the church organizes for group study in the homes, that is, we take our church to the homes."—A pastor in Summitt, Miss.

"The pastors of our two churches, the First Methodist and Trinity Methodist, are co-operating in a joint training class to meet once a week for eight weeks."—A pastor in Rahway, N. J.

"Home study courses are being used to make our monthly officers' and teachers' meetings meaningful."— A pastor in Columbus, Ohio.

"Our church finds the plan of using a home study course in connection with the mid-week service very profitable. The study covered a period of eight weeks with from 25 to 30 present each week."—A pastor in Camden, Arkansas.

"We plan to use home study courses in our mothers' club for a period of six weeks. The Children We Teach, Understanding Children, Teaching Children, and Personal Religious Living are among those appropriate for such use."—A church school superintendent in Albany, Ind.

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THE CHURCH SCHOOL

From time to time on our Advocate page we expect to give a forecast of materials that can be found in current and in coming issues of our church school periodicals. It is quite likely that some who might not be interested in the whole issue might be interested in some special article to be found in the publication. This week we are listing articles to be found in the December, January and February issues of The Church School.

The Church School

The Church School is planned to help teachers of youth and teachers of adults in their work. It also contains material of value to the general superintendent, pastor and chairman of the church board of education.

Leaders of adults will find the following material for use in their work: (1) Resource material and teaching suggestions on the Uniform Lessons; (2) teaching suggestions on the Special Course for Adults; (3) material to be used in Opening Services for Adults; and (4) magazine articles of value in working with adults.

Leaders of intermediates will find these helps for use in their work: (1) Resources for teaching the Intermediate Group Graded Lessons; (2) resources for conducting worship services with intermediates; (3) suggestions for evening meetings of the Intermediate Fellowship; and (4) magazine articles relating to work with intermediates.

Leaders of seniors and young people will find these materials for use in their work: (1) Resources for teaching the Senior Group Graded Lessons; (2) suggestions for leaders using the Young People's Elective unit; (3) resource material and suggestions on the Uniform Lessons; and (4) magazine articles relating to youth week.

General superintendents, pastors, and chairman of church boards of education will find helpful material as follows: (1) General Worship Services, where schools meet together for worship; (2) the section entitled Christian Education in the Local Church, containing practical guidance for the work of the church school; and (3) magazine articles, book reviews, devotional material (in The Teacher's Sanctuary), seasonal plays and programs, timely editorials.

Some interesting features to appear in the next few months are as follows:

December

"O Holy Night," a Christmas play, by Winifred M. Schive.

"Needed Emphasis in Teaching," an article by Dr. John W. Shackford.

"Making Religion Vital in the Home," an article by Myrtle Harmon Hayward.

January

"Training Teachers for Evangelism," an article by Bishop Ralph S. Cushman.

"Today's Crisis and Tomorrow's Missions," an article by Roy L. Smith.

"Preparing for Church Membership," an announcement of new materials for training in church membership, by C. A. Bowen.

"Evangelism in the Church School," an article by Dr. John W. Shackford.

"The Pastor and the Church School," an article by Bishop W. W. Peele.

"The Pastor as a Counselor of Youth," an article by Rev. Paul O. Cardwell.

February

"Teaching That Leads to Commitment," an article by Dr. Jesse Lee Corley.

"Where Is Thy Brother?" a Race Relations Sunday article by Dr. John L. Ferguson.

"Methodism Discusses Its Young Adults," an article by Charles J. Lotz.

"Young Adults Respond," an article by Dr. F. L. Gibbs.

"Leading Individuals to Personal Commitment," an article by Rev. Frank A. Settle.

"How Can We Minister to the Men in Camps?" an article by Dr. William E. Brown.

"Discovering and Enlisting Resource Persons," an article by Johnnie Marie Brooks and Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

"Helping Youth to Make Adjustments," an article by Dr. James S. Chubb.

"We Can Learn from the Public School," an article by Nellie M. Day.

CHRIST THE MISSIONARY

Christ was a home missionary, in the house of Lazarus.

Christ was a foreign missionary, when the Greeks came to him.

Christ was a city missionary, when when he taught in Samaria.

Christ was a Sabbath school missionary, when he opened up the Scriptures and set men to studying the Word of God.

Christ was a children's missionary, when he took them in his arms and blessed them.

Christ was a missionary to the poor, when he opened the eyes of the blind beggar.

Christ was a missionary to the poor, when he opened the spiritual eyes of Zaccheus.

Even on the cross Christ was a missionary to the robber ,and his last command was the missionary commission.—Amos R. Wells, in Home and Foreign Fields.

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THE RABBIT TELLS THE BOY A STORY

"Youn understand," began the rabbit as he ceased hopping about and sat down in front of the boy, "that a rabbit is not a hare, although many people speak of him as such. A hare is much larger than a rabbit, and has longer ears, and legs in proportion. The two differ also in what they like to eat. And you should know that the American rabbit differs from the English and Australian rabbit, being smaller in size, far more active, and preferring a home in a hollow log to a burrow in the earth."

"I never could understand why a rabbit's hind legs were the longest," said the boy as the rabbit paused.

"Well, I will tell you. The rabbit is no fighter. He is a runner instead. He can bite you hard enough, if you take hold of him, as his teeth are sharp and strong, but he won't stop to bite if he can get away. His long hind legs not only enable him to outrun most dogs, but to spring over logs and brush heaps and whatever else may be in the way. And there's another thing. The rabbit has so many enemies that he must always be on his guard, and his long hind legs permit him to get his head above the grass and look around. His eyesight is very sharp, and his hearing is acute, and he can smell smoke. If I hadn't wanted to talk to you, you couldn't have approached within half a mile of me."

"But why are rabbits bobtailed?" asked the boy. "The 'coon, 'possum, woodchuck, fox and other animals have long tails."

"It is because he is a runner," replied the rabbit. "The 'coon and 'possum and squirrel are climbers, and the woodchuck is a digger. If a rabbit had a long tail it would be a nuisance to him in the thick grass and bushes. The fox, who has a long tail, is both a runner and a digger, but in a fair run I can beat him all to pieces. If he ever catches a rabbit, it is sly work. We make our homes mostly in hollow logs and if we had long tails, they might catch and hold us."

"What enemies do you have?"

"Well, there are the hawk, the owl, the fox, the dog, the wolf, the man himself. Of course, there are no wolves around now, except in the far west, but the other enemies keep me busy. The hawk, the dog and the man are on the lookout for me at night. The hawk catches sight of me as he sails in the air, so high that you can hardly make him out, and down he drops like a bullet. Sometimes the rabbit escapes being caught by dashing into the bushes, but he is not always lucky. The owl is much to be dreaded. He sits quietly on the limb of a tree or the roof of a barn, and when he makes his dash a rabbit has to be a good dodger and runner to escape him. Twice in my life an owl knocked me over, but both times I escaped him. As for the fox, if he does not catch his rabbit as it comes out of a log, or can sneak softly up when it is feeding, he will get none at all."

"And what do you eat?" asked the boy.

"Our favorite food is the bark of young apple trees, and there is no doubt we often do great damage to fruit-growers; but we eat the leaves of cabbages, turnips, parsnips and celery, where a garden is handy; and when not we get along on thistle, dandelion, chickweed, catnip and other plants. I have many a time made a good meal off an ear of corn or have nibbled at apples. The rabbit can find food wherever he goes, winter or summer. The only bad times for him are when the snow is so deep that he can't go about. He then digs down to the frozen earth and nibbles at the roots or weeds and grasses."

"You have nice, soft fur," said the boy as he bent over and stroked the rabbit.

"Yes, and that is why men hunt me as they do," replied Bunny. "In the first place, the furrier makes three or four kinds out of my fur, all to be sold under false names and for a good price, and, in the next, all the best felt hats, both for men and women, are made from my hair. I don't believe you knew that; but any hatter will tell you so. My skin is made into gloves, belts, pocketbooks, etc., and any scraps left over go into the glue pot. As an article of food I am worth a little. That's all today. I have not had any dinner yet, and must hop about after it, and I think yours is ready at home. Good-bye."—Religious Herald.

THANKSGIVING EVERY DAY

By Eleanor Hammond

A thankful grace on every day
Throughout the year, I want to say!

For summer sunlight, winter days,
I give Thee gratitude and praise!
For joyful hearts and pleasant places,
For firelight and friendly faces!

For food and shelter, home and love,
I thank Thee, Father dear, above!
For holidays throughout the year
And all that makes us happy here!

The grace that now we bow and say
Might be our grace on every day!

—Junior Girl.

THE EMPIRE-BUILDING CAT

By Lucille Anderson

It was past bedtime but the New England school teacher could not sleep. He kept thinking of the conversation he had taken part in that evening. It was at the dinner table that someone had laughingly suggested that he should put his Yankee mind to work on the problem of inventing an easy way to separate cotton fiber from the seed.

As Schoolmaster Whitney was about to give up the problem he heard a commotion in the yard. He leaned out the window to see what was causing the disturbance. There he saw a crate of chickens. The front of the crate was made of slats to allow the air to circulate freely. Through these slats a hungry cat was reaching for a supper of chicken meat. But every time she reached in back came her paws with nothing but feathers hanging from her claws.

Like a flash Whitney decided that he might solve the problem of separating the cotton fiber from the seeds. He, the schoolmaster, had found his problem solved by a cat! We would simply pull the fiber through opening too small to allow the seeds to pass.

The next morning Eli Whitney went down to the plantation blacksmith shop and set to work. As he neared success he gave up teaching to devote all his time to his invention. He wrote to his father that "It makes the labor fifty times less without throwing any class of people out of business."

He made many further improvements in the machine, but failed to become rich because people copied his work without paying him for it. However, his engine built the cotton empire of the South. It made the Southerners averse to freeing their slaves. It increased the number of manufacturers in England and in New England. Thousands were given work manufacturing the tools needed to cultivate the cotton and to spin the fibers into thread.

Whitney called his invention the cotton engine. Cotton pickers shortened the name to gin so that today we have in many Southern towns not a cotton engine but a cotton gin.—Our Dumb Animals.

Old Gentleman—You're an honest lad, but it was a $10 bill, not 10 ones.

Small Boy—I know, mister, it was a $10 bill I picked up. But the last time I found one the man who owned it didn't have any change.—Montreal Star.

Teacher: "Robert, if you were always kind and polite to your playmates, what would they thing?"

Robert: "Huh! Most of them would think they could lick me."

Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 13

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Value of the Church to the Social Order

Matt. 5:13-16; Mark 12:13-17; 1 Peter 2:13-17

Jesus says that his true followers are the salt of the earth. A group of sincere and sensible Christians in any village has the same effect as painting one's house and cleaning up one's dooryard has on the adjoining homeowners whose houses are unpainted and whose yards are covered with rubbish. It very often moves them to improve their own premises. A profane man going into the village store where there is a group of kindly and clean-mouthed Christians is not as apt to swear and talk obscenely as he otherwise would.

Jesus uses the strongest language to express his disgust with so-called Christians who are not vital enough to be strong influences for good in the community. They are like salt that has lost its savor. It is fit neither for the land nor for the dunghill. It would spoil good manure. Or to modernize the figure, they are like old rusty tin cans; the problem is to find a place to dump them.

But Christians should impress the world not merely by their morality but by their deeds of mercy. On the foreign field the missionaries wisely take with them skilled doctors. They operate on cataracts as a symbol of the fact that they have also come to open the eyes of the soul. In China the farmers are dreadfully afflicted with sores on their legs that come from standing so constantly in the water that covers the rice swamps. The missionary doctors are highly efficient in curing them. The farmers learn first of all that Christianity is a good thing by its ability to heal their ugly ulcers.

But the Christian church must also promote good citizenship (Romans 13:1-7). To many Jews it seemed like dishonoring God to pay taxes to a pagan government. But Jesus said, Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's. The government of Caesar was quite as good as that of a number of their own kings had been (2 Kings 21:16). And there were real values for the Jews in the powerful Roman rule. It kept them from suffering constant attacks from the neighboring nations, and government was a necessary protection against anarchy. Furthermore the rule of Caesar was inevitable. Rebellion was insane folly, as the Jews later discovered.

Caesar, in a sense, stood in a place similar to that in which a faulty husband stands to a wife. He may be an unreasonable grouch, but he earns the bread for the family, and she and her children are better off than they would be if there was no bread-winner. And in spite of his ways, he has his good points. Putting up with him is hard enough, but it is better than putting him away. So the wise woman makes the best of the situation. But plainly there is a limit to meek submission. She must render unto God the things that are God's. If the husband tries to teach the children to drink and to steal, and commands the wife to keep them away from church, submission has ceased to be a virtue. So likewise when the Jewish rulers commanded Peter and John to speak no more in the name of Jesus, they answered, Whether it is right for us to obey God or man, judge ye (Acts 4:19).

Where the line comes between laudable submission to the powers that be, and stern resistance of demands that dishonor God, cannot be determined by set rules, but only by the Holy Spirit enlightening the Christian in a given case. The Christian should certainly pay outward respect to those in authority (Romans 13:7). The American habit of vilifying the officials put in by the opposite party is thoroughly bad. These officials would be better men if less mud were thrown at them.

But, thank God! we are in a democracy, and hence in a sense we are Caesar, and it is not only our duty then to render unto Caesar what is due, but by the help of God to make Caesar worthy of respect. In Jesus' day the only duty of a citizen was to obey; in our day we have the added duty of making the government worthy to be obeyed. And if the writers of the New Testament were speaking to us, their condemnation of our wicked indifference to our political duties would come down upon us like a bombing raid. God wake us up to the unspeakable preciousness of our liberty, and the stern responsibility which the possession of that liberty involves!

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Times have changed, yet the same fact remains that "where a man's treasure is, there his heart is also." Of course there are the necessities of life, the bare essentials, which are important to every man's livelihood, food, shelter and clothing. Statistics in recent years tell us that these, with education and taxes included, take about 68 per cent of the national income. Religion gets approximately 2 per cent. The luxuries of life get about 30 per cent. They seem so important and only a pittance is left for religion. That is the reason our churches are not filled. So few have a real investment in them. Their treasures are invested elsewhere and there we find the heart also.—Advance.

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District Superintendent Appointments

North Carolina Conference

DURHAM DISTRICT
F. S. Love, D.S., 114 Watts St., Durham, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Chapel Hill, 7:30 10
Hillsboro, Hillsboro, 11 13
Swepsonville, Swepsonville, 11 13
Lakewood, 7:30 16
Andrews Chapel, 7:30 17
Pittsboro, Brown's Chapel, 11 20
Saxapahaw, Saxapahaw, 7:30 20
Front Street, 11 27
Glen Raven-Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 7:30.....27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 30
Eno, 7:30 31

January

Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 3
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 3
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 3
Trinity, 7:30 5
Webb Avenue, 7:30 6
Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10:30 9
Graham, 11 10
Haw River, 3 10
West Burlington, 7:30 10
Bynum, Bynum, 11 17
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 17
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10:30 23
Milton, Purley, 11 24
Leasburg, Leasburg, 7 24
Mebane, 11 31

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT
W. L. Clegg, D. S., Elizabeth City, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Plymouth, 11 13
Roper, Roper, 3 13
Gatesville, Gatesville, 11 20
Hertford, 7:30 20
Washington, 11 27
Bath, Bath, 3 27

January

Belhaven, Belhaven, 11 3
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 3
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 3
Manteo, 11 10
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 3 10
Wanchese, 7:30 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 7:30 11
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 12
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 3 13
Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro, 11 17
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 17
Columbia, Columbia, 11 24
Creswell, Creswell, 3 24
Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 27
South Mills, Newland, 11 31
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 31

February

Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 7
Currituck, Mt. Zion, 3 7
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 11 12
Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1 13

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT
H. C. Smith, D.S., 1019 Hay St., Fayetteville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—IN PART

December

Parkton, 7:30 10
Red Springs, 11 13
Rowland, 3 (Purvis) 13
Caledonia, 7:30 13
Hamlet, 7:30 17
Rockingham Ct., 11 (East Rockingham) 20
Laurel Hill, 3 20
Pine Bluff, 7:30 20

January

Glendon, 11 (High Falls) 3
Hemp Ct., 3 (Pleasant Hill) 3
Hemp, 7:30 3
Siler City, 11 10
Siler City Ct., 3 10
Goldston, 7:30 10
Rockingham, 11 17
Roberdel, 3 17
Ellerbe, 7:30 17
Troy, 11 24
Troy Ct., 3 24
Carthage, 11 31
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 31
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Mt. Olive-Calypso, Calypso, 11 13
Fremont, Eureka, 3 13
Snow Hill, 7:30 13
Kinston, Queen Street, 7:30 16
Aurora, 11 20
Pamlico, Bayboro, 3 20
Oriental, 7:30 20
Walstonburg, 11 27
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 27
Ayden, 7:30 27
Marshallburg, 11 3
Morehead Ct., 3 3
Beaufort, 7:30 3
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 11 10
Seven Springs, 3 10
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 10
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 13
Grimesland, 11 17
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 17

January

Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 11 23
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 3 24
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 24
Pink Hill, 11 31
Jones-Trenton, 7:30 31

February

Dover, 11 7

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Bailey, Bailey, 7:30 10
Granville, Union Chapel, 11 13
Vance, Gillburg, 3 13
Henderson, City Road-White Mem., White Mem., 7:30 13
Franklinton, 7:30 16
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 20
Oxford, 7:30 20
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 27
Raleigh, Trinity, 7:30 27

January

Garner-Mt. Zion, 11 3
Benson, Benson, 7:30 3
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 6
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 6
Creedmoor, Banks, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 10
Dunn, Divine St., 7:30 13
Lillington, Lillington, 11 17
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 17
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 24
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 24
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 31
Louisburg, 7:30 31

February

Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 7

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., 218 S. Grace St., Rocky Mount.
FIRST ROUND

December

Rich Square, Woodland, 11 13
Northampton, Jackson, 3 13
Bethel, 7:30 14
Weldon, 11 20
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3 20
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 21
Rosemary, 7:30 22

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Hallsboro, Hallsboro, 11 13
Warsaw-Magnolia, Magnolia, 7:30 13
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 20
Shallotte, Camp, 7:30 20
Richlands, 11 27
Maysville, Lee's, 8:30 27
Jacksonville, 7:30 27

January

Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 11 3
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 3
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 10
Lumberton Ct., Buie, 7:30 10
Lumberton, 11 17
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 17
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 24
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 7:30 24
Tabor City, St. Paul, 11 31
Whiteville, 7:30 31

February

Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 7
Garland, Garland, 7:30 7
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 14
Clinton, 7:30 14
Southport, 11 21
Town Creek, Bethel, 7:30 21
Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 28
Wilmington, Grace, 8 28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

East Flat Rock, Moores Grove, 11 13
Saluda, 3 13
Tryon, night 13
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, night 27

January

Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 17
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 17
Leicester, Leicester, night 17
Central, 11 24
West Asheville, night 24
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 31
Haywood Street, night 31

February

French Broad Ave., 11 7

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Unionville, Union Grove, 11 13
Asbury-Derita, Asbury, 3 13
Marshville, Wingate, 7 13
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stalings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

January

Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 4
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11.....10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

East Bend, 11 13
Yadkinville, 3 13
St. Paul, St. Paul, night 13
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Coulcemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

January

Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December

Belwood, 11 13
Cleveland, Kistler's Union, 3 13
Lafayette St., Shelby, night 13
Boger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Cramerton, night 27

January

Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24
Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February

Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

	December
Stoneville, 11	13
Spray, 3 or 5	13
Draper, 7:30	13
Bethel, 7:30	16
Muir's Chapel, 7:30	16
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 5	19
Leaksville, 11	20
Haw River, Midway, 3	20
Ruffin, 7:30	20

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND

	December
Why Not,, N. H., 7:30	11
Shiloh, Y. C., 7:30	12
Coleridge, Concord, 2	13
West Randolph, Mt. S., 7:30	13
Asheboro First, 7:30	16
Ashebroo Central, 7:30	17
Greer's Chapel, 11	20
Linwood, Bethany, 2	20
Denton Central, Denton, 7:30	20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30	21
Calvary, 7:30	23
Lebanon, 7:30	30
	January
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11	3
Richland, W. E., 2	3
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30	3
Oak View, 7:30	6

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Spindale, 11	13
Mill Spring, Bethlehem, 3	13
Rutherfordton, night	13
Cliffside, 11	20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3	20
Forest City, night	20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11	27
Avondale, night	27
	January
Drexel, Bethel, 11	3
Rutherford College, night	3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11	10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3	10
Morganton, First, night	10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45	17
Valdese, Valdese, 11	17
Oak Forest, night	17

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Salem, 11	13
Friendship, 3	13
Westford, 7:30	13
Landis, 7:30	16
Ann Street, 11	20
Roberta, 3	20
Mount Olivet, 7:30	20
Bethpage, 11	27
	January
East Spencer, 11	3
Woodleaf, 3	3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30	3
Bethel-Boger, 11	10
Harmony, 3	10
Central, Concord, 7:30	10
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30	12
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11	17
Pfeiffer, 3	17
Albemarle, Central, 7:30	17
Mt. Mitchell, 11	24
North Kannapolis, 3	24
Badin-New London, 11	31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Cool Springs-Providence, 11	13
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 2:30	13
Lenoir, First Church, 11	20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30	20
Whitnell, 7:30	20
Hudson-Colliers, 11	27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30	27
Granite Falls, 7:30	27
	January
North Newton, 11	3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30	3
Newton, 7:30	3
Mooresville, Central, 11	10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30	10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30	10
Davidson, 11	17
Davidson, 7:30	17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11	24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30	24
Troutman, 7:30	24
Elmwood, 11	31

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Canton, 11	13
Pigeon Valley, Pine Grove, 7:30	13
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11	20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3	20
	January
Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11	3
Canton, First, 7:30	3
Waynesville, 11	10
Morning Star, 7.30	10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11	17
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 3	17
Junaluska, 7:30	17

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND

	December
Thomasville First, West End, 11	13
Thomasville Ct., 3	13
Trinity, Bethel, 7:30	13
Winston-Salem, First, 11	20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11	27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3	27
Rockford Street, 7:30	27
	January
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11	3
Morris Chapel, 3	3
City Mission, 7:30	3
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11	10
Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 3	10
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 7:30	10
Davidson, Mount Olivet, 11	17
Burkhead, 7:30	17
Pilot Mountain, 11	24
Pinnacle, 3	24
Walnut Cove, St. Mark's, 7:30	24
Lewisville, 11	31
Concord, Sharon, 3	31
Crews, Sedge Garden, 7:30	31

A TRIBUTE

We, the members of the Methodist church, wish to express our deep sense of loss to our church and community in the death of a beloved friend, Miss Lottie Davis, who departed this life on October 28, 1942, at her old home where she had lived since childhood. She was 84 years old.

She was a faithful member of the Marshallburg church for many years, and was a strong co-worker in the church and Sunday school and a regular attendant at all religious services until her health failed. She served her church and community with willingness, faithfulness and efficiency. She was a noble character in the faith of her Lord, firm in all her convictions.

We realize that her place cannot be filled, but we submit to the will of our Father, not our will, but thine be done.

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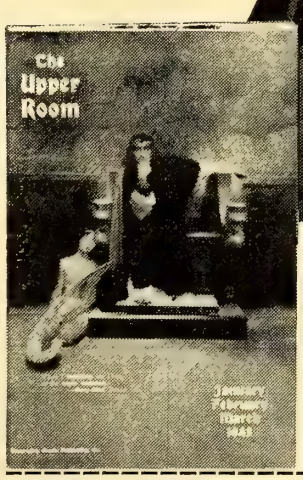
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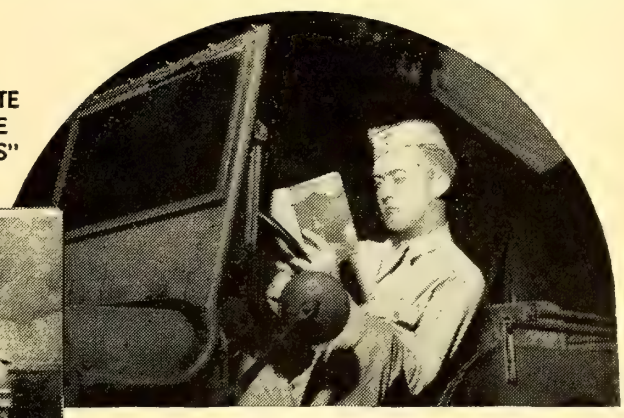
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HORNE — Mentora Jarvis Horne, wife of L. J. Horne, of Farmington, N. C., passed suddenly and unexpectedly to her reward November 18, 1942. The funeral was conducted in the home November 20 by the pastor, J. W. Vestal. Mrs. Horne was a woman of strong personality, devoted Christian character and an abiding faith in God. She, of years read the Advocate with regular-years read the Adovcate with regularity. She kept a well regulated home, in which she lived for and loved an interesting family.

"Another hand is beckoning us,
Another call is given;
And glows once more with angels' steps,
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FOY—Selena Foy was born October 12, 1869, the third of nine children born to Franklin and Laura B. Foy. Endowed with a deep spiritual nature she early united with the church and lived a beautiful Christian life.

For five years it was the writer's happy privilege to be Miss Selena's pastor. It was an inspiration to behold her love the Lord and to feel her deep understanding of the things of the things of the spirit. She was quiet and unassuming in manner yet magnanimous in soul and generous in spirit to a remarkable degree. Indeed the beauty of holiness was stamped upon her person and her life.

The end came peacefully on October 21, 1942, as she visited in the home of her only surviving sister, Mrs. W. A. Kime of Liberty. The funeral was held in the Pollocksville Methodist church, conducted by her pastor and assisted by Rev. J. R. Phipps of the Presbyterian church and Rev. T. R. Woody of the Baptist church. Interment took place in the family burying ground.

H. L. Harris.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Centenary church of the Garland charge, pay loving tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Miss Mary Lou Ward, who was called home to heaven on August 5, 1942. She died in Duke hospital after a short illness.

She was a most faithful member and interested in all society activities, church and community. A great part of her life was spent in nursing the sick. Her sterling character and sunny disposition endeared her to all of her patients as well as to her friends. Therefore be it resolved:

First, That in her death not only our society but the church and community have lost a most exemplary character.

Second, That we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved brothers and sisters, and commend them to Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and a copy sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and a copy be placed in the minutes of the society.

Mrs. Sidney Cromartie,
Mrs. Luther Johnson,
Mrs. Thomas Waters.

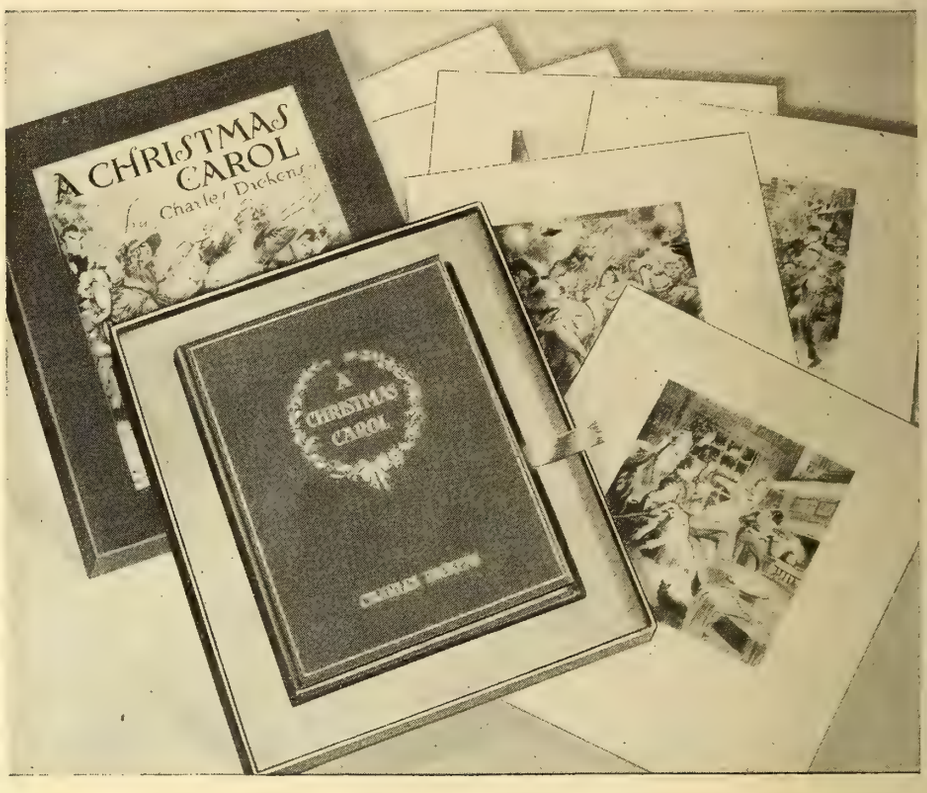
A TRIBUTE

In behalf of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, circle No. 1 of the Nebo Methodist church, I wish to express the deep sense of loss to our service, church and community in the death of one of our beloved members, Mrs. Hester North Stacy, wife of the late T. W. Stacy, on October 25, 1942, at her home in Nebo, N. C.

Mrs. Stacy organized our society many years ago and served as its president for a number of years. She was faithful in attendance until her health failed a few months ago—a willing and helpful co-worker always. She lived a beautiful Christian life, true and loyal to all that was good and fine in life. We shall miss her, but bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father who doeth all things well. We are grateful for the memory of her devoted life.

The society extends heartfelt sympathy to the family. May God's richest blessings be upon them always.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gibbs, Pres.



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The Magic Season

IT IS CHRISTMAS again—the festival of home and childhood. Within the hearts of grown-ups revives the child that used to be, the happy little ghost of dead youth, who laughs at Time's relentless strife and forgets grim mortality.

A strange wistfulness haunts our hearts at this Magic Season. The wistfulness comes partly because we are looking through the lens of memory. It comes chiefly because the sense of wonder is dulled and the sound of the little feet that once pattered through the house of life seems faint and far away.

At Christmas there rises, like a star, the will to believe. We try to recapture our dear, lost illusions. Our hearts join in a song of faith and declare that nothing is too good to be true.

If on Christmas Eve some man of zeal
Should say "Come, see the oxen kneel,"
Through the night with him we'd go,
Hoping, praying, it might be so.

Somehow the Magic Season brings back for a brief hour what once we had failed to appreciate. It relights minds that have come to know the market value of so much and the spiritual value of so little. Ears that have been dulled by the din of things are made sensitive to the rustle of wings. Eyes that have been blinded by the dust of things are opened to the vision of a star.

The Magic Season is the great restorer. It brings back for a little while the tender grace of a day that is dead. It banishes hardness and cynicism by a strange tenderness. It puts angel-song on the air again. That which time has bent and broken becomes strangely straight. A magic hand wipes something from our brows and much from our spirits. The years which the locusts have eaten are restored. The captive heart comes home from Babylon.

The Magic Season blesses our tomorrows. For whether we be near the farther shore or in the midst of the years, days will come when we shall plod on leaden feet and sigh for wings. Nights will come when the star will not shine and when angel-song will be hushed. When such tomorrows come, those who have walked for a little while in the Christmas light, may be able to reach through the encircling gloom and grasp the hand of God.

When we grow weary of life's sound and fury and tired of striving for place and power; when we are bruised by the rough edges of the world and saddened by what we've made of life, then Christmas comes and takes away our cruel scars and makes us children again. At the Magic Season our hearts come home from the far country, where so much of life's substance has been wasted, and we receive the robe and the ring and the welcome of the Father's House. The Magic Season is pledge and token of the final home-coming of our souls from long exile.

To an open house in the evening,
Home shall all men come,
To an older place than Eden,
And a taller town than Rome.
To the end of the way of the wandering star,
To the things that cannot be and that are,
To the place where God was homeless,
And all men are at home.

—Advance.

The Christmas Spirit

By BISHOP EDWIN HOLT HUGHES

One of the significant things about the first Christmas is the way in which its inner meaning has lifted its outer expression to the heights. All the details have been exalted. They have gone out into the vocabularies of the world and have given to the race some of its most sacred phrases.

Bethlehem itself seems to have been neither vast nor significant, from the national standpoint or as a trade center. Yet today it is better known than London or New York.

The stable cave would hardly be called a proper human abode, not to speak of it as a fitting birthplace for the King of Life. Yet it has become the resort of reverent pilgrims, and its unproved geography is one of the world's shrines.

Swaddling clothes, divorced from the holy event, have no place in the catalogues of fashion They stand in contrast with those tiny wardrobes of beauty which we are prone to make ready when little ones are on the way to us from God. Yet threads from the garments that wrapped the child of Mary would be beyond price in the markets of the world.

A manger is not a natural cradle! Could anything seem more difficult to glorify? Still the inner meaning of that first Christmas event does a miraculous thing; it turns that manger into a throne toward which scepters and crowds seem to gravitate by a strange force.

Thus it is that star, wise men, shepherds ,gold, frankincense, myrrh, and indeed every outward thing that had a place in the story of our Saviour's coming, move up into a realm of religious poetry and rapture. Long ago Victor Hugo wrote, "The soul helps the body, and at certain times uplifts it; it is the only bird that sustains its cage." Well, the soul of that first Christmas seized all the body of it and elevated it to the seventh heaven of the believers' admiration and love.

Yet the providence of God, we many think, has prevented an idolatry of place and time. Perhaps the star in the floor of the cave, shown by Bethlehem guides, marks the actual spot of Christ's birth; but no one can be dogmatic about that. Long ago, too, an exhuberant clergyman declared that God selected the rather bleak December as the time of the nativity, because he wished to throw a great light over a forbidding month! But even here God kept his own secret of the calendar. The church has fixed a day and calls it Christmas. It is well. Yet the Lord allows us not to make a date a fetish. Christmas really belongs in the timeless almanac, even as it belongs in the placeless geography. It was ordained that the emphasis should be upon its spirit. Place and time remain in glorious uncertainty; the fact abides in glorious certainty.

Without any question ,the spirit of the holiday is the giving spirit. The wise men established a human precedent that has been abundantly followed. But back of that was the divine precedent, "God so loved that he gave"; and then the visitors in Bethlehem brought unto Christ "gifts," and gradually the example spread to the millions! So always, as the twenty-fifth day of December approaches, there is a contagion of giving. Fathers "puzzle" their heads ovr appropriate tokens for their beloved, or else make their wives, somewhat doubtfully, the agents of their kindness. Mothers plan for weeks their affectionate budget for the great day and crowd the bureaus with their hidden gifts. Little children rush feverishly about the house and anticipate the glad surprise with which their elders will greet the opened packages. So the domestic drama comes to its happy climax at Christmas dawn.

Of course, the holiday has its temptations. Since its spiritual importance creates for it a commercial importance, the season has its perils. There may be such a thing as a trading Christmas, resulting in polite bartering. "We exchange gifts" is bad when the emphasis is on the verb rather than upon the noun! Christmas gifts are tokens, and not bargains! They are to represent us, and not themselves. Long ago Emerson said that the sailor should give a shell, the artist a picture, the writer a poem which means that the gift should be a biography of the heart.

SENATOR BYRD OF VIRGINIA SEEKS INFORMATION THAT THE SECRETARY OF WAR MAY FIND EMBARRASSING

The Associated Press story follows:

Purchase by the War Department of the Stevens Hotel in Chicago was criticized by Senator Byrd, Democrat of Virginia, in a letter to Secretary of War Stimson in which he asked an itemized statement on that and "similar purchases."

Byrd, chairman of a joint congressional committee on reduction of non-essential expenses, asked Stimson to include in his statement the appraised values of such properties.

Commenting that the $6,000,000 paid for the Stevens, which he said had been in financial difficulty, was "very satisfactory to the security holders." Byrd asked Stimson whether it was the purpose of the War Department or the government itself "to engage in the hotel business."

"It seems to me it would be far better to pay a rental for such properties, and you already have the power to commandeer properties of this nature, on a rental basis," the letter, inserted in the congressional record, added.

The Advocate for a Christmas Gift

Most magazines direct their readers' attention to their paper as an appreciated Christmas gift. This Advocate follows the example of other publications and suggests that you send this paper to friends who will appreciate it. For twelve months it will be a weekly reminder of your thoughtfulness.

We send a Christmas card to all new subscribers who receive this paper as a gift and indicate the name of the donor.

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Once more we are allowed in this another holiday season to wish for one and all a merry Christmas. May great joy fill the hearts and homes of the entire Advocate family so widely scattered across the land.

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The home coming festival is with us once more. The boys and girls are home from college and many of the soldier boys back from the camps. Our sympathies are with those whose hearts are at home and in the home land while they are forced to remain on far off shores, separated from the dear old familiar faces and the touch of loving hands. But they are not fully forgotten nor entirely alone. Love knows no bounds.

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Senator Byrd of Virginia in his efforts to reduce spending has become a real benefactor to the American people. After a long struggle he is beginning to get results. We should thank God for such men in public life as Senator Byrd. The same should be said of the leaders in North Carolina who are moving to reduce taxes in the state. Non-essential spending should have the serious attention of patriots in both the state and the national legislative assemblies at this time when one-fourth of the national income goes for taxes.

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The morning papers this week report that in the ABC counties of this state 140,000 had registered for the purchase of liquor. A startling disclosure! Yet we hear Methodist preachers say that it is no use to hold revival meetings any more for no sinners will attend. Be that as it may, we are sure that many preachers in North Carolina should preach crusades against liquor drinking. They should proclaim the gospel of righteousness and temperance and a judgment to come until men tremble because of the fate that awaits this state and nation.

When knighthood was in flower the young knight wore some woman on his heart as he rode forth to do valiant deeds, redressing human wrongs. Fair ladies and gallant knights made the age of chivalry. This spirit makes the crusaders of daring and heroic spirits. Such do we need in both the church and the nation. Standing as we are in the midst of such a world situation crusades should come to the birth.

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Can we begin to visualize the sort of land America would be had we no Christmas carols and all those features that at this season gather about the glee of youth and the hours of happy childhood? Certainly the American home with all the associations gathered about the hearthstone could not be. The world renews its youth and the multitudes that crowd the weary ways of life enjoy a fresh touch of the better way and long once more for the return of childhood's happy hours. In a most real way the world renews its youth on all the byways and highways of life.

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Dr. John C. Glenn's theme last Sunday morning at Duke Memorial church, Durham, was "The Radiant Life." The joy and gladness of that life and the religion of Jesus was presented in a most attractive and encouraging way. But little place did he leave for the grouch, the cynic, the faultfinder or for unfortunate souls who enjoy the gloom and cherish the misery of their religion. It was a most refreshing message gathered about the Christmas festival and the joy of the season. Incidentally, we are much rejoiced to say that Dr. Glenn is getting off to a fine start in his new pastorate. What an opportunity for him at this large and influential church in the city of Durham where so many currents meet. Educators, soldiers, traders, business and professional men jostle each other in its crowded streets.

The Child Enthroned

THE ages waited long for the coming of the Babe of Bethlehem—for this epochal hour in the history of the race. The star, the angel-chorus, the wise men, the gold and the frankincense, the shepherds, the beasts in the stall, the virgin mother in a stable were all highly significant as the manger-throne became the focal point in God's approach to a world that had lain for long centuries in the darkness of ignorance and of sin. A little child becomes the center of redemption's story and the object of man's truest and sincerest adoration. Artist and poet and mystic love to linger at Bethlehem.

Some gather from this scene an assurance of the day when all wisdom and wealth and commerce and labor, as well as the inhabitants of the vast worlds above, will do honor to him to whom the gifts of gold and of frankincense were made by the wise men who worshipped about the manger-throne. God embodied thus enables the race to know the heart of the Eternal. By setting a child in the midst a new world began. The Christ-Child remains the leader in all that is highest and best for humanity.

Innocence, peace, good will, laughter, belong to the heart of childhood. Anyone who will do hurt to a little child is branded as a brute. Peace and quietness, rather than strife and confusion, are the rightful heritage of the child. Then, too, the little child faces the world and begins its wider contacts with faith and a spirit of good will towards all. Fear, ill will, worry, agony are later heritages in life's conflicts. Joy and gladness, with peals of laughter, are as natural to a child as is the song of the bird. Worship about the manger-throne and exaltation of the child at Christmas time enables the world to renew its youth. Blessed are we with this season that gathers so intimately about the family circle and the hearthstone!

The child enthroned is the best guarantee of a genuine and true democracy as is well known. The child of a prince and a pauper will play together and enjoy the glee of unrestrained fellowship and good will. Those many and varied lines of cleavage incident to wealth and to class and clan arise in later life, following the days of childhood, and they are eccentuated by the artificial distinction of adult life. Along with these lines of cleavage come distinctions, divisions, animosities, ill will and the clash and war of clan. Peace and good will then give place to strife and war. Racial antagonisms are not so much a matter of blood as many think. Some of the tenderest memories of the old time southerners were those delightful hours of childhood spent with the little negro children of the household tribe. The racial antagonism existing between black and white is not a heritage of childhood; it comes later.

Jesus set a child in the midst. Were we to put the child in the midst of all our social and industrial life with all that Jesus meant by such, a revaluation would result in the life of the nations, and we would have a democracy that would count for far more than this miserable pretense which we glimpse in our boasted social reforms.

We are content to glory in the angel-choir and to sing of peace and good will among men, but we do little to make real the peace which Jesus left his followers—the peace and good will that deepened all the way from the manger to the cross. In his face were disclosed the Son of God and the son of man. Should we not be able to get a glimpse of the same face in the face of every child?

Merry Christmas to Everybody

AND why not? It is the season that celebrates the birth of the Saviour of the world. We should let joy be unconfined, even if we are in the midst of a world struggle for that freedom and peace which Jesus Christ came to give. For the sword must at times become an instrument in behalf of peace. It becomes us to celebrate the coming of the Christ Child even if there be pious frauds upon the earth who for a pretense make long prayers, while they carry daggers to stab good men in the back and claim it is for the glory of God. Jesus was surrounded by these hypocrites upon whom he pronounced one woe after another. But the wickedness of men about us should not be allowed to mar our Christmas joy. Let wars be forgotten and wicked men also, and let us enter into the Christmas joys with the little children. Along with Phillips Brooks we would sing:

"O, holy child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel!"

Coming of the New World

THE world must breed new kind of men and the church must have ministers with a fresh experience with God if we are to be able to enter successfully in building a new and better world. All thoughtful men are eager for the end of this present war, but they are more concerned about a lasting peace.

Much of our preaching, with its palatable sermons so wanting in the virility of the gospel of Christ, results in a ministry little able to save a wicked world broken and torn by this global war. A trying time awaits us with the peace that is to follow. Ministers will have to wrestle not simply against flesh and blood but against principalities and powers such as Paul never knew in the midst of imperial Rome. Worlds old and new are to be reconstructed. Only God-called and twice-born men will be sufficient to lead the church in such an hour. Men who have lost the vigor of their first vision and the enthusiasm of their early experience must gain a fresh experience convinced that they have in the gospel they preach the making of a new world.

What a day is this for men with a pure and powerful gospel sufficient for the salvation of humanity as they speak "in the name of the Lord of Hosts!" How helpless are they who face a bankrupt humanity without that dominant power which enabled Paul to set his gospel over against the organized militarism of Rome and of other world powers. Such a gospel enables men in the darkness and in the storm to give assurance of escape from the wreck and ruin about them. Girded with fresh experiences and unwavering convictions we may win even in the midst of the chaos and the confusion of the efforts to win a lasting peace.

The Radiance That Cannot Be Lost

THE Christian religion is the most joyful of all the religions of mankind. The radiant face should be the normal face of the Christian, and it is of all those who have learned the true secret of Christian joy. Jesus was not an apostle of gloom. On the contrary, he was a messenger of joy. He loved nature; was a lover of fields, of flowers, of trees, of birds, of lake, of mountains, and that sort of a man never croaks with the frogs. Jesus never took the gladness out of the life of a single individual, but he did put joy daily into the hearts of people.

The Bible, as every careful reader has noted, is a joy-book. There is not a book of pessimism in Holy Writ unless it be parts of Ecclesiastes. That is why it retains its grip upon the hearts of men.

When a professed Christian has lost his radiance he either has a torpid liver, a weak digestion, or he has lost the spirit of his Lord and Master. Paul in a Roman prison wrote: "Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, rejoice."

Do We Appreciate Our Church Paper?

BROTHER E. M. CONOVER, member of the New Jersey conference, a man with whom we are personally acquainted, puts us to thinking along this line by the following letter that reached us this week. Here is what he writes:

"Enclosed please find 10 cents in stamps for an additional copy of the November issue. It contains several very excellent things that I wish to file. Would it be a good idea for you to publish the price of single copies?

"I am deeply appreciative of the excellent news items about the Methodist churches in North Carolina which the North Carolina Advocate gives. Those of us whose conferences have no Methodist weekly suffer a real loss, and so does the church, on account of a lack of adequate news service."

Joy Rings Through All the New Testament

ESPECIALLY true is this in the life of Jesus. At his birth the angels sang and joy rang out over the Judean hills. He began his miracles on the joyful occasion of a marriage feast and at the end with joy could he say, "Father, I have finished the work which thou sendest me to do."

About the manger throne gathered the glad acclaim of the angels in the skies and through all the centuries among the high and low the children gather with gladness on the day of his birth. This is the one occasion of all the Christian year filled with happy childhood and the sound of children's voices. In these last centuries their voices literally ring around the world. The sparkling eyes and beaming faces of happy hearted children make Christmas.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK. IN KEEPING WITH A CUSTOM OF MANY YEARS THIS ADVOCATE WILL NOT APPEAR AGAIN UNTIL DECEMBER 31.

Hardly a week passes when J. W. Moore, pastor of Central church, Mooresville, fails to send in several new subscribers to the Advocate. This week he sends five. Thank you, John.

Rev. J. O. Banks of East Marion is one of the good friends of the Advocate who frequently sends new subscribers and renewals. His last remittance was five new subscribers and a check for $10.

The new telephone directory for Detroit is the largest under cover in the country. The 675,000 copies required 3,800,000 pounds of paper, 58,650 pounds of ink, 49,200 yards of cloth.—Paper Miss.

Distribution of the Western North Carolina Conference Journal has been in process for several days and is expected to be completed this week. Orders for this volume should be sent to the secretary, Rev. E. H. Nease, 328 S. Church St., Salisbury. The Advocate does not have any for sale.

The Western North Carolina conference is fortunate in its statistical secretary, J. G. Winkler of Kings Mountain. But he is equally a good pastor who looks after all the interests of the church. This week he sends in nine new subscribers and a check for sixteen dollars.

The Oxford circuit, J. L. Smith, pastor, reported at the first quarterly conference on December 6 that the acceptance for World Service had been increased 37 per cent and the whole amount had been raised and sent to our conference treasurer in November.—H. I. Glass.

Minister and wife serving large city church are seeking middle aged Christian lady who, in exchange for an agreeable salary and a good home as member of the parsonage family, will share the household duties. Anyone interested please address "Housekeeper," care Editor of N. C. Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C.

Our first quarterly conference for the Northampton charge was held Sunday afternoon with one-fourth of the financial budget for the year paid. The pastor's salary was raised to $2400 and a substantial increase was made in all other items of the budget. Our new district superintendent, Rev. Thomas McM. Grant, made a splendid beginning with us and saw our work off to a good start for this our fourth year with these good people.—W. L. Maness, Pastor.

The members of Trinity Methodist church, Lexington, gave their pastor, Rev. T. G. Smith, an old fashioned pounding last Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were completely surprised when on answering the door bell they saw the large group of people carrying packages of groceries which they deposited in the parsonage pantry. Mr. Smith came to Trinity after serving a church in High Point for several years.

Our people at Norlina gave Rev. T. M. Grant, our new "elder," a hearty welcome Monday night, "Pearl Harbor Day." It was on short notice and a bad rainy night, but 22 official members were present. Though the budget was much increased Zion and Jerusalem churches each paid a full quarter of their entire budget, and though Norlina did not quite do so, it paid more than twice as much as last year at the first quarterly conference on the same date, Pearl Harbor Day. Norlina is looking up. Will make a drive for the Advocate shortly.—W. T. Phipps.

It is impossible to mention all the nice things the people of the Orange circuit have done to make us feel welcome, but we do want to mention a generous pounding from Efland church and a new electric range from the charge. We know we have found a good people here and are looking toward a good year.—E. H. Measamer, Pastor.

Brother H. C. Smith has been quite ill in Highsmith Hospital, Fayetteville, but we are glad to report his condition much improved. . . . Mrs. W. D. Boddie, nee Miss Margaret Smith of New Orleans, La., Mrs. Jack Cooke, nee Miss Ruth Smith of Rodessa, La., and Miss Dorothy Smith, senior at Greensboro College, are in Fayetteville and will remain through the Christmas holidays.—R. E. Brown.

A watch night service will be broadcast over the following radio stations during the evening of December 31: WPTF Raleigh, WGBR Goldsboro, WDNC Durham, WFTC Kinston, WGTC Greenville. The program will include a prayer by Dr. Manning J. Potts of Richmond, a message by Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, and music by the Emory University male quartette. The time of the broadcast will be announced later.—Fred W. Paschall.

The Baptist and Methodist churches of Mill Spring presented a Thanksgiving program the 29th, after which the Baptist and Methodist ministers were presented with a nice pounding. The parsonage and lawn are undergoing a wonderful change in appearance. Some churches are paid up in full, others are not far behind. We are looking forward to a fine quarterly conference at Bethlehem church.—Carl W. Denings, Pastor.

We have been kindly received and generously pounded on the Shepherds charge. On Wednesday night before Thanksgiving 35 members from the Vandenburg church visited the parsonage and each were loaded down with good things to eat and make the preacher and family have a very thankful Thanksgiving. A new wood and coal range has been added to the kitchen and a new rug for the bed room. Plans are being made to paint several of the rooms before Chirstmas. We are pleasantly situated here with these good people and we are looking forward to a good year on the Shepherds charge.—J .Max Brandon, Jr.

A tentative program of welfare work among negroes in North Carolina has been set up for 1943 following a study and survey of the state's negro population by John R. Larkins, consultant on negro work for the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, Mrs. W. T. Bost, state welfare commissioner, announced yesterday. "The state board, through its unit of work among negroes, is attempting to ascertain the social and economic needs of this portion of our population in order to develop an effective, constructive and far-reaching program of social welfare," Larkin stated, in presenting some of the pressing needs of negroes.

A new "jazz age" far worse than the one which followd World War I is "inevitable" in cities unless plans are made early to forestall it. This was the warning today in a report of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union which for many years has been one of the nation's most careful observers of social maladjustments. The period just after the war was marked by inevitable social and spiritual laxity," the report says, "but culmination of a half century of temperance did much to prevent a complete collapse of national morals. The same forces that brought the flapper era of recklessness among women, and gangsters, racketeering and general refusal to obey the law among men, in many large cities, contributed to the sabotage of the Eighteenth amendment.

Motorists suffering as a result of tire and gas rationing will feel a little sympathy for Ben Kirby, printer's devil on The Robesonian. Ben went down below Fairmont Sunday to visit his girl, missed the return bus and had to walk 12 miles back to Lumberton. And it was raining. Ben is still looking a little like an exhausted, half-drowned cat, and some of his fellow workers in the composing room think that in the interest of efficiency it might be well for Ben to get a girl nearer to home.

If the manpower boss has the power to move folks about as needed, from one job to another, can say to this one, "Go serve with the armed forces," to another, "Go work in a munitions plant," and enforce his commands, how come men are allowed to strike in a war-production plant? Soldiers are not allowed to strike. Yet yesterday six departments of the Bethlehem Steel Company plant at Johnstown, Penn., which had been producing plates for warships, were closed by a walkout which C.I.O.P. United Steel workers said was caused by a dispute over interpretation of President Roosevelt's wage-freezing order. It seems that the administration has nursed and petted and coddled big union leaders to the point where it dares not ruffle their feelings by making them observe regulations by which unprivileged classes must gear their lives to the war effort.—The Robesonian.

Pelham Methodist church, on the Ruffin charge, has just been completely paid for. This congregation has built and paid for a $14,000 church in just eighteen months. The Duke Endowment gave $2000, but the remainder came through the generous giving of a relatively small congregation. The Woman's Society of Christian Service raised over $1000 for the cause. The structure is of brick with eight church school class rooms, a modern kitchen and a basement dining room as large as the main auditorium. Before the dedication in the spring the yard is to be landscaped, shrubbery started and walks built. The other two churches on the charge, Ruffin and Hickory Grove, have comparatively new buildings, which proves that this charge has made an outstanding record in regard to church buildings. The present pastor claims no credit for this fine work, but the credit goes to the former pastor, J. W. Fowler, Jr.—Walter Thompson.

Officials of the Durham circuit have voted to spend $550 in parsonage improvement. The work is under way, including new roof, re-painting, working over the floors, and several smaller jobs of repair. The salary has been raised to $2400. The orphanage apportionment has been raised and paid. A ten per cent increase in acceptances on benevolences by some of the churches has been voted. Also new hymn books have been purchased for two of the churches. A goodly sum has been paid on benevolences at this time. Two new members have been added and the pastor and family have received two poundings. Attendance good at all four churches, and the spirit of fellowship and co-operation is most inspiring. These matters were initiated by the people themselves. Mr. Jesse W. Cole is charge lay leader, and has the support of a fine group of officials at each church. No finer people are to be found anywhere.—S. J. Starnes, Pastor.

The members of Trinity Methodist church, Raleigh, not only knows how to build a beautiful new church, but they also know how to make their preacher and his family feel entirely welcome, perfectly at home and mighty good "on the inside." On last Thursday night, December 10, the members of the said church gave a most enjoyable reception in honor of their pastor and his family and the new members who have joined the church since its opening on October 25. A very interesting program of recreation was directed by Mrs. Virginia Alsbrook, and delicious refreshments were served by the ladies of the church under the direction of Mrs. W. I. Wellons. At the close of the reception the pastor was taken by complete surprise when the folding doors to an adjoining room were opened and there piled high on a large table was a pounding that would make any preacher's heart rejoice and mouth water. If you hear anybody say that people in town don't know how to pound a preacher, tell them it "just ain't so."—R. G. Dawson.

THE BEST GIFT

'Tis Christmas Eve, and as I sit alone at twilight,
There comes to me my caravan of dreams
That brings with it the days of other scenes.
Of Christmas times—the joys
Of childish laughter, the scramble of small boys,
As they climbed upon the chairs to hang their stockings in small pairs
Upon the tall old mantle near
The glowing coals which sent their sparkles bright
To lend enchantment to the scene's delight—
Of giggling laughter as they scampered off to bed
To whisper of the many things,
And to speculate in wonder how "Old St. Nick"
Could get so may things down the chimney of brick.

I see again the smiling eyes of brown, of one more tall;
And a fairer one who sat nearby,
As I folded dainty handiwork and laid it gently down
Upon the table, while we sang "O Holy Night"
In voices low, while her fingers white
Softly played the melody with skill which brought delight.

I never hear that song since then without a throb of pain
Which "resembles sorrow only as mist resembles rain."
For the voice is hushed that sang with me—
That song I loved so much,
And the fingers that wrought the melody
Will ne'er again mine touch.

But as I sit this Christmas Eve and dream those old days o'er,
There comes to me one calm sweet thought which comforts more and more—
That thou, O Babe of Bethlehem, in whose heart my loved ones rest,
That thou of all the Christmas joys art the gift supreme—the best.

Mrs. P. M. Rutherford.

HIGH POINT COLLEGE NEWS

Stanley Freedman of High Point College won the situation oratorical contest of the Dixie debating tournament, which is sponsored by Winthrop College each year and was held in Charlotte this year. Freedman, who is a junior at the college, won in the preliminaries over Duke University, University of Alabama, and Mars Hill. Others from High Point College who took part in the debate were Oswald Blatt, Ray Swink, and Joe Helmrieck.

The sixth annual Christmas concert by the High Point College band with Olin R. Blickensdesfer conducting was given Sunday, December 13, at 3 o'clock in the college auditorium. Despite the losses to the armed services, the band is in its best year. By request Blickensdesfer repeated the "Rubinstein Piano Concerto" which he played in the English-Russian concert last May. The band accompaniment was played from the manuscript in the arrangement made by Blickensdesfer for that concert, and Bobbie Williams, student assistant, directed it.

Also featured was the concert trio which has come to be an important part of every college band program. The trio this year is Charlie Noel, John Crowder, and Homer Hasworth.

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET IN HERTFORD

The ministers' wives of Elizabeth City district met for lunch at the district missionary conference held in Hertford December 1.

A delicious lunch was served by the ladies of the church. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. W. N. Vaughan. Mrs. H. L. Hendrix gave the invocation. A beautiful solo was rendered by Mrs. I. S. Richmond.

Nineteen members were present. The new wives were given recognition. We plan to continue parsonage baby life memberships. The president addressed the group on parsonage improvements, suggesting that there be a definite improvement project on each. A committee was appointed to work with lay women on this. The secretary was asked to write a card to ministers' wives who had moved from the district, just to remind them that they were missed.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. We adjourned by joining hands and singing Blest Be the Tie That Binds.

Mrs. W. N. Vaughan, President.
Mrs. J. D. Cranford, Secretary.

EXAMINE BASIC CAUSES OF BOSTON FIRE TRADEGY

The Cocoanut Grove tragedy in Boston November 28, 1942, in which 490 persons lost their lives was not the fault of the illegally employed teen-age boy, who, at an hour it was illegal for him to be working, lit the match to replace an electric light bulb and ignited an inflammable artificial palm tree.

"According to an appraisal of the fire by the American Business Men's Research Foundation, Chicago, the blame lies squarely on the leaglized liquor traffic's complete desregard for every law it pay it to violate. The Foundation's statement continues:

"As the Chicago Tribune editorialized on July 11, 1917: 'If these men (the manufacturers and purveyors of liquor) have not made a practice of committing murder, and arson, it is because these crimes did not seem immediately profitable.' And the late Senator Borah said: 'There never has been a law placed upon the statute books —in reference to liquor that the liquor forces did not undertake to break down, to violate, to undermine and to corrupt the enforcing officers.

"Officers enforcing liquor, employment and other laws in many cities have long winked at tavern violators.

"In Chicago a disinterested inspection of 4,188 taverns in 1938 and 1939 found 4,015 taverns violating certain laws—an average of five laws per tavern. Less than 3 per cent of all taverns were obeying the law. The police could find only one voilation out of ten reported by investigators. Why?

"This flagrant and perpetual violation of law is not due to isolated police and liquor board corruption, disinterest or inefficiency. It is due to the nature of the saloon business.

"To the liquor industry saftey is apparently just another professional reformer's cry."

WHY CHRISTMAS LASTS

"Christmas would never have lasted through the centuries, with its repetition of the same desire so often disappointed, if it had needed a proof of the growing wisdom and righteousness of men. It and its faith survived the Dark Ages when none can have believed that wisdom and righteousness were growing; and, if faith could not survive now, it would be because we had faith in nothing outside ourselves. But this peace on earth, of which we dream on Christmas, is something that we ourselves, as we are, cannot accomplish; and yet, if we cease to dream of it, we should fall into a despairing hatred of ourselves and each other. Christmas is the festival of our finer images of faith, when we try, as it were, to make a breathing space among all the shortcomings of reality and to see ourselves and all the world as we and they would wish to be. . . . The music is very far off, yet it can be clearly heard; and because it is so far off we know that it is not our own music, but sent to our minds by a power as far beyond all our discordant noises as the stars are above the mists. There is an old carol with the burden: "All bells of Paradise, I hear them a-ring"; and this Christmas, more than any other, it is well that we should listen for the bells of Paradise, and not despair because our own seem to ring so forlornly in the night."

The above was written by the London Times on the first Christmas following the outbreak of the World War in 1914. It was eminently fitting then and is equally fitting twenty-eight years later in the midst of the second world war.

LAST RITES OF DR. McCRACKEN

Funeral services for Dr. Cicero McAfee McCracken, 74, well known Fairview physician who died at an Asheville hospital yesterday, were conducted at the Fairview high school auditorium Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Officiating ministers were Rev. W. F. Sinclair, Rev. N. B. Phillips, Rev. James G. K. McClure and Rev. T. A. Groce. Burial followed in the Cane Creek cemetery, where the Biltmore Masonic lodge had charge of graveside rites.

Dr. McCracken, a native of Haywood county, came to Fairview soon after receiving his license and practiced there 45 years.

He was married to Miss Helen Clayton and to that union seven children were born: Mrs. O. E. Croy ,wife of Dr. O. E. Croy, pastor of Linwood charge; Mrs. O. E. Hall, librarian of Greensboro high school; Capt. M. H. McCracken of Fort Jackson; First Lieut. C. H. McCracken of Atlantic City; C. M. McCracken, Jr., of Columbia, S. C.; J. G. McCracken, principal of Elizabeth City high school; and Mrs. C. C. Marr, teacher in Sand Hill high school near Asheville.

Dr. McCracken was a devoted Christian, an enterprising citizen and an active and zealous church member. Although he was not a member of the Methodist church, he was a good Methodist and gave freely of his practice to all the Methodist pastors that were assigned to the Fairview work during his long career, and many of his warmest friendships were made and held in "The Brotherhood of Methodist Ministers." O. E. Croy.

NEW BERN DISTRICT THREE-IN-ONE MEETING

The New Bern district meeting was held in Kinston December 2 at Queen Street Methodist church, with Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent, presiding. This meeting was a three-in-one affair; it included the district set-up meeting, the district missionary institute and the district stewards.

Rev. W. A .Cade of St. Paul church, Goldsboro, gave the morning devotional.

Miss Mildred Hudgins, former missionary to Japan, and present dean of women at Louisburg College, spoke concerning the personal Christian relations of Japan and American Christians both before and after Pearl Harbor.

Dr. A. C. Floyd, also a former missionary to Japan and present professor in Emory University, spoke concerning the Pacific crisis and the part Christianity must play in the post-war world, especially in the Pacific area.

Rev. Leon Russell, district missionary secretary, spoke on the importance of missionary cultivation. He presented the companion mission study books for this year and urged all pastors to use the school of mission method as an effective means of missionary education.

Mrs. Gurney P. Hood and Mrs. Gertie Matthews spoke concerning the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Lunch was served by the women of Queen Street church.

A great part of the afternoon was taken up with group meetings. Mrs. G. E. Hix, president of the ministers' wives, met with them while Brother Russell met with the ministers to discuss matters of importance. The district budget was presented. Among many things discussed was the Methodist Ministers' Credit Union. (Anyone interested in becoming a member, or seeking information concerning a persoal loan, is asked to write to Rev. Robert E. Walston, Grifton, N. C.) Attention was called to the place of the conscientious objector. Our church definitely states that it will support the C. O. These boys have to pay $35 per week to live up to their convictionss, or someone else has to pay it for them. Any person wishing to make a contribution or a pledge to this cause is asked to do so through Rev. C. W. Robbins, Mt. Olive, N. C.

In the afternoon assembly hour the laymen's work was presented. Most of the emphasis was upon the work of Christian education. Rev. R. W. Bradshaw was the main speaker. The district directors of adult, youth and children's work made brief statements concerning their respective fields of work.

Brother J. A. Russell brought the meeting to a close with some inspiring and challenging remarks, which urged his fellow ministers to go back to their fields of labor with a new strength and determination to lead their churches to greater achievements for the kingdom of God.

W. A. Tew, Reporter.

DR. T. D. ELLIS RETIRES AS SECRETARY OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

After 21 years of distinguished service Dr. T. D. Ellis has presented his resignation as executive secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Louisville, Ky., effective December 31, 1942.

The Board of Missions and Church Extension, meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, December 2-6, elected Dr. Walter V. Cropper to succeed Dr. Ellis as executive secretary.

Dr. Cropper is a member of the Kentucky conference, where he has served with distinction as pastor, as district superintendent, and as president of Kentucky Wesleyan College. For 20 years he was treasurer of his conference and during the first two years of the Centenary served as conference missionary secretary. For the last eight years Dr. Cropper has been on the board of managers of the Kentucky Corporation and has held official positions in the board.

Dr. B. P. Murphy of the Texas conference was named assistant secretary. Dr. Murphy has been a member of the staff in the Louisville office for nearly two years and brings to his work exceptional training and fine enthusiasm. He did his undergraduate work at Southern Methodist University and took his doctorate from Yale University where he enjoyed opportunities for work as supply pastor. He did constructive work in Houston, Texas, in developing a strong progressive congregation at University Place church.

The Board of Church Extension, Louisville, Key., is a constitutent corporation in the Section of Church Extension of the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church and does its work under the direction of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension. To it has been allocated as its field of service and responsibility the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictions.

The full board also elected Dr. Cropper and Dr. Murphy secretary and associate secretary in the General Section of Church Extension.

ENCOURAGING WORDS FROM A DEVOTED LAYMAN

It was with great pleasure and satisfaction to the writer to observe your recent re-election as Editor and Business Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, which I take this opportunity to congratulate your host of friends and many subscribers who, I am sure, concur in same.

Under your wise editorial and business management you have given us a paper that your constituents should be justly proud of that does credit to Methodism and second to none in the same field of journalism.

Your contributors are of a high order and the general news of the church and otherwise is most interesting. Last, but not least, your editorials are courageous, clear cut on all issues that have to do with the mental, moral and spiritual progress of your church and the final destiny of man, as well as interesting, instructive and inspiring. Long enough to cover most important subjects and short enough to be attractive.

I wish for you a most successful year and trust you may have many more years of useful life to your church and state. T. C. Ethridge.

MARK HOFFMAN IN CHICAGO

Mark Hoffman, dean of music at Greensboro College, will be heard in piano recital at Kimball Hall (Chicago) Tuesday evening, December 29, at 8:15 under the direction of Bertha Ott.

Mark Hoffman studied piano in Chicago with Rudolph Reuter as well as with Ernest Hutcheson of New York City. He received a bachelor of music degree cum laude from the Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester, N. Y., and a master of arts from New York University, New York City. Mr. Hoffman also had a year's study and concertizing in Germany.

During the eight years he has been in North Carolina he has played 45 concerts in Duke University, Meredith College, University of North Carolina, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, Wilmington, Asheville with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, etc.

LOUISBURG COLLEGE NEWS

Roger White, baritone soloist of the Little Church Around the Corner, New York City, gave the first of the current year's series of college concerts to an audience of guests, faculty and students in the auditorium Friday evening.

The artists's program was enthusiastically received. The numbers were presented in four groups: Italian, Russian, Negro spiritual, and modern American composition. Mrs. O. Y. Yarborough of the music department accompanied.

Miss Virginia Peters, dietician, and Mrs. F. D. Culpepper, nurse, entertained their student helpers at Christmas parties in the college dining hall and at the Culpepper home respectively on Friday evening.

Dr. Walter Patten, president, read Dicken's "A Christmas Carol" Saturday evening in the college auditorium. The story was interpreted by stereopticon slides of quaint Victorian engravings that appeared in an early edition of the story. Afterwards refreshments were served in the social hall.

The past Sunday marked the goal of a perfect attendance, previously set by the men's Sunday school class of the college. The class is taught by V. R. Kilby, dean of men and head of the history department. The class has manifested a growing interest as implied by an increasing attendance in the past Sunday's perfect record.

Scripture readings of the Christmas story were given by Miss Virginia Peyatt, instructor in dramatic arts, in the auditorium Tuesday evening. The selections were interpreted by carols, sung by the college choir, under the direction of I. D. Moon, head of the music department. Immediately afterward the juniors honored the seniors and faculty at a formal party in the social hall.

Mrs. Frank Rose, Louisburg, read from memory at the recent meeting of the dramatic club Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man."

"LOVE THYSELF LAST"

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Love thyself last. Look near, behold thy duty
To those who walk beside thee down life's road;
Make glad their days by little acts of beauty,
And help them bear the burden of earth's load.

Love thyself last. Look for and find the stranger,
Who staggers 'neath his sin and his despair;
God lend a hand, and lead him out of danger,
To heights where he may see the world is fair.

Love thyself last. The vastnesses above thee
Are filled with spirit forces, strong and pure.
And fervently, these faithful friends shall love thee:
Keep thou thy watch o'er others, and endure.

Love thyself last; and oh, such joy shall thrill thee
As never yet to selfish soul was given.
Whate'er thy lot, a perfect peace will fill thee,
And earth shall seem the ante-room of heaven.

Love thyself last, and thou shalt grow in spirit
To see, to hear, to know, to understand.
The messages of the stars, lo, thou shalt hear it.
And all God's joys shall be at thy command.

Swiss Santa Claus and Christmas Celebrations to Be Held As Usual

By MARIE WIDMER

While many Swiss soldiers still are keeping watch at the front children in Swiss rural districts and even in some of the larger cities will enjoy their traditional Santa Claus celebration. In Switzerland it is not the night before Christmas when kindly, ruddy-cheeked Santa makes his rounds, but on December 6, which is the birthday of the first Santa Claus which the world ever knew. He was St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, who in the 11th century gave presents to the poor yearly on that day.

At sequestered Bellwald, in the Upper Valais, Santa Claus doings start immediately after lunch with a gathering of all the school boys on the village square. Every lad carries a good sized cowbell and four boys are garbed in quaint costumes which in long forgotten days were worn to keep away supposedly evil spirits of winter.

"Santa Claus" marches at the head of the procession which stops at every home to collect apples, nuts and cookies. The boys don't confine their calls to their own locality, but also make the round of neighboring communities. When dusk falls the youngsters return to their own village and after supper they proceed under the supervision of grownups to the Borough Hall where the local schoolmaster sees to it that donations received are properly divided.

There are also merry Santa Claus celebrations in the Aegeri Valley, canton of Zug, as well as at Kaltbrunn, in the canton of St. Gall. In the former district the school boys parade with illuminated lanterns and hats, cowbells and a voluminous bag to hold the collections. In the latter region the celebrants are garbed in white trousers and shirts, with herdsmen's fancy belts and suspenders. They, too, ring cowbells and wear home-made, illuminated headgear of elaborate design.

Even Zurich, the largest city in the country, takes keen delight in observing the old Saint's birthday on December 6. In this great metropolitan area a tall Santa Claus, with flowing white beard, and carrying a huge bag on his back, leads a long procession of eager "helpers," mostly from 13-15 years old. These assistants wear long white nightshirts, huge cardboard masks and illuminated



Santa Claus and his helpers at Zurich, Switzerland.

head-dress fashioned by themselves under the guidance of their teachers. Equipped with horns and bells the boys exercise quite a pied-piper spell upon the inhabitants. Thousands of eager spectators, both young and old, line the streets wherever the merry parade goes, and simple Santa Claus gifts are generously contributed by friends of youth. Many a home is afterwards visited by the Zurich Santa Claus and his helpers, and all obedient children receive their share of presents. Naughty chil-



Christmas at Kuhmatt in the Loetschen Valley, Switzerland.—Photo A. Klopfenstein.



In the picturesque Upper Valais, Switzerland, even the tiniest boys march along in the Santa Claus procession on December 6. Object of the celebration is to collect small gifts, which are pooled together and divided in the evening under the supervision of the teacher.

dren, however, are sternly reprimanded and in urgent cases a switch, made by Santa himself from twigs of birch, is left with the parents of the little culprits.

The Christkindli, a beautiful angel, commemorating the birth of the Christ Child, is the bringer of Christmas joy and gifts in Switzerland on the eve before Christmas. This fairy spirit is said to be traveling on a magnificent, reindeer-drawn sleigh, heavily laden with trees and tantalizing packages. Presently, in every home of the land, families will gather around their fragrant, sparkling trees, and they will sing the beautiful carols of olden days and read the Bible's glad tidings of the Nativity.

With some 200,000 soldiers still keeping vigil at the front Christmas 1942 will find many men folk of military age missing in Swiss homes. But the defenders of Swiss neutrality won't be forgotten. A nationally collected Christmas fund will, same as in previous war years, provide for special holiday treats, as well as for useful gifts among needy men.

At no time of the year is Switzerland lovelier than it is during the Christmas season. It is a symphony in white with a sapphire sky stretching over regal mountains and sparkling snowfields. In spite of these critical times, when there will be no foreign visitors to enjoy Swiss winter splendor and its accompanying gala of snow and ice sports, the Swiss people themselves are determined to keep fit by means of these priceless gifts from Nature.

WHEN JESUS CAME TO EARTH

In those days a dictator bestrode the earth. A gauleiter ruled in Palestine, and his vengeance did not spare the children of Bethlehem. There was a gallows, a cross, upon every hill. The tyrant's soldiers were everywhere, listening at the windows and in the market place. The might of Rome overshadowed everything. Herod was called "the Great." Then, one night, the angels sang, Glory to God in the highest, and peace to the men of good will in whom He dwells. And this shall be the sign of your hope: ye shall find a Babe. They said, Caesar and his hosts cannot save man from his enemies. The way of life is by another road; and a little Child shall lead.

"And it was so. Caesar's empire is shattered. Herod, the Great,' is scarcely a memory. But the Child lives, and no one can keep Him out of the hearts of men.

"Tonight, as my comrade and I journeyed through the snow, the windows in the village were alight with the Christmas candles. And my heart said to me: 'These are the lights of God. The great beacons have gone out. Whoever would bring light to the world must begin with a candle.'

"God has forsaken the empires, as he is always forsaking the places of pride and power. God is with the humble and the meek, where the candles are. Wherever families gather around the candle of home, and draw close in love and service, and remember how much they mean to one another, there is Immanuel, God with us. Wherever men assemble in churches and light their candles upon the altar, and know themselves made one with mankind across all boundaries of nation, race and clan, there is Immanuel, God with us. Wherever a door is opened in pity and compassion, even though it be only the door of a cattle-shed, there is Immanuel, God with us. Wherever there are children, uncorrupted by suspicion and hatred, there is Immanuel, God with us, ready to make the world anew. The great lights have failed. The way of the future will be lighted for humanity by the Christmas candles."—Advance.

I AM THE RURAL CHURCH

Doris Clore Demaree, in Baptist Leader

I am the Rural Church:

I serve the country folk with feet upon the sod,
Who, living thus, are living near to God.
For who can watch the deadlike seed take root
And grow and flower and bring forth fruit,
Who can view the acorn small, then see the oak tree tower,
And not realize there is a greater, higher Power?

I am the Rural Church:

My folk may have little of silver and gold,
But Creativeness is bred within my fold;
From their want Inventiveness is fed;
From their need the wherewithal for bread.
Here leaders grow, folk really live.
From their own lack they learn to give.

I am the Rural Church:

I boast no stained-glass window, cushioned pew,
I am no stately edifice for all to view,
But here come father, mother, children, all,
To learn the simple life of Jesus,
To tread the path that Jesus trod,
To sing, to pray, to worship God.

"ATTEND TO YOUR READING"

1 Timothy 4:13

By E. G. Homrighausen

The admonition to "attend to your Scripture reading" comes at an opportune moment. The church is thereby recalled to its primary task; namely, of repentant listening to God's revelation of himself, so that what the church does and says may not be of itself, but of God. Therefore, one of the most urgent tasks of the church at the present time is to overcome spiritual illiteracy, and to develop an intelligent and creative membership that is filled with a faith capable of giving a reason for its existence, and of being a power in our time. Such a faith must be more than intellectual; it must be deeply rooted in life through commitment, prayer, and continuous faith. When Christianity lacks vital knowledge of the basic truth that gave it birth and has sustained it through the centuries, it becomes impotent, disunited and irrelevant. No current human opinion, however, worthy, must take precedence over the divine opinion expressed in the Word of God. The "form of godliness" which lacks vitality has little power to meet the storm and strain of modern life.

Spiritual illiteracy concerning the resources of the Christian faith is widespread. Some people do not read the Bible because they are too busy; others do not read it because they do not understand it or get anything out of it. Some have never been instructed in its proper use; others have had forbidding introductions to it. Some do not read the Bible because they feel it has nothing of value to impart to an educated man. Modern education takes little account of the Bible, and thereby gives the impression to the student that it has no central place in life's educational process. Often, modern man is so interested in his present world, in his psychological reactions and experiences, that truth and authority outside himself have been thought of no importance.

Timothy, my son, attend to your reading. For here is where God speaks to you. Here are the words that have built the church and have guided it through days of tempting triumph and nights of tragic defeat. Here are the words that guide men to freedom—the freedom with which Christ makes men free. Here are the words that belong to yesterday, today, and forever. Lay them up in your heart that you may not sin against God. Here are words that dignify your fellow man before your eyes and tell you how to live with him. Read these words, Timothy, with a prayer in your heart that you may hear them aright, and that you may not be a hearer only, but a doer of them. God speaks to you in this book, my son. Attend to your reading.

REV. J. C. GENTRY NEVER RESTS

One of the faithful Methodist pastors who are constantly on the job is Rev. J. C. Gentry of Advance. Every week or two he sends in a list of new subscribers in his task to put the Advocate in every home. This week with a fine list and check to cover the amount he adds the following note:

"We have been kindly received on the Advance charge. The brethren have begun to provide the material necessities of the parsonage by generous poundings and meeting their church assessments each month. We are happy to be situated among so fine a people. It is our happy lot to move forward in the building of His church on the Advance charge."

NOTES OF ACTIVITIES AT GREENSBORO COLLEGE

Christmas activities at Greensboro College set the spirit for the season Saturday, at which time the Y.W.C.A. of the college sponsored a Christmas party for some of the less fortunate children of the city. Twenty-five children were present at the party Saturday afternoon. Santa Claus was present with numerous gifts of toys and clothing and stockings full of nuts and candies.

Elizabeth Apthrop McFadden's adaptation of Raymond M. Alden's Christmas narrative, "Why the Chimes Rang," was presented by the department of speech and dramatic art, music and art, in Odell Memorial auditorium Monday night, December 14.

J. B. Ivey, prominent business man of Charlotte and well known North Carolinian, showed colored motion pictures and spoke to Greensboro College students Wednesday, December 9, at their fellowship hour held in the Lucy H. Robertson room at 7 o'clock. Mr. Ivey, who arrived in Greensboro especially for this occasion, showed the students colored pictures of scenes at Lake Junaluska, scenic views of Canada, and pictures of May Day at Queens College, Charlotte. Miss Nell Webb, president of the Y. W. C. A., presided and Dr. Gobbel introduced the speaker.

The traditional Christmas dinner was held in the college dining room, followed by a white Christmas service in the new social center in Main building, Tuesday night before the students began their holidays at 11 Wednesday morning.

President Gobbel has officially received six war bonds which have been given to Greensboro College by the classes and the societies of the school.

New members of the senior honor society at Greensboro College have been elected for this year. The students are: Misses Dorothy Evans, Lexington; Jane Moore, Greensboro; Rebecca Whitener, Greensboro; Elva Grace Avett, Greensboro; Trudy Enzer, Vineland, N. J.; Frances Thompson, Greensboro. Miss Bettie Prosser of Greensboro is president of the organization.

Dr. Raymond A. Smith, head of the department of religion, preached Sunday morning at Hay Street church, Fayetteville, and Sunday night at the 7:30 service at the First church, Siler City.

The college school of music presented Miss Carol Snider of Robbinsvile, a senior B.M. in music education, in her senior piano recital Friday, December 11, at 7:30 o'clock in Odell Memorial auditorium.

BISHOP EDWIN H. HUGHES HOLDS CONGRESSMEN RESPONSIBLE FOR DEATHS

In an address vigorously condemning legalized liquor, Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of Washington, senior bishop of Methodism, reported that arrests for drunken driving in Washington have increased 62 per cent since liquor was legalized. Said he: "Enough people have been killed by these drunken drivers to sprinkle with blood every senator and congressman who voted for the repeal of prohibition."

A GOLDEN WEDDING

1892 1942

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson Harriss
request the pleasure of your company
at their
Fiftieth Marriage Anniversary
on Tuesday afternoon, the twenty-ninth of December
from three-thirty until six-thirty o'clock
at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Elridge Taylor
Conway, North Carolina

Charles Jackson Harriss Mary Ella Morse

MILLIONS IN CHINA IN SORE NEED

Perhaps there are some who do not realize how great is the need, especially in China, at this time.

Even in normal times many of the Chinese are desperately poor. This is due largely to the dense population of some areas; also to poor government and irregular rainfall. Hence the people are badly underfed. Great numbers of them go to bed hungry every night. In Shuntung Province, about the size of an average state, there are 35,000,000. I have seen children there fighting for leaves falling from the trees. Every weed, sprig of grass, and even the grass roots, are dug up to cook their little bit of millet, corn gruel or black, tasteless "Kaolang" (a kind of coarse millet). The average meal of residents of America would be considered a feast in China. Those living here even in prison camps, penitentiaries and reformatories fare as well as many well-to-do in China, even in normal times. You people, the most blessed of all the earth, live as kings and queens. Your homes are really small palaces. The contrast is indeed striking. And when Christians in China give to the Lord's work —and they contribute liberally considering their circumstanes—it usually means that they must eat just that much less.

But now in this time of distress, when Japan has brought upon the Chinese such privation and suffering as the world has never known, some forty or fifty million being driven from their homes, farms and places of business by ruthlessness and cruelty unsurpassed, the suffering of these people, our closest allies next to the British, are in dire distress. They love, esteem and respect us Americans as they do no others. Our interest and care in the past through missionaries, whom they informed, educated people respect and appreciate so much, have caused the Chinese to look to us now as to no others for help. And truly, if you will look at your world map, or allow the condition prevailing in other lands to pass through your mind, where else then in all the world is there a people able or capable of extending the needed relief? Certainly then we residents of the most prosperous nation having freely received, should freely give.

Let churches that have not made a contribution to this work, also those which desire to take an additional collection, be reminded that the Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Va., and other mission boards will gladly furnish attractive folders on relief in China and especially prepared envelopes for collections. Again let us remember that the American people in general were never before so interested in China. Even civic clubs to which the claims of relief are presented respond liberally. Maybe some who read these lines will be glad to bring this matter to their attention, for they need only to be reminded of this worthy cause.

The money can now so easily and quickly be sent to Free (interior) China, mission boards having perfected plans by which the money is radioed from out in Free China. Southern Baptists still have seventeen workers there, and so do most denominations.—Christian Index.

IF THE FLAG COULD SPEAK

Beneath my folds soldiers have fought in defense of their passion for liberty, and under the inspiration of my symbolism statesmen have built a republic dedicated to the ideal of the sovereign rights of free citizens. I have seen the growth of a modest system of public schools, seeking to offer a fair start in life to every boy and girl. I have encouraged the scientist in his search for truth, the mechant in his contribution to human wealth, and the laborer in his toil to provide for human comfort. For a century and a half the sons and daughters of Europe an Asia have looked upon me as the emblem of hope and opportunity.

But with all that glorious history there are moments when the breezes cease to blow and I must droop in shame at the knoweledge that in the great land I represent the bodies and spirits of little children are being broken in mines, factories, and mills; that corruption has found its way even into the municipal halls of great cities; that in the hearts of some citizens sheltered by me there abides a spirit of hate for fellowmen; that I have not been permitted to play a part of large usefulness in the work of benefitting all mankind, regardless of nation, creed, or color.

What of my future? It rests with my sovereign citizens, and in them I place my trust, that the day may come when I shall wave over a million schoolhouses, all providing equal opportunities for the guided growth of childhood; over federal institutions, in which there will abide a genuine concern for the safety and prosperity of the whole world; over factories where the rights of mankind will be upheld; over halls of business, dedicated to unselfishness; and over churches truly consecrated to the loftiest ideals of Christian brotherhood!—Selden Carlyle Adams.

COACH CARL VOYLES RINGS THE BELL

Garrard S. Ramsey of William and Mary has been named on the associated Press All-American team. The Indians this year won the Southern Conference football championship, So Carl Voyles, the hard-bitten, beetle-browed William and Mary coach, has done his job.

He went to William and Mary in 1939. The Indians at the time were not even a top flight Virginia team. Voyles started from scratch. It took him just four years to win the league flag and turn out an All-American. The achievement, in the matter of rapidity, almost equalled that of famed Wallace Wade at Duke for whom Voyles worked as an assistant coach before he became the head man at the Virginia institution.

It took Wade just three years to build a conference championship team at Duke. Wade went to Duke in 1931, started from the bottom, as Voyles did at William and Mary, and in 1933 he led his Blue Devils to the league flag. Wade also was just three years in turning out an All-American at Duke. Freddie Crawford, a tackle, was named to the honor in 1933.—Jake Wade, in Charlotte Observer.

WHEN THE LIGHTS COME ON AGAIN

How dark it is!
Ten thousand cities of the earth
Stand in night's gloom; their mirth and song
Sound muffled, forced, of little worth;
The roar of planes, the crash of wrong
Drown out all this!
Millions pray amid the din,
Waiting for the lights again.

It is black night,
In many homes that once were free;
Now anxious hearts beat in the dark,
Where vacant chairs stand wonderingly,
And silent tears the hours mark,
In dragging flight.
Will our boys be with us then,
When the lights come on again?

There'll be glad smiles
On every face, and hearts will thrill;
The world will ring with melody,
With freedom living still;
We'll wiser be and clearer see,
From our past trials.
But we'll have a peace to win,
When the lights come on again.

Old lights and new
Will flash from homes and streets and hills.
Like bursts of sunshine after rain;
More lights of earth the future wills
To make all roads and pathways plain;
But shall men, too,
Seek the heavenly truth within,
When their lights come on again?

—John Cline.

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CHRISTMAS

C is for the Christ Child's coming!
H and R—His righteousness,
I—His loving intercession
At the throne, all life to bless;
S—Significant of Service;
He traveled the road to Jericho.
T—Travail on Calvary;
M Its meaning, He loved us so!
That for our sin was His atonement,
S—Salvation, full and free,
Gift of life by Heaven sent,
Christmas comes to you and me!

—Mrs. Ethel L. Kitchell, in "Travel the Jericho Road."

The following little poem is from the pen of Mrs. Edith Deaderick Erskine (Mrs. J. V. Erskine) of Weaverville, N. C.:

THERE STILL IS PEACE

Today there is a peace
Beyond the battle lines
That when these wars shall cease
Must wave aloft its signs
As conquering flags unfurl.
Good will can never die
Though through the sorrowing world
Its breath be but a sigh.

Greetings of the season for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for each of our readers!

GREETINGS FROM WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST WOMEN

"Somewhere there is which abhors a wall." Yet in an age of its greatest physical unity our planet is divided and subdivided by walls, fences and partitions. Attempts to force these barriers in the interests of certain classes, colors, or factions, is drenching the world in woe. Is there no way of removing walls save by crimes against humanity? Is there no concord in all this mad disunity?

There is indeed. In the world around are hosts whose allegiance to the Prince of Peace overleaps barriers of race and nation. Member units of the World Federation sense their unity in Him though their voices may be stilled and their pens broken. One such in an enemy country writes: "The upper air has become a danger zone. But above the drone of war planes we can hear the angels' song, 'Peace on earth, good will to men.' Can you not hear us, as through our tears we wish you a happy Christmas?" — Mrs. Thomas Nicholson, President W.F.M.W.

"The first Christmas message, one of promise and prophecy, was 'Peace on earth.' This came from the yearning heart of the Father, announcing his gift to the children of earth. This message of good will among men is dependent upon us for fulfillment, as we organize to go, send, and tell the good news that peace is possible, that love, brotherhood, safety—the good of ALL —may take the place of world chaos. Loving greetings to the World Federation of Methodist Women and prayers that your efforts to help bring about a 'new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness' may be strengthened, that the peace of God may dwell in your hearts and that the promise and prophecy of peace may be fulfilled in all lands."

Mrs. J. W. Mills,
Chairman Standing Committee, World Federation of Methodist Women, of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.

GREAT MEETING IN CLEVELAND, OHIO

A personal note from Mrs. Charles C. Weaver, our conference president, who has been in Cleveland, Ohio, attending the meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, of which she is a member, brings us news of a great meeting, notwithstanding the thermometer was 8 above zero one day and snow covered the ground other days. Mrs. Weaver says: "I hope to share with our women from time to time many of the things that have been brought before us here," and we shall look forward to having this information from our conference leader.

An attractive program of the Service of Commission for newly appointed missionaries and deaconesses held in the Epworth-Euclid Methodist church on Sunday, December 6, is highly interesting. This meeting was presided over by Bishop Robert E. Jones of the Columbus area, assisted by Bishop H. Lester Smith of the Cincinnati area; Dr. Oscar T. Olson, pastor of Epworth-Euclid church, and Dr. Earl E. Brown, superintendent of the Cleveland district.

An address by Bishop James C. Baker of the California area, featured the day's program, his subject, "And So We Tell the Gospel." The presentation of the missionaries and deaconesses to be commissioned was made by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, for the Woman's Division of Christian Service, and Bishop W. W. Peele, for the Division of Foreign Missions, with the Commission of Service led by Bishop Arthur J. Moore, president of the Board of Missions and Church Extansion. The special hymns used in this program were: The processional hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory," by Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick; the hymn of preparation, "With Thee Our Master and Our Lord" by Dr. Frank Mason North; and the recessional hymn, "Lead On, O King Eternal," and an inspirational offertory "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" by F. F. Harker.

There were nine missionaries and deaconesses presented by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, seven for the department of work in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic. Two for the department of work in foreign fields in Brazil. Nine were also presented by the division of foreign missions for the work in Africa, India, Bolivia, China and Peru.

NOWHERE BUT AMERICA

Under the above title the World Outlook of December carries an interesting account of a Suki-yaki dinner held in the Japanese Methodist Mission in Mesa, Arizona, to mark the completion of a Red Cross first aid class. Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Stewart, veteran missionaries to Japan, from the W. N. C. conference, are stationed now in Mesa and sponsored the dinner of farewell to the instructors of the class, one of whom was of American Indian descent. Prepared over the open fire by native Japanese and served in Japanese style, the feast was enjoyed by Caucasians and Japanese. The Japanese mission, now served by Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, has been on the "free side" of Zone B. Most of the Japnese are farmers and vegetable growers and are scattered over a wide area. The homes are now used for meeting places since the people are restricted and not allowed to cross the zone lines. They visit Buddhists and Christians alike, helping in all possible ways in hearings in Phoenix and assisting the F. B. I. in investigations. They plan to supervise studies in elementary and high school who, because they live "on the wrong side of the tracks," are not able to attend school.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE BY SOLDIERS RISES TO 3,638,060

Church attendance in the army during August totalled 3,638,060, the War Department announces. Sixty-six reports from outlying garrisons have not yet reached the Office, Chief of Chaplains. No numerical compensations have been made for these.

There were 62,911 services held, a large proportion of which were outdoors. On many occasions soldiers of units which man gun positions in outlying areas are unable to come to the church. When that happens a chaplain brings the church service to the soldiers.

Sacraments were given on 42,219 occasions to 431,069 participants. Chaplains officiated at 3,851 marriages and baptized 758 infants.

Hospital and guardhouse visits numbered 48,646. There were 222,032 Testaments and Bibles distributed. Chaplains heard 1,356 professions of religion, including adult baptism.

On military reservations 3,150,880 persons consulted with army chaplains on military matters of pastoral nature.

Off the post chaplains, as representatives of the religious community within the army, often co-operate with civilian church groups. During August, chaplains took part in civil community activities on 12,016 occasions in which 1,246,658 people took part.

Nothing is hard to a willing mind. —Erasmus.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

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THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS

Two thousand years ago, as today, the world was topsy-turvy with unsettled conditions, wars, hunger, want, disease, death, luxury, pleasure, lust and greed. Discord and strife ran riot and eveyone prayed for peace and prosperity, just as we do now. The answer then, as now, is the message of Jesus, "Peace, love, good will to all." Christians accept Jesus of Nazareth as the promised Messiah, the Christ. Jews still await the Messianic period of universal peace. Yet, this beautiful ideal can only be fully realized when Christians, Jews and all other peoples of the earth, regardless of creed, color, race and clime will follow the simple doctrines taught by the Nazarine 2000 years ago: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass againt us. Love thy neighbor as thyself." Only such a code of conduct can bring "Peace on earth, good will to men."

SOME OBJECTIVES

On the cover page of the November 12 issue of the North Carolina Christian Advocate was published fourteen conference objectives for 1942-43. All of them are of special significance; however, at least four are particularly appealing to the women as they serve through the channel of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, These four include: "Continued interest in the welfare of the Methodist Orphanage; enlisting of every Methodist woman in effective service in the W. S. C. S.; larger circulation of the N. C. Christian Advocate and the general Christian Advocate; unremitting opposition to the liquor traffic, both legal and illegal." All of these causes are worthy and the promtion of them is a challenge to every Methodist within the bounds of the N. C. conference. The women shall not fail in their portion of the work.

THE SEVEN KEYS TO PROGRESS

Those who have attended the district set-up meetings in our respective districts or who have read the December issue of The Methodist Woman have already learned with interest of "The Seven Keys to Progress," which are to be used as an efficiency aim standard for the W. S. C. S. in 1943. For those who have not learned of these seven magic keys we publish their symbolism here: 1, Master key (spiritual life); 2, key to the bookcase (programs, literature and magazines, study courses); 3, key to the home (increasing memberships through visitation); 4, key to the community (Christian social relations (activities growing out of study); 5, key to the bank (increased giving through stewardship education); 6, key to the school room (young people's and children's work;) 7, key to the alarm box (supplies, reports). A poster for the purpose of visualizing these activities, together with a leaflet of methods and suggestions on how to use the keys will be sent to each society. A "Keeper of the Keys" for 1943 should be appointed in each society and she should be given time at each monthly meeting to report on the progress that the society is making in attaining the seven keys. Open the doors for service in 1943 with these seven keys to progress.

LIQUOR EVIL MUST BE FOUGHT

Speaking to a large assemblage gathered at the annual conference of the North Carolina Woman's Christian Temperance Union in session in Dilworth Methodist church, Charlotte, recently, Bishop Clare Purcell made some telling and challenging declarations when he stated: "It is the responsibility of Christians to expose at all times the real situation in regard to liquor conditions. We as a church can not afford to surrender this fight even though we think that we have done our best and lost." Quoting a late Baptist minister Bishop Purcell said: "We are camping on the trail of the liquor traffic and our camp fires shall never go out until we have stamped out the liquor traffic." Continuing, Bishop Purcell declared: "The trouble with a lot of good people is that they are simply doing nothing about it."

MISSIONARY RALLY

The Woman's Societies of Christian Service of the five churches on West Halifax charge met at Ringwood church on November 29 for a missionary rally. An inspirational address upon the subject, "Jesus, the Light of the World," delivered by Mrs. Fred L. Johnson of Conway, Rocky Mount district secretary, and a forum hour were chief features of the meeting. Rev. C. B. Peacock, pastor, led the opening worship. Mrs. N. B. Whitley and Miss Willie Pritchard led the prayers. Churches of West Halifax charge in addition to Ringwood include: Bethesda, Eden, Hollister, Union.

RECONCILIATION MINISTRIES

Among the missionaries of the foreign department of the Woman's Division of Christian Service there are now 15 women giving full time under board direction to the reconciliation ministry to the Japanese and Japanese-Americans in this country, and five serving under government direction on the staffs of the relocation projects. Seven families of the foreign division are in the service under board direction. Further details of the work are given in the last Japan News letter which may be had upon request. . . . It is a testimony to the broad sympathy of Professor and Mrs. T. E. Breece, formerly of Yenching University, Peking, that they have volunteered for educational service on the staff of Tule Lake, California, where they are now living. The Breeces are housed in the same kind of barracks as are occupied by the Japanese. The rooms are small, with no furnishings but army cots. Food is good. As to outside conditions he writes: "It is flat as a pancake with not a tree, but plenty of dust. The temperature ranges from broiling in the summer to 15 below in the winter. However, we are not seeking a pleasant home but useful work." He finds that instead of his Chinese experience being a handicap the Japanese seem to give him a special welcome because he is a missionary. The opportunities already afforded for personal, social and religious contacts are more than he and his wife can meet.—From Missionary News Letter.

EVANGELISTIC MINISTRY

The home mission agencies of The Methodist Church maintain and help to maintain the evangelistic ministry of the church among many groups: 80 churches with 5000 members among Orientals; 154 churches with 9300 members among Latin Americans in the Southwest; five churches with 600 members among Cubans in Florida; 78 churches with 3500 members among American Indians; 233 churches with 12,700 members in Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico; 296 negro ministers; 116 foreign-speaking pastors; 135 deaconesses and women evangelistic workers; 1400 missionary pastors in rural and industrial areas; one chaplain in a leper colony.—From Global Gospel.

A LAST CHAT

"The last Sunday evening I was in Japan," writes Selma R. Bergner, missionary to Japan for the Lutheran Church, "some of the dormitory students came over to my study for a 'last chat,' as they expressed it. During the course of our conversation one of the students said that the girls of her class had been talking about the matter of foreign teachers leaving the college. 'Of course we are very sad that you teachers must leave, for we have had such happy times together. Why, we never thought of you as an American—or even as a teacher; we always thought of you as our friend.' Another student continued: 'You know, Sensei, as much as we hate to see all of you leave our country and return to your own for the present, we feel that at this particular time you can help us more in your own country than you can right here. You can go about telling your friends about us and about the Japanese people whom you know. You can also tell them that we are praying for them.' With tears in her eyes she looked at me and said, 'And won't you ask them to pray for us, please?' "—From Christian World.

It is not when I am going to meet him, but when I am just turning away and leaving him, that I discover that God is.—Thoreau.

So grows our love of wealth as grows the wealth itself.—Latin.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

Owned and maintained by the W.N.C. Conference. A home for the homeless.

THINGS DO HAPPEN

Since before day this morning things have been happening in such fashion as to pile upon one another. Many Monday morning family details have had to be evaluated. A number of requests from outside friends relative to the addresses of some of our boys in armed service have been supplied for the purpose of getting some Christmas cakes rolling to them. Packages are coming in and packages are going out. The children are in their last week of school and are requesting arrangement for various features connected with Christmas celebrations. All arrangements for over town hair cutting have had to be attended to, thus escaping the Christmas rush the latter part of this week and next. Things are happening. This is not a good time for writing a letter; it is a good time for attending to details.

PEOPLE HAVE HEARTS

This is a mighty good time for the leaders in our various congregations to emphasize the Children's Home appeal. Many of our people want to do something very noteworthy for their orphans. They may not be so much interested in reaching an apportionment mark, but they are interested in supplying the needs of parentless children. A properly directed appeal will reach an apportionment mark without having to call attention to it. An unusually large number of friends are sending in special contributions of a personal nature. This is a good time to properly motivate an inherent desire for helpfulness.

HE SAID TO HIM

A prominent business man who knows much about the work of the Children's Home said a good word to another prominent business man in another area of our conference, and, as a result, that business man has just forwarded $2,200 to us on condition that we mark it "anonymous." Just think what $2,200 can do for our family! The Children's Home, one of the youngest of North Carolina's child caring institutions, has come forward so very satisfactorily because of the good words that have been said for it. Properly launched and wisely directed, after a bad start, our Children's Home has come along in a great way. There is no indication of any let up in the proper handling of our friend's money. Let the good words continue to be spoken and the good deeds will continue to accumulate.

THE WADESBORO WAY

Two checks have just been received from Wadesboro, one for $200 covering the fifth Sunday offering and one for $360 covering the ten per cent apportionment. When the Wadesboro people raised their pastor's salary $600 they raised all other apportionments along with it. That's the Wadesboro way. Tom Little, superintendent of the church school, writes: "On our church school program last fifth Sunday one of the primary children said, 'On this great day make yourselves happy by giving something away.' This check for $200 is just a reminder that we are vitally interested in the great service the Children's Home is rendering."

Relative to the other check Rev. C. P. Bowles writes: "The good people of Wadesboro have come through again for the institution that is dear to their hearts. I am enclosing check for $360 covering our basal apportionment. You will notice that it is for $60 more than last year. It is a delight to serve these people and I am beginning a most happy year's work. Tom Little, George Craig and F. J. Cloud did a grand job in raising a big fifth Sunday offering."

THE BELL RINGERS

The following charges have rung the bell during the past week. They have raised their basal apportionment and some of them have raised both the basal and supplementary apportionments. When they got started they just kept going. The money they send in will be wisely used, certainly not foolishly spent. We have learned how to save. Join us in grateful thanks to the past week's bell ringers:

Gibsonville, Rev. R. A. Hunter.

Grace, Grace-Rhodhiss, Rev. J. Max Brandon, Sr.

Palm Tree, Fallston circuit, Rev. J. W. Clay.

Snow Creek, Fairmont and Moss Chapel, Olin circuit, Rev. D. T. Huss.

Bethany, Flat Rock circuit, Rev. E. P. Hamilton.

First church, Wadesboro, Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr.

Mt. Harmony, Connelly Springs circuiut, Rev. G. L. Wilkinson.

Main Street, Thomasville, Rev. L. F. Tuttle.

Marvin, Lincoln circuit, Rev. J. T. Bowman.

Main Street and Rock Grove, Salisbury, Rev. W. R. Bustle.

First church, Morganton, Rev. Fletcher Nelson.

Mt. Tabor, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. A. D. Shelton.

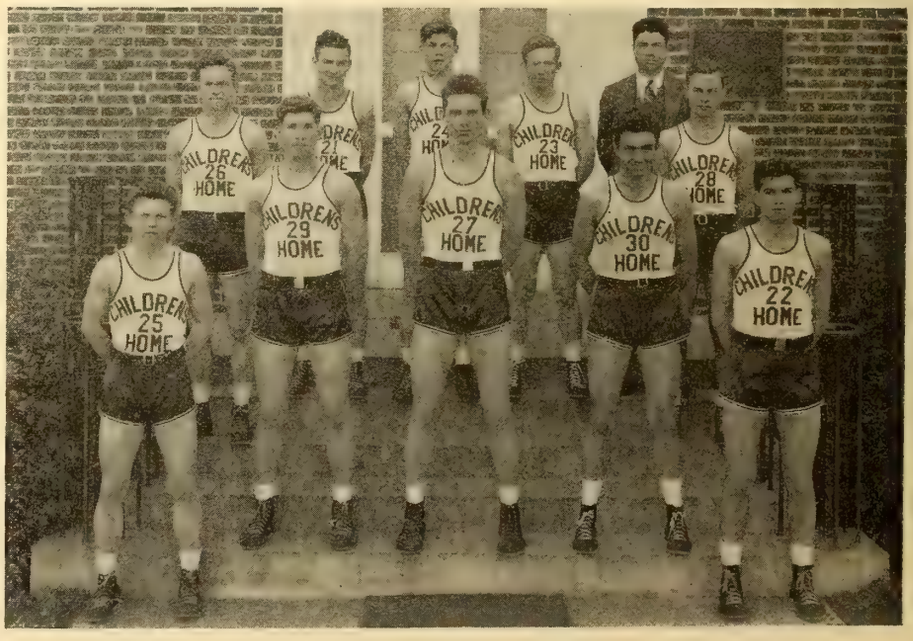
Union, Concord-Sharon circuit, Rev. W. F. Heffner.

IN APPRECIATION

Thomasville Methodists do things in a big way. They are an enthusiastic bunch of workers. The week's visit of Dr. Henry Hitt Crane with the Main Street congregation was epoch making. The congregation, under the leadership of Ed F. Pepper, recently elected chairman of the board of stewards and for many years the Children's Home representative, has far overpaid its basal Children's Home apportionment for the present conference year. One night last week over 200 people banqueted in Thomasville's beautiful Woman's Club building to show appreciation of Charles F. Lambeth for his thirty-six years of successful leadership of Main Street's church school. Notable R. L. Pope directed the proceedings. Several ministers, the school's orchestra and the school's department heads gave fitting testimony of the sterling qualities of Mr. Lambeth. Mr. Henry Dwire, vice president of Duke University, made the principal address. Rev. L. F. Tuttle, better known to this scribe as "Red," is doing a swell job of ministerial leadership.

THE PLAY CHANGES

The picture herewith presented is that of our last year's basketball team. Six of these boys have graduated and are in government service. This year's team will not be pictured until we know who will compose it. The football togs have been folded away and basketball comes into play.



They represented the Children's Home well

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... ..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

GOOD RESPONSE—I appealed to our friends recently for quilts and blankets, and I am happy to say that so far we have had a good response. Our head matron tells me that we need a great many more, since a good number of those now in use are becoming threadbare. I want to thank everybody who has responded to my appeal for quilts and blankets for the comfort of our boys and girls.

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BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES — I am quoting a paragraph from the News Letter, North Carolina Conference Board of Lay Activities, The Methodist Church: "Other immediate important tasks include paying the Orphanage apportionment during the Thanksgiving and Christmas season by means of special offerings. All specials are credited on your obligation, and if the entire Orphanage amount could be cleared up by specials NOW it would strengthen the position of your budget."

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TAX EXEMPTION—The government makes deduction for any gift for religious and charitable work. When friends donate funds to orphanages they are rendering the government service, since orphanages are relieving the government of the responsibility of caring for dependent children. I sincerely trust that our friends who have to pay big income taxes will do what they can for our Methodist Orphanage, as the government allows a credit of 15 per cent of income for charity.

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BASKETBALL — Since we closed our football season our boys and girls are busy late in the afternoons and right after supper practicing basketball. Mr. Fred Smith, who coached our football boys, is coaching our basketball boys. Mrs. A. W. Pridgen is coaching our girls. We are confidently expecting to have two splendid basketbal teams this winter. Our boys and girls never cease to thank Mr. Graham Woodard of Wilson for giving the Methodist Orphanage such a beautiful up-to-date gymnasium. It will be much in use until next spring.

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A SPLENDID SHOWING—Charity and Children. the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage paper, published in last week's issue the amount of money that had been paid that institution from January 1 to December 10. Up to date the institution had received $158,806.40 for operating expenses. Among the Baptist churches in the bounds of our conference that have paid unusually large amounts during the Thanksgiving season, were the First Baptist church Sunday school, Burlington, which sent the Baptist Orphanage $952.25, and the First Baptist church, Rocky Mount, which sent the institution $1,567.67 as Thanksgiving offerings.

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CHRISTMAS—The Christmas spirit is beginning to manifest itself among our youngsters. The singing of carols and Christmas parties will be the order of the day until after Santa Claus visits our children. Opportunities are being given the boys and girls to go down town to do their Christmas shopping. Friends in and out of Raleigh are making plans to share the Christmas spirit with our boys and girls. On Christmas afternoon a large and beautiful Chirstmas tree will be decorated, and will bear gifts for every child in the home. The circles of Edenton Street church play Santa Claus to our children each Christmas afternoon. I wish every Methodist in the North Carolina conference could see the radiant faces of our boys and girls on Christmas day. I am deeply grateful to our numerous friends for making Christmas the happiest occasion of the year for our sons and daughters.

THE GUY IN THE MIRROR

When you get what you want in your struggle for self,
And the world makes you King for a day,
Then go to the mirror and look at yourself,
And see what that guy has to say.

For it isn't a man's father, or mother, or wife,
Whose judgment upon him must pass;
The feller whose verdict counts most in his life
Is the guy staring back from the glass.

He's the feller to please, never mind all the rest,
For he's with you clear up to the end,
And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test,
If the guy in the glass is your friend.

You may be like Jack Horner and "chisel" a plum,
And think you're a wonderful guy;
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum,
If you can't look him straight in the eye.

You can fool the whole world down the pathway of years,
And get pats on the back as you pass,
But your final reward will be heartaches or tears,
If you've cheated the guy in the glass.

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The Church School, formerly known as the Church School Magazine, is planned to help teachers of youth and teachers of adults in their work. It also contains material of value to the general superintendent, pastor and chairman of the church board of education.

Adult Officers and Teachers

Leaders of adults will find the following material for use in their work: (1) Resource material and teaching suggestions on the Uniform Lesson; (2) teaching suggestions on the Special Course for Adults; (3) material to be used in opening services for adults; and (4) magazine articles of value in working with adults.

Intermediate Workers

Leaders of intermediates will find these helps for use in their work: (1) Resources for teaching the Intermediate Group Graded Lessons; (2) resources for conducting worship services with intermediates; (3) suggestions for evening meetings of the Intermediate Fellowship; and (4) magazine articles relating to work with intermediates.

Officers and Teachers of Youth

Leaders of seniors and young people will find these materials for use in their work: (1) Resources for teaching the Senior Group Graded Lessons; (2) suggestions for leaders using the Young People's Elective unit; (3) resource material and suggestions on the Uniform Lessons; and (4) magazine articles relating to youth work.

General Officers

General superintendents, pastors and chairmen of church boards of education will find helpful material as follows: (1) General Worship Services, where schools meet together for worship; (2) the section entitled Christian Education in the Local Church, containing practical guidance for the work of the church school; and (3) magazine articles, book reviews, devotional material (in The Teacher's Sanctuary), seasonal plays and pageants, timely editorials.

Some interesting features to appear in the next few months are as follows:

In the December Issue

"O Holy Night," a Christmas play, by Winifred M. Schive.

"Needed Emphasis in Teaching," an article by Dr. John W. Shackford.

"Making Religion Vital in the Home," an article by Myrtle Harmon Hayward.

In the January, 1943, Issue

"Training Teachers for Evangelism," an article by Bishop Ralph S. Cushman.

"Today's Crisis and Tomorrow's Missions," an article by Roy L. Smith.

"Preparing for Church Membership," an announcement of new materials for training in church membership, by C. A. Bowen.

"Evangelism in the Church School," an article by Dr. John W. Shackford.

"The Pastor and the Church School," an article by Bishop W. W. Peele.

"The Pastor as a Counselor of Youth," an article by Rev. Paul O. Cardwell.

In the February Church School

"Teaching That Leads to Commitment," an article by Dr. Jesse Lee Corley.

"Where Is Thy Brother?" a Race Relations Sunday article, by Dr. John L. Ferguson.

"Methodism Discusses Its Young Adults," an article by Charles L. Lotz.

"Young Adults Respond," an article by Dr. F. L. Gibbs.

"Leading Individuals to Personal Commitment," an article by Rev. Frank A. Settle.

"How Can We Minister to the Men in Camps?" an article by Dr. William E. Brown.

"Discovering and Enlisting Resource Persons," an article by Johnnie Marie Brooks and Dr. Paul W. Quillian.

"Helping Youth to Make Adjustments," an article by Dr. James S. Chubb.

"We Can Learn from the Public School," an article by Nellie M. Day.

SUNDAY, DEC. 7, WORLD SERVICE AND BENEVOLENCES

The fourth Sunday in December is the time for our church schools to emphasize world service and conference benevolences with a program and an offering. Suggestions for the worship program may be found on page 596 of the December issue of The Church School and in Widening Horizons which has been mailed to superintendents of participating churches and which will be sent to others on request.

SUB-DISTRICT YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS

These are difficult days for our sub district Youth Fellowships, but realizing what this organization can mean to the youth in the local churches, our leaders are putting forth every effort to strengthen the work of the sub-district Fellowship and make its meetings more worth while.

Tri-County Fellowship

W. Jackson Huneycutt, district director of youth work in the Elkin district, writes that the November meeting of the Tri-County Fellowship was held at Ronda, with a record attendance of 90. He says: "The meeting was devoted to the Methodist Youth Fund. I am enclosing the pledges. . . . We have a fine organization in this sub-district and I am expecting great things of it."

Rowan County Fellowship

The officers of this group, together with representatives from the local fellowships, recently held a retreat at Sunny Acres for the purpose of planning their work for the months ahead. There were thirty in attendance, and we feel sure they returned to their respective churches inspired and better prepared for work in their Master's kingdom.

The December Fellowship meeting was held at First church, Salisbury, with a good attendance in spite of the inclement weather. Rev. John Everington, noted lecturer and artist, led the group on a "Pilgrimage to Bethlehem" as he showed colored slides of pictures taken by himself in the Holy Land. The lovely pictures, the way in which they were presented, and the singing of the Christmas carols all conspired to create a true Christian spirit.

CONFERENCE COUNCIL ON CHILDREN'S WORK

District directors of children's work, with area leaders from their districts, were invited to come to Sunny Acres for the week-end of December 4-6, to plan for the coming year.

These workers met in several sessions and considered carefully various phases of the work of the church with children. Rev. Carl H. King, executive secretary, and Rev. Earl D. C. Brewer, associate secretary, were present and helped in the discussions and planning. Rev. E. H. Nease led a discussion of church membership, and Miss Ethelene Sampley helped us consider our service to children and their leaders in large churches. Mr. Brewer led a discussion of the needs of small areas. Mr. King gave important dates in the church calendar.

Mrs. George Hoyle, conference secretary of children's work for the Woman's Society of Christian Service, presented plans for missionary education.

Miss Elizabeth A. Jarrett, conference director of children's work in the Virginia conference, brought the high point of inspiration in her address, "The Challenge of Children's Work Today." In a vivid, practical and inspirational way she showed us the opportunities and privileges that are ours as leaders of children in this day.

Worship activities were planned by Miss Hyda Heard, Mrs. Hoyt Cunningham, Mrs. White Goodson, Mrs. O. D. Nelson, and Mrs. W. P. Moore.

The following leaders of children took part in this planning council:

District directors—Miss Kate Crowell, Charlotte; Mrs. F. H. Cunningham, Gastonia; Mrs. O. D. Nelson, Greensboro; Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, High Point; Mrs. W. P. Moore, Salisbury; Mrs. H. L. Price, Taylorsville (Statesville district).

Other leaders present were: Mrs. E. D. C. Brewer, Mrs. A. C. Gibbs, Miss Katherine Gibbs, Miss Mary Idelia Benson, Mrs. John McClurd, Mrs. George Hoyle, Mrs. J. B. McLarty, Mrs. Tom Finger, Mrs. D. M. Davidson, Mrs. J. B. Pleasants, Miss May Fields, Mrs. D. D. Almond, Mrs. C. L. Cranford, Sr., Mrs. W. R. Morrow, Mrs. Baxter Johnson, Mrs. H. W. Goodson, Mrs. Mason, and Miss Elizabeth Oliver.

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STUDENT RECOGNITION DAY

Student Recognition Day will be observed throughout the Methodist Church, Sunday, December 27, 1942. It is the last Sunday of the year, when a maximum number of Methodist students will be home from college attending the church service of their own communities. This service offers a superb opportunity for the college student to make a contribution to his own church and for his local Methodist Church to become better acquainted with the college student.

It is strongly urged that all Methodist students plan to help observe this service in their home churches. A special service has been prepared for such use. It is published in the High-road for December and in the Christian Education Magazine for November-December.

The following suggestions are offered for observance of the day:

1. A committee should be appointed by the pastor of the local Methodist church to make plans for the observance of the day. If possible, the committee should be composed of alumni of the nearest Methodist college and of the nearest Wesley Foundation.

2. The committee should prepare a complete list of all members of the church who are away at college. In addition, the list should include such young people as have enjoyed the fellowship of the young people's department or agencies of the church and are now away at school. The total list should be printed in the church bulletin or on a separate mimeographed sheet, giving the names of the students and the colleges they attend.

3. The committee should also have available a list of the high school seniors who will probably be going away to college. The list should have the names of those who are members of the church and of others who are active in the life of the church.

4. As the time for Student Recognition Day draws near certain student leaders should be selected for the talks that will be made at the service. Suggestions for the topics that may be used are made in the prepared services of worship. The committee will naturally think of other subjects, such as "The Program of Religion As It Is Conducted at Our Colleges," "The College Student and the Church," "What Religion Means to the College Student."

5. The committee should call the attention of the congregation to the fact that Student Recognition Day is being observed throughout Methodism.

6. In the service a collegiate atmosphere should be observed. Young people should be used for ushers, collectors, special music, talk or addresses, and for other features of the program. If possible, all students appearing in assigned parts of the service should wear acamdemic caps and gowns.

7. The chief emphasis throughout the service should be the church in the life of the student.

BURLINGTON YOUTH CHRISTMAS PLANS

We have just received a copy of a very attractive program prepared by the young people of Front Street church, Burlington, giving a statement to each young person from the counselors and a detailed program of plans for the Christmas season. It is such an effective program that we are presenting it in full on our page.

"For God So Loved the World—"

"In this strange, dark December of 1942, the only way to make certain and sacred the spirit of Christmas is to remember its deep and abiding message. That message has been preserved for us the unforgettable Christmas, first two chapters of Luke's gospel, for the beautiful message had its own beautiful messenger. A real man painted for us the unforgetable Christmas, a real man voiced for us the priceless anthems that are the earliest Christmas carols. Regardless of how difficult the times are, we can today be true to the message of Christmas. The first Christmas happened in a period of world conflict when conditions were literally intolerable. However much war shall have blackened and consumed, can we not be humble enough to see with the shepherds the heavens everlastingly opened, and hear God's eternal tidings of peace on earth?"

The counselors of the Methodist Youth Fellowship take this opportunity to greet you, and to express a hope that this Christmas will be a true experience of the revelation of the peace —the hopefulness—of Christ and his way.

Elise Robbins,
Evelyn Love,
Mrs. J. R. Lathan,
Ollie Stadler,
Evelyn Rothrock.

December Program

Sunday mornings, Making Adjustments as Christians.

December 6: The Christmas Spirit in the Home. Leader, Ann Larkin.

December 13: The Christmas Spirit in the Community. Leader, David Ball. Japanese gift offering.

December 20: The Christmas Sprit the World Around. Leader, Dottie Ball.

December 27: The Christmas Spirit Lives On. Leader, Betty Jean Hendry.

Sunday evenings, Making Christmas Count. E. Rothrock leading. (Series of candlelight services).

December 6: How to Make Christmas Count.

December 13: Christmas Can Be Beautfiul.

December 20: Holy Night, tableaux and Christmas carols.

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Children's Storyland



The Animals' Place in the Christmas Picture

By ALETHA M. BONNER

"Now, Dasher; now, Dancer; now, Prancer and Vixen:
On Comet, on Cupid, on Donder and Blitzen!"

—Moore.

When Clement Clark Moore penned the lines of his famed "A Visit from St. Nicholas," he not only did the world a great favor by naming the reindeers of the jolly old Saint, but down the years (more than one hundred, in fact), this most favored of yuletide poems has ever reminded its readers that "without the services of prancing hoofs" Santa Claus might never reach a single, down-the-chimney, destination.

With this figurative example of the important place our four - footed friends hold in the holiday program, let us cite more realistic instances of such importance.

Animals have ever been linked very significantly with the sacred setting of that memorable Christmas Eve, centuries ago, when — "As shepherds watched their flocks by night"—was heralded from heaven the most holy Birth Announcement the world has ever received.

In song, in story, and in art such a setting has been given majestic treatment, and animal life has been highly exalted by being included in further outpouings of the three arts, as they (the arts) deal with the action of that historic hour.

With the Holy Child "cradled where the cattle fed," the cattle necessarily fit into the sublime sense of the Nativity and many quaint legends concerning the keen perception of these animay have come down to us; such as, 'kneeling in adoration," before the Christ Child. Again, in "The Legend of the Friendly Beasts" (a carol-form that dates back to the twelfth century), the donkey, the cow and the sheep are given powers of human expression, in order to voice praise, as well as speak of their individual deeds of service—the donkey carrying the Mother to Bethlehem; the cow giving up its hay for a pillow for the Child, and the sheep supplying the wool for a blanket warm.

The camels that brought the starled Wise Men to Bethlehem have also been the subject of various legends, none more beautiful than one of

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FIRST CHRISTMAS

By Margaret Torrell Griffin

The night was soft, was silent,
The Babe lay on the straw,
But only beasts of burden
Around Him there He saw.
A footfall broke the stillness,
The ox stirred in alarm,
But only a shepherd entered,
A lambkin on his arm.

Revelers were shouting
Inside the noisy inn,
And all the world was suffering
From sorrow and from sin.
And some there were lay weeping,
That midnight long ago;
Some whose hearts were heavy
With burdens and with woe.
And all the world was waiting
That which was foretold:
The Promise, the Messiah
Of the prophecy of old.

Within the cave at Bethlehem
The Babe lay on the straw,
But only beasts of burden
Around Him there He saw.

—Our Dumb Animals.

Soaping a Geyser

The Minute Man, a geyser in Yellowstone Park, doesn't like soapsuds. Ikey Einstein may have suspected as much, but, if he did, he wasn't sure, and he wanted to find out. So Ikey, says Mr. Lewis R. Freeman, cooked up a piece of laundry soap in a five gallon oil can and poured the mess into the crater.

"I saw him with an oil can fusing round in the vicinity of the crater," says Mr. Freeman. "Suddenly a succession of heavy reverberations shook the ground ,and at the same instant Ikey started to run. He was just in time to avoid the great deluge from a great gush of water and steam that shot a hundred feet into the air, but he was not quick enough to escape the mountainous discharge of soapsuds that followed.

"Within a few seconds the five gallons of soft soap had been beaten to perhaps a million times its original volume, and for a hundred yards to leeward it covered the ground in great white, fluffy, irridescent heaps. Nothing was ever seen like the sputtering little Hebrew who finally pawed his way to air and sunshine from the outermost of the sparkling saponaceous hillocks. For a good half hour the Minute Man stretched and coughed in desperate efforts to rid itself of the anuseous mass that Ikey had poured down its throat.

"Then its efforts became scattering and spasmodic and finally ceased. But for an hour longer gasps and gurgles rattled in its throat. At last even that sound ceased and deathlike silence fell upon the formation. It really seemed that the Minute Man would never spout again."—Youth's Companion.

A little boy at school was asked to give the definition of the word "bachelor." He replied, "A bachelor is the happiest man in the world." The school teacher asked him who in the world ever told him that and he said, "My daddy."



TYPICAL SANTA CLAUS TURNOUT

Sunday School Lesson

DECEMBER 20

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Birth of Jesus

Luke 2:8-20

Why does the church year after year reverently return to the story of the angelic announcement of the birth of Jesus? It seems so unreal today when the bombs are exploding everywhere, and the whole world is in the death grapple of war. And yet the choirs will echo the song of the angels as enthusiastically as ever. What is the reason for this strange persistence of faith and hope?

The reasons are many-sided. One reason is precisely the same as that which kept the world hoping a thousand years for the long delayed coming of Christ, and made that hope burn brighter at times when it seemed least likely to be fulfilled. The men who hold to this hope had in the process of so doing such a mysterious reinforcement of the divine spirit that made them sure that they were not self-deceived. And God kept doing things that showed that this was a moral universe, and he was on the side of righteousness, and hence could be depended on to carry his plans to glorious fruition. So the old prophets held up the torch in the darkness, and at long last Jesus did come. And while he was different from what they expected, the more they understood him the more they saw that he was greater and better than the military Messiah they had pictured in their dreams.

Now precisely the same thing has happened during the years since the shepherds heard the music from heaven. Our hopes have been delayed, and many a time our faith that Christ is the ruler of the world has been severely tried. But every individual who has trusted him has found peace and power, and every nation that has come anywhere near trusting him has been so blessed that we could not doubt his presence in history, and his final triumph in the world.

When the shepherds heard the angels they said, Let us now go and see this great thing which the Lord hath made known to us. And so they went. And sure enough, they found Mary and the babe lying in a manger. And that is what we ought continually to say: Let us now go and see the things which this Christ has been doing in history. Let us read the New Testament with its extraordinary manifestation of new light and power and victory. Let us go down the aisles of history and find the signs of his presence in glorifying faithful men in the midst of their tribulations. Let us go to the mission fields, and see amid the squalor and darkness and superstition the bright faces of the followers of Christ. Let us hear them sing the glad Christmas songs as the outsiders look in wistfully at the windows and wish that they also had the secret of joy and peace. Let us look for him in the hospitals where Christian nurses and physicians minister to the sick and in the orphanages where children are cared for with tenderness and skill. Let us look at the schools where high and low, rich and poor, have equal rights and privileges.

Surely it is not unreasonable to believe that a Christ who, whenever he is followed and trusted, makes life bloom as a garden, will ultimately by infinite patience bring in the rule of peace throughout the world. And at this time when nation is rising against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there are famines and earthquakes in divers places, and men's hearts are failing for fear, let us remember that Jesus said, Then shall ye see the sign of the Son of Man coming on the clouds in power and great glory. That is a promise of infinitely more than celestial fireworks and a great spectacle in the clouds. It means that in the midst of the hell into which we have plunged ourselves by our contempt of Christ's law of love, men will suddenly wake up to their insanity and realize that Christ is their one hope and deliverer, and will hail him as the Lord of the nations.

And what shall we ourselves do to make men sure that the Christmas stories symbolize an eternal reality? If we become Christmas messengers and cause the faces of little children to light with joy, and the faces of the aged and infirm to become radiant, both we ourselves and those to whom we minister will be surer and surer that the Christ of the Christmas stories is coming to reign.

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GOD'S YOKE

The superintendent of a mission school read the text, "My yoke is easy."

Turning to the children, she asked, "Who can tell me what a yoke is?"

A little girl of ten said, "It is something they put on necks of animals."

Then the teacher inquired, "And what is the meaning of God's yoke?"

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Front Street, 11 27
Glen Raven-Fountain Place, Glen Raven, 7:30 27
West Durham, 7:30 28
Duke's Chapel, 7:30 30
Eno, 7:30 31

January
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 3
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 3
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 3
Trinity, 7:30 5
Webb Avenue, 7:30 6
Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10:30 9
Graham, 11 10
Haw River, 3 10
West Burlington, 7:30 10
Bynum, Bynum, 11 17
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 17
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10:30 23
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Mebane, 11 31

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December
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Hertford, 7:30 20
Washington, 11 27
Bath, Bath, 3 27

January
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Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 3
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 3
Manteo, 11 10
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 3 10
Wanchese, 7:30 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 7:30 11
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 12
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 3 13
Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro, 11 17
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 17
Columbia, Columbia, 11 24
Creswell, Creswell, 3 24
Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 27
South Mills, Newland, 11 31
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 31

February
Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 7
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Pine Bluff, 7:30 20

January
Glendon, 11 (High Falls) 3
Hemp Ct., 3 (Pleasant Hill) 3
Hemp, 7:30 3
Siler City, 11 10
Siler City Ct., 3 10
Goldston, 7:30 10
Rockingham, 11 17
Roberdel, 3 17
Ellerbe, 7:30 17
Troy, 11 24
Troy Ct., 3 24
Carthage, 11 31
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 31
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
J. A. Russell, D.S., New Bern, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Aurora, 11 20
Pamlico, Bayboro, 3 20
Oriental, 7:30 20
Walstonburg, 11 27
Hookerton, Rainbow, 3 27
Ayden, 7:30 27

January
Marshallburg, 11 3
Morehead Ct., 3 3
Beaufort, 7:30 3
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 11 10
Seven Springs, 3 10
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 10
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 13
Grimesland, 11 17
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 17
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 11 23
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 24
Pikeville-Elm St., Pikeville, 3 24
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 24
Pink Hill, 11 31
Jones-Trenton, 7:30 31

February
Dover, 11 7

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Tar River, Kittrell, 11 20
Oxford, 7:30 20
Raleigh, Hayes-Barton, 11 27
Raleigh, Trinity, 7:30 27

January
Garner-Mt. Zion, 11 3
Benson, Benson, 7:30 3
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 6
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 6
Creedmoor, Banks, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 10
Dunn, Divine St., 7:30 13
Lillington, Lillington, 11 17
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 17
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 24
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 24
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 31
Louisburg, 7:30 31

February
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 7

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., 218 S. Grace St., Rocky Mount.
FIRST ROUND

December
Weldon, 11 20
Garysburg, Shiloh, 3 20
Roanoke Rapids, 7:30 21
Rosemary, 7:30 22

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Scott's Hill, Scott's Hill, 11 20
Shallotte, Camp, 7:30 20
Richlands, 11 27
Maysville, Lee's, 8:30 27
Jacksonville, 7:30 27

January
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 11 3
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 3
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 10
Lumberton Ct., Buie, 7:30 10
Lumberton, 11 17
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 17
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 24
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 7:30 24
Tabor City, St. Paul, 11 31
Whiteville, 7:30 31

February
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 7
Garland, Garland, 7:30 7
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 14
Clinton, 7:30 14
Southport, 11 21
Town Creek, Bethel, 7:30 21
Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 28
Wilmington, Grace, 8 28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
M. T. Smathers, D.S., 20 Watauga St., Asheville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Hot Springs, Hot Springs, 11 20
Marshall, Marshall, 3 20
Asbury Memorial, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Salem, 11 27
Barnardsville, Barnardsville, 3 27
Weaverville, night 27

January
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 17
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 17
Leicester, Leicester, night 17
Central, 11 24
West Asheville, night 24
Hiliside-Merrimon, 11 31
Haywood Street, night 31

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Weddington, Weddington, 11 20
Indian Trail-Stalings, Indian Trail, 7:30 20
Prospect, Bethlehem, 11 27
Pineville, Pineville, 7:30 27

January
Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 4
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
North Wilkesboro, 11 20
Moravian Falls, 3 20
Wilkesboro, night 20
Cooleemee, 11 27
Davie, 3 27
Mocksville, night 27

January
Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
E. M. Jones, D.S., Gastonia, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

December
Boger City, Asbury, 11 20
Lincoln Ct., Morven, 3 20
Rhyne Heights, Rhyne Heights, night 20
Mount Holly, 11 27
Belmont, Park Street, 3 27
Chamerton, night 27

January
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24
Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

December
Mt. Pleasant Ct., 5 19
Leaksville, 11 20
Haw River, Midway, 3 20
Ruffin, 7:30 20

January
Moriah, 11 3
Newlyn Street, 7:30 3
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 6
Lee's Chapel, 11 10
Reidsville, Main, 5 10
Reidsville, Lindsay, 7:30 10
Oak Ridge, 11 17
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 17
Madison, 11 24
Mitchells-Vickery, 7:30 24
Grace, 11 31
Groome's-Midway, 7:30 31

Beginning with the first of the year delegates to the District Confernece will be elected and all recommendations for license and renewal of license should come before this quarterly conference.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND

December
Ashebroo Central, 7:30 17
Greer's Chapel, 11 20
Linwood, Bethany, 2 20
Denton Central, Denton, 7:30 20
Wesley Memorial, 7:30 21
Calvary, 7:30 23
Lebanon, 7:30 30

January
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11 3
Richland, W. E., 2 3
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 3
Oak View, 7:30 6

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Cliffside, 11	20
Broad River, Kistlers, 3	20
Forest City, night	20
Henrietta, Caroleen, 11	27
Avondale, night	27
January	
Drexel, Bethel, 11	3
Rutherford College, night	3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11	10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3	10
Morganton, First, night	10
Connelly Springs, Boilingers, 9:45	17
Valdese, Valdese, 11	17
Oak Forest, night	17

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Ann Street, 11	20
Roberta, 3	20
Mount Olivet, 7:30	20
Bethpage, 11	27
January	
East Spencer, 11	3
Woodleaf, 3	3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30	3
Bethel-Boger, 11	10
Harmony, 3	10
Central, Concord, 7:30	10
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30	12
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11	17
Pfeiffer, 3	17
Albemarle, Central, 7:30	17
Mt. Mitchell, 11	24
North Kannapolis, 3	24
Badin-New London, 11	31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Lenoir, First Church, 11	20
Lenoir Ct., Gamewell, 2:30	20
Whitnell, 7:30	20
Hudson-Colliers, 11	27
Grace-Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 2:30	27
Granite Falls, 7:30	27
January	
North Newton, 11	3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30	3
Newton, 7:30	3
Mooresville, Central, 11	10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30	10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30	10
Davidson, 11	17
Davidson, 7:30	17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11	24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30	24
Troutman, 7:30	24
Elmwood, 11	31

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

	December
Dellwood, Dellwood, 11	20
Jonathan, Shady Grove, 3	20
January	
Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11	3
Canton, First, 7:30	3
Waynesville, 11	10
Morning Star, 7:30	10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11	17
Fines Creek, Pine Grove, 3	17
Junaluska, 7:30	17

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND

	December
Winston-Salem, First, 11	20
Ogburn Memorial, 7:30	20
Mt. Airy, Central, 11	27
Mt. Airy Ct., 3	27
Rockford Street, 7:30	27
January	
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11	3
Morris Chapel, 3	3
City Mission, 7:30	3
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11	10
Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 3	10
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 7:30	10
Davidson, Mount Olivet, 11	17
Burkhead, 7:30	17
Pilot Mountain, 11	24
Pinnacle, 3	24
Walnut Cove, St. Mark's, 7:30	24
Lewisville, 11	31
Concord, Sharon, 3	31
Crews, Sedge Garden, 7:30	31
February	
Thomasville, Community, 11	7
Thomasville, Maint Street, 7:30	7

Winston-Salem district Conference will be held at Bethesda church, Erlanger, charge, on Tuesday, May 11, 1943, at 9 a. m.

A TRIBUTE

Whereas, our heavenly Father has taken into closer fellowship Mrs. Dora Coston Koonce, one of our charter members, we, the members of the Society of Christian Service of the Jacksonville Methodist church, realize that we have lost a loyal, faithful and devoted member.

Through the years we among whom she lived have appreciated her lofty Christian character. We cherish her memory as one who was humble in spirit, constant in service, modest and retiring by nature, always gentle and good. Her influence will continue to live in the church and community, and in the hearts of her friends.

We extend to the family our heartfelt sympathy, and pray that God's love will abide with them always. We send to them a copy of this tribute, one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and request one to be recorded in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. Ernest L. Cox,
Mrs. George H. Bender,
Mrs. John H. Aman.

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December 27: Reading of the story, "The Other Wise Man."

Special Features

Monday, December 21, youth activities night: Commission meeting; play, O Holy Night (characters, Lasley Dameron, Ward Lasley, Harriet Ball and others). Christmas recreation.

Tuesday, December 22, 10 p. m.: Carol service in the church community, later joining the Methodist youth groups from over the county for a joint concert and recreational period.

Sunday, December 27, Student Recognition Day, with special program by and for the college students. Assisted by the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Thursday, December 31, (time to be announced): Watch night program in co-operation with the National Conference of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

CHILDREN'S STORYLAND

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French origin, which tells of a custom started long ago, when children placed their shoes, filled with grain, on the doorsteps for these camels of the Magi, that he untiring animals might eat on their way through the Judean country.

The Prince of Peace was born of the royal house of David, and in Biblical heraldry the device belonging to the Christ is a lion—He is the lion of Judah; and as we celebrate the birthday of this great Creator of Christmas, whose most glorious contribution to every living creature was his boundless love, may we, in turn, be generous in our human contribution of kindness to our dumb animal friends.—Our Dumb Animals.

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In memory of my dear husband who departed this life December 3, 1941:

Just one year ago you left us,
And the loss we deeply feel,
But we put our trust in Jesus,
For he alone can heal.

Dear husband, your memory linngers,
Patient, kind and ever tue;
There's not a day, dear Dailey,
That I do not think of you.

No more will I hear your footsteps,
Nor will I meet you at the door;
For you have gone and left us,
Never to return once more.

No one knows the silent heart aches,
Only those who have lost can tell
What grief I've borne in silence
For the one I loved so well.

I miss you, yes, I miss you,
Just how much no one can tell;
But I hope some day to meet you
Where there'll be no sad farewell.

Dearest Jesus, help me ever,
Thy blessed word to keep,
That I may meet my loved one
When in death I sweetly sleep.

His loving wife,
Mrs. Sarah Ann Stowe.

McMURRY — Sidney Richard McMurry, age 84, a faithful and beloved member of Palm Tree Methodist church, passed to his heavenly reward November 8, 1942, after an illness of two years. Brother McMurry was a great beliver in God and his church and is greatly missed. His wife, Carr Reichard McMurry, and nine children, 34 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren survive; also two brothers and one sister. Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Geo. W. Clay, at Palm Tree, assisted by W. L. Scott and D. H. Rhinehardt, two former pastors.

Geo. W. Clay.

NORRIS—Nancy Greene Norris was born August 13, 1883, and departed this life November 11, 1942, being 59 years, 3 months and 2 days old.

She was married to Thomas M. Norris August 4, 1902. To this union were born 11 children, four preceding her in death. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Russell of Frockville, Pa.; Elmer of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mrs. Lee Miller, Deep Gap, N. C.; Edgar Fred in the U. S. Army; Claude, Thelma and Treva of Fleetwood. She is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. G. C. Norris, Fleetwood; Joseph Greene, Brownwood; Isaac Greene, Stony Fork; Finley Greene, Skykormish, Wash.

Mrs. Morris professed faith in Christ early in life and joined Zion Methodist church. Later she moved her membership to Cranberry Methodist church, where she remained a faithful member until death.

She was a kind, loving neighbor, mother and wife, ready and willing to lend a helping hand in trouble and distress, always ready to help her friends with all she had. Her prayers were greatly felt in church and home. During her illness her main concern was on things eternal and not of this world. Her prayer was that she might soon go and be with her loved ones in her heavenly home. She leaves a host of friends and loved ones to mourn her passing, but our loss is her gain.

Last rites for Mrs. Norris were held at Zion Methodist church Monday, November 16, 11 a. m. The service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Wm. H. Neese of Todd, assisted by Rev. Mr. Greene of Boone.

Wm. H. Neese.

A TRIBUTE

The official board of Lee's Chapel church on the Person charge hereby give expression to the membership of their deepest sorrow at the passing of John Maywood Brewer.

He was born in Person county May 13, 1875, and finished the journey of life at Watts Hospital October 24, 1942. He was united in marriage to Miss Willie Ava Smith December 22, 1902, and there were born to this union six girls and five boys.

Brother Brewer joined Lee's Chapel church in early boyhood and remained a devoted and active member until he was called to join the church triumphant in heaven. He served as a steward in his church for forty-four years. He was always a faithful attendant upon the services of his church and rarely missed being present at a quarterly conference. He was always much interested in every movement that had for its objectve the educational and social betterment of his community.

Brother Brewer was a quiet, humble and faithful follower of Jesus Christ until he stepped across to the eternal world. His Christian life and character, like leaven, will live on through the years to come to bless those whom he touched.

His wife preceded him to the heavenly world for five years. We extend to his loved ones our sincere sympathy and pray that they may emulate his example of faithfulness to the church and the services of humanity.

When he crossed over the boundry line of time he was welcomed in these words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou forever into the joys of thy Lord."

A copy of this appreciation to be sent to his family, and a copy to the Roxboro Courier and the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

W. L. Pleasants, Chm.
J. B. Hester, Sec.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with deep sorrow that we, the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Indian Trail Methodist church wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Oscar L. Hemby, who was called home July 18, 1942.

Mrs. Hemby lived a noble life, willing to be of service where duty called, but due to ill health was unable to attend services regularly. The influence of her Christian life as a companion, mother, grandmother ,and friend to all will live on and they will rise up and call her blessed. We will ever cherish in loving memory her kind disposition and sunny smile she had for every one. Our hearts go out in sympathy to those near and dear to her and we commend them to One who alone is able to comfort.

Therefore be it resolved, that we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father who doeth all things well.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Advocate, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of our society.

Mrs. D. T. Morris,
Ms. J. R. Warren,
Miss Myrtle Benton.

A TRIBUTE

Mrs. Cora Wooten Bynum, daughter of Julia Speight and William Isler Wooten, was born September 24, 1882, in Greene county, N. C., and was therefore in her 60th year at the time of her death which came suddenly on October 31, 1942, following a heart attack. She was a member of one of the oldest and best known families of the state, and on February 14, 1907, was happily married to Robert William Bynum. Her husband died in 1927. Surviving are four sons: R. W., Jr., Edwin Council, James Wooten of Stantonsburg, and Allen Speight, now with the U. S. Army on the West Coast; five grandchildren: William, Anne, Arch, Betty, and Edwin Bynum; one sister, Mrs. Herbert J. Holden of Snow Hill; and one brother, Dr. W. I. Wooten of Greenville, N. C.; and a large number of sorrowing nieces and nephews. She was a sister of he late Rev. J. C. Wooten of the North Carolina conference.

After having received her education in the public schools of her native county and at Greensboro Female College (now Greensboro College), Mrs. Bynum taught school for several years. She joined the Tabernacle Methodist church early in life and always remained a faithful and consistent member. She loved the church and gave generously to the support of its institutions. She was an outstanding worker in the Sunday school and in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, which realizes they have lost a valued friend and helper whose loyal interest in the work will be greatly missed. Her death was a shock to her many friends. She was ready to go. Her life has been a great example and a benediction to all.

Not only were her energies and efforts centered in her immediate family, but her entire life was spent in unselfish service for others. She ministered tenderly to those in need. She always extended sincere, cordial hospitality to her many friends and relatives. This was recognized as one of the outstanding characteristics of her lovely country home. Mrs. Bynum was a woman of unusual executive ability and sound judgment. She loved the beautiful—flowers, music and art, and always demonstrated a charming domesticity in her home life.

All the people of the community knew, loved and trusted her, as was evidenced at her funeral when hundreds attended, representing every walk of life from many sections of the state.

Funeral services were conducted at the home on Friday afternoon with her pastor, Rev. B. O. Merritt, in charge. Assisting were Rev. Wade Goldston of Stantonsburg, Rev. J. A. Russell of New Bern, and Rev. A. S. Barnes of Raleigh. Favorite hymns were rendered by a mixed quartette. Members of the woman's society served as floral bearers. The following were pallbearers: Arch R. Stallings, Sam N. Tyson, J. W. Tyson, S. H. Tyson, Horace T. Herring, Wyatt Taylor, Alton Cox and Julian F. Wooten. She was laid to rest by the side of her husband in the family burial ground beneath a bank of beautiful floral tributes, which attest to the love and esteem in which she was held. The community at large, both relatives and friends, join in their sympathy to the bereaved, who will cherish her memory as a precious heritage.

"Now the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.
Father, in thy gracious keeping
Leave we now thy servant sleeping."

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Testimony of a Great Layman

(Words of Hon. Thomas J. Jarvis, Ex-Governor of North Carolina, Ex-Senator from North Carolina, Ex-Minister to Brazil, and a lay member of the North Carolina Conference. He used these words in the Love Feast of the Laymen's Movement, in the Capitol, Raleigh, N. C., November 25, 1909.)

IT was on the third of November, 1870, 39 years ago, that I was chosen to preside over the House of Representatives in this hall. There were many difficult problems to be dealt with. Since that time I have had varied and large experiences. Nearly all the men who sat with me in that Legislature have passed away, but God in his infinite wisdom and mercy has preserved me a few years longer. During those days I had wandered far away from the paths of righteousness, had been disobedient to the heavenly vision, but the Lord had watched over me. But now I am seeking to have a close relationship to God, and am seeking to walk in his path. Wonderful changes have taken place in the financial and moral life of the state. Those changes have been wrought out very largely by that class of men that the laymen represent. It is the godly men and women of a community and of a state and a nation that make that community and state and nation, and history shows that those people who live nearer to the teachings of the Bible and walk more strictly in the paths of righteousness are the nations that are doing most in the world for God and humanity.

I am glad to say that I do not trouble myself about theology. I believe in three great central facts in my religious life, and I hold to them, live by them, and expect to die by them: I believe in the birth of Christ as the Sovereign of the world, in his crucifixion on the cross, and in his resurrection. I never trouble about how it came about. I have no more doubt about the truth of these central facts than I have about my own existence.

Let us not deceive ourselves: we cannot deceive God. If we will do the work assigned to us, for which our Father made us, we must live nearer to the cross. We can't hold on to the world with one hand and to the cross with the other and do the work that the laymen need. But let us concentrate our lives, our service, our all, on the work of our blessed Lord. Let us serve each other faithfully. No man can serve his God aright that does not serve his fellow men.

January Fixed As Advocate Month

Many pastors will want to secure their quota for the North Carolina Christian Advocate; others, having a star, will want to double the quota already secured.

Then, too, some will want to turn job work to the Advocate Printing House, and thus do all possible to support the church and our church paper.

As our armies win and the peace nears, our church, the one world wide brotherhood, should count for more and more.

COVENANT SUNDAY

Our beloved Methodism has set apart the first part of the new year as a season of DEDICATION. Beginning with the very first Sunday, January 3, and continuing through Sunday, March 7, this period of dedication will be constantly in our minds. Unsurpassed materials and plans will be furnished all our pastors as suggestions for adaptation in their own way in presenting the emphases of the campaign. Next Sunday, January 3, will be Covenant Sunday. On this day our people will be urged to make a new covenant of dedication to Christ and his church. During the two months to follow the entire life of the church should be enriched until Methodism throughout the nation shall experience the impact of a mighty spiritual power.

This is a good time for all our pastors and official members to review the list of objectives adopted by each of the two annual conferences in their recent meetings. Energetic effort should be directed toward their attainment during the new year.

Faithfully yours,
Clare Purcell, Bishop,
Charlotte Area.

AN AMERICAN AND CHRISTIAN SOLDIER WORTHY OF EMULATION

My hat is off to Roy Starr, Bethany church, Linwood charge. For fifteen months Roy has been a soldier. He is now in the Pacific area. Despite the fact that he is "down under" he remembers his church with regular contributions ranging in amounts from $5 to $15. He has also provided that in case he pays the supreme price Bethany church shall receive $1000 out of his insurance policy. I trust and pray that he may get back home and live long to worship in the church he loves; but in either case he is setting a magnificent example for all church members enlisted in this global war. My hat is off to Roy Starr!

S. W. Taylor.

HOW ABOUT NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO THE ADVOCATE?

Almost every mail in recent weeks has brought new subscribers to this office. The number of orders to send the paper as a Christmas present has been unusually large. Permit us to remind you that it is not too late to send the paper as a Christmas present because it lasts a whole year.

The large number of new names enrolled on our mailing list since the annual conferences indicate that this is going to be the best year for increase of circulation that we have enjoyed for years. Why not take advantage of the abundance of money which cannot be spent for automobiles, gas and rubber tires and put a small bit of it in good reading matter that will increase your sum of knowledge and at the same time make you a better Methodist? Some Methodists would be surprised to learn how many Presbyterians and Baptists read the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

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If you read nothing else in this issue of the Advocate, he sure that you lay to heart Forney Hutchinson's message, "Nebuchadnezzar's Dream," especially if you are a man in middle life or looking toward the sunset. It is a "New Year" message that should bring results in your life and character.

Oftentimes we hear the question, "Is the church worth saving?" Then follows a lengthy enumeration of the points at which the church is failing. Truly a dismal picture this until the church becomes a saving factor and force. Then it begins to glow. For the one and only mission of the church is to save a lost world. Did not the head of the church himself declare, "I am come to seek and to save that which was lost"? The church is always worth saving so long as it is saving.

On a memorable day this challenge came to the English navy: "England expects every man to do his duty." Something of this spirit must stir in every people who would win. North Carolina Methodism expects every man to do his duty by acting well his part this crucial year ahead of us. The spiritual tides should run deep and strong in this growing and developing commonwealth. Do we know enough of the Christ and the nail prints to stand in our places—to follow where he leads?

"We must have technology," declares the Alumni Bulletin of Chicago University, "but we must have something more. We must have the moral and political understanding which is the object of the social sciences and the humanities to foster. Spectacular as the war effort of the natural sciences is, we cannot rely on it for victory—not, at least, for a victory of any adequate or enduring kind. It is indispensable that we maintain strong centers of moral and political thought from which may radiate some light which may assist us to see the aims of the war and the nature of the peace."

Would it not be well for the preachers in this present year to prepare a series of sermons based on the Hebrew prophets? What a time to make a fresh acquaintance of Isaiah, the great court preacher, by the help of George Adam Smith's two great volumes. In this day of which so much is being said of the "century of the common man" and the people's revolutions it would be well to hear what God had to say through Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos, etc., in the ancient times.

For a decade, with the Aldersgate celebrations and the many conferences necessary to the coming of Methodist union, we had many big gatherings throughout American Methodism. Just now, with the lack of transportation due to the world war, we are forced to stay at home with but few long journeys and vast assemblies. This may work to fine advantage in our church work. Now we are allowed to give more attention to the local church and are not required to spend so much time on the go. For after all the real effective work is done in the local group. It was so in New Testament times and it is true still.

The Baltimore Sun objects to the general habit of referring to President Roosevelt as Commander in Chief. The term applies only to military affairs and not to civil affairs which are in the sphere of his duties as President. The Sun declares: "In his military capacity as head of the armed services he has the final say about the disposition of troops and ships. He can, and does, pass on war plans in the broad sense. But as Commander in Chief he has no power over civilians except in military areas, in cases where martial law is declared or in prosecutions before military courts. In all other civilian matters he acts as President. The distinction is important and should be observed. The phrase "commander in chief" smacks rather more of the man on horseback than comports well with American institutions."

A Church Press With Convictions

THE pulpit and the press have played a large part in shaping American life. Even a limited acquaintance with our history will certainly convince anyone of the truth of this statement. So, we will not undertake to cite evidence to justify this declaration. For most assuredly a pulpit without conviction or a press without an issue has never commanded the attention of a people and given direction to their life and thought.

Most assuredly this present hour of death and destruction among the nations needs a religious press true to the constructive convictions that have made for the strength and stamina of our nation. The metropolitan press of this country is ruled largely by the business office. Whatever is profitable the paper espouses. Hence the secular press of our great cities is largely wanting in moral convictions and can not be relied upon to lead in moral crusades. The religious press of this country is our chief reliance and force in the moral and religious movements of the day.

Through all the past the North Carolina Christian Advocate has stood for those things that have made Methodism. Missions, education, revivals,, human welfare and good will have been most dear in the Advocate office. This paper is set against war, against liquor, against human greed, satiated at the expense of weary women and overworked children, and against all that hurts humanity or robs God. It has ever more rung true and strong; in these last days, there is no disposition to vary from the course followed for three-quarters of a century.

The present management is fairly well informed as to the attitude of the two North Carolina conferences towards the moral and religious issues of the day. Back of this information is a conviction that will not allow any variablesness, neither shadow of turning. We can but be true to this conviction and to the will of the best folks in our Methodism. Should not all of us do our utmost in the year ahead to place our church paper in the homes of the people and at all times do all possible to make our pulpits thrones of power?

Certainly the church press, the pulpits and the pew should exalt those who are making real sacrifices to meet financial needs, encourage those who yearn to win men from sin and strive to guide little children and youth to withstand the evil forces threatening to overrun the land. This is no time for tepid convictions and uncertain pronouncements. The stand of the Advocate is well known and there is no disposition to haul down its flag. Are we going to be one in all the essentials?

1943—Year of Destiny

THESE words are being written on the last Sunday in the year 1942. Christmas music is still coming in over the radio, and there are many evidences of Christmas good cheer on every hand. From my heart I send forth sincere greetings to all our people, and hereby make grateful expression of appreciation for every Christmas message received!

The new year dawns amid ominous forebodings of global significance. Most probably issues affecting the entire race of mankind will be determined during the twelve months now beginning. It is a year of destiny! With confidence we look for military and political decisions which will make sure our precious freedom of religion, thought and speech. Thus we shall come out of the night of fear into the day of assurance.

We should, therefore, enter the portal of the new year with a sense of awe and humility. Our daily prayer should be that we may be made worthy of the responsibility of the peace following victory. The manner in which we meet this responsibility will determine whether this shall be the last war or just a prelude to a more devastating war.

Loyalty to our beloved country in the national crisis should be devoted and unreserved. However, loyalty to our beloved church should be just as devoted and unreserved. No moratorium should be declared in Methodism's far flung campaign for the conquest of the world. The church stands out in all this world confusion as the only surviving world movement which offers any hope at all for the future. Its highest interests must, therefore, be kept always in our vision and purpose. It must be a FREE church, and it must be a UNIVERSAL church. It must transcend all national, racial and artificial barriers. To such a church we can pledge our faith, our sacred honor and our very lives.

Loyalty is the word as we enter this year of DESTINY!

Blessings upon all our churches and all our homes throughout 1943!

Clare Purcell, Bishop
Charlotte Area.

Co-operation the Master Word

METHODISTS working together in North Carolina this new year can win a marvelous victory for God and for humanity. The 1870 churches in the state are the units of first importance. About these altars the Methodists gather and from these pulpits the gospel is preached. In the New Testament times the local church was of first importance and it remains so to this present hour. In each of these co-operation is the master word. Lack of working together spells failure if not ruin.

Then, too, we have the institutions such as colleges, orphanages, missionary societies, hospitals, and Advocate printing plant that depend on the Methodists working together for these the same as they do in the local church. The several boards and commissions of the two conferences strive to receive the finest co-operation of all Methodists from the small country church to the big city church that they catch step for a united forward movement. This should be true of every member and employee of every institution of our Methodism. When we all are willing to aid every church and all causes of our common Methodism we will learn the value of united effort. May God help us to walk and to work together one for all and all for one.

The delight of toiling for our church paper with its many perplexities that arise is the fact that the North Carolina Christian Advocate has the one desire to be a helper in every undertaking of our Methodism in this state. Our persistent and eager effort to increase its circulation rests upon the conviction that the Advocate's influence is measured by the extent of its circulation. We are committed to the whole program of winning the Methodists to work together here in this great and growing commonwealth.

Grover Tilden Bond

THE untimely death of this princely man at the early age of 56 leaves a great vacancy in the ranks of the clerical members of the Western North Carolina conference. Handsome in personal appearance he was equally attractive in life and character. To see and appreciate the best in people was a life time habit with him. He took no pleasure in other people's failures, and no one heard him retail hurtful gossip about his friends, as too many professed followers of the Nazarene are accustomed to do. His life was a constant rebuke to those sins that are born of envy and nurtured by mistaken men and women who seem to think that the way to build themselves up is to pull someone else down.

On the contrary, only the things that are true and beautiful and of good report could interest him. As a preacher he indulged in none of the hollow pretenses of pious speech that are akin to hypocrisy. He could have said with Frederick W. Robertson, the great English preacher: "They shall hear no **cant** from me." Dr. G. T. Bond was an apostle of sunshine which made him a welcome guest in every circle he chose to enter. This was one of the reasons that he was at all times a popular and successful pastor, and also an appreciated army chaplain. He served overseas in the first world war. After returning to the pastorate his friends of the army demanded that he become chaplain in their post war organization because they admired and loved the man who had proved trustworthy in all the relations of life.

Nineteen Forty-Three

THIS is a new year. Never in all the centuries have these figures numbered the year of our Lord. And it will be a year crowded with momentous events. We hope to win the war. And let us hope that the equally important task of winning the peace may at least be begun. And there are a multitude of other important tasks that will call for men and women of clear vision, and what is even more important, a great faith. For vision is limited, while a great faith spans the eternities.

This call is particularly to us Americans who are children of pioneers that went out not knowing whither they went as they builded a new nation. But by faith they builded better than they knew; yea, than they dared to dream.. Each new year is a fresh call to prove ourselves worthy of these fathers. It is a time for a new faith that will run ahead of the things that we can see. It is a time to dare to undertake new and bigger tasks. Not the things that we know for certain are of first importance, but the unknown things that are within the grasp of our faith.

It is good to recall the old familiar couplet: "We are living, we are dwelling in a grand and awful time, An age on ages telling. To be living is sublime."

PEOPLE AND THINGS

A pounding was rendered by the Kitty Hawk people on December 21, which was appreciated by the pastor and family.—J. C. Harmon.

You made a very grave mistake in printing my parents' 50th anniversary announcement in your paper this week. The name is Charles Jackson Garriss, not Harriss.—Mabel E. Garriss.

The ministers' wives of Asheville district will meet for their quarterly business meeting and luncheon on Monday, January 4 at 11:30 o'clock. All wives are urged to attend this meeting.

The $12 check from Rev. J. O. Banks, pastor of Marion Mills charge for new subscribers that arrived in the midst of the holidays was greatly appreciated, as was his assurance that other checks will follow.

The fellow who hoards canned peas or beans or beef or any other goods that will be rationed can get rid of $10,000 or get a good long term in prison if the federal government gets hold of him. Then he will know the folly of the man who oversteps himself in trying to get ahead of his neighbor.

The pastor, Rev. W. T. Phipps, preached a Christmas sermon at the Norlina Methodist church Sunday morning to an appreciative audience. A Christmas pageant was presented at the evening hour, singing by the young people, and gifts were presented the smaller children.—Norlina Headlight.

The choir of the Rich Square Methodist church gave a program of special Christmas music at the 11 o'clock worship service Sunday morning. Members taking part included Mesdames J. W. Brown, P. F. Newton, Mildred Keen, Donald Vann, L. H. Martin, J. G. Madry, Randolph Stephenson, Miss Eunice Gray Taylor, Rev. P. F. Newton, Messrs. Will Bryant, L. H. Martin, J. G. Madry and Haywood Martin. Mrs. G. L. Vann was accomanist.—Roanoke-Chowan Times.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Doan Stott, says the Greensboro Daily News, and children, Mary Belle and Russell Stott, of Pembroke, and Rev. and Mrs. R. Grady Dawson and children, Mary Howland Dawson and Grady Dawson, Jr., of Raleigh, have returned home after spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lowdermilk, 410 Lowdermilk street, and Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Whittington, 611 Willard street. Mrs. Stott, Rev. Mr. Dawson, Mrs. Lowdermilk and Mrs. Whittington are brother and sisters.

The recent annual conference favored this writer with promotion 100 per cent on the Todd charge. Formerly I had four churches; now I have eight. Since coming here a new kitchen range, one new linoleum rug, and several window shades have been put in the parsonage. Much needed interior improvements are being made. Three new members have been received on profession of faith. The attendance on favorable Sundays has been very good. Unfavorable weather conditions have hampered our work somewhat. We are in the midst of fine people.—Wm. H. Neese.

Rev. C. N. Clark, D.D., pastor of Centenary Methodist church, Mt. Airy, and Mrs. Clark entertained the membership of the church with a tea Friday evening, December 18, at the church parsonage, when they were assisted in receiving by members of the official board and officers of the church and church school. Members of the missionary society looked after the guests and presided throughout the entire house, which was thrown open for inspection of the members so they might see the improvements made recently.

Judge C. A. Hines cheered this office with a personal check to send the Advocate to people who may desire their church paper but are not able to pay for it. Judge Hines is a prominent lawyer of Greensboro, a leading layman of West Market Street church and one of the most influential citizens of Greensboro.

Arthur Brisbane said: "Gambling is the worst of all vices that afflict the human race ,the most difficult to cure, the most widespread. From the savage, gambling away the miserable clothing on his back to the civilized man gambling away his inheritance ,the vice spreads through every rank. Gambling ruins character, destroys courage, makes a man whine and cringe when he should stand erect and work. Gambling produces nothing. A weak and vicious occupation, it destroys all interest in real effort, productive and worthwhile."

Of Judge William H. Bobbitt the Winston-Salem Journal writes as follows: "The late Judge Harding of Charlotte was unique both as a jurist and as a personality. His power of reason and penetrating knowledge of the law were equaled only by his profound human sympathies and his instinctive sense of courtesy. It is not too often that men possessed in rich degree of these several qualities come to grace the bench of the North Carolina Superior Court. Still less frequently do we find two men of this type coming to the bench from the same town."

Will the members of the book circle which consists of E. M. Hoyle, T. G. Highfill, H. R. Cornelius, Mitchell Faulkner, L. R. Akers, P. T. Dixon, E. C. Price, H. E. Bolick, J. B. Tabor, G. W. Bumgarner, J. L. Stokes II, please see that the books move on. If sent promptly at the beginning of the month they won't pile up anywhere. If you have not read it send it on, for perhaps a mightier one comes after it. The above is the order in which to send them on—from Hoyle to Stokes. Acting secretary, The Voice of New Year Resolutions. (Stenographer, Bill Bumgarner. I recently received the book which I bought for the circle last year—three months overdue. I certainly am enjoying it).

Rich Square Items.—Among the college students who came home to spend the Christmas holidays are: Misses Hazel Bryant, Ruby Madry, Ann Spivey and Frances Bryant, from W. C. U. N. C., Greensboro; Frances Harrell and Millison Bryant, E. C. T. C., Greenville; Hazel Warmack, Greensboro College; Harriet Grant and Judith Holoman, Elon College; Helen Emory, Smithdeal-Massey Business College, Richmond; and Meredith Bolton, A. T. T. C., Boone; Sam Strickland and Robert Martin, E. C. T. C., Greenville; Robert Brown, A. C.C., Wilson; Warren Harrell, U. N. C., Chapel Hill; Charles Cooke, Atlanta Southern Dental College; James Everett Brown, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn; John M. Peele, High Point College.

The Methodist ministers of Stanly county, at a Christmas party held in the home of Rev. J. E. Yountz, organized a group to be called the Stanly County Methodist Ministers' Association, with meetings to be held bi-monthly, alternating with meetings held by the County Ministerial Association. Rev. J. H. Brendall, pastor of Central Methodist church, was elected chairman pro tem, and presided over the meeting to nominate the officers of the new organization. The following were elected: Rev. G. N. Dulin, president; Rev. J. E. Yountz, vice president; Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., secretary-treasurer. The following were appointed by Rev. Mr. Dulin to serve as the program committee: Rev. J. H. Brendall, chairman, Rev. R. C. Stubbins and Rev. J. R. Hamilton.

The major said, Bring me a geep, that Methodist chaplain is trying to follow Company C on a 15-mile hike. When he overtook the company the preacher had one soldier hanging on his arm and was carrying the packs for two others. On last Sunday while I was walking two miles in a 14-inch snow on my way to an appointment, I wondered why we do this in the camp and at home drive a car every time we go to gather the eggs. Tell it not in Zion, but here we have a definite pay day and when we hike we have the name of the treasurer on our hip. "The ox knows his owner and the ass his master's crib."—Ed Earnhardt.

Westford Methodist church, Concord, of which Rev. T. W. Hager is pastor, has reason to celebrate for their handsome new brick church located on Office street in the Hartsell community is free of all indebtedness. Sunday, December 13, was set aside by the pastor and the membership to erase the balance due on the structure. At the 11 o'clock hour the bulletin board showed a balance of $760, but a few minutes later the pastor stated: "I have here in my pocket sufficient funds to pay up all indebtedness against this church." Later in the afternoon he revealed that the church was built at a cost of approximately $27,000. Of this amount approximately $18,000 was paid in cash and between $8000 and $9000 represented free labor.

"If I had never believed in the church before, my disbelief would be disturbed now by the kind of people who hate the church," said Dr. Emerson Fosdick, New York clergyman and author, recently. "All of the totalitarian states have been having trouble with the church. In Japan they compelled its unification under state control, so that they could get their hands on it; in Italy there has been a running fight between Mussolini and the Vatican; in Germany the Nazi party has cribbed, cabined, and confined the church, often imprisoned its priests and ministers, and tried to organize an opposing religion of race and nation. From all of which one gathers that with all its faults the church of Christ is more important than many of its own members, even, had supposed."

MINISTERS' WIVES MEET IN CHERRYVILLE

The ministers' wives of Gastonia district met at the Cherryville Methodist church for their first meeting of the new conference year. Twenty-four members were present.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. E. M. Jones. Following the roll call and the reading of the minutes, Mrs. G. B. Clemmer gave an interesting report of the ministers' wives' luncheon which was held during annual conference in Charlotte. The new wives in our district were introduced and welcomed by Mrs. Jones. Several members of the group then gave reports of recent parsonage improvements. Mrs. W. L. Scott presented the report of the nominating committee and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. S. Gibbs; vice president, Mrs. G. B. Clemmer; recording secretary, Mrs. R. H. Stamey; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. F. R. Love. The new president took charge after the election and urged all of us to help each other in solving the many problems that the war has created for us as ministers' wives and also to the superannuated wives of our district.

The meeting was adjourned by a prayer led by Mrs. C. H. Moser.

Mrs. J. S. Gibbs, President.
Mrs. R. H. Stamey, Secretary.

WOOD - SPRUILL

A wedding of interest to their many friends in eastern North Carolina was that of Mrs. Reba Estelle Spruill of Columbia to Rev. G. C. Wood of Roper, on Thursday, December 10.

The ceremony was performed at the Wanchese Methodist parsonage by Rev. James W. Sneeden, pastor of the Wanchese Methodist church, and Rev. M. W. Maness of Manteo.

The bride wore a corsage of Victory blue crepe with black accessories, and a shoulder corsage of American Beauty roses.

Those present included Rev. and Mrs. Sneeden, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Meekins of Manteo, and Mrs. Arvilla Midgett of Wanchese.

Mr. Wood is pastor of the Methodist church at Roper.

PRAYER OF CHAPLAIN JAMES SHERA MONTGOMERY IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JANUARY 2, 1941

O Thou who art above all things—all tumults, all conflicts, all life, and supreme from everlasting to everlasting—hear us while we pray; let the musings of the eternal mind murmur around us. In our relation to our country, our homes, the good, the bad, the rich, and the poor, we pray that the sweetness and the tenderness of the Christian spirit may assert itself. O let our souls bring from the fields of valiant faith the living sheaves of God. Blessed Father, may the hungry have bread, the homeless shelter, and our people everywhere comfort; help us all to follow the heavenly music of our Master's message. Our loved ones near and far, ever keep them beneath the shadow of thy wing. We rejoice that thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from the beginning of time, thou art God. Let thy work appear unto thy servants and thy glory unto their children. When our course runs out at the ebb of the world that we love so dearly, may we have a welcome to our Father's arms, through him who became the manger Babe but now is glorified forever as the world's Saviour. In our dear Redeemer's name. Amen.

W. M. SMITH GETTING RESULTS IN HIS NEW JOB

Rev. W. M. Smith, superintendent of the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital and director of the Golden Cross of the Western North Carolina conference, spent a Sunday with Rev. C. O. Kennerly on the Welcome charge recently. The Golden Cross offering was taken at the three churches with the following results: New Mt. Vernon church $11; Center church $20; Midway church $51. Total for the charge $82.

A recent Sunday with Rev. E. E. Snow at Community church in Thomasville resulted in a Golden Cross offering twice as much as last year. The offering at Central church, Monroe, Rev. J. H. Armbrust, pastor, taken the fifth Sunday in November, was $61—six times what it was last year.

IVEYS GIVE BIG FUND FOR HICKORY LIBRARY

A gift of $30,000 for a new building to house the Worth Elliott-Carnegie Library of Hickory is to be given the city by George F. Ivey and family as a memorial to the late Elbert Ivey, a son who died several months ago.

At a called meeting of the city board of aldermen, Ivey revealed that he and his family will make an initial gift of $20,000 this week to the Hickory Community Foundation, Inc., in establishing a fund for the purpose of erecting a new library building. This donation is the first announced to the new corporation being set up here to receive contributions of money for local benevolent projects. The Iveys will give the additional sum of $10,000 to be donated in 1943.

THE 18-YEAR-OLDS

We are now registering 18-year-old youths for the armed service in the United States to go anywhere that the military authorities direct. Not so in Britain. Though it has been in the war three years it is only this week that it has done so, but it carried the provision that they should be trained for two years before being liable to serve overseas. There are many people who still believe that 18-year-old youths ought not to have been drafted, but there has been general acquiescence. Nobody doubts the 18-year-olds will give a good account of themselves.—Editorial in News and Observer.

Man's Place in God's Plan

By DR. D. T. GREGORY

Sir Wilfred Grenfell's work in Labrador has been one of the radiant examples of Christian fidelity in recent times. This loyal servant of the cross is credited with having said: "My own faith is, that so marvelous is this human life of ours that God himself cannot save the world without us. This is for me a definitely sufficient explanation of why we are here."

The primary place in the plan of heaven is that of seeking and saving lost souls. Mankind, like wandering sheep, strayed from the high and holy purposes of God. The drama of the ages has centered around the reach of infinite love in a divine search after those gone astray. Into this plan and business of seeking the lost and helping the oppressed God calls every redeemed child as a partner and co-laborer. Forever moving on across the centuries this plan of co-operative endeavor continues its march of progress—sometimes it is retarded a bit because of human falterings, but the steady course is forward.

Our present era seems to be one of those retarding periods. An effort to describe our present world situation has been couched in the following words: "In one generation we have gone from a world in which no good thing seemed impossible to one in which no disaster seems impossible." Everywhere humanity is staggering from the blows of its ungodliness. Many things that were considered secure and enduring have crumbled and gone the way of all vanity. Some individuals have been disturbed to the point of wondering whether God really lives. It is an era in human experiences that tries men's souls.

God's Plan Moves On

But the eternal purpose and intent of the divine will moves on. Even in the midst of days that grow there shines forth a ray of hope. God always has a company of co-workers whose steadfastness faileth never. These are faithful to his witnessing commission. Regardless of the crucial requirements, these souls continue in season and out of season to be about the business of the King of kings.

No one yet has dared a prophecy of what the new order will be like in the tomorrows. All are agreed that we never will go back to pre-war conditions of life, but to exactly just what we shall turn as the future basis of civilization is beyond any individual's understanding. Of one thing we are sure, however, the plan and purpose of Jehovah will move on toward the ultimate victory that God has intended.

Using Paul's words, one might state it thus: "We know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. . . . And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

Love Carries On

It was love on the cross. It was love at the open grave. It was love on the Emmaus road. It was love that turned back his amazed disciples with an injunction that they wait for the promise of the Father.

It was love that sent Livingstone and Hannington into the heart of Africa. It was love that brought Otterbein to America as a missionary. It was love that impelled Newcomer to cross and re-cross the roadless Alleghenies in search after souls.

It is love that registers victorious benevolence giving on the part of Christ's followers. Yes, "the love of Christ constraineth us," as Paul wrote to the Corinthian Christians, and under the impelling power of that love the work of his kingdom goes forward. Victories are won.

Love Conquers

A German plane was shot down, and the pilot was captured. His bravery and courage impressed his captors to the extent they invited him to dine with them. He shook hands with his hosts and toasted them with all marks of self-discipline, but a few moments later broke down and sobbed aloud. Then out of his embarrassment he rose to say: "Please forgive me, your kindness has overwhelmed me. For most of my life I have been taught to dislike you. During these last five years I have been made to hate you. I was told that if you captured me, you would starve and torture me. Instead, you have broken me with your kindness. Gentlemen, I salute you."

Yes, the plan of God has a place for man in its moments of agonizing struggles toward that more blessed and triumphant day of good will and peace. It is ours to share him with others until his kingdom come.—Religious Telescope.

NEWS ITEMS FROM COLERIDGE

Perhaps just a line from the Coleridge charge is in order.

On October 29 the pastor and his family arrived in Coleridge and found a welcome in waiting. On October 31, about 8 p. m. around 75 of our people gathered in our school auditorium, all looking very belligerent. Each carried something in the hand or under the arm. Some on the shoulder. After singing several songs, three addresses of welcome were given and then—well, then they proceeded to pound the new pastor and his wife. A sizeable purse of money was given Mrs. Plint, while the pastor had to be content with fruits, canned goods, flour, etc. Everywhere we have been most cordially received and made welcome.

On the night of December 1 a wind storm desteepled our Concord church, causing over $750 damage. The next night the officials met and raised in available cash $1475 and enough subscriptions, in addition, to justify plans not only to repair the damage but to make some needed repairs and improvements, all of which may exceed $2000.

Our first quarterly conference has been held and an increase in finances was promised of around $400. This did not include the above $2000.

Our predecessor, Brother J. H. Trolinger, was exceedingly well liked and we hope to win the affections of this good people. We are doing a fairly good job liking our folks and enjoying the work. W. J. Plint, Pastor.

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE AND JOHN WESLEY

William Allen White, the editor of the Emporia Gazette, has a considerable affinity for John Wesley, who laid down the rule, "make all you can, save all you can, give all you can." Mr. White puts it a little differently. In turning over the deed for a fifty-acre park which he had presented to the city of Emporia, he said:

"This is the last kick in a fistful of dollars I am getting rid of today. I have always tried to teach you that there are three kicks in every dollar: one when you make it—and my father's forebears were Yankees, and how I do love to make a dollar; the second kick is when you have it—and I have the Yankee lust for saving; the third kick comes when you give it away—and my mother was Irish, and that's why the big kick is the last one."

A CHURCH LEADER PASSES SUDDENLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY

Dr. Grover Tilden Bond, 56, superintendent of the Charlotte district, Western North Carolina conference, died suddenly of a heart attack at 1:30 p. m. December 24. He had parked his car on a downtown street and was walking on the street when stricken. He died before the ambulance reached a hospital. His sudden death came as a great shock to the city of Charlotte and also to the Western North Carolina conference of which he was an esteemed and influential member.



Dr. Grover Tilden Bond

Dr. Bond was beginning his sixth year as superintendent of the Charlotte district where he had rendered effectual service. Before taking up the work of the Charlotte district he had completed a quadrennium as pastor of Dilworth church, Charlotte.

Dr. Bond, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Bond, members of prominent Virginia families, was born in Wise county, Virginia.. After his early education he was graduated at Clintwood Normal College, in that state, and subsequently he took postgraduate work at the University of Montana.

He joined the Holston conference of the Methodist church in 1909. Later he served, successively, pastorates in Montana, California, and Arizona.

During World War 1, he was a chaplain in the 37th division of the American expeditionary force, and he saw much overseas service. After the war he became a member of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church.

These pastorates included a full quadrennium at the present College Place church, then known as Spring Garden Street church, in Greensboro, four years at First church, Morganton, one year as pastor of First church, Elizabeth City during a short period of transfer to the North Carolina conference, a year in the pastorate of West Asheville church, an additional tenure of two years at College Place church, Greensboro, before entering upon his Dilworth pastorate in Charlotte.

Funeral services were held in Dilworth church, of which he was a former pastor, at 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, December 26.

Officiating ministers were Bishop Clare Purcell of Charlotte; Dr. Howard P. Powell, pastor of Dilworth Methodist church; Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of First Methodist church, Charlotte; Dr. L. B. Hayes, superintendent of the Greensboro district; Dr. Embree H. Blackard, pastor of Myers Park Methodist church, Charlotte; Dr. J. B. Craven, pastor of West Market Street Methodist church, Greensboro, and Dr. J. W. Fitzgerald, pastor of Belmont Park Methodist church, Charlotte.

Active pallbearers were Guy O. Bagwell, M. H. Courtney, Granbery Dickson, C. H. Miller, Dr. C. L. Nance, John L. Wilkinson, J. Lester Wolfe, and Neal S. Zeigler. Mrs. Neal S. Zeigler and Mrs. C. H. Miller had charge of the flowers, the profusion of which, as well as the great congregation present, attested to the high esteem in which Dr. Bond was held. Under the leadership of Mrs. James M. Howe, Dilworth church organist and choir director, special numbers were given by the church choir, including rendition of a vocal solo by Harold Daniels.

The tribute by Bishop Purcell to the deceased was timely and appreciative as he directed attention to the purity and steadfastness of his life, his good fellowship, his executive ability, and his attainments in the Christian ministry.

Surviving Dr. Bond are his wife, who was Miss Cosby Colley of Smith county, Virginia, before their marriage; two daughters, Miss Virginia Bond of Charlotte and Miss Lois Bond of Cambridge, Md.; four brothers, Judge Napoleon Bond of Kingsport, Tenn., William W. Bond, Sidney G. Bond, and Emory H. Bond, all three of Checholis, Wash.

Interment was in Forest Lawn cemetery, Charlotte.

REV. A. B. HUNTER HEADS HOLSTON CONFERENCE ROLL

When the mail carrier delivered my conference journal a few days ago, I woke afresh to realize that my name stood at the head of the chronological roll. Just think of it! What changes a brief space of 56 years can bring about. All that stalwart body of men of the Holston conference have passed on to their reward. Many of them, in fact most of them, were my personal friends. A fast diminishing company of North Carolina men will recall those great and honored souls who answered to roll call at Knoxville, Tenn., in 1886, Bishop McTyere presiding.

I read with moistened eyes of the passing of my old friend, J. T. Stover. I was present at college chapel, Weaverville, N. C., when he and Miss Flora Pickens were united in marriage, Dr. James S. Kennedy performing the ceremony. They hied themselves away to the conference at Wytheville, Va. Next below my name is that of my honored friend and classmate, Dr. John C. Orr.

I have been a long time reader of your Advocate. Its visits are like letters from home. God bless you all.

Alfred B. Hunter.

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PRINTER'S MISTAKES IN CONFERENCE JOURNAL

Charlotte District, Table III, page 157:

There are two columns headed "Woman's Society Local Work." The first should have been "Jurisdictional Conference Expense" and remain blank. The next column "Woman's Society Local Work" has the correct figures. Then leave the figures in the columns as they are, but move the headings to the right one column and write in "Woman's Society sent to the Conference Treasurer" after the column headed "Woman's Society Local Work." Either insert a column headed "Home for the Aged" or omit this heading altogether, since there are no figures for this item. The "Hospital," "Orphanage," "Less Items Reported Twice" and "Grand Total" columns and figures are correct.

Statesville District, Table III, page 199:

Under the heading of "Woman's Society" change the first column headed "Sent to the Conference Treasurer" to "Woman's Society Local Work." The figures in each column are correct.

J. G. Winkler.

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

By DR. FORNEY HUTCHINSON

Text: "The Thing has gone from me!"—Dan. 2:5.

Nebuchadnezzar was a great king. He ruled Assyria somewhere about 600 B. C. He conquered many nations and made Babylon, his capital, with its hanging gardens and crystal fountains, one of the wonders of the world. We find him puzzled about a dream which he had forgotten. He sought through his wise men to have it restored and to find an interpretation thereof. The text itself constitutes an interesting confession. Speaking of the dream, he said: "The thing has gone from me." Now we are not very much interested in Nebuchadnezzar or his dreams, but his experience seems to me to illustrate the imminent danger, even today, of missing the main issue in life. It is with this angle of his confession that I wish to deal.

First of all, let us consider what Nebuchadnezzar had left. Reality, in his own confession, had vanished. Only forms survived. He had all the accessories necessary for a great court occasion. Everywhere there was the glamour of oriental pomp and ceremony. An army of experts was in attendance. There were sooth-sayers, Chaldeans, magicians, fortune-tellers, dream interpreters, and so forth, ad infinitum. Also, there was still in his mind a haunting memory. There was all that was left of what had given promise of being a very significant occasion.

This oriental picture moves us to suggest that life's forms are very persistent. After reality is gone, forms still abide. I picked up a shell by the seashore. Once it had throbbed with life, now it was empty and had nothing left but the faint echo of the mighty surge of the sea. We see this truth illustrated in so many of life's relationships.

In professional life, after our ideals are exhausted, and the thing itself is gone, we contiue to go through the motion. We go up the hill and come back down again. I know a "Dr. Nebuchadnezzar." I knew him when he was a medical student. He was enthusiastic about his chosen profession. He was anxious to get out into his work. He hardly gave a thought to his remuneration. His office was in the Medical Arts Building, his equipment was complete, his surroundings were luxurious! While I talked to him the phone rang, and he was asked to make a call. He answered: "I do only office work, you will have to get some one else." As he hung up the receiver he said to me, "They couldn't pay even if I went." I saw at a glance that "the thing had gone from him." As I left his office I was sad.

I know "Professor Neb." I met him just as he graduated from the State Teachers' College. He had made applications for places to teach. He was not particular as to where he might find a location and was but slightly concerned as to what his salary would be. Now he is very particular as to where he will go and what he will accept in the way of remuneration. Teaching is now his "meal ticket." The thing, itself, "has gone from him."

I know the "Reverend Neb." He was my guest during a district conference when I was a young preacher. I was enamoured of my vocation and was eager to talk to an older brother of my evangelistic passion and my plan for a revival. To my surprise, he seemed bored, and soon turned the conversation into other channels. He talked of his probable salary deficit and his proposed summer vacation. He wondered who would go to "First Church," who would be elected delegates to the General Conference, and who would be the next bishops in our church. He suggested that he ought to have a better appointment himself and a larger salary. Sadly I realized that the "thing had gone from him!"

The text also applies to domestic relations. I know "Mr and Mrs. Neb." Indeed I performed their marriage ceremony. As they stood at the altar, they looked at each other so lovingly that their faces were suffused with a holy glow. The years have gone by; they preside, now, over the deadest thing I know—a dead home. The romance has faded. A woman I went to see in one of my parishes was taking up her carpets, packing her furniture—everything was in confusion. She said: "You have come too late; this home is dead. I have applied for a divorce." At the far end of so many marriage altars in these latter days there stands a divorce decree. Perhaps even more tragic than a divorce, so far as the contracting parties are concerned, is a divorce without a decree! After all, a divorce decree is little more than a formal burial of a thing already dead.

On a wind-demoned knoll, in the winter sun
It stands, a rattling skeleton
Of a house. From its hollow window-sockets,
From doorway, hearth, and chimney pockets
Wraiths of old laughter stare vacantly,
Mocking at life and love—and me.

O why do men not bury dead homes
Together with their chaptered tomes?
Nor leave them pointing their thin ghost-fingers
At gay young roofs where no joy lingers,
Taunting the shaken hearts that dwell
Brave-housed, within a gilded shell.
I weep for homes thus spectral, dead,
Homes whose white-love soul is fled.

At any rate, the tragedy lies in the fact that the "thing has gone from them."

But in no sphere of life is this text more applicable than in religion. Mr. Wesley complained that the church of his day had a "form of godliness without the power thereof." It was functioning like a galvanized corpse, its movements were automatic and meaningless. Life and power were no longer in evidence. It was dead and didn't know it! Jesus describes it in his parable of the ten virgins. The foolish virgins had their lamps burnished and their wicks trimmed, but they had no oil. So often this condition is evident in the life of individual Christians. If they do not go on "sit-down" strikes, they at least go on "let-down" strikes. They have quit without resigning. They are running on momentum! They still use the phraseology of religion, but it is pure cant. Reality is gone. What a tragedy!

In the second place, let us see, if we can, what Nebuchadnezzar had lost. Be it said to his credit, he did not deny nor minimize it. Frankly he confessed, "the thing—the real thing—has gone from me." The dream had vanished. The object for which the meeting had been called

was no longer in evidence. Immediately, he proceeded to pronounce death sentences upon his pseudo magicians, and adjourn the meeting. He, at least, had honesty enough to quit.

So in life. The significance of so much that we do is gone. It no longer has any real meaning. Like the wedding feast our Saviour attended in Cana of Galilee, we "have no wine." People are bored with such a life. They even contemplate and sometimes commit suicide. Ralph Barton, a brilliant writer, shot his brains out in his hotel room a few years ago. He left a note in which he said, "I have traveled from place to place, married one woman after another. Nothing satisfies. The burden is too heavy to bear." George Eastman, an immensely rich man, snuffed out his life and left a note explaining that the meaningless round through which he was going was no longer bearable. They, like many another, had asked the question, "What's the use to go on?" They, at least, were consistent enough to adjourn the meeting.

Now, it is entirely proper to keep the lamps trimmed. Life must have forms. They should be appropriate and beautiful. If we do not wisely supply such forms, life may find ugly forms for itself. But above all other things, be sure of your oil. We must cling to life's ideals and inspirations. They constitute the main thing. If the halo fades and the wine is gone, what is the use? We talk much of Mr. Wesley's conversion experience. We celebrated it recently. As a type, it has its values. Some of us even have memories of a somewhat similar experience! "What peaceful hours I once enjoyed, how sweet their memory still." All too often, I fear, it's no more now than a haunting memory and an "aching void."

What of the outcome? Through the suggestion of his counselors, Nebuchadnezzar called Daniel. He sent for God's man, and rediscovered the "thing that was lost." So many in our day need to follow his example. We are pitifully back-slidden. The vision has faded. "The thing has gone from us." We must, of necessity, turn back to God! This applies to the church as a whole, as well as to the individual Christian.

When Mary discovered that the wedding feast in Cana faced a shortage, she took it to the Saviour. As a result, it appeared to the guests that the "best had been saved till the last." So with all of life, if we submit it trustfully to him.—New Orleans Christian Advocate.

MT. BETHEL—HISTORIC EVEN LIKE MT. BETHEL OF OLD

Mt. Bethel is the Methodist church in the enterprising suburb of Bahama, a few miles from Durham. If Jacob had stopped here for a night's rest, he would not have used a stone for a pillow. Here is where Washington Duke was converted one hundred and ten years ago when only a lad of ten years. This was the beginning of a career that was destined to be outstanding as a financier and as a churchman and Christian. Here he received the direction that largely determined his after life, characterized by a staunch loyalty and devotion to the church at old Hebron, now Duke's Chapel at Braggtown, and the old Main Street Methodist church in Durham. Some day, it is to be hoped that some fitting memorial may be erected at Mt. Bethel that will give adequate expression of appreciation to this great character of our state and church. It was an inconspicuous stream, or spring, in its day, but out of this spring flowed the stream that culminated in Duke University and also in a mammoth industrial development.

The beneficent spirit of the Dukes is being kept alive by the people of Mt. Bethel. The community ranks along with the best in this part of the state.

If R. Grady Dawson's fine people of Trinity, Raleigh, can get up a finer pounding the pastor of Mt. Bethel would like to see it.

And they attend church and encourage the pastor in his efforts to preach. One hundred and twenty-five years of sacred history, though slow at times, is destined to gather momentum as the years multiply, with the fine workers contributing their holy zeal to perpetuate the kingdom begun there by the heralds of the cross during the past years, Mt. Bethel remains the "house of prayer."

O. I. Hinson.

MAKING A CHURCH CALENDAR

By Charles O. Ransford

Civilized man is a creature of watches and clocks. He carries a watch in his pocket or on his wrist. He has clocks in his home, his shop, his store, his factory and his office. All public places have clocks. He punches a clock when he goes to work and when he ceases from labor he again punches a clock. He wakes in the morning at the alarm of a clock. He eats thrice daily at an hour announced by the clock.

Primitive peoples have little sense of time. They have no clocks. They only know when morning lights the day it is time to awake. When darkness falls it is time again to sleep.

Our modern age is sensitive to the value of time. All our affairs are regulated by the clock and our timepieces. To keep up with time is the spur of all our activities.

Jesus Christ, God's Son who came out of the eternities was most conscious of time. He has given all men a sense of values for time and eternity. He said, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work." His condemnation of his generation was that they could not discern the signs of the times." His lament over Israel was that they did not know their day, and "the things which belong unto thy peace." He was always saying "Watch therefore; for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."

Preachers of the gospel should be most sensitive to the value of time and the use of the calendar. They deal with daily life to make men cognizant of temporal values. They deal with eternal life to make men cognizant of eternity, time's unending values.

The Methodist preacher who never knows how long he may stay at a given appointment must work intensely. He passes that way only once. To him time has extreme value. He has a given number of services that must be performed in twelve months. He must work every day. He cannot go back tomorrow to do the work left undone, because new duties are always calling.

His annual conference may give him an appointment at any season of the year. His people live by a civil calendar. He must know his task and adjust his schedule. No appointed service can be slighted, lest the omission from his quarterly and annual conference reports should embarrass both him and his charge.

DR. ZADOK PARIS OF LAKE JUNALUSKA DIES IN ATLANTA, GA.

Dr. Zadok Paris, 82, and one of the oldest members of the Western North Carolina conference, died in a hospital in Atlanta, Ga., Thursday, December 24. Dr. Paris since retiring from the active ministry had made his home in Lake Junaluska, but frequently spent the winters with his son, Ralph Paris, and daughter, Mrs. Robert H. Scott, who lived in Atlanta. Shortly after his arrival this year in that city illness made it necessary for him to enter a hospital, where he remained till his death. He had been in poor health for several years. Funeral services were held in Charlotte at two o'clock Saturday, December 26, in the First Methodist church.

Officiating ministers were Bishop Purcell of Charlotte; Dr. G. Ray Jordan, pastor of First Methodist church, Charlotte; Dr. William L. Sherrill of Charlotte, who was secretary of the Western North Carolina conference 44 years; and Dr. C. E. Rozzelle, pastor of Wesley Memorial Methodist church, High Point.

Interment was in Elmwood cemetery in Charlotte.

Dr. Paris was born July 28, 1859, the son of Zadok and Elizabeth Carraway Paris, in Pamlico county. He was converted to the Methodist faith in 1878 and was licensed to preach on November 2, 1885. He joined the North Carolina conference at Reidsville, was ordained deacon at New Bern in 1888, and an elder in 1890 at Concord.

On January 29, 1889, he was married to Miss Lula Belle Cannon of Gaston county, the daughter of an old North Carolina family..

Dr. Paris was educated at old Trinity now Duke University.

Dr. Paris served the following churches in North Carolina during his active career:

Church Street, Charlotte, 1887; Mountain Island Station, 1888; Charlotte circuit, 1889; Lilesville circuit, 1890-1891; Norwood circuit, 1892-1894; Bethel, Asheville, 1895; Matthews and Hickory Grove, 1896; Kings Mountain circuit, 1897; Madison circuit, 1898-1900; Mount Airy Station, 1901-1902; Caroleen-Henrietta, 1903; Lumberton circuit, 1904-1906; Marion Station, 1907; North Wilkesboro, 1908-1911; Murphy, 1912; Mount Station, 1913; Field Secretary of the I.O.O.F., 1914; Lincolnton, 1915-1917; Concord Station, 1918-1921; Marion district, 1922-1925; Salisbury district, 1926-1928. At his own request he was retired in 1928.

APPLICATION OF CHRISTIANITY

It is generally admitted that there are great economic and social evils. They have to be removed. This can and must be done without our resorting to new plans or new orders which may affect and undermine fundamental ideas and principles. Speaking from longer and wider experience and reffection than perhaps has been the lot of most others. I wish to say: fundamentally the world has no need of a new order or a new plan but only of the honest and courageous application of the historical Christian idea. Our Christian civilization is based on eternal order, an endless plan in the message of Christ. Many new messages and messengers will appear in these times of great tribulation. Let us follow the light which once shone before us, the greatest light that has ever arisen on the human horizon and which can surely lead us to that better world for which we are longing. In the twilight of today I see on that horizon—not the man of Moscow, not the man of Rome, but the man of Galilee. I see him going round villages and districts teaching and spreading his message of a new kingdom, healing the sick and suffering. And his message is: Cherish in love your fellowman irrespective of race or language; cherish and keep the divine idea in your heart as the highest good. This is the message also for the church of today and for mankind milling around like frightened sheep without a shepherd. The Man of Galilee is, and remains, our one and only leader. And the church, as the carrier of this message, should follow him alone.—General Jan Christian Smuts, Prime Minister of South Africa.

IRRELEVANT IN CHURCH

Editor The Christian Century:

Sir: School boys' mistakes may reveal truths unsuspected by them. I do not refer to the boy who wrote that St. Paul's had "a much bigger knave in it than our church at home." Such comparisons are unprofitable and the necessary data are not at hand. But that child was uncomfortably near the truth who wrote that "young people today do not mean to be irrelevant in church, but they don't believe anything unless they see it, and then they look twice." (I should like to hear you preach on "The Second Look of Youth").

"To be irrelevant in church"—that is a more common experience than we suppose. Little Tommy, who wrote the words, had in mind the irreverence of certain youth. The two things of course are very different, and youth may be most relevant in church when it is most irreverent. But there are places where a youth may indeed be irrelevant, either in his own estimation or in the judgment of others. In the one case he asks openly or in secret, "What on earth am I doing here?" In the other he is viewed with suspicion or perhaps with bewilderment by the elder statesmen who ask, "What on earth can we do with him here?" It is, however, a bad business when youth, either by itself or by others, is counted irrelevant in church.

There are measures taken by churches to meet the danger. How many addresses have you heard, how many papers read, how many manuscripts doomed to the waste-basket, in which you were shown "How the Church Should Deal with Youth"? But the difficulty is not new, and not easy to meet. I have known churches in which from one generation to another there has been a recognized division—"tension" I believe is the right word—between the young people and the older. In such a church some use the formula, "We must consider the young people"; others shake their heads and say, "We must not let the young people have it all their own way"; while the most irritating of all declare that the young should be let alone because "when they are as old as we are they will think as we do."

Preachers with differing notes come. One has a burning conviction that youth alone is relevant and the others are out of date ,old fogies whose joy it should be to practice ecclesiastical hara-kari—in other words, to resign their offices. Do young men consider a doctrine unacceptable? Then let it be put in cold storage. Do the sixteen-to-twentys think a sermon should be short? Then shorter and still shorter let it be. Then other preachers arise who demand a fair deal for age and maturity. Thus the pulpit pendulum swings.

But the fact must be faced that with the years the division remains but the persons change. "How is Timo-

theus, that champion of youth?'' I inquire of a friend from a church I once knew. ''Timotheus?'' he answers with a smile. ''He is no longer on that side; he is now all for keeping youth in its right place.'' It would be a mistake to imagine that there is any ill feeling in such a church. Just dialectical differences, that is all.

Ever yours, Quintus Quiz.

PARSONAGE AT RUTHERFORD COLLEGE PAID FOR

The congregation of Abernethy Memorial Methodist church at Rutherford College had special reason for rejoicing through the Christmas season, in that the indebtedness on the new parsonage was entirely liquidated. When the parsonage was completed two years ago, a debt of $750 still remained to be paid. Our goal was to "settle up" everything by Christmas or New Year's day. Dollar day was held the Sunday before Christmas and $90 was laid on the altar. As the goal came nearer within reach enthusiasm mounted, and the entire amount of some $510 was in the hands of the treasurer before Christmas day. To the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild go a great deal of credit for furnishing rooms in the parsonage, and making substantial contributions for helping to clear the indebtedness. Entire cost of the parsonage is in the neighborhood of $4000, with at least $500 of this amount contributed in free labor. The Conference Board of Church Extension aided us with $350, for which help and encouragement we are most grateful.

The parsonage has eight rooms, is compact and conveniently arranged. One full sized room adjoining the living room can be used either for a pastor's study or a bed room. The closet space is most ample, and there is a full sized basement with room enough for two cars, coal, a laundry, and other basement needs; also parsonage has water works and entire first floor has hardwood floors. A concrete terrace skirts the front and south side of the parsonage. Several ministers have come to see the parsonage and get the plans. Plans for the parsonage were made and drawn up by Rev. J. R. Duncan and Jas. H. Burrus.

Our pastor, Brother Duncan, has led us wisely and well in all of this work, and has himself contributed both in plans and labor. Not only that, but he came up with his part of the bargain in due time by furnishing the parsonage with a housekeeper and wife, completing the work so well begun to the king's taste. All in all, it looks as though the pastor at Rutherford College and the congregation are "all set" for a good year's work in the Master's vineyard.

Mr. T. W. Mauney, while not on the building committee, deserves special mention for the fine work he did in visiting and getting contributions throughout the community for this parsonage fund. Jas. H. Burrus.

THE RUSH CAME ABOUT SEVEN-THIRTY

On Wednesday of last week, early in the evening, the people began to arrive at the parsonage, laden with a great variety of things for the pantry. The rush came about 7:30 and continued later. It was a very inclement night, and though many came still others continued to pay us visits throughout the week and have so continued through Christmas. We are well supplied with about all kinds of groceries, meats, etc. It was done in a very fine spirit and a most generous old fashioned pounding. Not even the pet dog, Rex, was left out. We are truly grateful to these fine people for their generous spirit, and pray God's richest blessing to be generously given them.

A very impressive Christmas service was held, with a very substantial offering. All budgets are paid to date, and every phase of the work going well.

We have been kindly received by these good people and are looking forward to one of our best years.

We take this opportunity to thank all our many friends of former pastorates for the large number of Christmas greeting cards. And especially the good people of Lexington-Trinity-Mt. Carmel. Several years with them convinced us beyond a doubt that truly some of God's elect abode there. We wish for them the best in kingdom service. We left good people and have found plenty of good people here at Stanley. L. E. Mabry, Pastor.

A BEAUTIFUL LETTER FROM THE WAR FRONT IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC

Sergeant Judge Trammell, Jr., Kannapolis youth who died on a lonely South Pacific island several months ago of what the War Department described as an ''unknown fever,'' assuredly was popular with his comrades.

His young widow and baby son received a letter several days ago, and enclosed was a draft for $1,038. The money was raised by Trammell's buddies.

The letter written by Lieut. Col. Norman Eckert, commander of Trammell's field artillery outfit, read:

''As the Christmas season approaches, we of the fourth field artillery battalion remember deep in our hearts our late brave and gallant comrade in arms, your husband, Sergeant Trammell.

''Because he was near and dear to us, we of the fourth artillery battalion have shared a Christmas gift for you and your son. The gift in the form of a check which represents a voluntary contribution by all of the officers and men of the battalion and some other of Sergeant Trammell's friends in this task force who expressed their desire to contribute, we enclose with this letter.

''And may we add in this letter an expression of hope and trust that your and Sergeant Trammell's son will grow up to be the good man, brave and strong, that his father was, and that he will come to know and realize that the sacrifice halo of our Saviour, Jesus, the Son of Mary, descended upon him and that God took him unto himself for his own, for a part of his own larger life and joyful service, and gave to him eternal victory.

''With the best greetings for the Christmas and New Year seasons and every good wish that all future days and years may be well blest for both you and your son.''

RENOVATION OF PARSONAGE AND CHURCH BASEMENT OF EDENTON STREET CHURCH

Recent renovation of the young adult class rooms, the Boy Scout room and establishment of comfortable quarters for service men—all in the basement of the main auditorium of Edenton Street Methodist church—has extended the ministry of that congregation threefold. The latter project provides lodging for 40 men, a reception room and toilet facilities. The young adult class has equipped the reception room and will supply entertainment and light refreshments each week-end. Mr. M. H. Harris will act as host to the service men visiting these quarters. The committee in charge of the plans for this project was composed of Mr. C. A. Dillon, Mrs. Marion F. Wyatt and Mrs. O. R. Browne.

In addition to the repairs in the church basement, the parsonage has been completely redecorated and painted inside and out and a room for servant's quarters added. Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Hobbs and family, who have been residing at Burwell cottage at the Methodist Orphanage since their appointment to Edenton Street in November, are now established in the parsonage. They are giving selflessly and untiringly of their best to the cause of Christ and have already made for themselves a deep and abiding affection in the hearts of the members of their new charge.

Mary Gardner.

WHO'S TRINITY'S OLDEST ALUMNUS?

Some of the papers state that Brother Paris was the oldest alumnus of Trinity College. I think that is a mistake. He joined the conference in same class with me at Reidsville in 1886—G. W. Ivey, the chairman of the committee of examination. I was at Trinity 1877-1880. If Brother Paris was there at all during those years I do not recall it. I think J. D. Bundy, who graduated there in 1878 in same class with M. Bradshaw, is the oldest graduate alumnus of our alma mater. He certainly antedates Brother Paris in this matter.

E. H. Davis.

Western N. C. Conference Woman's Page

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HOW TO BE HAPPY IN THE NEW YEAR

Leave the old with a burst of song,
Recall the right and forgive the wrong,
Forget the thing that binds you fast,
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;
Have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worth while of the days grown old;
Dare to go forth with a purpose true
To the unknown task of the year that's New;
Help your brother along the road
To do his work and lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Have and give a Happy New Year.

NEW WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

Mrs. Howard Russell writes us of the organization of a new Wesleyan Service Guild on the Winston-Salem district, near Thomasville, with the following officers: President, Mrs. Paul Jones; vice president, Mrs. Verna Garner; secretary C. S. R., Mrs. Clyde Dennis; secretary supplies, Mrs. Ida Ward; recording secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Kay Coggins; secretary literature and publications, Mrs. C. O. Smith; secretary study, Mrs. I. J. Crouse; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Joel Craddock; spiritual life leader, Mrs. Henry Price. (Address of all officers, Thomasville, N. C., excepting Mrs. C. O. Smith and Mrs. I. J. Crouse, Thomasville, Rt. 2).

BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTES TO DECEASED

A member of Oakley Methodist church of Asheville writes us of the following memorials that have been contributed to the church as expressions of love and appreciation of several of the members who have passed away recently:

"On Palm Sunday, Arthur Scott, Jr., presented a lovely hand-made copper cross for the communion table in memory of Mrs. George D. Herman. The cross is simply engraved with these words: 'In loving memory of Alice Deal Herman.' Mr. R. B. Fuller, chairman of trustees, accepted the cross for the church with a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Herman.

The first of November the young people's group of the Oakley Methodist church presented a silver baptismal font in appreciation of the beautiful life and services of Mary Elizabeth Williamson, who died at the age of 19 on August 7, 1942. She was very active both as a teacher and choir member and as a worker with the Y. P. group. This gift was also accepted by Mr. Fuller in the name of the trustees of the church.

At a recent meeting the Woman's Society of Christian Service voted to name the adult circle (afternoon group), the Alice Deal Herman Circle of the W. S. C. S.

The fourth memorial presented came from the children of Mrs. Herman, who gave a check to be used in reshrubbing the parsonage yard, because of the intense love of their mother for her parsonage neighbors and her interest in nature's beautification."

MESSAGE FROM CONFERENCE PRESIDENT

My Dear Co-Workers:

In this time I feel sure you have had your election of officers for the new year. If for any reason your society has not sent this list of new officers to your district corresponding secretary, see that it is done at once. For instance, if your president's name is not sent in, then it does not appear of all information that is sent out. I'm sure you can easily see how very necessary it is to have this list of new officers right away.

I trust that you had wonderful meetings during the week af prayer. Be sure and send in your offering with other funds at the close of the quarter and mark it "week of prayer."

Begin now to plan for your January meeting. Have your corresponding secretary order at once the new literature for 1943. You will see it listed on page 32 of The Methodist Woman. The January meeting should be one of the best and most sacred of the entire year when we make our pledges for the new year. Also order the pledge cards for the meeting. They are free and you will want one for every member.

If your society has reached the "efficiency aim" this year, please report it this quarter. You perhaps will be interested to know that for next year we are planning to have instead of the "efficiency aim" "Seven Keys to Progress." The December issue of The Methodist Woman will tell about the new plans. A poster and leaflet will be sent you after Christmas if we can get your correct mailing list in time.

At the beginning of the year we took as one of our projects, every officer a subscriber to The Methodist Woman. If your society has not reached this goal, you will have a few weeks in which to do it and I hope you will. I hardly see how an officer can carry on her work effectively without The Methodist Woman and World Outlook.

Whether you are to be the president for next year or not, one of the first things that you can do to close your work successfully is to see that all reports are sent and on time. This is the most important quarter of the entire year for reporting, for if you are late with your fourth quarter's report, then it cannot be counted on this year's work. I know that you do not want this to happen, so please mail all reports by December 31.

I want to express my gratitude again for the fine work you have done during the past year. Our conference could not have made the fine report it has made had it not been for your help and co-operation, and I thank you for it. And now—

May you have the gladness of Christmas which is Hope.
The spirit of Christmas which is Peace.
The heart of Christmas which is Love.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver.

CALLING ALL WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD TREASURERS AND COR. SECRETARIES

After your December Guild meeting has been held, will you please fill out your report blanks, instead of waiting until the last of the month. Follow instructions on the report pads. If you do not have this pad of report blanks, write me at once.

Treasurers: Please be sure to send the yellow blank with your money when you make payment on your pledge to mission projects, pay cultivation fund or pay any other item listed on the blank. Please ask the treasurer of your local Woman's Society of Christian Service to include the yellow report blank when she makes payment to Mrs. P. N. Peacock, conference treasurer. Because this has not always been done the Guild funds have not always come through credited to the Guild, although all funds for missions sent in have gone into the work of the Woman's Division. Our Guild conference pledge to missions is $4,000 for 1942. At the end of the third quarter $2,970.02 had been credited on this pledge. Please pay your pledge in full this last quarter so that we not only will pay our pledge of $4,000 but will go above this amount.

It was a disappointment that more emergency gifts were not credited as coming from the guilds. If your gift did not average 25 cents per member, try to bring this average up by taking from your local fund. It is possible that some emergency gifts were sent in but were not designated as "Guild Emergency Gifts," and so we did not receive the credit though your gift did go towards the deficit in giving for 1941.

Some units have not paid the cultivation fund for 1942. Remember it is 25 cents per member—10 cents remains in your local treasury, 15 cents per member is paid to the local treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service along with your other money. She then sends this to the conference treasurer. Six cents of this 15 cents is returned to your district for the guild work in the district, 6 cents remains in the conference treasury for guild work in the conference, and the remaining 3 cents is sent for jurisdictional guild work.

Be sure to list at the bottom of the blank amout spent for Christian social relations and local church activities. It is always interesting to know how you have spent this money.

Corresponding secretaries: Be sure to fill out your blank in full. I need to include your unit's facts in my annual report if it is to show a true picture of guild work in our conference.

Please send a list of your officers for 1943 to the National Guild office, your district secretary, and to me.

Mrs. W. F. Redding, Jr.,
Conference Secretary.

North Carolina Conference Woman's Page

MISS MARY GARDNER, Editor, 206 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh

A NEW YEAR'S WISH FOR YOU!

Another year is dawning! A year which will perhaps bring some disappointments and heartaches, but a year, each day of which will bring opportunities for growth into the likeness of the Christ whose birthday we have so recently observed; opportunities for teaching men his ways and radiantly revealing him through daily living; opportunities for helping to restore peace and righteousness throughout the earth—thus carrying on the work which he has entrusted to us. As you face disappointments and heartaches which may come and opportunities for service in the kingdom of God which will inevitably be yours, may the spirit of Christ be a bit nearer to you; may your faith be a bit deeper; your courage a bit stronger; your love for God and your fellowmen a bit more abiding, and your calmness of soul sweeter each day of 1943. That is the sincere wish and prayer of this editor for every reader of the N. C. Conference Woman's Page.—M. G

MEETINGS DURING 1943

Soon Woman's Societies of Christian service will hold the first meetings for the new year. The January meeting can and perhaps does set the tempo for the degree of interest and the amount of fruit bearing for the entire year. It is most important, therefore, that the first meeting of the year shall be seriously and prayerfully planned; that the pledge service shall be spiritual and so effective that the budget for the year shall have been made; all officers and committees ready to function, each being aware of her responsibilities, privileges and duties. A good beginning for the new year in each society—a beginning to be continued—would be the starting of each meeting on time and the planning of each meeting well in advance. "A New Earth Wherein Dwelleth Righteousness" is the general topic for the twelve monthly programs of 1943. Truly interesting and challenging will be their content. In addition, The Methodist Woman and World Outlook and other source material are ever present helps in obtaining more information concerning the work of Methodist missions around the world.

ANOTHER GOOD RESOLUTION

At the Raleigh district set-up meeting at Edenton Street church recently Dr. M. T. Plyler who, with his brother, Rev. A. W. Plyler, is joint editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, told the folk gathered for the meeting that 87 years ago the first issue of the Advocate—known then as The Raleigh Advocate—was published in Raleigh. Twenty-four years ago that publication was merged with the paper at Greensboro and the name changed to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. In all these years, according to Dr. Plyler, the N. C. Christian Advocate has never had a subsidy. We should like to add that the quality of the N. C. Christian Advocate is such that every Methodist in the state should read it weekly. All of which leads us to say that it is a particularly gratifying privilege to the women of the N. C. conference to have a share in its pages. Wouldn't a good New Year's resolution be that the members of the W. S. C. S. of N. C. conference shall aid in every possible way to circulate the N. C. Christian Advocate? A good resolution indeed. Let's make it and keep it!

TIME TO ACT!

On January 6 the North Carolina General Assembly will be in session. The members of the N. C. Conference W. S. C. S. should use their influence to see to it that laws which are beneficial to the folk of our beloved state should be enacted and that such laws which would not be conducive to more abundant living should not be passed. Particularly should we wield our influence toward the passage of satisfactory laws against the evils of alcohol. We commend to our leaders the words from a recent letter of Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, conference secretary Christian social relations and local church activities: "With our state legislature meeting in January, watch the daily press for news; study it with care; and according to Christian ideals, appeal to your representative for action. Many opportunities will come for real service. The State Legislative Council, of which the conference Woman's Society is a member, has a slate of proposed legislation which we may indorse. A copy of this slate appeared recently in the North Carolina Christian Advocate; look it up an act." We also recommend and urge that you write your senator and representative now, even before the legislature convenes.

MISS NICHOLS BEARING FRUIT

Mrs. N. P. Edens, Wilmington district secretary, sends the interesting and gratifying news that Miss Mary Nichols, deaconess in the defense area of Wilmington, has organized a Woman's Society of Christian Service at Sunset Park. Mrs. W. M. Winborne has been elected president. Mrs. Edens and Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, conference secretary, have recently toured the defense area of Wilmington and were "overwhelmed" by the extensiveness of the needs and potentialities there. They enthusiastically endorse Miss Nichols' plans and efforts. Mrs. Edens makes the timely suggestion that to have a share in Miss Nichols' work would be an excellent and a satisfying project for the supply department of local societies. Any society desiring to avail itself of this opportunity for service should send donations to Mrs. F. B. McKinne, Conference Treasurer, 201 S. Williams St., Goldsboro, marked "for Miss Nichols. And, incidentally, they should not fail to report to Mrs. R. B. Hooker, conference secretary of supplies, Kinston. w

NEW ZONE LEADERS

Mrs. Glenn Pendleton, Elizabeth City district secretary, announces new zone leaders as follows: Plymouth zone, Mrs. E. P. Widmer, Windsor; Beaufort-Hyde zone, Mrs. J. R. Simmons, Fairfield; Perquimans-Chowan zone, Miss Helen Evans, Edenton. Each of these women are interested, effective workers in the W. S. C. S., having served as officers in local societies. Miss Evans represented N. C. conference at Scarritt College a few years ago and is at present a member of the conference committee on C. S. R. and L. C. A. Mrs. Pendleton also states that Mrs. J. L. Delaney, Hertford, Rt. 2, former Elizabeth City district secretary, has recently begun her services as district secretary of spiritual life groups. All local secretaries of spiritual life should note Mrs. Delaney's appointment and send reports to her by January 5.

MISS BROOKS' ADDRESS

Miss Ruth Brooks, rural deaconess, who was transferred from Person circuit a few months ago, has apprised us that she is residing in Adamsville and that her mailing address is Goldsboro, Rt. 3. Miss Brooks is working untiringly on Goldsboro circuit as on the Person circuit and is getting results which are gratifying. Our thoughts and prayers are with her.

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

Home missions provide educational opportunities for thousands: Four schools for Latin America in the Southwest; 3 schools for negroes; 4 dormitories for negro girls at other institutions; 1 school for American Indians; 6 schools in the Appalachian mountains; 1 school, a theological seminary, and a kindergarten in Puerto Rico; 1 school among the French speaking people of Louisiana; 2 junior colleges in rural areas; 1 school for girls in a city suburb 32 schools and conferences for rural ministers; 50 vacation church schools.—From Global Gospel.

TRUE NEIGBORLINESS

A rich woman once said to a poor widow who was sick, "I shall order the charity organization to come and help you." But the widow spoke up, "Thank you, ma'am, but although I am poor, I cannot take charity." "But," said the rich woman, "you have just told me that your neighbors help you." "Yes, but that is not charity. They are friends. They care."—New Century Leader.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"All that I am, all that I have, all that I know, all that I can do is a trust from God to be used for my highest good, for the glory of God and for the advancement of his kingdom."—Dr. W. K. Greene.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

O. V. WOOSLEY, Editor

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SOME HAPPY TIMES

Christmas day has passed but the Christmas spirit still lingers with our family. Our boys and girls have been well remembered and have genuinely celebrated the Christmas the sharing days. They have not only been given to but have given of what they had to one another and to worthy causes, among them being the Salvation Army enterprise of providing for the unfortunate people hereabouts. Our friends have certainly done well in remembering their sponsored children. Those youngsters having received more than others have been very willing to share their gifts. Selfishness does not thrive in our midst. The Christmas weather has been very inconsistent but the Christmas spirit has run true to form.

TONY'S TONIC

We have a little eight-year-old boy here whose name is Anthony, but we call him Tony. He is a right resourceful youngster and likes to do the unusual. Tony's aunt, away with her husband in an army camp, is inclined to lavish gifts on Tony in more abundant fashion than appeals to his better judgment. This morning Tony comes down with the request that the pilot suit his aunt had forwarded him be returned and with the money secured he be permitted to buy war savings stamps.

IN SERVICE, SIR

A considerable number of our boys in our country's armed servce have been dropping by to see us. Recently two promising lads who volunteered from college surroundings into the exacting service of our country, one in the navy and the other in the air corps, were here recounting some of their experiences in connection with the great North African landing. One was on a flagship and the other manned an aeroplane. The one on the flagship saw two destroyers sunk just in front and another one badly damaged just to the rear. The pilot was to meet the zigzagging convoy after a 2,000-mile flight. He flew and flew without sighting the huge convoy and at last discovered that he had only ten gallons of gas left. While making preparation for the inevitable the convoy was sighted and the aircraft carrier located, on which the lad landed in the nick of time. Our boys do not relate their own thrilling experiences but love to tell about the escapades of the others. While many narrow escapes have been recorded so far we have no news of any Children's Home casualty.

STATION IDENTIFICATION

Since the foregoing paragraph was written four new members of our family have come to live with us and we pause to identify them. Arliss is nine years old, Weldon a little over three and Linda and Brenda, twins, are only eighteen months old. The passports of these four little youngsters have been carefully gone over and they are now in process of becoming adjusted. Arlis will live in the Anna Hanes cottage and Weldon, Linda and Brenda will join the baby cottage family, three present members of that household having to be moved out to make room for the new comers.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Buren has just blown in. As a self-help student he and Jim Reed, another one of our promising boys, have been



A big friend of little children

tending to the High Point College cows during the Christmas vacation. Recently Buren and Jim were accepted after a full day's examination for admission into a pre-flight school, either at the University of North Carolina or the University of Georgia, they think. Jim must have a new tooth in place of the one that was knocked out here in a football game. Otherwise he is physically fit. Buren has a little overlapping of his upper teeth, and that must be corrected. The boys who fly the planes must be physically fit, intellecually keen and morally safe.

THE ORPHAN'S FRIEND

The picture herewith presented is that of the late A. A. Martin of Morven, Anson county, who died in an automobile accident in early August, 1941. Following his death, his good wife having preceded him a few years earlier, a will was found leaving everything he had to the Children's Home. His estate, administered by George K. Craig, cashier of the First National Bank of Wadesboro, has just been settled, leaving a net accruement to the Children's Home endowment fund of $43,929.06. This Martin Endowment Fund is to live indefinitely, the income from which will continually be a source of aid to boys and girls deprived of parental homes. Mr. Martin was not an ostentatious sort of a fellow. He kept his own counsel, made his own decisions and looked after his own affairs. Very few had any intimation of his desire to immortalize the orphan's cause with such a princely contribution. Mr. Martin's form has disappeared but his spirit still lives with us.

TEN-TEN-ABULATIONS

The joy bell still rings with pleasing "ten-ten-abulations." There continues to be a decided trend on the part of our good friends to make their basal apportionment payments to the Children's Home early in the conference year. Join us in grateful thanks to the following congregations and pastors for having joined the select company during the past two weeks:

Kadesh and St. Peters, Belwood circuit, Rev. J. M. Morgan.

Wesley's Chapel, South Fork circuit. Rev. R. G. McClamrock.

Catawba, Catawba circuit, Rev. A. G. Lackey.

Macedonia, Olin circuit, Rev. D. T. Huss.

First church, Asheboro, Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr.

Prospect circuit, five congregations, Rev. A. M. Faulkner.

Friendship and Hildebran, Connelly Springs circuit, Rev. G. L. Wilkinson.

First church, Madison, Rev. O. J. Jones.

Fairfield, Guilford circuit, Rev. Paschal Waugh.

Forest Hill, Concord, Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr.

First church, Charlotte, Rev. G. Ray Jordan.

Mt. Olivet, Concord, Rev. F. W. Kiker.

Park Street, Belmont, Rev. L. R. Spencer.

Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant - Cold Springs, Rev. H. L. Creech, Jr.

Central, Mount Airy, Rev. C. N. Clark.

First church, Boone, Rev. E. K. McLarty, Sr.

First church, Salisbury, Rev. W. J. Miller.

Mt. Zion, Stokesdale circuit, Rev. A. D. Shelton.

South Point and Lowell, Lowell circuit, Rev. E. C. Price.

Palm Tree, Vale circuit, Rev. Iverson Brendle.

Ivy, Lincoln circuit. Rev. J. T. Bowman.

Centenary, Winston-Salem, Rev. W. A. Stanbury.

Shiloh, Claremont-Shiloh, Rev. R. W. McCulley.

New Hope, New Hope-Bethel, Rev. T. G. Highfill.

White's Chapel, Liberty circuit, Rev. C. H. Hill.

Rowan, Salisbury, Rev. W. R. Bustle.

Hudson and Mt. Herman, Hudson circuit, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

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THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Rev. A. S. Barnes, Supt.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do hereby will and bequeath to The Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C., contemplated by the charter under Act of General Assembly of North Carolina..... (here designate the bequest) .....

Owned and maintained by the North Carolina Conference. Make all checks payable to A. S. Barnes, Supt.

DEEPLY GRATEFUL — My heart has rejoiced many times during the past several weeks because of the generous response that has come as a result of our appeal for blankets and quilts. Nearly every day we receive warm quilts or blankets from our many friends throughout the conference. Such kindly consideration of our children is sincerely appreciated.

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REV. A. J. HOBBS AND FAMILY —The Methodist Orphanage had the pleasure and privilege of being host to Rev. A. J. Hobbs and his family for the past few weeks while their parsonage was being worked over. Our children and officers have enjoyed immensely their sojourn with us. By their friendly contacts with children and workers they have won the love and admiration of everybody on the campus. Below I am taking the privilege of reproducing a letter which I received from Brother A. J. Hobbs soon after he and his family moved into the Edenton Street parsonage.

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BABY COTTAGE—On Sunday before Christmas the Julian S. Carr Bible class, Trinity church, Durham, gave the baby cottage children many Christmas gifts. A group of men and women together with the pastor presented the gifts for the class. The gifts were placed about a beautifully lighted Christmas tree. The children sang two or three songs appropriate for the occasion. Dr. B. G. Childs was master of ceremonies. The little folks were made exceedingly happy by the gifts from this great class. The children join me in thanking the men for their lovely gifts.

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Barnes: I hope you will express to all the members of your staff, as well as to all the children in the home, our love and gratitude for all they did for us while we were with you. We regard this as one of the most pleasant experiences of our lives. We have never found finer people anywhere. I know that your leadership and your training of the children have meant no little in the lives of our many youths who come to the Orphanage. This work will stand as a lasting monument to your ability and and your Christian life.

Sincerely your friend,
A. J. Hobbs.

PASSING OF MRS. K. M. BARNES —Soon after I came to the Orphanage I formed acquaintance with Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Barnes, Lumberton, N. C., and I learned to appreciate and esteem them very highly. Whenever I visited Lumberton I was always invited to their lovely home and enjoyed their fellowship and gracious hospitality. A number of years ago Mr. and Mrs. Barnes made a large contribution to the Orphanage as an expression of theirs to God for the recovery of their little daughter from a serious illness. On December 17 Mrs. Branes slipped away leaving the world richer and happier because of the beautiful life which she had lived. I had the privilege of paying a short tribute to her memory at her funeral in Chestnut Street Methodist church, Lumberton. A host of sorrowing friends mourn her passing. I wish to extend my heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

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CHRISTMAS TREE—On Christmas afternoon all of our children, officers and many interested friends assembled in the Vann auditorium to enjoy the annual Christmas tree celebration. On the platform was a lovely Christmas tree beautifully decorated and around the tree many lovely presents were placed for our boys and girls. The 21 circles of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Edenton Street church gave every boy and girl in the home from one to two or three presents. After the singing of some special songs, and greetings from old Santa Claus in person, the presents were distributed, which brought much joy and happiness to our youngsters. The children from the Methodist Orphanage join me in thanking the good women of Edenton Street church for making possible such a joyous and happy Christmas. From all parts of the conference presents were received by the children from interested friends, and we want to thank each of them for the Christ-like impulse that prompted them to remember our children during the Christmas season. I wish to commend our many friends for the altruistic spirit that prompted them to do so much for the happiness of our boys and girls.

SOURCE OF COMFORT

The God of all comfort; who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.—2 Corinthians 1:3-4.

Edward R. Murrow, chief of the Columbia Broadcasting Company's European staff, relates how that on August 28, 1940, while wandering around in the slums of London, with sirens warning of approaching enemy planes, he saw a comforting sign in front of a little church near the Thames estuary. It appealed: "If your knees knock together, kneel on them." That is a sure source of comfort and courage under all circumstances. God freely offers the indwelling of his spirit of peace to all who will accept it. They who do receive it become in his hands mighty to sustain and redeem the fearful and the faint.—John Marvin Rast.

How To Relieve Bronchitis

Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

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12:27 PM Lv.	Hertford	Ar.	2:38 PM
12:56 PM Lv.	Edenton	Ar.	2:15 PM
1:54 PM Lv.	Plymouth	Ar.	1:13 PM
3:10 PM Lv.	Washington	Ar.	12:05 PM
4:12 PM Lv.	Greenville	Ar.	10:57 AM
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6:15 PM Lv.	Bailey	Ar.	8:36 AM
6:27 PM Lv.	Middlesex	Ar.	8:24 AM
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RESOURCE MATERIALS ON LATIN AMERICA IN JANUARY CHURCH SCHOOL LITERATURE

Church school teachers and other workers who are concerned about the January emphasis on mission work in Latin America will find rich resources in their Methodist church school literature. In addition to units of study, articles, stories and pictures in the dated periodicals, there are several undated pamphlets which provide extra resource materials.

The complete list of resources listed herewith will enable local church leaders to make their plans early.

Missionary Materials for Children

A unit of four lessons will appear in the January issues of The Primary Class under the title, "Trip to South America."

In the Junior Quarterly

"Neighbors in South America" is the title of the study unit of five sessions appearing in Junior Quarterly for January, February, March, 1943. This periodical carries a two-page pictorial map of South America, and the words and music of a Brazilian game song.

In January Child Guidance

Child Guidance in Christian Living for January contains numerous articles, poems, songs, and a two-page picture spread emphasizing Latin America. It also contains an interesting study for use in additional sessions called "The Church at Work in South America."

Undated Materials

Undated pamphlet material for use by leaders of children has been produced by the editorial division as follows:

1. For leaders of Primaries—Children and Churches in Latin America, by Eddy. A unit of work for ten sessions.

2. For Leaders of Juniors—Journeying in South America, by Hazelwood. A unit of work for additional sessions; and News Flashes from Latin America, by Kramer. Suggested plans and materials for ten monthly meetings.

Teaching with Pictures and Stories

Pictures and Stories, story paper for primaries, has stories about Latin-American boys and girls in almost every issue in January. Trails for Juniors provides stories, songs, games, and full page picture spreads throughout January.

Missionary Materials for Intermediates

"Good Neighbors" is the title of the three-lesson unit on Latin America in the January, February, March, 1943, Lessons for intermediates. And in The Intermediate Fellowship — Evening Meetings there is a unit called "We Work for World Friendship." In each of these periodicals there are numerous illustrations.

Resource Materials

Girls Today, intermediate story paper, contains articles and pictures in January as does Boys Today. (Issues of Boys Today for November 1 and for December 13 have articles on South America).

Methodists at Work in Mexico is the title of a unit of work for intermediates available in a 32-page pamphlet (15 cents). It contains a teacher's section as well as a pupil's section.

Mission Study for Seniors and Young People

Highroad in January gives a newly-arranged pattern for presenting material in a unit for evening meetings called "Good Neighbors to the South." Large use is made of pictures. Group Graded Lessons for senior-young people are entitled "The Field Is the World," and provide a general study of all our mission work. The young people's elective, written by Dr. Frank T. Cartwright of the Board of Missions and Church Extension and called "Missions Tomorrow," is a study in the new strategy in the world Christian mission.

Studies for Youth also contains the senior group graded unit, "The Field Is the World."

Mission Study for Adult Classes

"From the Rio Grande to Cape Horn" is the title of a special course for adults appearing in the January Adult Students. Adult leaders will also be interested in an article, "Today's Crises and Tomorrow's Missions," by Roy L. Smith, appearing in the January issue of The Church School.

SPECIAL NOTE FOR PRIMARY AND JUNIOR TEACHERS

All who use The Primary and Junior Quarterly during January will be using a World Friendship unit. Please be sure that reports of these units are sent to Mrs. George Hoyle, Shelby, N. C., as soon as possible after the close of these missionary units. Mrs. Hoyle, conference secretary of children's work for the Woman's Society of Christian Service, is anxious to have these reports, in order that her own records may be complete. Report blanks will be sent to all local secretaries of children's work.

Junior teachers who use the new Junior Closely Graded material will find missionary units in their materials during April and May, 1943. This is true of the Primary Closely Graded courses also. Teachers using closely graded material will therefore want to see that their reports are sent to Mrs. Hoyle following the April and May units.

NEW MATERIALS FOR TRAINING IN CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

For Children

Your Church and You, by Dr. Roy H. Short, a manual for the child to use with the help of his parents, pastor, and church school teacher. This manual provides material dealing with the history, beliefs, and work of the Methodist Church. It contains information about the Christian church and its mission to humanity.

My Church Book, by Miss Mary Skinner. An attractive gift book, that can be presented to the child when he is received into the church, or to the baby at the time of baptism. My Church Book contains a certificate of reception into the church, and spaces for information concerning various activities connected with his church life. This church record can be carried on through the years of adulthood.

For Youth

My Church, by Dr. James S. Chubb. This is a study book to meet the needs of the youth who is preparing for church membership. Suggestions which are intended to lead him to discover for himself the importance of the church, and to give himself heartily to its work, are offered to the youth candidate for membership.

For Adults

I Join the Church, by Dr. Karl Quimby. Here the work of the Christian church is viewed from a more mature point of view. The candidate for church membership is helped to see what is involved in the taking of the vows of church membership, and is challenged to make them meaningful.

For Pastors

A Church Membership Manual for Methodist Pastors, by Dr. W. K. Anderson. In this book the meaning of the experience of entering the church is interpreted. This manual for pastors is intended to help them co-ordinate the teaching program contained in the manuals for children, youth and adults, and to enrich the pastors' own use of these materials. Suggestions are given for securing the co-operation of parents and teachers. Features designed to enrich the experience of church membership, and to make the service of reception most impressive are included.

How to Secure These Materials

All of these materials can be ordered from the Methodist Publishing House, along with regular church school literature. They should be in the hands of pastors and teachers, in order that those persons whom they are training for church membership may have the best possible preparation.

Three things are known only in the following way—a hero in war, a friend in necessity, and a wise man in anger.—Arabic.

Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength.—Francis de Sales.

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RESOURCE MATERIALS ON LATIN AMERICA IN JANUARY CHURCH SCHOOL LITERATURE

Church school teachers and other workers who are concerned about the January emphasis on mission work in Latin America will find rich resources in their Methodist church school literature. In addition to units of study, articles, stories and pictures in the dated periodicals, there are several undated phamphlets which provide extra resource materials.

The complete list of resources listed herewith will enable local church leaders to make their plans early.

Children's Division

A unit of four lessons will appear in the January issues of The Primary Class under the title, "A Trip to South America."

"Neighbors in South America" is the title of the study unit of five sessions appearing in Junior Quarterly for January, February, March, 1943. This periodical carries a two-page pictorial map of South America, and the words and music of a Brazilian game song.

Child Guidance in Christian Living for January contains numerous articles, poems, songs, and a two-page picture spread emphasizing Latin America. It also contains an interest study for use in additional sessions called "The Church at Work in South America."

Undated pamphlet material for use by leaders of children has been produced by the editorial division as follows:

1. For Leaders of Primaries: Children and Churches in Latin America, by Eddy. A unit of work for ten sessions.

2. For Leaders of Juniors: Journeying in South America, by Hazelwood. A unit of work for additional sessions; and News Flashes from Latin America, by Kramer. Suggested plans and materials for ten monthly meetings.

Pictures and Stories: Story paper for primaries, has stories about Latin American boys and girls in almost every issue in January. Trails for Juniors provides stories, songs, games, and full page picture spreads throughout January.

Youth Division

"Good Neighbors" is the title of the three-lesson unit on Latin America in the January, February, March, 1943, Lessons for Intermediates. And in The Intermediate Fellowship - Evening Meetings there is a unit called "We Work for World Friendship." In each of these periodicals there are numerous illustrations.

Girls Today, intermediate story paper, contains articles and pictures in January, as does Boys Today. (Boys Today for November 1 and for December 13 has articles on South America).

Methodism at Work in Mexico is the title of a unit of work for intermediates available in a 32-page pamphlet (15 cents). It contains a teacher's section as well as a pupils' section.

Highroad in January gives a newly arranged pattern for presenting material in a unit for evening meetings called "Good Neighbors to the South." Large use is made of pictures. Group Graded Lessons for senior-young people are entitled "The Field Is the World," and provides a general study of all our mission work. The young people's elective, written by Dr. Frank T. Cartwright of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and called "Missions Tomorrow," is a study in the new strategy in the world Christian mission.

Studies for Youth also contains the senior group graded unit, "The Field Is the World."

Adult Division

"From the Rio Grande to Cape Horn" is the title of a special course for adults appearing in the January Adult Student. Adult leaders will also be interested in an article, "Today's Crises and Tomorrow's Missions," by Roy L. Smith, appearing in the January issue of The Church School.

E. STANLEY JONES NOT STRONG FOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOLS

"Some schools try to teach their students to be leaders; I beg of you, don't," said Dr. E. Stanley Jones, missionary and evangelist, recently at Scarritt College. They will never be worth a thing until they forget it. All you produce is a fussy manager of other people.

"Jesus says you are to be servants. The servant loses himself in the will of the Master. When you say you do not want anything but to serve, then you become a leader, people will want to follow you, and you discover harmonious relationships with others.

"May I give you certain steps I think essential to sucessful group living:

"You must not try to dominate the group even for its own good.

"You must not try to use the group for your own ends.

"Cultivate the ability to put yourself in the other person's place.

"Determine to hold no secret criticism of each other. Learn the joy of complete frankness.

"Do not look for perfection in people, they are just like yourself, imperfect.

"Look on others not for what they are, but for what they can be.

"Determine to settle differences as they arise.

"Refuse to look for slights.

"Do not allow yourself to become petty. Keep big.

"Look for the privilege of service instead of your 'rights'.

"Don't try to 'do people good,' love them.

"Have the grace to say, 'I was wrong and you are right.'

"If there is any basic injustice in the group, right the injustice. Don't expect to have fellowship around injustice.

"Don't try to have fellowship. Work together for great ends and fellowship will follow.

"Expect the best of each other.

"Help others to help themselves. Do not smother them by over desire to help. Beware of becoming a benevolent tyrant.

"Keep alive the power of laughter.

"Keep the thought before you of group discipline for the sake of the kingdom of God."—Southwestern Advocate.

RECREATION FOR ADULTS

By E. O. Harbin

Where can we get a booklet on recreation for adults, hundreds of conference, district and local church workers have asked. Here it is! Principles, philosophy to guide you, and a world of suggested fun, indoors or out-of-doors, for adults who still like to run a race and those who like arm-chair activity.

Dr. Harbin has done his usual excellent piece of work. After considering what recreation is, what adults need and like, and tests of good recreation, Dr. Harbin outlines a year's program for the church, lists kinds of parties to plan, describes games, lists plays for acting and reading, and music for listening groups. In one chapter he shows what rural churches are doing. In the last chapter he indicates how the adults of the church may organize to divide responsibility and provide play to "revive jaded physical, mental and spiritual powers."

This booklet is one of the adult series issued by the General Board of Education for adult workers in the church. Price 20 cents. Order from the Methodist Publishing House at Richmond, Va.

NEW YEAR PRAYER

O Father, I've got work to do,
Each day and hour the whole year through:
Mine and my brother's loads to lift!
Let me not drift.

I must be busy all the while,
I must be cheerful: let me smile;
Let me go singing with my load
Along the road.

O tender Shepherd, hold my hand,
Though smooth the way or rough the land;
Through every day from every dawn,
Lead Thou me on.

When ends the year, O holy God,
May I look back on paths I've trod
With certainty that in my need
My Lord did lead.

—Ernest C. Durham.

Children's Storyland



BILLY'S WONDER MORNING

"Cock-a-doodle doo. Time to get up!" crowed the white rooster. "Rise and get to work," he added, severely, after an instant's pause.

The farmer's wife opened her eyes quickly. "Indeed I must get to work," she thought. "So much to be done this busy day!"

She dressed quickly, then knocked at Bill's door. "Yes, mother," answered a sleepy voice. "Come, Bill," she said. "You and I have some work to do." And almost before the words were said, Billy was out of bed.

Sue was almost dressed before mother reached her door, and the baby, Bobby, crowded his delight when he was lifted from his crib.

Billy and Sue hurried out of doors to play and breathe the fresh, sweet air. But Bill didn't stop to play very long for he was his father's "right-hand-man," and had chores to do on the farm. Down the path he hurried, whistling so cheerfully that Mr. Blackbird at once set up a rival performance which nearly split his little throat.

Suddenly Bill stopped and bent down to examine a flower which grew by the garden path—a tiny flower which shone out like gold from the surrounding grass. "I never saw a flower like that before! Guess you'd better go home to mother and get yourself named."

A few steps further, and Billy's brown eyes discovered a small bird on the ground.

"Hey, you poor little chap!" laughed Bill. "Tumbled out of the nest? Well, stop your squawking. I would not hurt you. Guess you and I will pay a visit to the old folks at home." And up the tree went Bill to put the nestling back in the little brown birdhouse.

Then something so surprising happened that Bill nearly fell out of the tree in his astonishment; for he actually heard Mother Bird say: "O what a relief to get you home, dear Twitter. Bill, you are certainly the best boy."

"Oh! Why! Jiminy!" gasped Bill, slipping down the tree to tumble on the ground in his surprise.

"Bill, my man," he said to himself, sternly, "this will never do. You must be dreaming. Get up, and go about your work. A boy of thirteen ought to know that birds can't talk."

He hurried on until he reached the barnyard gate.

Mother Hen was clucking and scratching away inside; but when she saw Bill she came hurrying toward him calling loudly: "Hurry, neighbors! Come, quick, come! Here is Bill with our breakfast." Before Bill could recover from his surprise, all the hens came screeching: 'Oh, Bill! Thanks' thanks! You shall surely have some fresh eggs today."

Bill dropped down on the ground by Mother Speckle and addressed her earnestly.

"See here, will you please tell me, ma'am, why you can talk today, when you never could before?"

All the chickens burst out in a loud cackle of laughter, but not another word could Bill get out of them. Bill scattered their corn, and went on to the barn, feeling greatly perplexed.

He was greeted thus by Madam Cow as the stable door opened: "Billy, bring me some nice, sweet hay, and you shall have good milk today—enough for baby and little Sue, father, mother, and yourself, too."

"Coo, coo!" said the soft-voiced doves, circling round his head. "Bring some corn for our breakfast—do. Bill, we are waiting for you."

Bill began to think this great fun. "I tell you," he exclaimed, "I'm going to see if my dear old Dobbin is in this talking business, too. He will tell me what has happened to all of you."

Off went Bill to the horse's stall. Putting his arms around Dobbin's neck, he gave him a great hug, crying as he did so:

"Say, old fellow, can you talk too?"

"I always could talk," remarked Dobbin, quietly leaning over to nose around Bill's pocket. "Have you any sugar this morning?"

"Yes, here's a lump; and now tell me why didn't you ever talk to me before?"

"I have, a great many times," answered Dobbin; "but you didn't understand me. The reason you hear this morning is because of that flower you are wearing."

"This flower!" exclaimed Bill, much surprised, drawing it from his buttonhole to gaze at it.

"You see," said Dobbin, confidentially, reaching over Bill's shoulder after a wisp of hay, "this is Midsummer Day. Any boy who has never in all his life been cruel to a bird or animal may find the good-luck flower today; and as long as he wears it, he can understand our language. I always knew you were a good boy, and I'm not at all surprised at you finding it."

"Hurrah!" shouted Bill. "This is surely fine. I must hurry and feed the rest of the animals, so I can run home and tell Sue."

"Goodbye," said Dobbin, with a kind nod; and mother cow stopped munching her breakfast to call: "Good-bye, Bill, you surely deserve the good luck flower."

"I wonder what the pigs will have to say," Bill thought, with a little chuckle. It was all such fun!

"Uff, uff," called the pigs, as he drew near. "Hurry Bill!" We pigs are growing impatient." "Stop crowding," grumbled one. "Give me room," squealed another. And all shouted, "Hurry!"

Work finished, Bill ran home; but when he reached the farm house his wonderful flower was gone.

"I must have dropped it," he said, going back to search for it, but look, as he might, he could not find it, and he had only his story of the morning's adventures left.

When mother and Sue heard the story, they exclaimed at it.

"I tell you," said Bill, that night, "I mean always to be good to birds and animals as I can. Who knows but I may find the good luck flower again?"

"If you keep on being good and kind, Bill, you will be a brave, good man, and father and I would ask no better luck than that," said mother, fondly.

"You'll make a good farmer, Bill," called father, from the porch, where he was resting from the day's work; "for a good farmer always looks after his farm yard friends."

"I know you'll find the good luck flower again; for you're the kindest boy in all the world," exclaimed Sue.

—Selected.

DANGER AHEAD!

Oh, little rabbit in the snow,
Do be careful where yeu go!
When you travel, choose the night,
And make your litle paws step light!

Down in the woods there is a snare,
Half hidden by some bushes there.
Oh, little fellow, stay away,
Don't travel in that woods today!

Oh, pull your soft grey furry coat
Close, close around your little throat;
And when the wind is sharp and raw
Lie snug and warm beneath the straw!

And if you see a man with gun
Out in the fields, oh, little one,
Lie still, oh still, beneath the grass,
And let the hunter safely pass.

When dogs with noses to the ground
Come open-mouthed, and sniff around,
Don't sit and stare, my little one,
For now's the time to run, run, run!

—Mary Frost.

The favorite aunt was expected, but a telegram came, stating, "Missed train. Starting same time tomorrow."

The family took the matter complacently. But Joan read the telegram over and then burst out laughing. When the rest looked at her she said, "If she starts at the same time tomorrow, she'll miss the train again."—Exchange.

Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 3

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By Rollin H. Walker

The Glory of the Son of God

John 1:1-18

In saying that Christ was the Word, or the creative reason back of all things, the writer of the fourth gospel is seeking a contact with Greek thought that was accustomed to speak of the word or reason as concerned in creation. It is the very essence of the Christian gospel to make and and every contact that is possible with all types of mind. But on the other hand, the true teacher of the gospel never makes the slightest compromise with alien types of thought, because he knows that the moment he does that he begins to lose power, for it is the new and the unique things in the gospel that keep it going, the things indeed that are in sharpest contrast with worldly philosophy (1 Cor. 1:23-24).

Greek philosophy thought that God was too exalted to come in close contact with man, and hence any influence or power from God that came in intimate touch with a human being was a remote emanation from God, like the eddies of smoke from the puffing of a locomotive. John combats this idea. The Christ, says he, who came to men was in the beginning with God, and all things were created through and by him. To him John the Baptist, who was the greatest spiritual genius that had appeared for centuries, gave unequivocal testimony that he was the Son of God.

But this great announcement had a background of mysterious and baffling tragedy. The divine Person came to his own, and his own received him not. The rejection of Christ by his people would seem to call in question his divinity, but, says John, although he was rejected by evil men who hated him because his presence made their sins seem hideous, as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the children of God. In a way that could not be accounted for by heredity or environment or human effort, the life of God came into their souls, and they were born again. In a word, the evangelist knows that Christ is the Son of God because he does the work of God in every one who believes.

When John says, The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, he deems himself, as Strachan notes, to be announcing the central event of all history. We beheld his glory, says the evangel, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. Jesus manifested an altogether extraordinary and fascinating kindness. No man ever appeared who showed such a passionate interest in men. But he always did far more than warm men's hearts. He cleared their heads. He revealed not only the grace of God but the truth of God. He made men see why God commanded this and that. He put a torch into their hands to lighten up the way they were to go. That does not mean that all the mysteries of life were explained by Jesus, but it means that he has given us enough insight into the meaning of life to make us confident and brave to trust God in the midst of the unsolved mysteries.

The law, says our writer, was given by Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. Of course, as contrasted with the darkness of paganism there was a large element of grace and truth in Moses' revelation of God, but as contrasted with Jesus Moses seemed merely a road map, a series of directions that must be obeyed; whereas Jesus came with such a revelation of God's goodness as gave men an eager passion to obey and also an understanding of why they should obey, and above all, a divine reinforcement to make it possible for them to obey.

And says John, Of his fullness we all received, and grace for grace. Jesus was like radium. He never seemed to burn out. He was always sending out from inexhaustible sources new inspirations, new currents of power. As the gospel later says, God gave not the Spirit by measure unto him. And this, by the way, is for our modern day one of the supreme evidences of the divinity of Christ. Why does the progress of thought never leave him behind? Why is he such a perennial fountain of vitality? Why do his words constantly light up with fresh messages for our new problems? There is only one answer. The eternal God spoke through Jesus, and he is now and for ever the light of the world.

WHY BE AFRAID?

Bishop John Gowdy, nearly half a century in China, tells the story of a humble Chinese servant who went to the market to purchase supplies for the family for whom he worked.

In the midst of his errand the air-raid siren sounded. According to the law the store was immediately closed, and no one was allowed out on the street.

As the roar of the planes sounded clearer and clearer, the old servant busied himself about the store laughing and visiting with the terrified customers, showing not one trace of fear.

"Are you not afraid?" asked one frightened Chinese. "Don't you know that all of us may be killed in two minutes?"

"No," the old servant replied, with a smile. "Why should I be afraid? I'm a Christian, and God will take care of me."

"But they may drop a bomb on us, and you may be killed."

"In that case I will go to heaven, and that will be even better than being here," the old man said.—Christian Advocate.

When Christ is made supreme in life, other interests assume the right proportion.

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FIRST ROUND

December
Eno, 7:30 31

January
Roxboro Ct., Longhurst, 11 3
Brooksdale, Allensville, 3 3
Rougemont, Rougemont, 7:30 3
Trinity, 7:30 5
Webb Avenue, 7:30 6
Person Ct., Oak Grove, 10:30 9
Graham, 11 10
Haw River, 3 10
West Burlington, 7:30 10
Bynum, Bynum, 11 17
Carrboro, Carrboro, 7 17
Yanceyville, Prospect, 10:30 23
Milton, Purley, 11 24
Leasburg, Leasburg, 7 24
Mebane, 11 31

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FIRST ROUND

January
Belhaven, Belhaven, 11 3
Mattamuskeet, Amity, 3 3
Swan Quarter, Swan Quarter, 7:30 3
Manteo, 11 10
Stumpy Point, Stumpy Point, 3 10
Wanchese, 7:30 10
Hatteras, Hatteras, 7:30 11
Kinnakeet, Avon, 7:30 12
Kitty Hawk, Kitty Hawk, 3 13
Murfreesboro, Murfreesboro, 11 17
North Gates, Kittrells, 3 17
Columbia, Columbia, 11 24
Creswell, Creswell, 3 24
Chowan, Anderson, 11 and 1 27
South Mills, Newland, 11 31
South Camden, Wesleys, 7:30 31

February
Moyock, Pilmoor Memorial, 11 7
Currituck, Mt. Zion, 3 7
Pasquotank, Mt. Hermon, 11 12
Perquimans, Cedar Grove, 11 and 1 13

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FIRST ROUND—IN PART

January
Glendon, 11 (High Falls) 3
Hemp Ct., 3 (Pleasant Hill) 3
Hemp, 7:30 3
Siler City, 11 10
Siler City Ct., 3 10
Goldston, 7:30 10
Rockingham, 11 17
Roberdel, 3 17
Ellerbe, 7:30 17
Troy, 11 24
Troy Ct., 3 24
Carthage, 11 31
Mt. Gilead Ct., 3 31
Mt. Gilead, 7:30 31

NEW BERN DISTRICT
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FIRST ROUND

January
Marshallburg, 11 3
Morehead Ct., 3 3
Beaufort, 7:30 3
LaGrange, Hickory Grove, 11 10
Seven Springs, 3 10
Riverside-Bridgeton, Bridgeton, 7:30 10
New Bern, Centenary, 7:30 13
Grimesland, 11 17
Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, 7:30 17
Mt. Olive Ct., Falling Creek, 11 23
Goldsboro Ct., Pine Forest, 11 24
Pikeville Elm St., Pikeville, 3 24
Goldsboro, St. Paul, 7:30 24
Pink Hill, 11 31
Jones-Trenton, 7:30 31

February
Dover, 11 7

RALEIGH DISTRICT
H. I. Glass, D.S., Raleigh, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Garner-Mt. Zion, 11 3
Benson, Benson, 7:30 3
Mamers, Spring Hill, 3 6
Fuquay, Fuquay, 7:30 6
Creedmoor, Banks, 11 10
Henderson, First Church, 7:30 10
Dunn, Divine St., 7:30 13
Lillington, Lillington, 11 17
Moncure, Buckhorn, 7:30 17
Four Oaks, Four Oaks, 11 24
Erwin, Erwin, 7:30 24
Raleigh, Edenton St., 11 31
Louisburg, 7:30 31

February
Raleigh, Fairmont, 11 7

ROCKY MOUNT DISTRICT
T. M. Grant, D.S., 218 S. Grace St., Rocky Mount.
FIRST ROUND

January
Farmville, 11 3
McKendree, Pinetops, 3 3
Halifax, Halifax, 6 6
Scotland Neck, Scotland Neck, 11 10
Tarboro, 3 10
Clark Street, 7:30 13

WILMINGTON DISTRICT
A. S. Parker, D. S., 519 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Chadbourn, Chadbourn, 11 3
Burgaw, Burgaw, 7:30 3
Fairmont, Trinity, 11 10
Lumberton Ct., Buie, 7:30 10
Lumberton, 11 17
Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, 8 17
Elizabeth, Trinity, 11 24
Faison-Kenansville, Faison, 7:30 24
Tabor City, St. Paul, 11 31
Whiteville, 7:30 31

February
Wallace-Rose Hill, Wallace, 11 7
Garland, Garland, 7:30 7
Roseboro, Bethel, 11 14
Clinton, 7:30 14
Southport, 11 21
Town Creek, Bethel, 7:30 21
Bladen, Bethlehem, 11 28
Wilmington, Grace, 8 28

Western North Carolina Conference

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT
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FIRST ROUND

January
Fletcher, Balfour, 11 3
Fairview, Nesbitt Chapel, 3 3
Oakley, night 3
Black Mountain, State St., 11 10
Swannanoa, Swannanoa, 3 10
Biltmore, night 10
Candler, Montmorenci, 11 17
Sandy, Big Sandy, 3 17
Leicester, Leicester, night 17
Central, 11 24
West Asheville, night 24
Hillside-Merrimon, 11 31
Haywood Street, night 31

February
French Broad Ave., 11 7

Delegates to the District Conference will be elected at this first round. Let the committee on nominations be ready to report with nominations for principal and alternate, together with correct name and address for each.

Any recommendations for license or other such matter should be brought before this conference.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT
G. T. Bond, D.S., 1100 Queens Road, Charlotte, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Big Springs, 11 3
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, 7 3
First Church, 7:30 4
Myers Park, 8:15 4
Homestead-Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Grove, 11 10
Hickory Grove, 7:30 10
Wesley Heights, 11 17
Hawthrone Lane, 7:30 17

ELKIN DISTRICT
A. C. Gibbs, D.S., Elkin, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Mocksville, Ct., 11 3
Advance, 3 3
Jonesville, night 3
Bryant Memorial, 11 10
Millers Creek, night 10
Elkin, 11 17
Farmington, night 17

GASTONIA DISTRICT
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FIRST ROUND

January
Myrtle Chapel, Gastonia, 11 3
Lowell, Lowell, night 3
Shelby Ct., Sharon, 11 10
Shelby, Central, night 10
Bessemer City, 11 17
East End, night 17
Dallas, 11 24
Bradley Memorial, Gastonia, night 24
Kings Mountain, 11 31
Stanley, Stanley, night 31

February
Maylo-Smyre, Maylo, 11 7
Belmont, Main St., night 7

GREENSBORO DISTRICT
L. B. Hayes, D.S., Greensboro, N. C.
FIRST ROUND—THROUGH DECEMBER

January
Moriah, 11 3
Newlyn Street, 7:30 3
Muir's Chapel, 7:30 6
Lee's Chapel, 11 10
Reidsville, Main, 5 10
Reidsville, Lindsay, 7:30 10
Oak Ridge, 11 17
Carraway Memorial, 7:30 17
Madison, 11 24
Mitchells-Vickery, 7:30 24
Grace, 11 31
Groome's-Midway, 7:30 31

Beginning with the first of the year delegates to the District Conference will be elected and all recommendations for license and renewal of license should come before this quarterly conference.

HIGH POINT DISTRICT
S. W. Taylor, D.S., 1005 Johnson St., High Point
FIRST ROUND

January
Ramseur-Franklinville, Franklinville, 11 3
Richland, W. E., 2 3
Asheboro Ct., W. C., 7:30 3
Oak View, 7:30 6

MARION DISTRICT
C. S. Kirkpatrick, D.S., Marion, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Drexel, Bethel, 11 3
Rutherford College, night 3
Morganton Ct., Salem, 11 10
Table Rock, Mountain Grove, 3 10
Morganton, First, night 10
Connelly Springs, Bollingers, 9:45 17
Valdese, Valdese, 11 17
Oak Forest, night 17

SALISBURY DISTRICT
E. H. Nease, D.S., 328 S. Church St., Salisbury N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
East Spencer, 11 3
Woodleaf, 3 3
Main Street-Rowan, 7:30 3
Bethel-Boger, 11 10
Harmony, 3 10
Central, Concord, 7:30 10
Youth Sub-District Meeting, 7:30 12
Mt. Pleasant-Cold Springs, 11 17
Pfeiffer, 3 17
Albemarle, Central, 7:30 17
Mt. Mitchell, 11 24
North Kannapolis, 3 24
Badin-New London, 11 31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
J. S. Hiatt, D.S., Statesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
North Newton, 11 3
Claremont-Shiloh-Claremont, 2:30 3
Newton, 7:30 3
Mooresville, Central, 11 10
Mooresville, Jones Memorial, 2:30 10
Mooresville, Broad Street, 7:30 10
Davidson, 11 17
Davidson, 7:30 17
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 24
Shepherds-Rocky Mount, 2:30 24
Troutman, 7:30 24
Elmwood, 11 31

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
W. L. Hutchins, D.S., Waynesville, N. C.
FIRST ROUND

January
Rockwood, Harmony Plains, 11 3
Canton, First, 7:30 3
Waynesville, 11 10
Morning Star, 7:30 10
Crabtree, Finchers, 11 17
Pines Creek, Pine Grove, 3 17
Junaluska, 7:30 17

WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT
Chas. C. Weaver, D.S., 898 Lynwood Ave., Winston-Salem
FIRST ROUND

January
Winston Ct., Mt. Pleasant, 11 3
Morris Chapel, 3 3
City Mission, 7:30 3
Mt. Carmel, Pine Grove, 11 10

Hanes-Clemmons, Bethel, 3 10
West Forsyth, Elm Grove, 7:30 10
Davidson, Mount Olivet, 11 17
Burkhead, 7:30 17
Pilot Mountain, 11 24
Pinnacle, 3 24
Walnut Cove, St. Mark's, 7:30 24
Lewisville, 11 31
Concord, Sharon, 3 31
Crews, Sedge Garden, 7:30 31

February

Thomasville, Community, 11 7
Thomasville, Maint Street, 7:30 7
Unity-Fairgrove, 11 14
Kernersville Ct., 3 14
New Hope, Oak Summit, 7:30 14

Winston-Salem district Conference will be held at Bethesda church, Erlanger, charge, on Tuesday, May 11, 1943, at 9 a. m.

In Memoriam

A TRIBUTE

To John L. Wells; born August 31, 1860, died October 21, 1942.

We bend today o'er a hallowed form,
And our tears fall quietly down,
As we look our last on a father's face,
With its tranquil peace and its patient grace
And hair like a silver crown.

As we touch our own to the dear cold hands,
From life's long labors at rest,
We notice a bunch of golden wheat,
Plucked as a token of love so sweet,
And laid on the silent breast.

Flowers would have whispered of fadeless bloom
In a land where falls no tears;
But the ripe wheat tells of the toil and care,
The patient waiting, the trusting prayer,
And the garnered good of years.

We knew through what labors his hands had passed,
Through what rugged places his feet;
And we joyed in the peace of his brow so white,
As touched already with heaven's own light
As it shone in the ripened wheat.

A Loved One.

SPIVEY—On Saturday night, November 28, 1942, at 9:30 o'clock Mrs. Anna Peacock Spivey, age 63, widow of Edward B. Spivey, passed from this life to her eternal reward. She gave her heart to God in early girlhood and for a number of years was a loyal member of Hebron Methodist church in Roper, N. C. Several years after her marriage the family moved to Virginia. For the past 27 years she has been a consistent member of Monumental Methodist church in Portsmouth. She was interested in all phases of the church work and served in many capacities. The high esteem in which she was held by Monumental church was expressed in the numerous floral offerings from various departments.

She lived a very active life. A heart affection suffered about 18 months ago slowed up her activities. She never lost interest in her friends of the N. C. conference. Only a few weeks ago she attended the session held in Wilson and enjoyed meeting old friends and following the proceedings of the conference.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, November 30, at Monumental Methodist church in Portsmouth, Virginia, by her pastor, Dr. Archie Wright, assisted by a former pastor, Rev. W. C. Gum. "Sometime we'll understand" was sung by Miss Geraldine Hundley, accompanied by Prof. A. J. Lancaster. Interment was in the Churchland cemetery.

One son, Roy Jackson Spivey, preceded her. She leaves two sons, Robert E. Spivey of Norfolk and Edward B. Spivey of Portsmouth; one grandson, Hugh Spivey of Portsmouth; two sisters, Mrs. Hugh Badger of Portsmouth and Mrs. W. J. Watson of Moncure, N. C.; two brothers, L. M. Peacock of Portsmouth and I. L. Peacock of Norfolk. "Sissie," as she was called by her brothers and sisters, did not reach her three score years and ten, but in usefulness and sacrificial service she outnumbered her years. And may the bereaved find comfort in the Christ she served. Her Sister.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the members of the W. S. C. S. of the Bell Arthur Methodist church, wish to note the passing of one of our beloved members. On the afternoon of May 8, 1942, we laid the body of Mrs. Henrietta Fulford to rest in the family plot beneath a mound of beautiful flowers.

She was 63 years old on April 16, 1942. She left several children and grandchildren who miss her very much. She was a good mother. Her health was not good for several years, but she attended church services and gave a helping hand in its work when able to do so. In her society we miss her face and loyalty.

Be it resolved, that we extend to her family our sincere sympathy and love.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, a copy to the N. C. Christian Advocate, and a copy placed on the minutes of our society.

Mrs. W. A. White,
Mrs. J. Lee Wilkerson.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

At a meeting of the directors of the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital, December 10, 1942, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, R. O. Lindsay, a faithful member of our board, under the providence of God, has been removed by death from the earthly plan of activity to a higher realm of service.

Be it therefore resolved: First, that we submit our wills without bitterness to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Second, that we shall miss his congenial personality, his brotherly advice, his wise counsel, and his unfailing generosity.

Be it resolved further, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, and that a copy be spread for record upon the minutes of our organization, and that a copy be sent for publication to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

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Main Street, Gastonia, Rev. C. H. Moser.

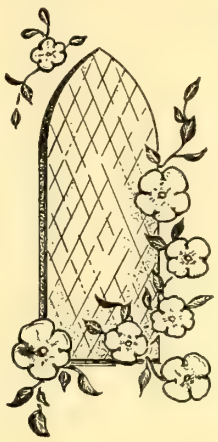
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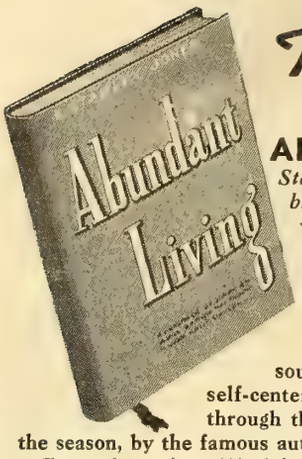
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